



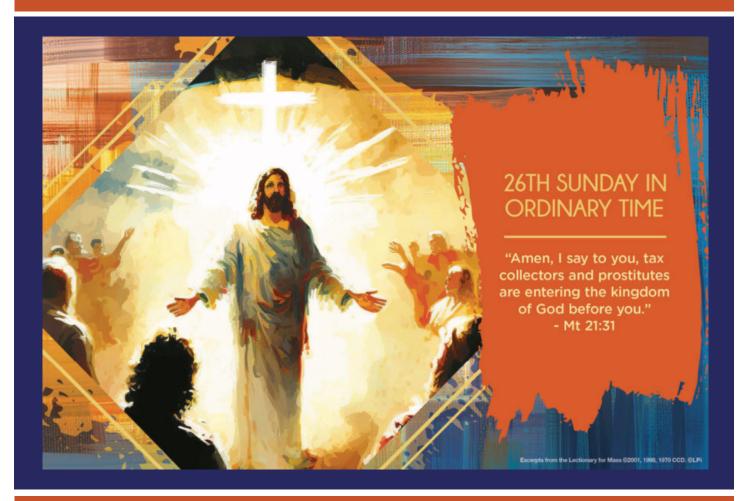


783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

#### October 1, 2023 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### **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 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.

October 1, 2023

# Apcoming, Events.

Monday, October 2 Weekday No 8:30A Mass 10:00A Memorial Mass

Tuesday, October 3 Weekday 8:30A Mass with anointing 12:00P Rosary Group

<u>Wednesday, October 4</u> *St. Francis of Assisi* 8:30A Mass 9:00A Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7:00P Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 5 Weekday 8:30A Mass 9:15A Coffee & Catholicism

Friday, October 6 Weekday No Mass 9:00A Vac Pac

Saturday, October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary 10:00A Prayer Shawl 2:00P Confession 4:00P Mass

Sunday, October 8 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time No SOR 9:00A Mass 10:00A Bible Study 11:00A Mass-choir sings



Pastor:Fr. Paul GitauDeacon:Mark RobbinsAdministrative Asst.:Jodie Hickey x21Adult Faith Formation Coordinator:Katie Van Damme x24Katie Van Damme x24kaBusiness Manager:Kasey Baker x30Director of Faith Formation:Anselm Mesue x27Coordinator of Music:John GasparFaith Formation & Liturgy Assistant:Helen Stirpe x26Facilities Manager:Ben O'Brien x28Multi Parish Finance Director:Joan Sullivan: 671-1100 x107

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#### **Office Hours**

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#### **Financial Snapshot** August 2023 July-August 2023 Collections \$30,900 \$62,251 Donations/ \$2,297 \$3,450 other revenue \$37,163 \$92,293 Expenses \$(26,590) Operating \$(3,938) surplus/deficit

#### 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 Tammy Serio-Miller From Mom & Dad

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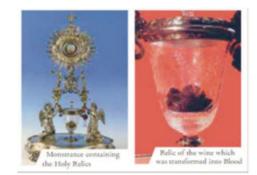
## Seeds for the Journey

This summer my family and I took a trip through Ohio, stopping in Akron to visit the house of Rhoda Wise. Rhoda was a stigmatic and mystic who received healing from Jesus through St. Therese of Lisieux. She lived from 1888 to 1948 and many miracles have been attributed to her. She is on the road to sainthood and has reached the first level in the lengthy canonization process, receiving the title "Servant of God".

At Rhoda's house there is a large container of holy water that was blessed by Jesus during one of his apparitions to her. In 1960, long after Rhoda had passed away, Rhoda's daughter and a friend witnessed a spark of bright light coming from the water container. After the light faded, they saw a host floating to the bottom of the container. This host is still there today. This has not been authenticated as a true Eucharistic Miracle but seeing it was awe inspiring. In the first picture you can see the size of the water jug. The second picture is of the host resting in the jug.



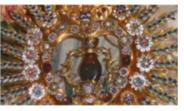
Throughout history Christ has made himself known through the Eucharist. Blessed Carlos Acuntis, who died at the age of 15, had a very special devotion to the Eucharist. He created a website which identifies all of the authenticated Eucharistic miracles throughout history. It includes an interactive map with the location of each miracle and information surrounding it's occurrence. That site is http:// www.miracolieucaristici.org/. Currently, a national traveling exhibit entitled *The Eucharistic Miracles of the World*, based on Blessed Carolos website, which includes information on 80 of the 160 miracles worldwide, is on display at Immaculate Conception Church in Ithaca, NY. More information can be found at Eucharistic Revival – Immaculate Conception Church (immconch.org). One of the most well known Eucharistic Miracles occurred in Lanciano Italy in 750 A.D. The host turned into flesh, and the wine became blood. When laboratory testing was done on samples of each in 1996 the finding concluded that the flesh came from a **live** heart in destress, and the blood is AB positive, the same blood type found in other Eucharistic Miracles and the Shroud of Turin.



In 2006 in Tixtla, Mexico a host began to bleed during the distribution of communion. 2010 Studies found that the host was again AB blood from a live cardiac muscle. Normally the tissue from a cardiac muscle would die within three months.



In Ludbreg, Croatia in 1411, a priest doubted the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. During the Consecration the wine turned to actual Blood which is still revered by many believers today.



The Eucharist is the real presence of Christ. Join us for the next Eucharistic Revival Series, starting October  $5^{th}$  at 6:30 with a presentation from Fr. Bob Kennedy to learn more about the Structure of the Mass.



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#### A Rose to Remember

St. Paul's is doing "A Rose to Remember" this year and is giving parishioners the opportunity to purchase white roses the next 3 weekends for \$5 each. There are envelopes located in the Narthex and labeled "A Rose to Remember". Simply fill out the envelope, include \$5 for each rose, and place it in a donation box in church. Please include 1 name for each rose you purchase.



The names of your loved ones will be printed

in the November 4/5 Bulletin and the roses will be presented by you to the sanctuary during mass. As you arrive for mass on All Soul's day (Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>), Saturday (Nov 4<sup>th</sup>) or Sunday (Nov 5<sup>th</sup>) your reserved flowers will be in the Narthex. After checking in with a volunteer at the flower table your roses will be set aside for during mass. As the offertory gifts are brought forward each person that purchased a flower will be invited to retrieve their flowers and process to the sanctuary where you will add your flower to a flower vessel where the parish can remember our loved ones that have gone before us.

At the conclusion of mass you can either take your Rose flower home with you or leave them at St. Paul's.

#### Station of the Cross Bumper Magnets

The Station of the Cross has been a great supporter in promoting FREE advertising of our programs. In return, they have asked that we promote their work by giving out their bumper magnets to our parishioners. If you would like to support local Catholic radio and the work of the Church, please take a bumper magnet for your car. Bumper magnets can be found in the pamphlet wrack in the hallway outside of the worship area. It's an easy way to fulfill our baptismal vow of evangelization and catechizing others to the Catholic Church.

#### **Alzheimer's and Dementia Education**

Did you know that 6.7 Million people, age 65 or older, currently have Alzheimer's Dementia? Please join Coffee and Catholicism on Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> for a special discussion on Alzheimer's and Dementia. Jane Adams, a fellow parishioner and Alzheimer's advocate, along with Daina Smith, a program manager with the association, will share their stories along with the 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's and Dementia. This critical discussion will take place at 9:15 a.m. in rooms 7 & 8. An elevator is available for those who need it.

#### Day in the life of St. Paul's Ministries

## St. Paul's Church Choir

The St. Paul's Church Choir provides support for congregational singing as well as music for meditation. The Choir sings at the weekend Masses on a rotating basis, i.e., the 4:00 Saturday Mass one week, the Mass at 9:00 the following Sunday and the 11:00 Sunday Mass the week after that. The Choir also sings at a Christmas Eve Mass and at Holy Week Liturgies. Our repertoire ranges from Latin chant to contemporary styles of music.

The "Choir Season" runs from September through June. Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 -8:30, as well as 30 minutes prior to whatever liturgies at which it is singing. While there are no auditions, members have to be able to sing on pitch in the group and follow directions. While some of our singers have prior musical training, some do not. The Coordinator of Music is happy to provide additional resources (recordings) to help singers learn their choir pieces. Singers in the 9th grade and older are welcome to join the Choir.

St. Paul's Choir has a long tradition of excellence and is always seeking additional singers. We welcome new members for a short or long term commitment. Please contact our Coordinator of Music John Gaspar for more information. Email: john.gaspar@dor.org

#### **Rosary Group**

The Rosary Group at St. Paul's meets every Tuesday at 12:00 noon in the worship space. Never recited the Rosary before? Join us to learn how. Can only come once? That's fine too! There is no commitment necessary. All are welcome.





Have you ever wondered why Mass is arranged in its specific order? Why does the liturgy of the Eucharist follow the liturgy of the word? Which readings are read for the first, second, and gospel reading? Why do we bow, stand, and sit at different times throughout the mass? On Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. we welcome Fr. Bob Kennedy to St. Paul's Church as part of year two of the Eucharistic Revival. Fr. Kennedy will answer these questions and more in his presentation on *The Structure of the Mass*.

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#### St. Paul's Question of the Week

## Dear editor, What happens during School of Religion at St Paul's?

Dear reader, many thanks for your guestion. School of Religion is a faith formation program for kids who do not attend Catholic Schools. Kids in Catholic Schools have required theology classes every school day, are expected to pray before every class, have school wide Masses, have retreats, and other faith formation opportunities. School of Religion is designed to help our kids in their faith life especially those who do not attend Catholic Schools. It is important to note that parents are the primary and initial catechists of their children. They introduce the children to the faith life and set the example by the way they live their lives and how they go about their spiritual lives to the kids. From September to May, St Paul's offers additional catechesis for the children. A dedicated and volunteer catechist is assigned to each grade who guides the children to grow in the catholic faith and model their lives after Jesus.

Grades K to 4 follow the Blest are We/Faith in Action Series.

Grade 2: In addition to SOR, they are prepared for first Reconciliation (Sacrament of Penance) and First Communion.

Grade 5: Focuses on the Bible. Particular attention is paid to the Old Testament and there is an introduction to the New Testament.

Grades 6-7: Follows the Blest are we/Faith in Action Series focusing on the Story of Jesus.

In addition to catechesis, the kids in School of Religion have their own retreat and a service day. They are introduced to the life of an active catholic within the Church community. They are also introduced to the structure and order of the Holy Mass, for the Eucharist is the source and summit of our lives as Christians.

#### Children's Litrugy of the Word

Children's Liturgy of the Word returns to St Paul's this year. It begins on Sunday October 15 during the 9am Mass. The kids will attend Mass as usual. They will be invited to the foot of the sanctuary after the Opening Prayer by Father for a blessing and dismissal. He will hand the Lectionary to one of the children to carry out. They will return to the rest of the assembly for Mass during the Universal Prayer. During the program, the scripture readings of the day are proclaimed and explained on a level relevant to the kids. It will help them grow in understanding and love of God. Teen helpers are invited to assist. Contact Anselm if interested.

#### **Confirmation Prep**

Confirmation Prep classes begin this weekend. Registration is still ongoing. Registration forms are available on the bulletin board.

## From the John Walsh Library

#### Gellman, Rabbi Marc, and Hartman, Monsignor Thomas <u>How Do You Spell God?</u> (Answers to the Big Questions from Around the World)

Rabbi Marc Gellman and Monsignor Thomas Hartman often work together, addressing religious issues from both a Jewish and a Catholic perspective. In this book, however, they tackle the "big questions" from a broader perspective by showing how each of the world's major religions would answer these universal concerns. Instead of isolating each religion in its own separate chapter, the religions are united in showing us how to live. With humor and language simple enough to appeal to both older children and adults, they use teachings from Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, and others to wrestle with such issues as why bad things happen, what happens after death, how we should treat other people and other religions. (Do heed the consumer warning that parts of the book might make you chuckle.) The authors believe "God never wanted people to say 'My ancestor was better than your ancestor.' (Call No. 200-GEL)



#### Monday, October 9, 2023

Weekday Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Parish Office Closed

#### Webster Hope October Wish List

Pasta (boxed), beets (canned), flour, sugar, size 5 diapers, dish soap and toothpaste

Please place your donations in the collection box in the Narthex. The Good Sam Outreach Committee will deliver our donations on a regular basis.

#### Ministry Schedule for October 7 & 8, 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	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Acolytes	TBD TBD	TBD TBD	TBD TBD
Cantors	Tom Napoli	Elizabeth Randisi	Bob Slon
EMHC	Sue Dettman <b>TBD</b>	TBD TBD	TBD TBD
Greeters	Bill Galbraith Diana Kemp	Pat Amedeo Jeanne Leo	Anne Hauber Ellen Santora
Lectors	Jann Armantrout	Tim Thomas	Gina & Larry McNamara
Linens	Barb Mongiovi (No specific time for pick up)		
Sacristans	Olbrich family	Jane Adams	Laure Barr
Stream Team	Rod Campbell	Tom Napoli	Chris Yuskiw
Ushers	Sue Dettman Alice Bower	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed

#### St. Paul's Panera Bread Fundraiser

Do you have anything on your calendar on October 19th? Now you do! Take the night off from cooking and pick up dinner at Panera Bread on Holt Rd. You won't have to do dishes and you will help support St. Paul's at the same time.

How does this work, you ask? It's pretty simple! All you have to do is go to Panera on October 19th from 4:00-8:00 p.m. with a St. Paul's Panera night flyer. You can order your food either online, to-go, dine in or just go through the drive through, whatever is easiest. At the time of placing your order you simply present the flyer to the Panera team member and St. Paul's will receive 25% from your total order. It's a win-win, a dinner you didn't have to cook and some extra dough for St. Paul's.





Friday, October 13 4:00 to 6:00 PM (or until sold out)

\$15 per dinner, cash or check only

Dinner includes: 1/2 chicken, salt potatoes, coleslaw, roll & butter

Drive through only No pre-sale tickets



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