MAY 2, 2021



ST. BENEDICT PARISH

ST. BRIDGET'S CHURCH · ST. MARY'S CHURCH · ST. MARY'S SCHOOL CALVARY CEMETERY · ST. BRIDGET'S CEMETERY

Striving to know, love, and serve God in all others.

The branches, separate from the Vine, cannot live. How often do we think this, know it, even proclaim it, and then promptly forget it? Elsewhere in scripture it says we are "like someone who looks at themselves in the mirror and then walks away and forgets what they look like." How often does this describe us?

Life in Christ is just this. We must stay connected to him because apart from him we can do nothing. We know ourselves by knowing him and the better we know him, the better we know ourselves. Shaped in goodness, we become beautiful; conformed to Christ, we become more ourselves than ever.

This metaphor is a great teaching on what the Church is. The Church is the means by which human beings become related to God. What can be more related to God than a vine to a branch? The Vine gives us life; drawing nutrients up to us through its roots and stem, we become strong. The counter-challenge of the world is one of every man, woman, and child, living for his or herself; preservation of self at any (and all) costs. And yet we worship a God who gave himself for us and called us to follow in kind. The Cross, in which is revealed Christ's perfection, also reveals that God is love and is a sign of our victory over pride and selfishness. This is perpetuated throughout history by eucharistic Communion in that saving sacrifice. We are alive because he died;

5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

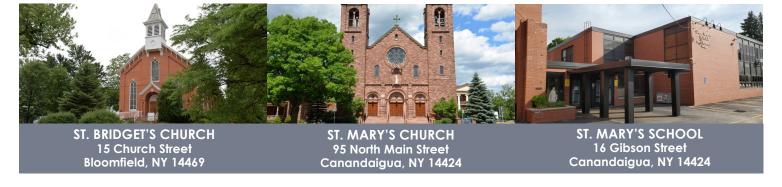
"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." - Jn 15:5

we die (to self) so we can live. May the Holy Spirit make you powerful in that Grace that calls you to stay attached to the vine — may you meet yourself in meeting him who is your Life.

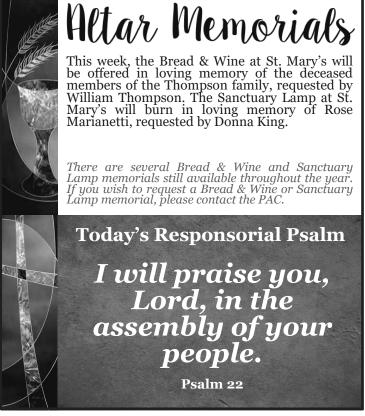
Your servant in Our Blessed Lord, Fr. Michael

NOW. MORE THAN EVER.

Now, more than ever, we need Catholic schools. Our community, our country, our world needs what Catholic education has to offer. Now is the time to change the narrative about what a Catholic education system truly is and what it can do.



DAY	MASS INTENTION
Sunday, May 2— Fifth Sunday of Easter Orthodox Easter	7:30am (SM) Deceased Members of the Delforte Family by the Buck, Zahn, & Como families 9:00am (SM) James Lewis by the family 10:30am (SB) Fred Whalen by his brother, John 12:00pm (SM) Robert Joyce by Annette & John Joyce and family
Monday, May 3— Sts Philip & James, Apostles	9:00am (SM) Leo & Veronica by the family
Tuesday, May 4— Easter Weekday	9:00am (SB) For the Welfare of a Relative
Wednesday, May 5— Easter Weekday	9:00am (SM) Dee Valvano by Vince Valvano
Thursday, May 6— Easter Weekday	9:00am (SB) Louise Boese by Marguerite Fontaine
National Day of Prayer	
First Friday, May 7— Easter Weekday	9:00am (SM) Nellie DeCarlo by Barbara & Michael Heagney
May Friendship Day	
Saturday, May 8— Easter Weekday	9:00am (SM) Dan DeRosa by Faye & Dave Connolly 5:30pm (SM) Julius, Helen, & Thomas Bartoszewski by Tom & Carol McWilliams
Sunday, May 9— Sixth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day	7:30am (SM) Larry & Barb Broderick by their children 9:00am (SM) Fr. Ignatius Curzydlo by Wendy Johnson 10:30am (SB) Janet & Dan DeRosa by Mr & Mrs Quinton Hamilton 12:00pm (SM) Domenica Campagna by the Campagna family



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Readings for the week of May 2, 2021

Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/1 Jn

3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

Monday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Jn 14:6-14 **Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/Jn

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn

15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 [3]/Jn 15:9-11 **Friday:** Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/Jn 15:12-

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21 **Next Sunday:** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17



What to Know Before Visiting the Parish Administration Center (PAC)

The PAC will only be open to the public on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 9am noon and 1pm - 4pm by appointment only, with the following restrictions: visitors will be screened before entry, only one visitor may enter at a time, visitors must be masked, and proper physical distancing will be observed.



Sacramen Baptism

St. Benedict Parish recently celebrated the Baptisms of: Makenna Mae Barton, Lillian Jade Burgess, Dorothy Joyce Gilroy, Leo Jeffrey Johnson, and Willa Harriet Pragle

Congratulations and welcome to the faith!



On April 24, 2021, our parish celebrated the Marriages of: Ryan Dronzek & Madison Kirch John Mulvey & Alyssa Sackett

Congratulations and best wishes!



On Saturday, April 24 and Sunday, April 25, 2021, our parish celebrated the First Eucharist of:

Leighton & Kellen McNamara, Liam Donnelly, and Jonathan Santevecchi

Congratulations to you all for taking this important step in your faith journey!







Pictured: (top left) Leighton and Kellen McNamara, (top right) Liam Donnelly, and (bottom left) Jonathan Santevecchi

Photos used with permission by the families.

Additional First Eucharist celebrations are scheduled throughout this Easter Season and we look forward to celebrating with those young people and their families.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Update

May Meeting: The St. Vincent de Paul Society will hold an all-member, in person meeting on Wednesday, May 5 from 2:30pm to 4pm in Dougherty Hall. We will be able to host this meeting after a six month in-person hiatus due to the Coronavirus pandemic. While we are not out of the woods yet, we are now allowed to host a meeting of this nature, while still adhering to Covid-19 protocols, including: masks, social distancing, cleaning after facility use, filling out proper paperwork, etc. Though we are eager to get together again, we fully understand and appreciate each member's decision as to whether to attend in person or not. All are welcome!

Spring Clothing Drive! The St. Vincent de Paul Society will host a Spring Clothing Drive during the month of May! Next month, the Society is hoping to collect Spring clothing for boys, girls, women, and men of all ages. Here is the clothing wishlist: new underwear and socks,

as well as new and lightly worn Spring jackets for boys, girls, women, and men.

All the clothing donated and collected will be given to the St. Vincent de Paul Society Clothing Room and St. Benedict's Migrant Ministry in Marion, N.Y.

A van or SUV will be located near the PAC (Parish Administration Center) after each Mass the following weekends in May: 8/9, 15/16, 22/23 and 29/30, to place the clothing.

We are in need of volunteers to oversee the donations after each Mass during the above listed dates in May. If you can donate some time and volunteer, please call Mary Schmidt at (585) 394-0378 to help for this most worthy

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers or sisters of mine, you did for me." (Matthew 25: 31-46)

Reconditioned Watches Available to Those in **Need:** Fr. Tom Travers, C.Ss.R., a Redemptorist and member of the retreat team at Notre Dame Retreat House in Canandaigua, has donated at least two dozen reconditioned watches for client distribution to the St. Vincent de Paul Society Clothing Room.

As long as available, the watches will given out one per (Picture for example only. These are not the actual watches available.) client family.



Father Tom said that if anyone in the St. Benedict Parish community was interested in contributing a watch(es) that needed a battery or crystal face plate, to the St. Vincent de Paul Society Clothing Room, he would be happy to repair them and return them to the Clothing Room for those clients most in need.

If interested, please drop off your "slightly worn" watches in the Clothing Room during the hours of operation. Thanks in advance for considering donating to our effort to make life better for ALL of our sisters and brothers.

SVDP Clothing & Voucher Room Hours

120 N. Main Street, Canandaigua. Masks required for visits!

CLOTHING ROOM

Wednesdays, 10am - 2pm Saturdays, 10am—noon

VOUCHER ROOM

Wednesdays and Fridays, 10am - 12 noon

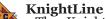


Notre Dame Retreat House's Spring "Desert Days"

As we continue to navigate these challenging times, give yourself an opportunity to converse with God in order to revitalize your life and heart. We will give you the time, space and materials . . . all you need to do is come with a willing heart and an open mind. There are three dates for Spring: May 5, May 19, and June 2. In order to address social distancing requirements and needs, attendance is limited to fifteen people—open to men and women.

The day begins at 8:45am and concludes at 3pm. During your time with us, our priests are available for Confession and/or conversation and will offer Mass at the closing of our day. The cost is \$25.00 and includes lunch! To register or for more information, please call (585) 394-5700 or

email ndretreat@rochester.rr.com.



The Knights of Columbus Council #1445 will meet in Dougherty Hall on May 13. A social 'gather and meet" is at 6pm and the business meet-

ing is at 7pm. All Covid rules will be observed.

We thank all of our volunteers that continue to help us move food donations to the Blessing Room at St Bridget's. We are now into our second year and any one wishing to participate can contact Robert Dugan, Grand Knight, at (585) 753 2786 or meet us at the Walmart loading dock Monday and Thursday at 10.30am. We then proceed to Target. Both locations are in the Victor/Eastview Mall area. We could use another pick up truck on Thursdays.
On **June 12**, the Knights will be running a Chicken BBQ

at the Roseland Center parking lot near Lyons National Bank. Be sure to mark your calendar and get some chicken

to go. This event runs about 11am to sold out.

Any Catholic man who would like to join the Knights of Columbus should contact the Grand Knight, Robert Dugan, at (585) 754 2786. Join us in works of charity to show the love of Christ to the world.

Shawls Available to Those in Need



The St. Benedict's Prayer Shawl Ministry has been very active in spite of not being able to meet during the pandemic. There are prayer shawls available at the PAC and at St. Bridget's Parish Hall for any-

one who feels a need in these difficult times. They are a great comfort to those suffering illnesses, grieving lost loved ones, or even just experiencing stress and anxiety. They are blessed and have a tag expressing their purpose. They have been created with knitting needles, crochet hooks, donated yarn, and much love and prayers. If you would like, please call the PAC at 394-1220 or visit St. Bridget's Parish Hall after Mass or during the hours that the Blessing Room is open. If you have any questions, please contact Bev at 657-7042 or Rose Anne at 657-6537.

The Ministry always welcomes new members. If you cannot meet with us when that time returns, you can work at home. We can supply yarn and tools if needed. We also gladly accept any yarn that anyone can donate.

Weekly Confession Schedule

Wednesdays: 5:30pm—6:30pm in St. Bridget's Church Saturdays: 3:45pm—4:45pm in St. Mary's Chapel

Masks must be worn. Physical distancing will be observed.

Note: "Porch time" will return at some time in the spring and summer.



St Benedict's Parish Support for April 24 & 25, 2021

Attendance

5:30pm Saturday at St. Mary's: 126 (16.8% capacity) 7:30am Sunday at St. Mary's: 117 (15.6% capacity) 9am Sunday at St. Mary's: 210 (28% capacity) 10:30am Sunday at St. Bridget's: 67 (19.1% capacity) 12 noon Sunday at St. Mary's: 148 (19.7% capacity) Total in Attendance......**668**

Easter Offertory to Date	\$15,151
Budgeted	\$20,000
Overage (Shortage)	\$(4,849)

Weekly Offertory

Total Weekly Offertory Income	\$9,910
Weekly Needs	\$17,500
Overage (Shortage)	\$(4,645)

Year To Date

Offertory Income*	\$747,486
Year To Date Need	\$752 500
Year To Date Overage (Shortage)	\$(5,014)
Year To Date Overage (Shortage) *Regular Sunday Collection	

Online Giving through Our Sunday Visitor:

Please visit https://stbenedictonline.org/ to sign up to give online. If you are unable to give online, your offertory can be placed in the collection basket at Mass or be mailed in to the PAC. Sincere thanks!



Cemetery Clean Up — Wreaths, etc. to Be RemovedWe are planning a cemetery cleanup day in Mid-May and are asking that all holiday wreaths and other items, including wilted or faded arrangements be removed from the grave sites at both cemeteries — St. Bridget's and Calvary prior to May 8. Additionally, if there are other items on the grave sites that you wish not be discarded, please remove them prior to May 8. Thank you for your assistance.

Stewardship Opportunities

Volunteers Needed:

- Lawn Mowing—Volunteers are needed for the Lawn Mowing Ministry. Contact: Dan Corbett at (585) 683-1580 or Daniel.Corbett@ejgallo.com
- Marriage Formation—couples are needed to volunteer to assist with other couples preparing for their marriage. Contact: Teresa.Dunn@dor.org
- Baptismal Formation—volunteers are needed to assist parents preparing for the baptism of their child(ren). Contact: Teresa.Dunn@dor.org
- Sacristans for Masses—volunteers needed to help set up prior to weekday (St. Mary's) and Sunday Masses. Contact: Teresa.Dunn@dor.org
- Catechists-volunteers needed to assist with Faith Formation and Youth Ministry for 2021-2022. Contact: Teresa.Dunn@dor.org

Upcoming Events:

- (This Weekend! May 1 only) Parish Spring Cleaning and Maintenance Weekend—Additional details, including specific cleaning and maintenance needs will be forthcoming. A Volunteer Waiver form (found on our website) must be completed ahead of time by those participating in this event.
- (May: 8/9, 15/16, 22/23 and 29/30) Spring Clothing Drive -volunteers needed to oversee the donations after each Mass. Please see page 3 more details. Contact: Mary Schmidt at (585) 394-0378
- (May 15) Cemetery Cleanup (9am-noon at Calvary Cemetery)-volunteers will be needed to help with raking and picking up branches and debris, etc. A Volunteer Waiver form (found on our website) must be completed ahead of time by those participating in this event.

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AND TO OUR
PARISHIONERS:
PLEASE REMEMBER
THAT, IF YOU
SHOULD FIND
AN UNFAMILIAR
CAR IN YOUR
FAVORITE
PARKING PLACE.



(this also applies to pews (2)

SMS Current & Upcoming Fundraisers





Stephen Ministers Are Here for You

Are you or is someone you know going through a crisis in life? These crises happen in all of our lives at one time or another. They include such things as depression over the loss of a job, grief at the death of a loved one, the necessity for hospitalization, divorce, the birth of a child, pandemic fatigue, loneliness...



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When crises come, it is helpful to have someone who cares for you. Our faith community has trained lay people who offer a ministry of Christian caring for those in need. When a crisis happens to you, make use of their ministry. To find out more about Stephen Ministry or to receive a Stephen Minister's care, call the parish office at (585) 394-1220. Information about St. Benedict Parish's Stephen Ministry can also be found at https://stbenedictonline.org/stephenministry.



It hurts to lose someone. Find help at GriefShare.

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences: losing someone you love. The GriefShare program consists of a video seminar series featuring some of the nation's foremost Christian experts on grief and recovery topics as seen from a biblical perspective. The video seminars are combined with support group discussions of the materials presented during the video and a personal workbook is provided for individual study. This is an opportunity to be around people that understand what you are feeling. Please email Diana Gerland at drgerland@gci.net with any questions or to receive the Zoom meeting link. You may join at any time; the sessions do not need to be completed in sequential order.



Elizabeth Ministry in the Diocese of Rochester

A Catholic Support Network for Miscarriage, Stillbirth, and Infant Loss

- As local Catholic women who have experienced the loss of a child, our goal is to offer support to women and families suffering through a similar loss.
- We sponsor two annual Masses of Remembrance each year in May and October at various parishes throughout the diocese.
- We strive to provide emotional, spiritual, and practical support to women and families.
- We offer on-going support by being available in person or over the phone to talk, listen, and pray together.
- We distribute comfort kits, provide resources, and help make logistical arrangements.
- If you (or a loved one) are seeking support or are interested in joining our mailing list, please contact us:
 Molly Hickey at ElizabethMinistryROC@gmail.com or

Janene Loughran at #585.329.1974

Please Pray for our Sick & their Caregivers

Marty Badger Sheryl Barry Bill Baumgarten Jack Bement Constance Bennett Marian Betsinger Christopher Black Anna Bomwell Leanne Bossert Carol Bowler David Boyle Barbara **Brooks** Evelyn Bugg Ruth Bundy Marilyn Burnett Jeremy Burns John Burns Linda Burns Sara Burns Pete Caffo Weldon Canough Pete Carter Robert Casella Rina Chappell Bob Cirre Michelle Cleaves Mark Conover Terrence Constable Darlene Creswell Susan Cristantello Marge Croker Bruce Currier James Curry Robert Damato Brenda D'Angelo Beverly Price DeNard Dana ĎiGiulio Sue Dobies Alan & Patricia Donnelly William Ďreesen Wyatt Erti Pauline Fehrenbacker Steve Finnick Marilyn Fisher Joe Fitzgerald Caleb Ford Robbie Gaiek Adam Genazzio Andrew German Jeff & Stacey Gibbs Elizabeth Gotham Elodie Graham Barbara Graves

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Elaine Vanetta Janet VanGelder JoAn Van Troost Annette Vitalone

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Natalia Yanez Lisa Young

...and any other unnamed individuals needing our prayers.

Compassionate and Loving Father, In the face of confusion and concern impart to us the calm of Your presence.

In You allow us to find hope and healing.

Be with those who serve the sick and aive them Your carina hands.

Be with those who lead and give them Your spirit of wisdom.

Be with those who have fallen ill and give them Your comforting heart.

Wrap Your arms around our world and hold us in Your love.

Allow us at this time of trial to then serve as instruments of that love to all we meet.

> We ask this in Your Name Amen

St. Benedict Parish Office and School Office Information

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St. Mary's School

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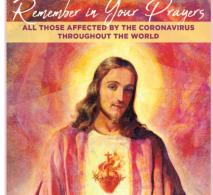
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