

Blessed Sacrament  **Saint Boniface**  **Saint Mary's**
Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

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August 16, 2020
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME EVERYONE: No matter who you are, no matter where you've been, no matter what you've done, you are invited, accepted and most welcome in our parish communities. We hope Christ will bring fullness into your life, and that we can provide you with the spiritual support and information you need.



**20th SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish."
And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

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***Temporary Sunday Mass Schedule:** Saturday 4:00pm at St. Mary's
Sunday, 9:00am at St. Boniface and 11:00am at Blessed Sacrament.*

*Reservations are required to attend these Masses,
see the parish website or call the parish office before Thursday at 3:30pm (585-271-7240)*

*Those seeking to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance in individual confessions,
please contact one of our parish priests to schedule a time.*

*The Parish Offices are now open for telephone calls and emails,
but visitors and parishioners will not be granted entry at this time.
If you would like to schedule a Mass or have another need, please call 271-7240, before you set out for the office.
Parish Offices are located in the former rectory at Blessed Sacrament Church.
Office Hours are Monday through Friday 8:30am-4:30pm*



Download our app! Find it on iTunes or Google Play!



Nursery at Blessed Sacrament & St. Mary's are currently closed due to COVID-19 restrictions.



Low gluten hosts available by request at "Check-In" before Mass.



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Parish Events

PRAYING THE ROSARY FOR THOSE ON OUR PRAYER LIST

Parishioners come together each Thursday to pray the Rosary for those listed on our prayer lists, as well as any personal intentions they have. We invite you to join us in a Zoom Meeting every Thursday at 2:30pm for our weekly Rosary for Healing. The next Rosary for Healing will be held on **Thursday, August 20 at 2:30pm**, go to zoom.us, click on "Join a Meeting", and when prompted, enter:

Meeting ID: 932 1223 5048

Password: 004061

If you are unable to join us via computer, please consider simply praying the rosary during that time with us.

Families with Children Kindergarten-Grade 9

FAITH FORMATION AND SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION UPDATE

In preparation for the upcoming school year, we are closely monitoring the safety guidelines and awaiting the directives about school reopening from the Diocese and State of New York. Our priority will continue to be the safety of our students and volunteer catechists. During the week of August 9, all families who participated in our Faith Formation program during the 2019-2020 school year should have received an email with a survey about possible options moving forward. If you will be new to our Faith Formation program in the fall, contact me and I will send you the survey. Families registered in one of the Catholic Schools with children entering Second or Eighth Grades who are interested in preparing for the Sacraments of Penance, First Communion or Confirmation, please email me (kathleen.wayne@dor.org), so we can keep you informed of the preparation sessions.

The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a process of prayer and conversation that invites people to grow in their understanding of God, faith and the Catholic Church. If you, or someone you know is interested in learning more about the process of becoming Catholic or completing the sacrament of initiation, contact Sister Kathleen Wayne 585-507-9961 or kathleen.wayne@dor.org.

SUPPER PROGRAM WISH LIST

The current wish list includes: cookies, Ziploc bags (small size for cookies and bread), salad dressings, olives, lettuce, tomatoes, tuna, elbow macaroni, mayo, egg noodles, hearty soups, ketchup and parmesan cheese.

If you can provide any of these items, please contact Mary Jo at maryjo.lightholder@dor.org or by phone at 585-442-5279, to arrange the donation of wish list items. We thank you for your support! Please note the Supper Program has opened for takeout.



Readings for August 23, 2020
Twenty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time

IS 22: 19-23
ROM 11: 33-36
MT 16: 13-20

Devotions, Liturgies and Mass Intentions

Please note: Our parish priests will offer WEEKDAY Mass, without the presence of the faithful, for the intentions listed below.

Saturday, August 15, Feast of the Assumption of Mary

4:00 p.m. (SM) Hindey Moser by Shirley Cirillo
For the Poor of Rochester by The Cleary Family

Sunday, August 16, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. (SB) Jeffrey Budd by Donna and Tom Murphy
11:00 a.m. (BS) Joseph Forte by Children
Helen and Arthur Flindell by Frances Carnay
Jack Garner by Joy Klein

Monday, August 17, Weekday

Marilyn Shrader 4th anniversary by the Shrader Family

Tuesday, August 18, Weekday

For the intentions of Bentley Vega by Sharon Swartz

Wednesday, August 19, Weekday

Gerard Walsh by Chris Walsh

Thursday, August 20, St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

For the Parishioners of the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

Friday, August 21, St. Pius X, Pope

For the Parishioners of the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

Saturday, August 22,

4:00 p.m. (SM) Cirilla Agustin by Shirley Cirillo

Sunday, August 23, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. (SB) John Rokos by Family
Anna and Martin Greene by Barbara Greene

11:00 a.m. (BS) Walter and Helen Davis by Joan Davis
Mike Wade by Dave and Kitty Jensen
Dave and Kitty Jensen on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary by Katie Dinolfo



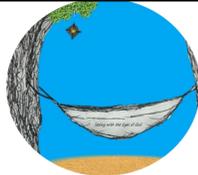
Please Pray for those in need of healing: Michelle Wade, Layla Tremble, Margaret Nordbye, Tina Wagner, Louise Fletcher, Carla Logan, David Ballerstein, Tim Crosier, Mary Kniep Hardy, Michael Boothby, Joan Hacker, Bridget Toth, Larry Grasta, Larry Schlosser, Patricia Hynes, Sr. Marilyn Williams, Muriel Dech, Marilyn Dietz, Silvia Centanni, Landon August Coia, Frances Carney, David Boothby, Barbara Fransen, Sheila Keeler, Thomas Stalts, Brian Dzuba, Carol Childs, Carm Donovan, Carla Spooner, Kathy Haight, Diane Kannel, Gwen Walsh, Diane Vadney, Jeanne Tyler, Jean Milne, Pat Nicolosi, Theresa Sullivan, Jim Melito, Ruth Smith, Rick Gorman, Maya Johnsen, Scott Miller, Loretta Rose Doyle, Jerry Lynch, Sam Lanzafame, Kitty Jensen, Mary Ann DiPolito, Larry Eschrich, Linda O'Donnell, John McCrank, Lucy Coonan, Matthew Grasta, Barbara Tredeau, John Lentricchia, Terrance O'Donnell, Louise Adler, and Conrad Scheg.

Please help us keep our list accurate by calling as soon as possible when you or a loved one would like to be removed from the list.

Please Note: Due to HIPAA regulations, hospitals are not allowed to give out the names of patients when they call to report that our parishioner is in the hospital. If you or a loved one is in the hospital, please contact the church office directly to let us know.



Congratulations and our promise of prayers for **Joseph Maurici, who was ordained a deacon for our Diocese on Saturday, August 15.** Joseph is the son of parishioners Joe and Wendy Maurici and often times (before COVID) assisted at St. Boniface when he was home on break from the seminary. With God's grace he will be ordained to the priesthood next year. Please pray for Joseph and all who are discerning a call to ordained ministry, religious life, or lay ministry in our church.



**VACATION BIBLE CAMP:
Seeing with the Eyes of God**

Summer Journey of Faith: Week 8 August 16-22

Theme: Is your house a house of prayer? God surprises us because all things are possible with God.

Scripture: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7; Psalm 67; Romans 11:13-15; 29-32; Matthew 15:21-28

Prayer: Sometimes our traditional prayers become too rote and we neglect to consider the meaning of our words. Spend some time slowly and thoughtfully praying the Lord's Prayer. What do the words mean to you on this day? Share with someone!

Reflecting in the Hammock: How is your prayer life? Do you truly have a house of prayer? Do you remember to turn to God with your gratitude and joys as well as with your fears and worries? Do you quiet yourself enough to listen for God's message? Spend some time this week reflecting on your communication with God. We are trying to See with the Eyes of God this summer, but hearing God is just as important.

Summer Journey of Faith Bags: The remaining bags for the month of August were distributed the weekend of August 9th. If you did not receive the activity bags for Aug 16, 23 and 30th, there are a limited number of bags in the parish office. Call the office 271-7240 and we will leave the bags, with your name on them, at the door. At this time the office remains closed to the public.

HELP NEEDED WITH FACILITIES

The Facilities Taskforce is seeking the short-term assistance of those who are skilled in electricity, plumbing, and heating/cooling (HVAC). Our goal is to assess the state of each of the 14 buildings in the Southeast Parishes. A good deal of the work is already up-to-date and well-documented. We are fortunate to have on the team a qualified surveyor, architect, building inspector, and maintenance experts. Once we have a complete team in place, we expect the work to move quickly. Please consider joining us in this project. Contact Bernie Heveron at bernieheveron@gmail.com or call 585-737-4806 for more information. You may also place your contact information in the collection tower at Mass.

RENEWING AND REFRESHING ADULT FAITH

While out walking through my city neighborhood on a recent beautiful day, I was struck by the number of people sitting on their porches reading books. I wondered what they were reading this summer, so I reached out to a few people to ask. I share some of their choices below. —Sister Kathleen Wayne, RSM

I read *Forever Young* (JFK Jr) by William Slyvester Noonan—his very good childhood/adult friend. A different viewpoint—easy to read since I know about JFK Jr.

Saving Faith, by Elizabeth Osta (local author)

It Was & Was Not So, by Bill Castle (local author): fiction, but I think about his life. (Happens to be my neighbor!)

Home & Homework by Julie Andrews—two memoirs. Who doesn't love Julie? Her life (*Homework*) is a whirlwind in homework, dizzying with Visas and home in different countries.

I'd like to read *Virgin of Prince Street* by Sonia Livingstone (local, *Ghostbread* was her first book). Religious theme, Corpus Christi Church/Prince St., so should be of interest.

The Giver of Stars (JoJo Moyes) & *The Bookwoman of Troublesome Creek* (Kim Michele Richardson)—both are about Kentucky horseback librarians. Both do have violence and the second one has a lot about blue skinned people there—so a bullying/bias theme as well.

I have read all of Maeve Binchy's books!

God's Guest List: Welcoming Those Who Influence Our Lives, by Debbie Macomber. Part fiction, part instruction for Christian living. This book invites us to stop and reflect on how God is working in our everyday life.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS SUNDAY

Due to the Pandemic, we were not able to celebrate Diocesan Missions Sunday in May. Bishop Matano has given permission to honor the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Sisters of Mercy working in Brazil and Chile on the weekend of August 22-23. Many people already have supported the Sisters by mail to the parish or online giving during the past months. We are most grateful to you but we would like to give everyone the opportunity to help the missionary works of the sisters through a special collection.

The church is called to proclaim Jesus Christ, who was crucified, died and is risen: through him God bestows "new life" that is divine and eternal. This the "Good News" which changes people and history, and which all people have a right to hear.

We cannot be content when we consider the millions of our brothers and sisters who don't know Christ and the love of God yet.

"As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard." (Acts 4:20)

For over fifty years, the Sisters of St. Joseph have labored in Brazil and the Sisters of Mercy in Chile. On next weekend, August 22-23, we call upon you to help with your prayers and sacrificial gift, so that they may continue to bring Christ into a world where darkness, despair and emptiness prevail. Please place your offering in an envelop marked "Sisters" and drop it in the collection tower or mail to the parish office. Thank you.

A Word From Father John...

For me, summers can be such a wonderful time of year in Rochester. And this summer, we seem to have been blessed by particularly sunny and warm weather. I appreciate the sunlight as its natural light floods into the spaces that I occupy, greeting and encouraging me to get up and get on with all that life has to offer. Sunny days always seem like invitations to get outside and play. The warmer weather makes going outside all the easier. No need to put on additional layers of clothing. Just throw on some shoes and walk out the door. Perhaps, this all goes back to a childhood, where the best of days were full of outside activity and fun with friends from morning until bedtime.

Since the start of the stay-at-home orders back in March, I have been spending a lot more time outside going for walks, both downtown where I live and around Highland Park and Mt. Hope Cemetery. I think it helped to keep at bay the cabin fever that can set in after being cooped up inside too long. My walking partner, Fr. Bob Kennedy, and I have run into a number of you as we have been out and about. Others have remarked that they caught sight of us walking along as they drove by.

I was remarking to Fr. Bob a few weeks ago that I am appreciating summer all the more this year. Just being able to find the time to be outside after dinner, when it has cooled down a little bit and the daylight stretches well into the evening, makes for a great time to stroll about taking in the sights, especially in the glow of twilight. It's just a delightful opportunity to unwind, relax and recharge. I thank God for that gift in the midst of the challenges of our present situation. And I hope and pray that you have found similar opportunities to do what you need to do to cope in holy and healthy ways with the challenges that you may be facing at this time.

I have some more good news to share with you. I received official word from Bishop Matano that he has assigned Deacon Ed Knauf to serve in our parish starting in September of this year. Deacon Ed will be ministering in our parish on a part-time ten-hour per week volunteer basis, as he has a regular full-time job, wife and family. He was ordained in 2012 and has served faithfully and well in St. Kateri Parish in Irondequoit and most recently in St. John the Evangelist Parish in Greece. We are still working out his exact responsibilities and involvement in our parish. Yet, I am sure that you will be seeing him on the weekends, serving and preaching at Masses, as well as helping with occasional baptisms, weddings and wake services. As one priest said to me right before I was ordained a deacon, "Now, you will be able to hatch, match and dispatch." I also see a possible role for him in our renewed efforts in evangelization and outreach to those who may have been alienated from the Church for any number of reasons. I know that you will join me in welcoming him to our parish ministry team. Please keep Deacon Ed in your prayers as he takes leave of the folks in his current assignment and begins to transition to joining us in September.

Some of you may be wondering how this affects Deacon David Palma's status. At this point, I have not received any indication that Deacon Ed's assignment to our parish precludes the possibility of Deacon David returning to service in our parish, when his "sabbatical" ends come January 2021. We will have to see where Deacon David's discernment during his time away may take him, as well as what needs may arise in our larger diocese. In my experience, we have enough going on in our parish that a capable and compassionate minister always will be welcome to join us.

Wherever the next few weeks may lead you or whatever may come your way, may you have a sense of God's presence, love and joy in your life!

Peace and blessings.

Yours,

Fr. John

What does *LIVING IN JUSTICE* or *JUSTICE MAKING* Bring to your mind?

During these summer months with so much attention being given to the sin of racism, we are reprinting articles members of the parish Social Justice Committee wrote reflecting on the U.S. Bishops' pastoral letter on racism:

Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call to Love

A Pastoral Letter Against Racism

Today is the Final Reflection

The Bishops' pastoral letter is a roadmap to our souls' inner conversation regarding racism. It asks the Christian individual to seek revelation about the war between self and often competing selves. The Christian who seeks sincerely to know God and to follow His revelation of love, is also the soul in search of self. We may find ourselves in a conundrum: How can I be a Christian whose love of God runs counter to feelings arising out of racism? The conundrum challenges us to know the source of these feelings, ones that mask our prejudice and point to our unwitting beliefs. "Open Wide Our Hearts" is an appeal to each individual. It's a statement that our task of knowing God's love is not over.

We know that racism is learned, just as a child learns whatever is actively discussed or displayed in adult behavior. Racism does not come naturally. As Jesus points out: the child innately loves, if only we could become like the child. But adults overlook this quality and discount the child's discoveries and observations. Children learn injustice from being devalued. We grow too late, finding our hearts hardened: to racist beliefs, to other forms of injustice including attitudes toward poverty, those who are aged, and many forms of injustice concerning women. God calls us to awareness of all forms of injustice, asking us to seek ourselves in Him, in his justice for all people. — Gary Goodwin

WELCOME TO OUR NEW STAFF MEMBERS!

Good news!!! Our two staff members, **Gina Morgese** and **Dennis Mahaney** are here beginning their ministry with us! Gina started July 31, Dennis on August 10 and we are looking forward to getting to know them and providing opportunities for them to get to know us. Given the inability to host welcoming Coffee Hours for Dennis and Gina, we are encouraging parishioners to send them a note, a card, a picture, or email and tell them a little about yourself, your family, your ties to the parishes, or your hopes and dreams for the future. Here is their contact information:

Dennis.Mahaney@dor.org **Gina.Morgese@dor.org**

Or, if you want to send them a note or card, send it to **259 Rutgers Street Rochester, NY 14607.**

Let's give Gina and Dennis a robust welcome!!!!

WATCHING MASS AT HOME

While we are unable to attend Mass due to the Coronavirus outbreak, the following options for televised Masses are available:



Sunday 5:30am on News10 NBC (WHEC)
 Sunday 8:00am on MeTV (Over-the-Air 10.2 & Cable channel 1245)
 Mass may be streamed anytime on WHEC.com
 Mass can also be seen daily on EWTN at 8:00am

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- Walter Miller**, St. Mary's
- Diane Kannel**, Gardener, St. Mary's

PARISH COLLECTION INFORMATION

August 2, 2020	Actual	Budget	Variance
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 6,183	\$ 6,700	\$ (517)
St. Boniface	\$ 3,939	\$ 3,000	\$ 939
St. Mary's	\$ 6,133	\$ 5,050	\$ 1,083
Year-to-Date Totals			
Blessed Sacrament	\$36,517	\$40,200	(\$3,684)
St. Boniface	\$16,144	\$18,000	(\$1,856)
St. Mary's	\$28,063	\$30,300	(\$2,237)

**Thank you for your faithful and generous support!
 We depend on your thoughtfulness and commitment.
 God bless you.**

LOVE WILL END ABORTION

If you are feeling a nudge from the Holy Spirit to learn more about the Sidewalk Ministry, please don't ignore that prompting. There are two things you can do immediately: Check the email blasts for times for the upcoming Live One-Hour Basic Sidewalk Training Webinars with Jim Havens.

You can also sign up as a prayer partner or shadow a sidewalk counselor. To find a time that works for you, email Lorraine White at lorraine@lovewillendabortion.com. Our goal here in Rochester is to have a prayerful, peaceful presence every hour that our local abortion centers are open — because no one should ever say, "No one was here for me when I had my abortion."

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