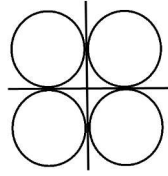


ST. PAUL'S CHURCH



783 Hard Road, Webster, New York 14580

September 20, 2026 Twenty-Fifth 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.



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Summon the laborers
and give them their pay,
beginning with the last
and ending with the first.”
- Mt 20:1, 8

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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.

EVENTS

Monday, September 21

St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

No Mass

Tuesday, September 22

Weekday

No Mass

12:00P Rosary Group

6:00P Bible Study

Wednesday, September 23

St. Pius of Pietreicina, Priest

No Mass

No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:-00P Choir rehearsal

Thursday, September 24

Weekday

Beatification of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

8:30A Mass

4:00-8:00P St. Paul's Panera

Night at Holt Rd. location

Friday, September 25

Weekday

No Mass

Saturday, September 26

Weekday

Good Sam Outreach Backpack Collection

2:00P Confession

4:00P Mass-choir sings

Sunday, September 27

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Good Sam Outreach Backpack Collection

9:00A Mass

10:00A SOR classes

10:00A Confirmation Prep class yrs. 1 & 2

11:00A Mass



Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Paul Gitau

Deacon: Mark Robbins

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Coordinator of Music: John Gaspar

Faith Formation & Liturgy Assistant: Helen Stirpe x26

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Financial Snapshot

	August 2026	July-August 2026
Collections	\$18,819	\$80,543
Donations/ other revenue	\$7,617	\$13,905
Expenses	\$29,153	\$89,128
Operating surplus/deficit	\$(2,717)	\$5,319



The flowers in the
Sanctuary this weekend
are in memory of:
Larry & Dorothy Bufano
from
Roberta Pilato



This week the
Sanctuary Lamp burns
for
Bob & Ruth Casey
from
Family

Seeds for the Journey

The theme for Catechetical Sunday 2026 is **"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...to bring good news to the poor."** (Lk 4:18), revealing Jesus' mission and identity. Anointed by the Holy Spirit, he is sent to bring hope, healing, and freedom—especially to the poor, the brokenhearted, and the forgotten. He comes not with power or status, but with compassion, restoring dignity and proclaiming God's mercy. Being a model for the Church, Us, which is called to continue Christ's work by sharing the Good News and caring for those most in need.

The 3rd Sunday of September has been designated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) as Catechetical Sunday, a special celebration to call forth those who will serve as catechists and to commission them for their ministry.

Catechesis (from the Greek word meaning "to echo") is the act of resounding or bringing the Church's teaching to the world. A special ministry in the Church. The Catechism of the Catholic Church makes clear that "Catechesis is intimately bound up with the whole of the Church's life...her inner growth and correspondence with God's plan depend essentially on catechesis". (no. 7)

A **Catechist** is one who teaches in the name of the church. Introducing and nurturing in others mature faith in Jesus Christ, leading to a deeper knowledge and love of His person and message by guiding them through the four pillars of the Catholic Church.

What Catholics Believe, How Catholics Worship, How Catholics Live, How Catholics Pray:

During the 9:00 a.m. Mass, following The Homily, Fr. Paul calls forth those who are in the ministry of Catechesis to receive a blessing. **Director and Assistant of Faith Formation** for School of Religion and Sacraments. **Teachers for School of Religion**, Michelle Heisinger, Crystal Wachter, Izzy Ebertz, Kristie Gross, Lou Rotundo, Scott Rutan. **OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) Team**, parents and Guardians who are the primary catechists of their children by planting the first seeds of faith will receive a blessing as well.

School of Religion (SOR) begins Sunday, September 27th.

Confirmation Preparation begins Sunday, September 27th.

1st Reconciliation (Penance) and 1st Eucharist (Communion) preparation begins in January 2027.

Please keep All the Catechists and Children in your prayers through the year as they continue on their Faith Journey.

Helen

Save the Date!!

12 Months of Flowers Fundraiser

Once again, St. Paul's and Kittelberger Florist are teaming up to sell "12 Months of Flowers". Gift cards, with a portion of the proceeds coming back to St. Paul's.

Simply present the gift card at Kittelberger Florist once a month for 12 consecutive months to receive a wrapped bouquet of fresh flowers.

Gift cards will be sold after all Masses on the weekends of November 7/8, 14/15 & 21/22.

Restock the Backpack Shelves!



School will be back in session before you know it and Good Sam Outreach would like to help restock the Backpack donation shelves. Last year they distributed 3,293 bags of food over 36 weeks to our 7 Webster elementary schools. The items in the bags vary from 5 to 8 and they also provide snack boxes to the schools. Thanks to donations collected by churches like ours, local organizations and individuals the value of food distributed was over \$12,000!

We will collect donations from:

September 19 through 27.

Suggested donations include:

- * **Peanut Butter & Jelly (plastic jars)**
- * **Canned fruit, soups, pastas (ravioli)**
- * **Spaghetti sauce and pasta**
- * **Granola bars**
- * **Small snack bags (Goldfish, pretzels, crackers, etc.)**
- * **Instant Oatmeal & small cereal boxes**
- * **Mac & Cheese**
- * **Tuna fish**

Thanks in advance for any help you are able to give!!!

A Prayer for Catechists

*Loving Father,
we pray today for our catechists.
We thank You for their gift of ministry
in Your Church. Grant them your wisdom
that they may grow in the understanding
and teaching of Your Word.
Grant them also Your love
that they may be fruitful heralds
of Your Word and lead others to love You
Amen!*

St. Paul's Women's Retreat



Join us on the weekend of October 2-4 at Note Dame Retreat House for St. Paul's Women's Retreat. Both a description of who we are and a call to become who God created us to be, "Holy and Beloved" is a retreat to inspire our desire for continued growth in holiness. Following the examples of holy men and women, we seek to clothe ourselves in those qualities that embody a life of virtue. If you are unable to attend on this date Note Dame Retreat House offers is also offering women to join the another retreat October 30-November 1. If you would like more information or to register, please contact St. Paul's Representative, Kim Patterson by calling 738-3143.

Break the Cycle of Poverty: Support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development

This weekend there is a second collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. CCHD addresses the root causes of poverty in America by supporting grassroots, self-help organizations of low-income people. Here in our Diocese, many life-changing community organizations have been funded with major CCHD national grants. They included a refugee organization, a small enterprise that provided employment to women in addiction recovery, and a land trust of low-income people becoming homeowners in inner city Rochester.

In support of this collection, please make your check payable to St. Paul's, adding "Catholic Campaign for Human Development" in the memo. Thank you!



September 1st 2026
 Dear Fr Paul Gittan and the
 People of Saint Paul's Church.



You have
 the kind of heart
 that says,
 "Welcome."
 Make yourself
 at home."

Thank you
 for a wonderful time.

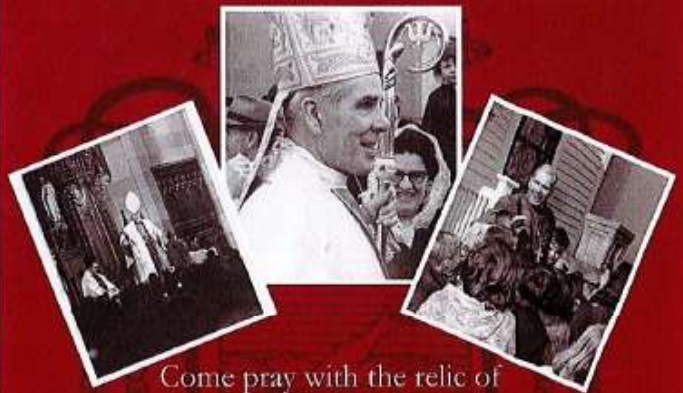
Thank you for your hospitality
 to me. You are all so caring
 and loving. I felt at home
 here. I promise you my
 prayers as I ask of the same
 from you. May Saint Paul
 intercede for us. Be blessed
 Bishop Joseph Mwangi of Mchakos,
 Kenya.

An Invitation from Bishop Bonnici



"I wanted to write to you all today to share some exciting news. Thanks to the generosity of the Diocese of Peoria and Bishop Louis Tylka, the Diocese of Rochester will be receiving a 'substantial' first-class relic of Bishop Sheen. The week after Bishop Sheen's Beatification in Saint Louis on September 24, 2026, Bishop Tylka will be visiting the Diocese of Rochester to bring us the relic. We will receive this relic in a special Mass on **Tuesday, September 29, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Rochester, New York.** I cordially invite you all to join me for this special event when Bishop Sheen returns to his Cathedral, our Cathedral!"

Blessed Fulton Sheen Relic Tour



Come pray with the relic of
 Rochester's sixth bishop!

Locations/Dates

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL
 Rochester

Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2026, 7:00pm

ST. STEPHEN
 Geneva

Thursday, Oct. 1, 2026, 7:00pm

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
 Spencerport

Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2026, 7:00pm

ST. MARY
 Geneva

Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2026, 7:00pm

ST. JOSEPH
 Danville

Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2026, 7:00pm

ST. MARY OUR MOTHER
 Hornblow

Thursday, Oct. 29, 2026, 7:00pm

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
 Ithaca

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2026, 7:00pm

Ministry Schedule for September 26 & 27, 2026

Due to the bulletin being sent to press early, 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	Luca Picca Volunteer Needed	Evan Pumputis Anya Pumputis
Cantors	Tom Napoli	Bonnie Serio	Elizabeth Randisi
EMHC	Ellen Oinen Don Oinen	Margaret Milner Trisha DeBacco	Ruth Prinzivalli Cindy Ottina
Greeters	Bill Galbraith Patrice DeAngelis	Ebertz family	Jean Van Apeldoorn Anne LaClair
Lectors	Dave Swinson	Tim Thomas	Gina & Larry McNamara
Linens	No linen pick up this week		
Sacristans	Sue Dettman	Pat Rotundo & Mary Fitch	Laure Barr
Stream Team	John Kosel	Sue Muto	Jerry Healey
Ushers	Sue Dettman Alice Bower	Dan Milner Jack Black	Charlie & Nancy Carson Volunteer Needed



**St. Rita Job Posting:
Maintenance Coordinator**

St. Rita Church & School are seeking a full-time (35 hrs. per week), non-exempt Maintenance Coordinator.

The Maintenance Coordinator is responsible for managing, scheduling, and tracking repair and upkeep tasks for parish and school buildings and grounds. Some responsibilities include weekly mowing, church bathroom cleaning, ongoing maintenance and repairs of heating and cooling units, and snow removal from walks and entrances for parish and school events (including some weekends).

If you are interested in learning more or applying for the position, please email your resume to Kasey Baker at Kasey.Baker@dor.org

Rochester Hope September Wish List

Cereal	Toothpaste
Canned meat or fish	Bar soap
Soup (pop top or dry)	Socks
Peanut butter	Diapers (size: 4, 5 & 6)
Jelly	Baby wipes
Sugar	Can openers
Single wrapped tooth-brushes	

Please place your donations in the collection box in the Narthex before or after Mass. The Good Sam Outreach Committee will deliver our donations on a regular basis. Thank you for your generosity.



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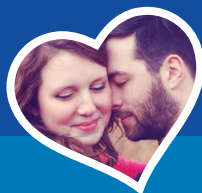
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