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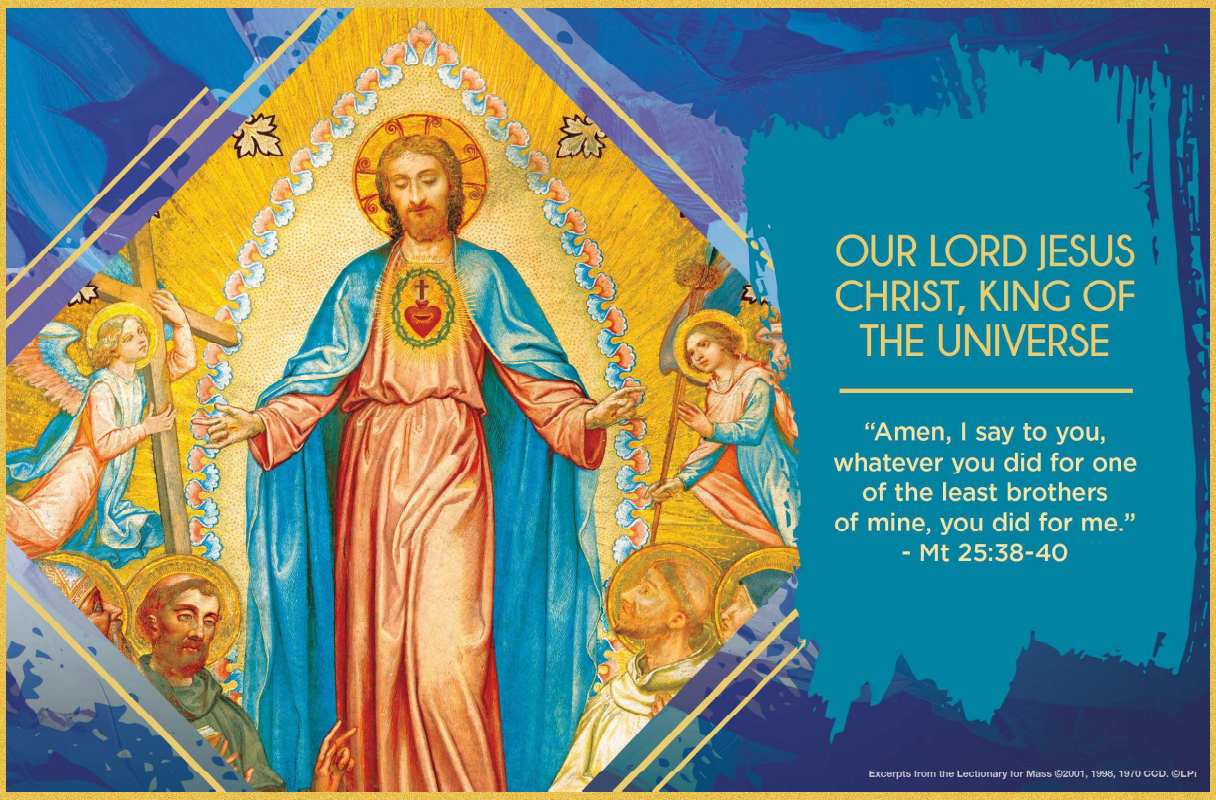


783 Hard Road, Webster, New York 14580

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 22, 2026

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.



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

Confession
Saturday: 2:00-3:00 p.m.
or by appointment

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



Live Stream Masses on YouTube
Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Wednesday: 9:00 a.m.

November

Monday, November 23
Weekday
8:30A Mass
6:00P Bible Study

Tuesday, November 24
St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs
8:30A Mass
11:00A Staff mtg.
12:00P Rosary

Wednesday, November 25
Weekday
8:30A Mass
9:00A Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, November 26
Weekday
Thanksgiving Day
Parish Office Closed
8:30A Mass



Friday, November 27
Weekday
Parish Office Closed
No Mass

Saturday, November 28
Weekday
2nd Collection: Catholic University & Other American Catholic Higher Education Institutions
2:00P Confession
4:00P Mass

Sunday, November 29
First Sunday of Advent
2nd Collection: Catholic University & Other American Catholic Higher Education Institutions
No SOR & No Confirmation Prep classes
9:00A Mass
11:00A Mass-choir sings

In all things, give thanks

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Financial Snapshot	Oct. 2026	July-Oct. 2026
Collections	$31,326	$159,828
Donations/other revenue	$5,887	$23,790
Expenses	$62,331	$197,783
Operating surplus/deficit	$(25,118)	$(14,165)

Pray for Those in the Military

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





This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns for:
Don Black
from
Alana Miller & Alicia King

Christ is King

Dear friends in Christ, today is the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical. Today, Our Holy Mother the Church, celebrates the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. This feast was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925, with the publication of his Encyclical Letter Quas Primas ("In the First"), as a response to the growing secularism and atheism in the world. At the time, Mussolini had just come to power in Italy, and fascist movements were emerging around Europe. Pope Pius XI wanted to say that there is no human figure to whom our allegiance is due. Rather, Christ is King. Today's celebration reminds us that while governments and public officials come and go, Jesus Christ reigns as King forever. Pope Pius XI stated that Jesus "is the very truth, and it is from him that truth must be obediently received by all mankind" (Quas Primas, 7). In John's version of the Trial narrative, the Roman Governor, Pontius Pilate, asked Jesus a very philosophical question: "What is truth?" - quod sit veritas? (John 18:37). Jesus notes that he came to testify to the truth. Classical philosophers had defined 'truth' as adaequatio rei intellectus – conformity of a reality/thing to the intellect (human mind). But the truth ultimately is Jesus, for he is the way, the truth and the life. If we fix our eyes and gaze on Jesus, we shall walk in the truth. If we belong to the truth, Jesus, we shall listen to his voice. Pope Pius XI gave Catholics hope that Christ the King shall reign forever despite the militantly secularistic regimes that threatened not just the Church and its faithful but civilization itself. In today's Second Reading, Saint Paul reminds us that Jesus "must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death." Christ's death on the cross overcame the darkness that consumed humankind because of the very fact that He is the Son of God who reigns over all things.

Today's Liturgy challenges us: who do I want to follow? God or the evil one? Jesus the King or the small earthly kings that entice us? Do we want to follow the truth or falsehood? According to Pope Benedict XVI, 'choosing Christ does not guarantee success according to the world's criteria but assures the peace and joy that he alone can give us.' Jesus wants to be king of our lives. However, he would not subject us to his kingship by force because he is not a tyrannical leader. Jesus is a loving king who desires that which is best for all. Jesus is inviting us today to serve him as king. This means loving Him and obeying God's commandments but also loving our brothers and sisters in the community. Today's celebration is also a reminder that we should bring back Jesus as the center of our daily lives. Jesus is our only King; not the things of the world that distract us. Christ's power as King is not that of domination or of pride. Christ's kingly power, as Pope Benedict XVI beautifully puts it, is "the divine power to give eternal life, to liberate from evil, to defeat the dominion of death. It is the power of Love that can draw good from evil, that can melt a hardened heart, bring peace amid the harshest conflict and kindle hope in the thickest darkness." Let us welcome Christ to be King in our hearts and in our lives.

As we prepare to begin the season of Advent in preparation for the Nativity, our parish, St Paul's Church offers us different opportunities to strengthen our relationship with Jesus and the community, and to prepare for Jesus's coming at Christmas:

- On Thursday December 10, at 6:30pm, we shall have an Advent Penance service with individual Confession. That is a great opportunity to reconcile with God and with the community in the sacrament of Penance.
- On Saturday December 12, we shall have our Parish Advent Retreat. The theme of this year's advent retreat is **"Advent: Holy Longing and Joyful Waiting."** Fr. John Mack, priest chaplain of the Aquinas Institute, shall be our retreat speaker.
- On the eve of December 24 and all of December 25, we shall celebrate the Nativity of Jesus, the True and universal King. We are all invited to attend the Christmas Masses. The parish choir will sing carols for us before the 6:30pm Christmas eve Mass, at 6pm.

Happy Solemnity of Christ our Universal King!

Anselm



Christmas Flowers



A Christmas flower envelope was included in the November/December envelope packet. The proceeds from this collection are used for the flowers and greenery adorning the church and sanctuary throughout Christmas.

If you wish to make a donation in memory or honor of a loved one, please note the name(s) on the envelope. The memorials will be listed in the Christmas bulletin.

Please make checks payable to St. Paul's Church adding Christmas Flowers on the memo line. **The deadline is Monday, December 14th.** If you have any questions, please contact Jodie by calling or via email at jodie.hickey@dor.org



2nd Collection: Catholic Universities

Next weeked is the collection for The Catholic University of America, the national University of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, DC.

To support this collection, please make your check payable to St. Paul's adding "Catholic Universities Collection" to the memo line. Please put your contribution in the second collection basket, offering boxes or donation slot with your regular offertory donation. Thank you for your support.

The Giving Tree

Good Sam Outreach is again sponsoring the Giving Tree which provides Christmas gifts for children in downtown Rochester.

The items requested below from St. Francis Xavier Cabrini Parish are for boys or girls size infant to 16. Please bring **UNWRAPPED** gifts to St. Paul's and place them in the parish office hallway. **No later than December 13th.** Donations for "Fuel" are also accepted, please make your check payable to St. Paul's adding "Fuel in the memo line.

Help us provide Christmas joy for less fortunate families. Thanks for your continued generosity. If you have questions, call Pat Rotundo at 356-8309.



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PLEASE NO GIFT CARDS & NO CASH



60th Anniversary Brick Memorials

Parishioners are invited to purchase personalized engraved brick memorials to honor loved ones or commemorate milestones in celebration of the parish's 60th anniversary. These commemorative bricks will be installed outside the church entrance near the flagpole as a lasting legacy of the community's history. **The cost is $100.** Cash or checks accepted. Please make checks payable to St. Paul's Church adding Brick Memorial on the memo line. Order forms are located at all the entry ways and on the bulletin board next to the music room. Please contact Jodie if you have questions.



Prayer of Thanksgiving

Generous and merciful God,
we thank You for Your abundant gifts to us.
As we celebrate this Thanksgiving,
we ask You to send Your Spirit,
to open our hearts to You and our neighbor,
that we may share the gifts You have given us.
Thank you for the many blessings of our lives:
our family and friends,
our home and the food we eat,
our health and employment.
We ask your blessing on all gathered here today,
and all your people throughout the world.
We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Called by Name Program

Bishop Bonnici has asked us to pray for vocations especially to the Priesthood. "As the Lord Himself states, and as Blessed Fulton Sheen reminded us during his tenure as Bishop of Rochester. "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the Master of the harvest to send out laborers for His harvest" (Matthew 9:37-38).

To that end Bishop Bonnici is initiating T**he Called by Name Program** in our Diocese. Beginning All Saints' Day November 1, 2026 and ending on the Solemnity of Christ the King, November 22, 2026.

Therefore we should pray for vocations one Hail Mary every day and submit the names of people we think God might be calling to serve the Church as a Priest. Please use the template provided on the bulletin board next to the music room and submit the form to the parish office after filling in the names.

St. Paul's 60th Anniversary Trivia

Last week's question: When was St. Paul's Church built?

Answer: It was structurally completed in May 1970 with the first mass celebrated in the unfinished Parish Center on May 3, 1970.

Parishioners of all ages worked together to complete the finishing touches, including painting the interior of the building. This shared effort fostered a strong sense of ownership and community from the very beginning. Many of the painting and finishing touches were completed in September 1970 months after the 1st mass was celebrated by Fr. Walsh at the new Parish Center.

For nearly three years, parish life was spread across multiple locations; Sunday Mass at Sweet's Farm, religious education at Webster Methodist School (now known as Grace United Methodist Church), and daily Mass in parishioners' homes. With the completion of the church building at 783 Hard Road, parish life finally came together under one parish center roof.

On May 2, 1971, Bishop Hogan celebrated a formal dedication mass at the new St. Paul's Parish Center.



This week's question: Why did St. Paul's build a cinder block church where the I-beams are visible?

Baptism



St. Paul's welcomes the newest members of our faith community: Austen Timothy Schulz & Madison Grace Schulz

Ministry Schedule for November 28 & 29, 2026

Some ministry schedules have not been completed yet. If **TBD** or **Volunteer Needed** is listed, please contact the ministry coordinator to let them know your availability.

	4:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Acolytes	**Volunteer Needed** **Volunteer Needed**	Kaiden Copie Luca Picca	Arya Pumputis Sharon Wright
Cantors	Cindy Rutan	Tom Napoli	Bob Slon
EMHC	Bob Frank Christine Grant	Craig Lippolis Margaret Milner	Gina McNamara Karen Napoli
Greeters	Ellen Oinen Don Oinen	Jerry Healey Corey Volo	Lisa Nicolay Nancy Willard
Lectors	Linda Pratt	Josephine Cozzo	Jann Armantrout
Linens	Mary Fitch No specific time for pick up		
Sacristans	Don & Ellen Oinen	DA Hutnick	Sandy Happ
Stream Team	**TBD**	**TBD**	**TBD**
Ushers	Sue Dettman Alice Bower	Herb Gauch **Volunteer Needed**	Dallas & Joanne Miller **Volunteer Needed**



Christian Community Family Discussion November 2026

Our Parish's family centered catechesis that brings families together to share and grow in faith.



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