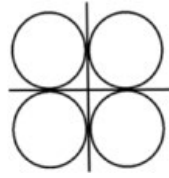


ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

November 26, 2023 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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.



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

"Amen, I say to you,
whatever you did for one
of the least brothers
of mine, you did for me."
- Mt 25:38-40

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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.
or by appointment

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, November 27

Weekday

8:30A Mass

5:30P Confirmation Prep yr. 1
make up class

Tuesday, November 28

Weekday

8:30A Mass with anointing

11:00A Staff mtg.

12:00P Rosary Group

Wednesday, November 29

Weekday

8:30A Mass

9:00A Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament

7:00P Choir rehearsal

Thursday, November 30

St. Andrew, Apostle

8:30A Mass

Friday, December 1

Weekday

No Mass

8:30A Vac Pac

Saturday, December 2

Weekday

2nd Collection: Catholic
University & Other American
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10:00A Prayer Shawl

2:00P Confession

4:00P Mass-birthday blessing

Sunday, December 3

1st Sunday of Advent

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10:00A Mass w/ Bishop Matano
choir sings & birthday blessing

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8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Friday

(closed for the lunch hour from 12:00-1:00 p.m.)

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Financial Snapshot

| | October 2023 | July-October 2023 |
|------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Collections | \$37,000 | \$157,600 |
| Donations/ other revenue | \$11,360 | \$24,220 |
| Expenses | \$64,100 | \$188,100 |
| Operating surplus/deficit | (\$15,740) | (\$6,320) |

Let Us Pray for Those in the Military

Jason Aman

Josh Bartlett

Bryan Gross

Cydney Blong

Tom Weisenreder

Michael J. Desiato

Mason Serrano

Daniel Thomas

Andrew Zani

Robert Wright

Jay Riesenberger



*This week the
Sanctuary Lamp burns for
Louis Torregrossa
from
Hillary & John Lauber*

Seeds for the Journey



Christ is our King!

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Jesus is King because He is God, the Second Person of the Trinity. Jesus existed from all of eternity. He is the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. Jesus's kingship is not about earthly domination or dictatorship. At the heart of Jesus's kingship is love. Jesus loved us so much that he won salvation for us by his death on the cross. He willingly sacrificed his life for our sins. It is a Kingship of complete self-giving and outpouring of life. Jesus invites us into a relationship with God, where God takes center of our lives. Today's world offers pleasure, money, fame. As Christians, the world offers us too many distractions, such that we may not take our Christian life as seriously as we should. Sometimes, coming to Mass is only secondary; we may forget to pray; we may abandon our Christian obligations. Today's celebration is 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. This relationship with God should be seen in the way we treat our brothers and sisters in the community. In today's Gospel, we are told that those who will inherit Jesus's Kingdom are those who feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, caring for the ill, visiting those in prison; by doing these things to others, we are doing these for Jesus. The Church refers to these as the corporal works of Mercy.

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. He is inviting us today to serve him as king. This means loving Him, obeying God's commandments but also loving our brothers and sisters in the community. By doing this, we shall spend eternity with Him in the Kingdom of Heaven. Let us reflect on the Refrain of the song 'The King is Coming':

O the King is coming
The King is coming
I just heard the trumpets sounding
And now His face I see
O the King is coming
The King is coming
Praise God, He's coming for me.

Anselm

Christmas Flowers



The proceeds from this collection are used for the flowers and greenery adorning the church and altar throughout the Christmas season.

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. We use the parishioner info on the front of the envelope to note who the donation is from, so if you want something different, please note that as well.

Please make checks payable to "St. Paul's Church". Envelopes must be received by **Monday, December 18th** in order for your loved ones names to make it into the bulletin. If you have any questions please contact Kasey at 671-2100 ext. 30 or kasey.baker@dor.org

Jambo Java Café Coffee & Donut Hour

Sunday, December 10
10:00-11:00 a.m. &
12:00-1:00 p.m.



Adult Faith in December

Due to the hustle and bustle of the holiday season we will be **canceled** both **Coffee and Catholicism** and **Together in Grief**. We apologize for the inconvenience. Please stay tuned for events coming up in the new year.

Family Life and the Eucharist



Join us on Thursday, December 7th at 6:30 PM as we welcome Dr. Matthew Kuhner and his wife Michelle to our Eucharistic Revival speaker series. The Eucharist is not something we only celebrate at mass, we must also celebrate the importance of the Eucharist as a family. As a married couple, and educators in the Catholic Church, Matthew and Michelle will introduce us to the importance of the **Eucharist and Family Life**, along with steps we can take to build up the Eucharist within our families.

Christmas Ornament & Coupon Book Sale



On December 10th during both Coffee & Donut hours there will be a Christmas ornament and coupon book sale in the parish hall. These make GREAT gifts and your purchase will be supporting multiple charities. Proceeds from the sale of ornaments and coupon books will fund St. Damien's Pediatric Hospital in Haiti and St. Michale's Woodshop in Rochester.

This year's ornaments are beautifully made wooden globes (pictured above), carefully crafted by the good folks at St. Michael's Woodshop. The ornaments are \$10 each or three for \$25. Coupon books are \$25 each. Cash or check only. Please make your checks payable to St. Louis Church and add Haiti ornaments in the memo. Thank you for your generous support.



We will again have a revised Giving Tree this year. We have eliminated the tags on the tree. Instead you can refer to the list below of suggested gift items. Any of these items can be for a boy or girl, any size infant to size 16. Purchase what you can and bring the gifts, unwrapped, to St Paul's and put them in the parish office hallway..... **please, no later than December 17**. Donations for "Fuel" are also being accepted this year, please make your check out to St. Paul's and add "Fuel" in the memo line.

We will still provide needy children with some Christmas joy thanks to your continued generosity.

If you have questions please call Pat Rotundo at 356-8309.

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Did you know?

The Feast of Christ the King was instituted in 1925 to address growing attitudes of secularism and atheism and to proclaim Christ's kingship forever. The day also marks the final Sunday on the Church's Liturgical Calendar.

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There will be a second collection on the weekend of December 2 & 3 in support of The Catholic University of America, the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, located in Washington, D.C.

To support this collection, please make your check payable to St. Paul's, adding "Catholic Universities Collection" in the memo. Thank you for your generosity.

Mass on December 3

Join us next Sunday as we welcome Bishop Matano who will celebrate Mass at 10:00 a.m.. After Mass we invite you to the parish hall for a reception. Please note there will be only one Mass on December 3rd. We will have our regular Saturday schedule on December 2nd of individual confession at 2:00 p.m. followed by Mass at 4:00 p.m.

From the John Walsh Library

Hoffman, Alice

The Dovekeepers



Nearly two thousand years ago, nine hundred Jews held out for months against armies of Romans on Masada, a mountain in the Judean desert. According to the ancient historian Josephus, two women and five children survived. Hoffman's novel weaves fact and fiction in telling the stories of four extraordinarily bold, resourceful, and sensuous women, each of whom has come to Masada by a different path. Yael's father never forgave her for her mother's death in childbirth; Revka watched the murder of her daughter by Roman soldiers; Aziza was raised as a boy to become a fearless rider and expert marksman; Shirah is wise in the ways of ancient magic and medicine. Their stories are ones of sacrifice, endurance, and above all, survival. This book is a tribute to anyone who has ever held fast to their beliefs in the face of nearly insurmountable adversity.

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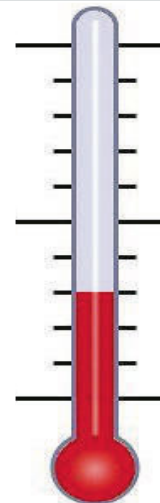
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Ministry Schedule for December 2 & 3, 2023

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 | 10:00 AM |
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| Acolytes | Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed | Katie Yuskiw Lucy Rynkiewicz Tanner Peters JP Bernier |
| Mitre Holder | NA | Chris Yuskiw |
| Crosier Holder | NA | Josh Tara |
| Crossbearer & Assistant Acolyte | NA | Morgan Tara |
| Candlebearers | NA | TJ Swinson Jackson Bernier |
| Thurifer | NA | Jill Cosgrove |
| Incense Boatbearer | NA | Forest Shick |
| Cantors | Bonnie Serio | Elizabeth Randisi |
| EMHC | Mary Beth Speicher Christine Grant | Bishop Matano Fr. White Fr. Paul Deacon Mark |
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| Lectors | Anya/Claudia Swinson | Univ. Prayer & Ann.: Bryan Kelly Reader 1: Ethan Navarette Reader 2: Maggie Milner |
| Linens | Mary Beth Speicher (No specific time for pick up) | |
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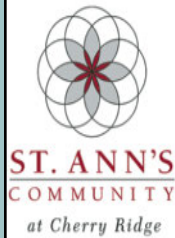


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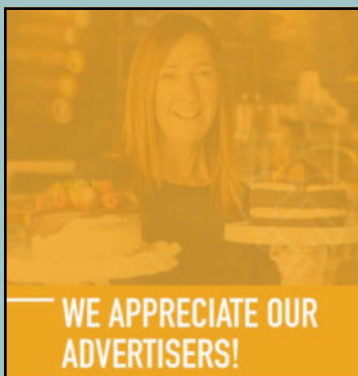
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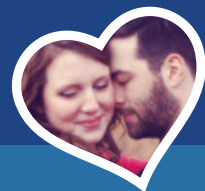
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