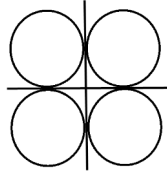


ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York 14580

May 17, 2026 Seventh Sunday of Easter

Mission Statement

St Paul's Parish Family exists for the purpose of witnessing and proclaiming the message of Jesus Christ, that message proclaimed in word, worship, service: love God, love your neighbor as yourself.



7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, 'Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you.'" John 17:1

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Mass Times

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.
Sunday at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Daily Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday &
Thursday at 8:30 a.m.

Confession

Saturday at 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

Live Stream Mass via YouTube

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.
Sunday at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Upcoming

EVENTS

Monday, May 18

Easter Weekday

8:30A Mass
6:00P Bible Study

Tuesday, May 19

Easter Weekday

8:30A Mass
12:00P Rosary Group
6:00P Parish Pastoral Council mtg.

Wednesday, May 20

Easter Weekday

8:30A Mass
9:00A Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, May 21

Easter Weekday

8:30A Mass
11:00A Together in Grief
6:00P Adult Faith Formation
Talk: "Encountering the Heart of Jesus" presented by Lisa Lickona

Friday, May 22

Easter Weekday

No Mass

Saturday, May 23

Easter Weekday

2:00P Confession
4:00P Mass

Sunday, May 24

Pentecost Sunday

Wear Red

9:00A Mass-choir sings
11:00A Mass



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Financial Snapshot

	April 2026	July-April 2026
Collections	\$29,029	\$442,324
Donations/ other revenue	\$5,422	\$59,652
Expenses	\$62,448	\$518,288
Operating surplus/deficit	(\$17,997)	(\$16,313)

Let Us Pray for Those in the Military

Jason Aman	Josh Bartlett
PJ Lajoie	Cydney Blong
Tom Weisenreder	Michael J. Desiato
Mason Serrano	Daniel Thomas
Andrew Zani	Robert Wright
Jay Riesenberger	Angelina Price



This week the
Sanctuary Lamp burns
for
Louis Spina
from
Wife, Fran & family

Seeds for the Journey

This weekend we celebrate the Seventh Sunday of Easter and the 58th Diocesan Mission Sunday. Having rejoiced in Jesus' victory over death at Easter and celebrated His Ascension into heaven, we are now waiting for Pentecost for Jesus and God the Father to send the Holy Spirit.

Hence the Church liturgy and the First Reading present to us today that scene of the disciples gathered in the upper room praying as they wait for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. This was per Jesus' promise, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in Judea, Samaria and to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

The disciples were praying asking for courage and strength to enable them to continue with Jesus' mission. We are called to do the same in order to spread the Good News and share the faith. As Christians we are invited and mandated to be missionary disciples. We have Jesus' invitation "Come to me" (Mt. 11:28) and the mandate "Go into all the world and proclaim the Gospel to all the creatures" (Mk 16:15). We come to Jesus and He nourishes us with the Most Holy Eucharist and with that strength we are sent to continue with His mission of spreading the Gospel and the faith.

Pope Francis in his Apostolic Letter *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel) wrote: "Evangelization takes place in obedience to the missionary mandate of Jesus: "Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations" (Mt. 28:19-20). In these verses we see how the Risen Christ sent His followers to preach the Gospel in every time and place, so that the faith in Him might spread to every corner of the Earth" (#9).


His successor Pope Leo XIV's supported these sentiments during his remarks to the Pontifical Mission Societies National Directors gathered in Rome for General Assembly on May 22, 2025. He said, "Our world, wounded by war, violence and injustice, needs to hear the Gospel message of God's love and experience the reconciling power of Christ's grace. Hence, we see the importance of fostering a spirit of missionary discipleship in all the Baptized and a sense of urgency of bringing Christ to all people". Some of us do this by going to the mission territories. Others promote the mission of Jesus through prayers and financial gifts to support the missionaries and the people they serve.

That is why this weekend we celebrate the 58th Diocesan Mission Sunday. To pray and collect money to support our missionary Sisters of St. Joseph in Brazil and Sisters of Mercy in Chile. This money collected helps sisters to provide food, education and medical care to the most vulnerable people in these countries. Sister Jean Bellin, who has been missioned in Brazil since 1976, wrote "Our sisters help the poor access public programs, organize food campaigns and participate in network of small groups that monitor families in need and provide food baskets. All these situations depend on the solidarity and generosity of more fortunate people."

Jesus is interceding for our unity as we devote ourselves with one accord to prayer and generous contribution to help our missionary sisters and the people they serve.

On their behalf, I want to say thank you for your generosity.

Fr. Paul




ST. BERNARD'S
ON THE ROAD

Encountering the Heart of Jesus
presented by Lisa Lickona, S.T.L.

**Thursday, May 21
6:00 p.m. in the
Worship Area**

For questions about this event, please
contact Anselm Mesue at:
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Grief Support Group



St. Paul's is blessed to have a wonderful bereavement support group. "Together in Grief" meets on the third Thursday of each month. Anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one is invited to attend our next meeting on Thursday, May 21st at 11:00 a.m. in the Music Room. All are welcome.

**Memorial Day
May 25, 2026**

Daily Mass at 8:30 a.m.
Parish Office Closed

SAVE THE DATE


May is the Month of Our Lady
Join Us As We Pray Together
St. Paul's Outdoor Rosary



When: Saturday, May 30th at 11:00 a.m.
Where: St. Paul's parking lot
What to bring: A lawn chair, rosary and a prayerful heart

ALL ARE WELCOME!

**Bible
Study**



**Monday, May 18 at
6:00 p.m. in the worship area**

St. Paul's 11th Annual Fundraiser



FRIDAY, JUNE 12

4:00-6:00 p.m.
or until sold out

\$17 per dinner
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Everyday Stewardship: Recognize God in Your ordinary Moments Everlasting Easter

The Easter season is almost over. This season is always a tougher one for us Catholics. We get Advent and Lent: preparation. We are on board with Christmas, mainly because we like to keep up our decorations until someone tells us the exact day we must take them down. But Easter as a season is a bit more difficult to observe. The rest of the world has moved on. There are no Easter eggs left in store windows and all those religious movies on television have given way to reruns or season-ending episodes. It just feels like Easter anywhere ... except in the Church.

The truth is that it should feel like Easter all year-round in the Church. Every Sunday, we celebrate a mini-Easter. Our Lord is ALIVE! He is risen and alive, and we need to celebrate. We also need to be about the work of the Lord. We are an Easter people who bear witness to his resurrection through our stewardship. If he had never risen, then we would be called to nothing by no one. But he lives! As this Easter season is drawing to a close, it is prudent to reflect on what his death and resurrection mean for each of us. How has it changed us? How does it motivate us? It doesn't look like Easter in most corners of the world, so it is up to us to bring a little Easter to every place we go and to everyone we meet.


~Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI



Ministry Schedule for May 23 & 24, 2026

If **TBD** or **Volunteer Needed** is listed, please contact the ministry coordinator to see if that position still needs to be filled. Thank you for all you do for St. Paul's!

	4:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Acolytes	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed
Cantors	Tom Napoli	Cindy Rutan	Bonnie Serio
EMHC	Bob Frank Christine Grant	DA Hutnick Margaret Milner	Ellen Santora Nancy Willard
Greeters	Bill Galbraith Diana Kemp	Ebertz family	Jean Van Apeldoorn Anne LaClair
Lectors	Barb Robbins	Josephine Cozzo	Gina & Larry McNamara
Linens	No linen pick up this week		
Sacristans	Olbrich family	Jane Adams	Laure Barr
Stream Team	John Kosel	Lou Rotundo	Chris Yuskiw
Ushers	Bill Green Alice Bower	Jack Black Paul Fetter	Dallas & Joanne Miller Chris Koppen

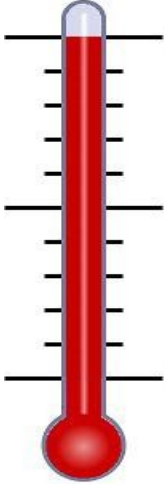


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...and Hope does not disappoint

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5/12/26




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of our goal

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Rochester Hope May Wish List



Food Collection

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Peanut butter & jelly	socks

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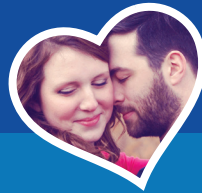
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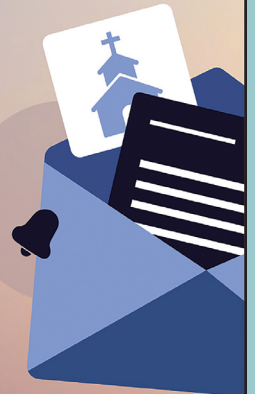


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