

# ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

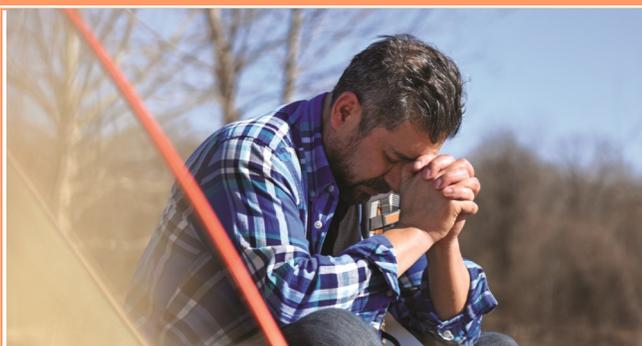


783 Hard Road, Webster, New York

**September 9, 2018 Twenty-Third 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.



**23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

# HEALED

He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "*Ephphatha!*"—that is, "*Be opened!*" - Mk 7:33b-34

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### SEPTEMBER 9TH TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Second Reading: James 2:1-5

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

### SEPTEMBER 16TH TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9A

Second Reading: James 2:14-18

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

### Prayer to Our Lady of Fatima for Peace on Patriot Day

Dear Mother Mary,

We come before you today to ask your help in healing our country. We pray for all those who suffer and are victims of violence and terrorist acts. We ask you to fill our hearts with peace and use us as instruments of peace each day. Draw us ever closer to your Immaculate Heart and to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Fill us with all the graces necessary to be conduits of His love and mercy to those in our family, in our community, and in our world. We offer up our small sufferings and sacrifices to you this day to bring an end to war and violence and for the conversion of sinners. Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us! Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

Amen.

### Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

### Weekday Masses

Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.

Friday-Communion Service 8:30 a.m.

### Individual Confession

Saturday 4:00-4:30 p.m. or by appointment

## Upcoming Events



### **Saturday, September 8** ***The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

4:00P Individual Confession  
5:00P Mass

### **Sunday, September 9** ***Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time***

9:00A Mass  
9:30A Confirmation Prep Year 2:  
Parent & Candidate Mtg.  
11:00A Mass

### **Monday, September 10** ***Weekday***

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Mass  
7:00P Finance Mtg.

### **Tuesday, September 11** ***Weekday***

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Mass  
9:15A Coffee & Catholicism  
11:00A Staff Mtg.  
1:15P Faith Sharing Group

### **Wednesday, September 12** ***Weekday***

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Mass  
9:00A Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
7:00P Catechist Mtg.  
7:00P Good Sam Outreach Mtg.  
7:00P Choir Rehearsal

### **Thursday, September 13** ***St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church***

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Mass  
12:00-9:00P Primary Election

### **Friday, September 14** ***The Exaltation of the Holy Cross***

8:00A Rosary  
8:30A Communion Service

### **Saturday, September 15** ***Our Lady of Sorrows***

9:30-11:30A Prayer Shawl  
4:00P Individual Confession  
5:00P Mass

## Parish Staff

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## Office Hours

8:30-4:30 Monday-Friday (closed for the lunch hour from 12:00-1:00 p.m.)  
**Phone:** 671- 2100  
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**Emergency Number:** 369-9687  
**Website:** www.stpaulsrcc.org  
**Diocese of Rochester:** www.dor.org

We warmly welcome all new parishioners and visitors to St. Paul's. To register please fill out a "request for registration" form available at all church entrances. Return it to the collection box at the back of the church or to the parish office. A member of our pastoral staff will contact you to complete your registration.



## September 2, 2018 Collection

Due to the holiday, the bulletin was sent to press early. Collection figures will be published in a future bulletin. Thank you!



This week the flowers on the altar are in memory of

Gina Gangi  
From  
Son



This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns for  
Helen Andrews  
from  
Leo Accardo &  
Robin Blakesley

# Seeds for the Journey

If you were gone for the summer, you may have missed some changes happening around the facility. Even if you were here, some updates:

A new entry system (the Bell) was installed on the exterior door which leads to the office, for use during the week when the business office is open. This bell notifies Jodie and she can buzz visitors in.

We also now have a Ring system which we hope to begin using now that the nighttime meetings are back. This "rings" on a cell phone. The hope is that after a meeting has begun, the doors can be locked and if someone arrives late, they press the Ring and it will notify the person having the meeting (as long as they have installed it on their cell phone) and they can let the person in. This is to reduce the time that the building is left unlocked and unattended, especially at night. If you attend any night meeting or program that we would use this at, we would notify you when this begins.

There has been a learning curve with the Bell and the Ring. Many people press the Ring instead of the Bell and when that happens those of us with the app installed have our phones light up. But only Jodie can buzz folks in (the door latch is at her desk). So it has been a bit comical when we all run for the door but we are getting the hang of it.

Please note there is no impact on entering the building for weekend or weekday masses. The doors will be opened at their regular times.

Also, cameras have been installed which view the driveways, parking lots and entry doors so we can see who is entering the grounds and facility.

We are also working on updating our Emergency Plan to help us be prepared for various situations.

Please know that these doorbells, cameras, and Emergency Plan are not in response to any specific event here at church. We are trying to balance accessibility and security, as recommended by the Webster Police as well as the Diocese. If you have any questions or concerns about the security measures please speak with any of the staff.

On a different note, we are unveiling a new website! It will contain all of the content from our old site, with some new features and information. Let us know what you think (I can ask that since we didn't design it) although keep in mind we are still updating and adjusting. We appreciate your patience but think it looks awesome!

*Robin*

## Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



In response to the invitation of Pope Francis, Bishop Matano has asked that all priests in the Diocese of Rochester join with him in observing September 14, 2018 the *Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross*, as a day of penance by the priests in our Diocese in union with the Bishop. The

Bishop stated: "I ask that as we offer the Holy Sacrifice of Mass on that day, we plead the Lord's mercy for the grave offences committed and remember especially the innocent victims of clergy sexual abuse, the faith of our people, the purification of the Church and the renewal of the clergy. On this day and in all the days that follow, we must ask the Lord to grant us healing, reconciliation and conversion of heart."

Please join Fr. Paul as he celebrates the Holy Sacrifice of Mass on Friday, September 14th at 8:30 a.m. with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following mass.

## Join us in singing "Christ in the Rubble" at all Masses this Weekend.

*In Memoriam for the dead and the bereaved,  
for the rescuers, and the world  
September 11, 2001*

*By Genevieve Glen, OSB and Tobias Colgan, OSB*

O Christ, beneath the fallen stones,  
Nailed fast to twisted bars of steel,  
And slain in flesh and blood and bones,  
Pierced by the fear all mortals feel:  
Arise from ash and dust and death,  
And breathe into crushed hearts new Breath.

O Christ, among the wreckage shorn  
Of hope for those who lie there dead,  
Yet bathed in sweat of labors borne  
To free the grieving from their dread:  
Arise from our despair's long night,  
And pour upon us living Light.

O Christ, within a world at war,  
Where love and hate fight for the soul,  
And all sights trained on death see far,  
But only Love can see the whole:  
Arise from unforgiving pain,  
And teach us how to love again.

## Confirmation 2018-2019 Looking Forward to a Spirit-Filled Year!

Year 2 Parent/Candidate Information Mtg. on Sunday, September 9th from 9:30-10:30 a.m. in rooms 7 & 8.

Year 1 Parent/Candidate Information Mtg. on Sunday, September 16th from 12:10-1:10 p.m. in rooms 7 & 8.

**Classes begin Sunday, September 23rd  
In rooms 7 & 8.**

**Year 1: 12:10-1:30 p.m.**

**Year 2: 9:30-10:50 a.m.**

Volunteers needed! Contact Bonnie at  
[bonnie.serio@dor.org](mailto:bonnie.serio@dor.org).

## Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Do you attend a Catholic Mass every Sunday with your spouse but you are not Catholic? Is there an annulment standing in your way? Are you a baptized Catholic but you haven't been confirmed? Are you a full member of the Catholic Church but want to know more about your faith?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, the RCIA program may be right for you or someone you know. To find out more about the program, contact Margaret Milner at [margaretm1@aol.com](mailto:margaretm1@aol.com) or Deacon Mark at [mark.robbins@dor.org](mailto:mark.robbins@dor.org).

## Liturgical Corner

### *A continuation of the Structure of the Eucharistic Celebration-Mass*

#### **The Prayer Over the Offerings:**

The preparation of the gifts concludes with the invitation to pray with the priest and the prayer over the gifts, followed by the Eucharistic Prayer. Standing at the middle of the altar and facing the people, the priest extends and joins his hands while he invites the people to pray: "Pray, brethren (brothers and sister), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father."

After the people's answer, the priest says the prayer over the gifts with hand extended. At the end the people respond: Amen.

Have You Read...

**Merton, Thomas**  
**No Man Is an Island**

Thomas Merton is arguably the most influential American Catholic of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. He wrote over 60 books and hundreds of poems and essays on topics ranging from monastic spirituality to civil rights, nonviolence, and the nuclear arms race. He was a devoted spiritualist and a tireless advocate for social justice. The title of this collection of essays is taken from John Donne's poem, "No man is an island, entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main." All of us remain responsible for our own share in the life of the whole body. Our destiny is to love one another as Christ has loved us. There is one universal basis for friendship with all people: we are all loved by God Who is everywhere and never leaves us.  
(Call No. 248.4-MER; "New Books" shelf)



Our new faith-based bereavement support group begins soon. We will meet Thursdays from 1-2:30 pm in classroom 7. This 13 week program runs from September 20 until December 20 (with no meeting on Thanksgiving Day). Program brochures are available in the hallways. Contact Pastoral Associate Katherine Cappuccio, 671-2100 x24 to register or with questions. The registration fee of \$20 covers all sessions.

*Banns of Marriage*

*III Zachary Parlet & Kristin Alton*

**THE OPIOID CRISIS Affects Us All**

Representatives from Catholic Family Center and Gates to Recovery will be with us Monday October 1<sup>st</sup>, from 7-9 p.m. in rooms 7 & 8 for an informative discussion about the opioid crisis and why we are all called to listen, learn, and respond. More details to follow.

For the Children

**Park, Barbara**  
**Junie B., First Grader (at last!)**

Junie B. is finally in first grade! She will be in a new class where many things are different – the teacher, the students, and even the rules. Junie is very excited and nothing can get her down, or so she thought!  
E PAR K – Grade 2.

**YOUTH GROUP**

**HELP WANTED**

seeking volunteers to help St. Paul's mission to build Disciples.

Contact Ellen Piper if you are interested and would like more info.  
ellen.piper@dor.org // 585-671-2100 x41

**Youth Group Volunteers Needed!**

Youth Group is starting soon and we are looking for a few people to commit to helping things run smoothly. Volunteers will need to be available for most of the times that Youth Group meets and will have to go through a brief training. Our mission in Youth Group is to build Disciples and we need help to do this! Please contact Ellen Piper if you are interested and would like more information Ellen.Piper@dor.org.

**Catholic Campaign for Human Development**

Next week our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. To learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development please visit [usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://usccb.org/cchd/collection).

Ministry Schedule for September 15 & 16, 2018

	5:00 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
<b>Acolytes</b>	Patrick Mason Hannah Brodt	Margaret Milner Massimo Picca	Bella Pumputis Gianna Fullone
<b>Ushers</b>	Arnie Read Joe Rizzo Chris Strait	Dan Milner Katie Milner Paul Fetter	Fred Compertore Marilyn Merrigan
<b>Sacristans</b>	Nancy Dillon	Pellittieri Family	Barr Family
<b>Lectors Commentators</b>	Margie Richardson Barb Robbins	Marcia Kusse Crissy Picca	Kim Patterson-
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Bill Polito Lauren Polito Bob Frank Liz Kmiecinski Dennis Olbrich Kathy Olbrich	Rachel Falcone Al Granville Jack Black Christine Lyons Margaret Milner Brendan Casey	JoAnn Green Ellen Santora Larry McNamara Gina McNamara George Hanley Fred Compertore
<b>Greeters</b>	Pat Weisenreder Janet Trippe	Jerry & Mary Coy Pat Amedeo	Ellen Santora Anne LaClair
<b>Linens</b>	Cathy Viola		

**Catechists Needed**

Looking for a fun and rewarding way to serve in the church and strengthen your own faith?

Teaching in the School of Awesome Religion is for you! The reward is out of this world! Contact Kim Sbarra at 671-2110 or kim.sbarra@dor.org for more details.

Currently need teachers for the following sessions:

Sunday 10:00 a.m. 2nd grade

Sunday 10:00 a.m. 3rd grade

Monday 4:30 p.m. 3rd grade

Tuesday 4:30 p.m. 5th grade (co-teacher)

**Children's Liturgy of the Word Needs You!**

We know the kids are coming, but we need **volunteers** to make it happen. Children's Liturgy volunteers are needed for both Sunday Masses. It is an easy and minimal commitment (every 5-6 weeks based on the number of volunteers). It involves taking the children downstairs to hear the scriptures in language they can understand. Everything is prepared for you. Please contact Kim Sbarra @ 671-2110 or kim.sbarra@dor.org. Please consider helping us with this important ministry that means a lot to the little ones of our community.

**Help Wanted**

Coffee and Donuts is scheduled to begin on September 30, but we can't do it without your help. Please sign up to help keep the coffee brewing at the Jambo Java Café. We encourage families to sign up. It's a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board outside the office. **Please sign up!**

**Believe it or Not....Now is the Time!**

School of Awesome Religion begins the week of September 23. It sounds far away, but let's face it...the last weeks of Summer always fly by. **NOW** is the time to register your children for our Faith Formation Classes.

**Children who attended last year in grades 1, 2, 3, and 4 are automatically re-registered in the same time slot.** So, there is no need to sign up. I will be sending registration confirmations and a billing statements within the next few weeks. Payments can be made online at our website.

**New Students & Children in Pre-K & Kindergarten Do Need to Register**

The good news is that if you are a registered parishioner, you can sign up and make payments online. Just go to our website.....

**Stpaulfaithformation.org**

Register soon so you don't get closed out of your preferred slot. We can make adjustments in the fall if your schedule changes.

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