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Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

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April 25, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Easter

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.

On the 150th anniversary of St. Joseph being declared the Patron of the Universal Church, Pope Francis proclaimed December 8, 2020-December 8 2021, the "Year of St. Joseph". We offer this Litany of St Joseph for your prayer and reflection in anticipation of the Feast of St Joseph the Worker, celebrated on May 1st.

Litany of Saint Joseph

Lord, have mercy.	Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.	Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.	Lord, have mercy.
God our Father in heaven,	have mercy on us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the world,	have mercy on us.
God the Holy Spirit,	have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, one God,	have mercy on us.
Holy Mary,	pray for us.
Saint Joseph,	pray for us.
Noble son of the House of David,	pray for us.
Light of patriarchs,	pray for us.
Husband of the Mother of God,	pray for us.
Guardian of the Virgin,	pray for us.
Foster father of the Son of God,	pray for us.
Faithful guardian of Christ,	pray for us.
Head of the Holy Family,	pray for us.
Joseph, chaste and just,	pray for us.
Joseph, prudent and brave,	pray for us.
Joseph, obedient and loyal,	pray for us.
Pattern of patience,	pray for us.
Lover of poverty,	pray for us.
Model of workers,	pray for us.
Example to parents,	pray for us.
Guardian of virgins,	pray for us.
Pillar of family life,	pray for us.
Comfort of the troubled,	pray for us.
Hope of the sick,	pray for us.
Patron of the dying,	pray for us.
Terror of evil spirits,	pray for us.
Protector of the Church,	pray for us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,	have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,	have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,	have mercy on us.
God made him master of his household,	And put him in charge of all that he owned.

Let us pray. O God, who in your inexpressible providence were pleased to choose Saint Joseph as spouse of the most holy Mother of your Son, grant, we pray, that we, who revere him as our protector on earth, may be worthy of his heavenly intercession. Through Christ our Lord. R/. Amen.

Taken from USCCB.org

"I am the good shepherd, and I know mine and I know the Father; and I will lay down my life for the sheep."

- Jn 10:14-15

Temporary Sunday Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00pm at St. Mary's
Sunday: 9:00am at St. Boniface
11:00am at Blessed Sacrament
5:00pm at St. Boniface

Due to pandemic restrictions, reservations are required to secure a space at these Sunday Masses. See the parish website or call the parish office between 10:00am Wednesday & 3:30pm Thursday at (585-271-7240) to reserve a seat.

Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday, Thursday & Friday 12:10pm at St. Mary's;
Tuesday & Friday, 7:30am at St. Boniface, and
Monday & Wednesday 8:00am at Blessed Sacrament;

NO Reservations required for these daily Masses.

The Parish Offices (located in the former rectory at Blessed Sacrament Church) 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. Office Hours are Monday through Friday 8:30am-4:30pm.

The Mailing address for all three churches is as follows:

259 Rutgers Street
Rochester, New York 14607
(585) 271-7240
(585) 442-7517 Fax
Church locations are listed to the right.

Blessed Sacrament
534 Oxford Street
Rochester, New York 14607

Saint Boniface
330 Gregory Street
Rochester, New York 14620

Saint Mary's
15 St. Mary's Place
Rochester, New York 14607

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

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Weekly Calendar/Parish Events

Sunday, April 25
9:45 a.m. Faith Formation Classes (**BS**)
12:00 p.m. Voices of Women (**Zoom**)

Monday, April 26
5:30 p.m. Book Discussion: Meaning of Mary Magdalene (**Zoom**)
7:00 p.m. Parish Pastoral Council (**Zoom**)

Tuesday, April 27
6:30 p.m. RCIA Meeting (**BS School**)
7:00 p.m. Parish Pastoral Council (**Zoom**)

Wednesday, April 28
10:00 a.m Bible Study (**Zoom**)

Thursday, April 29
2:30 p.m. Weekly Rosary (**Zoom**)

Friday, April 30
6:00 p.m. Young Adults visit Rochester Contemporary Art Center

Saturday, May 1
3:00 p.m. Virtual Family Faith Formation session (**Zoom**)

Sunday, May 2
9:45 a.m. Faith Formation Classes (**BS School**)

Please Pray for those in need of healing: *Michelle Wade, Layla Tremble, Carla Logan, David Ballerstein, Mary Kniep Hardy, Michael Boothby, Joan Hacker, Bridget Toth, Larry Grasta, Larry Schlosser, Patricia Hynes, Muriel Dech, Marilyn Dietz, Silvia Centanni, Landon August Coia, Frances Carney, David Boothby, Barbara Fransen, Sheila Keeler, Brian Dzuba, Carol Childs, Carm Donovan, Carla Spooner, Kathy Haight, Diane Kannel, Gwen Walsh, Jeanne Tyler, Pat Nicolosi, Jim Melito, Ruth Smith, Maya Johnsen, Sam Lanzafame, Kitty Jensen, Mary Ann DiPolito, Larry Eschrich, John McCrank, Lucy Coonan, Matthew Grasta, Barbara Tredeau, Terrance O'Donnell, Louise Adler, Paul Rice, Ann Maloney, Denise Alexander, Bob Wilson, Roy Hinckley, Rose Koonmen, Mary Beth Ferguson, Loretta Rose Doyle, Amanda Milne, Diane Vadney, Ann Marie Arnold, Fred Williams, Mary Beth Driscoll, Ann Bauman and Patricia Scouten.*

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.

Devotions, Liturgies and Mass Intentions

ALL of our Masses are now open to the public.
But attendance is limited by COVID restrictions.

Saturday, April 24
4:00 p.m. (SM) Amidio Dalberth by Liz, Lisa, Lori, and Dena and Families

Sunday, April 25, Fourth Sunday of Easter
9:00 a.m. (SB) For the intentions of Mark and Jennifer Fulmer by Patty Curry
11:00 a.m. (BS) Helen Malinowski and Richard O'Donnell Hale by Nancy O'Donnell
5:00 p.m. (SB) Tyrone Christy by Pierre and Dorothy Loncle

Monday, April 26, Easter Weekday
8:00 a.m. (BS) Joe Shelter by Tom Tosti
12:10p.m. (SM) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Community

Tuesday, April 27, Easter Weekday
7:30 a.m. (SB) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Community

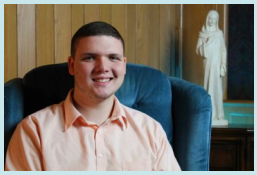
Wednesday, April 28, Easter Weekday
8:00 a.m. (BS) For the intentions of Linda and Barbara Vrla by Frances Carney

Thursday, April 29, St. Catherine of Siena
12:10 p.m. (SM) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Community

Friday, April 30, Easter Weekday
7:30 a.m. (SB) Joyce Meteyer by Family
12:10 p.m. (SM) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Community

Saturday, May 1
4:00 p.m. (SM) Paul Robert Simon by Shirley Cirillo

Sunday, May 2 Fifth Sunday of Easter
9:00 a.m. (SB) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Community
11:00 a.m. (BS) Margaret and Kenneth Handel by Margy Handel
5:00 p.m. (SB) Claire Sterling by Amanda Rayburn



WELCOME TYLER, OUR NEW PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

Hello everyone! My name is Tyler Davis and I am blessed to be serving as the new Pastoral Associate here at the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community! In my role I will be primarily facilitating and growing the youth and young adult ministry we have here at the SERCC but will also assist with baptismal preparation and confirmation programs.

I am a recent graduate of Roberts Wesleyan College where I completed my Bachelors in Non-Profit Management last May. During my time at Roberts I was blessed to serve in various ministries both in and out of the church that address social issues such as homelessness and ministry focuses such as young adult fellowships and fundraisers. I currently live in Mumford NY with my family and several animals including dogs, cats, and a 7 year old sibling named Nehemiah. When I am not working, I enjoy working out, hanging out with my friends, and spending time with my girlfriend, Laura.

Before my position at the SERCC I served actively at St. Pius X in Chili within their Knights of Columbus, Young Adult Ministry, RCIA, and as a Lector, Choir Member, and Hospitality Minister. Additionally, I worked at St. Charles Borromeo as their Youth Minister & Social Media Communications Assistant.

Having begun my journey to the Catholic faith in 2019, I bring a convert's zeal for the faith, rooted in years of previous ministry experience. I have a profound passion for our Catholic faith and I look forward to sharing that with you all!

If you ever want to chat or have questions, please feel free to email me at tyler.davis@dor.org .

I look forward to serving you!

-Tyler

Voices of Women April Presentation
Zoom with us on April 25

Dancing with the Divine is the subject of this presentation being given by Sue Howard, Pastoral Associate-Retired. This will be a guided prayer experience for men and women. Divine Wisdom is often described in the female form. Sue will explore the power behind the creative initiative that embodies Wisdom. Let the Wisdom of God wash over you and raise you up into a new dimension of prayer life. Sue suggests, that before the session begins, prepare a quiet comfortable place for you to pray. A lit candle nearby would enhance your experience. We look forward to your participation in this unique session. Before **Voices of Women** adjourns for the summer months, all are invited to join us early for a Zoom social time from 11:30 to 12:00 . Look for our return in September!

Join Zoom Meeting
https://zoom.us/j/91360216490?pwd=RW1vZzVBTnF2UjRHVVNHYVNOZDE1Zz09
Meeting ID: 913 6021 6490
Passcode: 058080
One tap mobile: +19294362866,,91360216490# US (New York)

RENEWING AND REFRESHING ADULT FAITH

We offer this reflection which demonstrates a process of decision making that often we need to engage. As a community of believers, we also encourage listening to the voices of faith leaders charged with the task of shepherding the community. We have included references at the end of our parishioner's reflection for those who are wrestling with the fear of being vaccinated.

—Sister Kathleen

What does that mean, the Common Good? Truthfully!

Truthfully, the vaccine is an experimental drug! So I asked myself, do I wish to be a part of another governmental experiment like so many I could name? There are so many unknowns! So over these months I've wrestled with these fears, these unknowns listening to the experiences of others, these in particular:

1. My sister who worked in the health industry all her professional life: she said they've been "expecting" a virus like this for years so they have, in fact, been working on a solution for many years (at least 10!). She said it doesn't compare to flu virus - this one kills! I don't want to die.
2. My friend whose son is a scientist urging her to get vaccine for same reasons.
3. Another friend whose nephew kept calling her to say "Auntie, have you gotten your vaccine yet?"

It seemed like a nudge to make an appointment: An appointment was available the next day! The nurse who administered the shot really heard my concerns and offered the knowledge that the scientific / health community has been able to study results now for a year without any negative results. There are still many unknowns! It is a risk! So's life! I felt an assurance I was on the right path.

Dose #1 = ☑

https://www.usccb.org/resources/Answers%20to%20Key%20Ethical%20Questions%20About%20COVID19%20Vaccines.pdf

https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2020/12/29/201229c.html

https://www.americamagazine.org/faith/2021/03/12/covid-19-vaccine-catholic-bishops-abortion-240223

FIRST FRIDAY

This month we welcome back Joseph Staten, a cellist recently graduated from the Juilliard School of Music in New York City, who performed a concert for us in March. He returns with popular classics for cello and piano, with music written by Schubert, Brahms, Saint-Saens, and others.

A Word From Father John...

Last Friday brought much sad and difficult news. First, Fr. George Heyman, the pastor of the Church of the Assumption and the Church of the Resurrection in Fairport, died unexpectedly, passing peacefully into the arms of the Lord at home in the rectory. He was admired by many as a teacher at St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry and as an effective preacher. In his mid-sixties and lively, his death was shocking and unsettling to many of us. His loss also creates an unanticipated vacancy in the thinning ranks of pastors. May he, his family, friends and parishioners remain in our prayers as they mourn and grieve his loss.

Second, Sr. Kathleen Wayne informed me that following a lengthy process of discernment, the Sisters of Mercy Leadership Team appointed her to the position of Sister Life Minister. This newly created full-time position combines pastoral, liturgical and spiritual care to the sisters of her community. She will complete her time as the Director of Faith Formation in our parish toward the end of June and prepare for her new ministry beginning on July 1st. In sharing this news with us, she indicated, "While Parish Ministry has always been a passion, one that I have enjoyed for 40 years, it is time for me to switch gears and devote my energy full time to the Mercy Community whose mission and charism has captured my heart." Our parish has benefited from her passion and wealth of experience in her service and presence for some 17 years. Like me, many of you undoubtedly are saddened by this news, as we consider the hole her absence will leave in our lives and life of our parish. Yet, I am sure that you also join me in offering her our praise and gratitude for all that she has shared with us and in offering her our prayers and support as she pursues this call to serve her religious community in this important and essential role.

I also ask for your prayers as we begin our search for a new Director of Faith Formation. I am hopeful that the workings of the Holy Spirit will bring us the right candidate for this position. I have hope because as those of you who were with us at Mass last weekend or watched online heard our new Pastoral Associate for Youth and Young Adult Ministry, Tyler Davis, introduce himself, it is evident that the Spirit is at work raising up and inspiring impressive individuals to pursue ministry in the Church. May we remain open to and be guided by the movement of the Spirit as we seek to fill this important role in our parish as well.

While you are praying for candidates to fill important roles in our parish, please also pray for those whom the Spirit is calling to membership on our Parish Pastoral Council. We are seeking nominations for one new member from those who attend each of our three churches to serve three-year terms. The qualifications and expectations are outlined on the nomination form, which is available at church and on the parish website. Nominations are due by next Sunday, May 2nd. As our Parish Pastoral Council in the coming year will be leading us through a process of strategic planning to shape the future of our parish, I urge those with vision and gifts that will aide us in that process to respond to the promptings of the Spirit and fill out a nomination form. Our parish needs you and the gifts that you have to share. Please prayerfully consider joining us in this significant work.

Lastly, I invite all of us as a parish to pray the Discernment Prayer below on a regular basis starting now and throughout the year ahead, trusting that our Risen Lord will guide our parish to new life in the Spirit.

And may God bless us with joy and gladness as we continue to celebrate all that God has done for us!

Yours,
Fr. John

DISCERNMENT PRAYER

Loving and ever-faithful God,
with gratitude for our graced history,
we turn to you for guidance and wisdom
as we are discerning our future path.

Open our hearts and make us one
in faith and loving service
so that we might accept the challenges we face
as we continue to be attentive
to the needs of our community.

May we, the parishioners of Saint Boniface, Saint Mary's,
and Blessed Sacrament, like our ancestors,
walk in faith toward a future we cannot fully see.

As we journey together,
may we always remember our commitment
to you and to one another.

Trusting in your care and promise of new life,
may we always feel your guidance and strength.

We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen.

PLEASE JOIN US TO PRAY THE OUTDOOR ROSARY

On Saturday, May 15, at 4:00 p.m., we will pray the Outdoor Rosary for world peace and in reparation for sins. We will gather in front of the Fatima statue beside St. Boniface Church at 330 Gregory Street in Rochester. Please bring your own chair or a blanket, and invite family members to join you. We will wear facemasks and observe appropriate social distancing. Prayer sheets will be provided. Please pray for good weather (as the church will be closed).

PARISH COLLECTION INFORMATION

April 18, 2021	Actual	Budget	Variance
Blessed Sacrament	$ 3,722	$ 6,700	$ (2,978)
St. Boniface	$ 3,233	$ 3,000	$ 233
St. Mary's	$ 5,070	$ 5,050	$ 20
Easter 2021	**Actual**	**Budget**	**Variance**
Blessed Sacrament	$ 4,258	$ 7,500	$ (3,242)
St. Boniface	$ 2,830	$ 4,000	$ (1,170)
St. Mary's	$ 1,115	$ 5,000	$ (3,885)
Year-to-Date Totals			
Blessed Sacrament	$ 251,343	$ 281,400	$ (30,058)
St. Boniface	$ 123,726	$ 126,000	$ (2,274)
St. Mary's	$ 206,410	$ 212,100	$ (5,690)

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

2020-21 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL AS OF 4/20/2021

	Blessed Sacrament	St. Boniface	St. Mary's
Goal	$68,823	$26,322	$49,313
Pledged	$58,288	$24,906	$50,885
Amount Remaining	$10,535	$1,416	-
% of Goal	85%	95%	103%
# / % of Households Participating	161 17%	81 21%	105 16%

We have reached our CMA goal at St. Mary's and expect to reach the goal at St. Boniface shortly. Those wishing to, should direct their contribution to the shortfall fund at each of those churches. Thank you.

WE NEED YOU! SEEKING NOMINATIONS TO JOIN PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Considering joining Parish Pastoral Council? The discernment process starts now with you filling out the nomination form and submitting it to the parish office by Sunday May 2, 2021. The qualifications and expectations are outlined on the form. Discernment night will be held on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 7:00 pm via zoom, at which candidates may learn more about the three year commitment and specific responsibilities. One candidate from each of our three worship sites will be drawn at random that night to fill a three-year term. Not sure you are interested, but know someone who may be? Then please, reach out and encourage them to fill out a nomination form. Forms are available at our Southeast Rochester Catholic Community website **https://southeastrochestercatholics.org/parish-council**, as well as in the back of each Church. Our goal is for the Parish Pastoral Council membership to reflect the diversity of the parish, and to support the mission and vision of our parish as followers of Jesus Christ.

Readings for May 2, 2021
Fifth Sunday of Easter
ACTS 9: 26-31
1 JOHN 3: 18-24
JOHN 15: 1-8

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SOLIDARITY WITH OUR INCARCERATED SISTERS AND BROTHERS

"Lord, when did we see You… in prison?" Matthew 25:39

"Please, don't give up on them."- A former inmate speaking to a jail ministry on behalf of her incarcerated friends.

We have many times heard Jesus speak about 'giving liberty to captives" (Luke 4:18), and we are always deeply touched by His compassion upon the crucified thief who asked Jesus to remember him as he entered into His Kingdom. Yet, we might ask ourselves how often our own outreach concerns extend to our incarcerated brothers and sisters and their families. Are we aware of the conditions in jails and prisons in our society?

America's rate of incarceration is greater than any other nation's in the world: although our country has 5% of the world's population, it has 25% of its prisoners. Sentence length and time served are much longer in the US than elsewhere, and include more solitary confinement, fewer rehabilitations, and poor re-entry assistance. The levels of Covid-19 in many of our prisons promoted one NYC inmate to remark, "It's…like we aren't even human." A crime data expert at the Brennan Center for Justice recently observed, "It is really a system that sets people up for failure." (America, August 2020)

As we continue to struggle with our own confinements during the pandemic, let us deepen our understanding of the sufferings of our incarcerated sisters and brothers and pray to know how we can best care for them. In the coming weeks of this Easter Season, our Diocesan Public Policy Committee will be providing further information and assistance to parishes in these efforts.

DID YOU KNOW?

Over fifty percent of the graduates of the **Nativity School** achieved honor roll last marking period!

Help support them in their fundraiser 4/29. More information is on our webpage.

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