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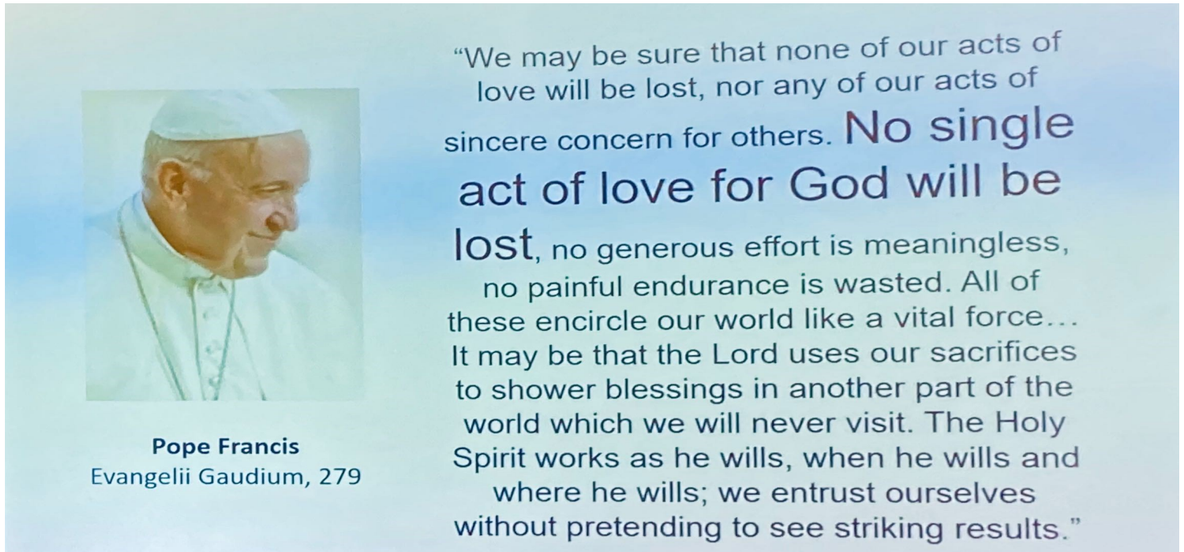
October 20 , 2019 Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Last week, I was away for the annual convention of the Canon Law Society of America, which this year met in the Diocese of Camden.

Although most of the content of the conference was technical in nature (for example: I heard a talk about Common Law Marriage which is recognized in seven states plus the District of Columbia, and which is very occasionally relevant to cases in diocesan marriage tribunals), the opening address was spiritual in nature, and it was so good, I wish I could share it with you all in its entirety!
Bishop Cozzens from the Archdiocese of St Paul & Minneapolis spoke on the topic: "It is Enough for the Disciple to Become Like His Teacher." Here are some highlights from my notes:
"Your vocation, especially at this time in the church involves you in suffering. It is the cross. It can become a heavy thing and affect us in our discipleship. How do we carry it joyfully?"
"We are reluctant to acknowledge our feelings. Instead we judge our feelings. We need to pour out our emotions to God, our frustration. " 'God, show me how this is good for me. I don't see it.' This might reveal some deeper hurt that is there. Eventually I receive God's way to see this."
"Bankruptcy? God makes these things work for good? He needs to show us."
Bishop Cozzens concluded with this idea from Pope Francis:

God Bless,
Fr. Peter



Weekend Mass Schedule:
Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 7:45, 9:30 & 11:15 am

Weekday Masses & Holy Day Masses: See Bulletin

Confession: Sat. 3:45 to 4:30, Wed. 5:45-6:15 pm or by appointment.

Baptisms: We look forward to the Baptism of your child.
Please call the Parish office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Marriage: Couples are to meet at least six months in advance with the parish priest or deacon. Pre-Cana attendance is required. Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

Hospital Visits: Please state you are a parishioner from St. John's Spencerport during your intake if you want to be visited or call the parish office.

Prayer Chain Call 352-5481, **ext.213**, and leave a message.

Food Cupboard: (585) 397-0290

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Hours of Operation: Tuesday & Saturday 10am-4pm, Wednesday & Friday 10am-1pm & Thursday 3pm-8pm

Parish Cemetery: General Information: 352-4462 or 352-1287

Columbarium Information: Dave Hodder 352-4462

Mass Schedule - October 21, 2019

MONDAY
8:00am — Stella & Ed Maj-Bob & Sue Bouvy

TUESDAY — ***St. John Paul II***
8:00am — Deceased Members of the Meyer & LaFond Families-Tom & Maureen Meyer
1:00pm-6:00pm — Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

WEDNESDAY — ***St. John of Capistrano***
5:45-6:15pm — Confession
6:30pm — Joan Dowdell-Don & Mary Ann Dean

THURSDAY — ***St. Anthony Mary Claret***
8:00am — Karen Culhane-Ron & Marcia Sission

FRIDAY — ***St. Isidore the Farmer***
Traditional Latin Mass
8:00am — People of St. John's

SATURDAY
3:45-4:30pm — Confession
5:00pm — Joan Dowdell-Marcia Meyer

SUNDAY — **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Readings: Sir 35:12-14, 2 Tm 4:6-8, Lk 18:9-14
7:45am — People of St. John's
9:30am — Joan Dowdell-JoAnne Maier
11:15am — Herbert Peck-Grace Ziobrowski

Memorials: This week our sanctuary lamp will burn for Bill Zurowski

Requested by: Mike & Anne Marie Clayton

Prayers for the soul of Dick Kuhn

Our prayers and sympathy to Marilyn Kuhn on the death of her husband and to Kathy Wedgwood, Julie & Terri Seuffert & Scott & Chris Kuhn on the death of their father.

Wedding Congratulations to

Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Hull (Maeve McQuilken)

A Note about Diocesan bankruptcy: *I am hesitant to give to a "bankrupt" organization. Why should I?* Your contributions provide funding to operate crucial ministries for people of all walks of life. While the Diocese reorganizes, these needs continue and can only be met with the financial support of the faithful.

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

Collection 10/13/19:…….$10,928.87
Weekly amount needed for budget:……$8,671.00
Year To Date Collection:……..$135,863.50
Year To Date Needed for budget:……$130,065.00

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

Collection 10/6/19:…….$9,818.67
Weekly amount needed for budget:……$8,671.00
Year To Date Collection:……..$124,934.63
Year To Date Needed for budget:……$121,394.00

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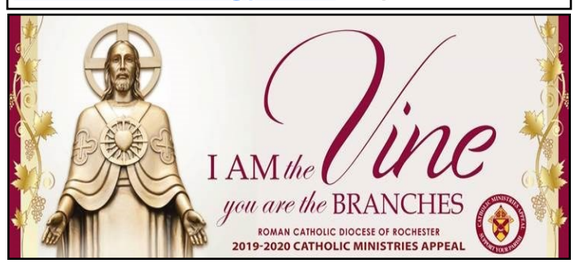
October 26/27 Ministry Schedule			
5:00 p.m.	**7:45 a.m.**	**9:30 a.m.**	**11:15 a.m.**
Sacristans			
Magin	Brown	Taylor	Morganti
Altar Servers (Captains in bold)			
M. Eichas	**K. Hitchings**	**J. Gatti-Ezard**	**M. Zicari**
M. Eichas	L. Hitchings	**A. Glozer**	P. McAuliffe
A. Holmes	G. Hitchings	J. Glozer	
M. Holmes	R. Hitchings		
Lectors			
T. Eichas	J. DeRuyter	D. Tayler	Y. Moyce
R. Vitale			P. McAuliffe

St. John's Parish Calendar

Monday, October 21		
1:00pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry	PC Library
6:00pm	Confirmation Yr. 1 & 2	PC Basesment
6:30pm	GIFT	School
6:30pm	Pivotal Players Bible Study	PC Chapel
Tuesday, October 22		
11:00am	Contemplative Prayer	PC Library
1:30pm	St. Vincent de Paul Society	PC Dining Rm.
7:00pm	Boy Scout Troop 165	Scout Rm
7:00pm	Saturday Music Group	Church
Wednesday, October 23		
9:30am	Quilting Group	PC Dining Rm
7:00pm	Genesis to Jesus Bible Study	PC Chapel
7:00pm	PEACE Faith Sharing	PC Dining Rm
Thursday, October 24		
8:30am	Grace Collaborative	School
6:30pm	Cub Scout Pack 165	Scout Rm
8:00pm	Adult Men's Basketball	Gym
Friday, October 25		
Saturday, October 26		
8:00am	Cursillo Men	PC Dining Rm
Sunday, October 27		

Keeping Our Gaze on Christ as His Faithful Church

A free conference for men and women to encourage fidelity to the Church and encourage vocations to the priesthood amidst the abuse lawsuits. It will be held Saturday, November 9, from 9-12PM at St. Patrick's parish center in Victor.
There will be two presentations:
"Insist on the Word! Catholic 'Grit' Lived In and Out of Season" by Fr. Peter Van Lieshout and "For the Love of Christ and Souls: Why Encourage Vocations to the Priesthood Today" by Fr. Matthew Walter. Adoration and Benediction will be offered, followed by light refreshments. Kindly email catholicmomsofrochester@gmail.com to register.



G.I.F.T. FAMILY FUN DAY
Saturday, November 9th, 2019 12:30-3:00pm in the School

Join us as we celebrate 10 years of Vacation Bible School!
Justin Jackson has been running St. John's VBS for 10 years and we're going to celebrate the 10 themes we've enjoyed with a big party event! Parents will lead their children through interactive and informative stations based on the past 10 VBS themes to delve deeper into the church's teachings. You wont want to miss this extravaganza!
Volunteer Opportunity: We're looking for several volunteers (adults and teenagers) to help set up the stations, check families in, and to assist "behind the scenes". Please contact Justin at justin.jackson@bcs1.org or call or e-mail Julie Bailey at 352-5481 x204, Julie.bailey@dor.org.

TEEN NEWS

New This Year: Teen Day of service – We have an idea, **are YOU interested**…Would you like a **few hours without your kids right before Christmas**? We are considering a pilot program called "DROP and SHOP" on December 21st from 10am – 2pm. BEFORE we move forward we need to know if you are interested in this service! The cost is a monetary donation (funds benefit teen programs here at St. Johns) and a can of fish (Tuna, Salmon..) that will match our movie theme and go to the local food pantry. Call or text Barbara at (928) 399-0444.

Remembrance Prayer Service
Saturday, November 2nd AT 11:00 AM

Please join us for our annual Remembrance Prayer Service in honor of our loved ones who have died this year. Names of the deceased will be read and a candle lit in their memory. Anyone may submit their loved one's name and bring a picture for display. To submit a name or if you are unable to attend and would like a candle lit in memory of your loved one, please e-mail sstjohnc@dor.org or call the Parish Office with their name by Thursday, October 24th.
The traditional **Blessing of the Graves** will take place at St. John's Cemetery following the Remembrance Prayer Service. Come join us as Fr. Peter leads us in a short prayer followed by the blessing of individual graves.

Save The Date - The March for Life
Friday, January 20, 2020

Can you believe it – **it's 3 months until the 2020 March for Life!**
Will you join us? On January 24, 2020 we will gather in Washington, D.C., our nation's capital, to speak out against abortion. We are reaching out early so we can see how many parishioners are interested in going on a bus! All trip details and how to register will be posted soon!

White Mass for Health Care Professionals

Saturday, October 26TH, 4:30pm St Louis Church (Pittsford)
The Most Reverend Bishop Salvatore R. Matano will celebrate the annual White Mass for Catholic Health Care Professionals on Saturday, October 26th, at 4:30 pm at St. Louis Church in Pittsford.
The Mass is sponsored by the Finger Lakes Guild of the Catholic Medical Association and is particularly relevant to all doctors, nurses, and allied health care professionals, as well as chaplains and clergy. Family and friends are welcome.
A dinner and social reception will follow in the St. Louis Church Hall. Please RSVP for dinner to: **RSVP.FLG.event@gmail.com**. More information about the White Mass and the Finger Lakes Guild can be found at **www.FingerLakesCMA.org.**

Social Ministry News

Whatever you did for the least of my brothers, you did for Me.

Poor Box Collections for Oct. will go to the **Spencerport Human Needs Fund.** This fund responds to the needs of the poor to assist them to become self-reliant and overcome their difficulties.

Ecumenical Food Shelf needs Hamburger Helper, Jell-O, crackers, jelly & shampoo. If you are in need of food assistance, call 397-0290.
Faith in Action: "A Tale of God, Neighbor, Self" is the topic of a lecture by Dr. Carolyn Woo, former CEO of Catholic Relief Services. October 29 at 6:30pm in Kearney Hall of St. John Fisher College.

OCTOBER – RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Advance Medical Directives: Planning for Your Future
Read the full version at respectlife.org/advance-directives.
Human life is good and to be protected. All medical decisions ought to reflect this core belief. Yet some medical and legal documents used to define a patient's future care can be harmful. No matter how well-crafted, they can't predict all the possible scenarios and best courses of action. In each set of circumstances, we need to judge whether a given treatment will provide real benefit to the patient, without causing harm or disproportionate burdens. The safest option is to designate a health care agent to make decisions if you become incapable of doing so. It's best to appoint a responsible, trustworthy person who understands and shares your Catholic values, and can apply them when the need arises.

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Hands of Christ Nominations: The Hands of Christ is a recognition program to assist parishes in affirming their high school seniors who have been the "Hands of Christ". Recognized seniors are invited to receive a plaque from the Bishop Salvatore R. Matano at one of three special Recognition Ceremonies to be held in 2020.

The Criteria to receive this very special recognition:
- Has consistently demonstrated a Christian attitude by word and example.
- Has been actively involved in the parish as well as their school or community.
- Has been a positive role model to their peers, younger children and adults.
- Is a practicing Roman Catholic in a parish in the Diocese of Rochester and attends Mass.
- Is currently a high school senior.

If you would like to nominate someone please contact Barbara Lake at 585-352-5481 or Email: Barbara.lake@dor.org ALL nominations are due **by November 15th**. The recognition event for St. John's is Monday, February 3, 2020 at 7:00pm (St. John the Evangelist, 2400 W. Ridge Rd., Rochester, NY 14626.)

Evening Prayer Candlelight Vespers
Sunday, 27, 2019 7:00PM – 7:45PM
St. Bernard's 120 French Rd, Rochester, NY

As evening draws near and lights grow dim, the Church throughout the world stills itself in the rite of solemn Vespers - a time where monks, clergy, religious, and lay faithful sing praise to God for the blessings of the day, drawing from readings in the Old and New Testament, the Psalms, and Mary's Magnificat.
Join us on the last Sunday of every month for candlelit Vespers and *a capella* polyphony music. *Free and open to the public - no registration required.*