Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

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Blessed Sacrament

Saint Boniface

Saint Mary's

May 4, 2025

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.



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Jesus] said to him, "Follow me." - Jn 21:19b

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WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY:

8:00am at Blessed Sacrament Church 12:10pm at St. Mary's Church

TUESDAY:

8:00am at St. Boniface Church

WEDNESDAY:

8:00am at Blessed Sacrament Church

THURSDAY:

8:00am at St. Boniface Church

FRIDAY:

12:10pm at St. Mary's Church

Stations of the Resurrection & Communion at St. Mary's 12:10 pm Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:

4:30pm at St. Boniface Church

SUNDAY MASSES:

8:00am at St. Boniface Church

9:30am at Blessed Sacrament Church

11:15am at St. Mary's Church

Confessions:

Saturdays 3:30-4:15pm at St. Boniface or by appointment with one of our priests.

Weekly Calendar/Parish Events

Sunday, May 4

9:00 a.m. Coffee Hour (SB)

10:40 a.m.-11:55 a.m. Faith Formation (BS School)

10:45 a.m. Final Confirmation Gathering (BS Parish Office)

12:15 p.m. Coffee Hour (SM)

Monday, May 5

5:30 p.m. Book Discussion (Zoom)

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88079534354?

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6:30 p.m. Young Adult Cinco de Mayo Party (SM- Dugan

Tuesday, May 6

Ctr.)

7:00 p.m. Holy Hour (SB)

Wednesday, May 7

10:00 a.m. Scripture Sharing (Zoom)

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Thursday, May 8

9:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m. Next to New Sale **(BS School)** 3:00 p.m. Parishioner Led Weekly Rosary **(Zoom)**

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Homeless Outreach Ministry Our Next Outreach Is... May 27

Volunteers from the SRCC along with staff from PCHO (Person Centered Housing Options) and other organizations, travel around our city encountering the homeless at various locations. When our team encounters the homeless, we offer them food and hygiene packs. During this encounter staff from PCHO and other organizations work with these individuals to peruse permanent housing for them, as well as setup appointments to help them find housing and other needs. In addition, we provide food and hygiene packs. During the interactions with the homeless individuals, our volunteers talk, visit, and get to know them. This is an excellent opportunity to learn about the homeless situation in our city. Our next Homeless Outreach opportunity is on Tues., May 27 (This Outreach is restricted to adult volunteers only at this time). For more information about this ministry, please contact Deacon Duncan Harris dharris@dor.org, 575-271-7240, ext 120.

Devotions, Liturgies and Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 3, Feast of Saints Philip and James

4:30 p.m. (SB) Peter Klee by Jack Schuler

Sunday, May 4, Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. (SB) Richard O'Donnell by Nancy O'Donnell

9:30 a.m. (BS) Tom and Annamea Pfeiler by Ellen & Gustavo Paz

David Leicht by Charles & Suzanne Adrion

11:15 a.m. (SM) For the intentions of John Walsh by Carolyn Walsh

Monday, May 5, Third Week of Easter

8:00 a.m. (BS) For the intentions of Mary Mason by Chris Walsh

12:10 p.m. (SM) Michael Voelkl by Amy Voelkl

Tuesday, May 6, Third Week of Easter

8:00 a.m. (SB) Frederick Lenhard by Rick Lenhard Zoila Arca by Mario & Marjorie Montalbo

12:10 p.m. (SM) Stations of the Resurrection & Communion

Wednesday, May 7, Third Week of Easter

8:00 a.m. (BS) Anna Minges by John & Judy Lynd

12:10 p.m. (SM) Stations of the Resurrection & Communion

Thursday, May 8, Third Week of Easter

8:00 a.m. (SB) Kathleen Valenti Chaychuk by Cory Wirt 12:10 p.m. (SM) Stations of the Resurrection & Communion

Friday, May 9, Third Week of Easter

12:10 p.m. (SM) For the Casey and Bauman Families by George & Anne Bauman

Saturday, May 10

4:30 p.m. (SB) Alyce Giambrone by Mary Alyce Streb

Sunday, May 11, Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. (SB) Lilian Califano by Anthony Califano Brianna Budd by JoAnne Englerth

9:30 a.m. (BS) Bernice Leo by Marge Sharick

Mary Russell and Joe Kuebel by Bill &
Ruth Russell

11:15 a.m. (SM) Joyce Sciolino by Joe Sciolino



Voices of Women Presents Sr. Barbara Moore "And Mary Said Yes"

VOW's last event, before our summer recess, is Dedicated to Our Lady. We have invited Sr. Barbara Moore to share

her thoughts on the Blessed Mother, and her "YES" to God's plan.

Sr. Barbara has notable accomplishments as a teacher, author, homilist, executive, and more. She has been a favorite speaker over the years and always offers uplifting insights. Our presentation will be Sunday, May 18 at 12:30PM in the Dugan Center of St. Mary's Church.

Free parking is available on the street and parking lot opposite Geva. If interested, join us for Mass at 11:15pm. Come early and ask Ros DellaPietra for a tour of our historic church and the iconic stained glass windows! Bring a friend!



Please Join us in our work of Social Outreach and Social Justice!! May 20th at 6:30PM Blessed Sacrament Parish Office

Please consider attending our Social Outreach and Justice Committee Meeting on Tuesday, May 20th at 6:30PM at the Parish Office.

All are invited.

As Catholics and disciples of Christ, we are called to be a sign of God's love to the world! We are called by Jesus to participate in reaching out to others who are in need. Please come to learn about our many Social Outreach and Social Justice efforts. We also invite you to share your thoughts on how we as a faith community can better address and impact Social Outreach and Social Justice issues facing our community and world!

This year we will have a special focus on Climate Justice and Care for Creation. Please contact Deacon Duncan Harris for more information or questions at dharris@dor.org (585) 271-7240 ext. 120.



Upcoming Readings for May 11th Fourth Sunday of Easter Acts 13:14, 43-52 Revelation 7:9, 14b-17 John 10:27-30





The Southeast Rochester Catholic Community Supports Rochester Hope!

Rochester Hope was conceived as a not-for-profit organization to serve the needs of City of Rochester families and refugees. Their mission is to bring services and caring hearts and hands to our city and help those who are most in need. Every Saturday, Rochester Hope provides a Food Pantry and other services.

The Southeast Rochester Catholic Community is partnering with Rochester Hope to support their mission of reaching out, living the Gospel and serving those in the core of our city who are most in need. A SRCC team of volunteers gathers and helps out every 3rd Saturday of the month from 8:45AM to Noon at the St. Michael's Church complex.

Our next service date is Saturday, May 17th.

Can you help?? Our volunteers will assist guests walking through the Food Pantry and making their selections. Please contact Mary Coughtry by email (coughtrym@gmail.com) or phone (507-6219) to sign up, learn more, or have your questions answered. Requirements: The physical stamina to be on your feet for three hours and the ability to carry a bag of groceries, and share a smile!

A Word From Father John...



Reflecting on this Sunday's Gospel, I recalled a commentator's observation that the Gospel according to John is both shallow enough for a toddler to enjoy and deep enough for an elephant to swim. Thus, today's Gospel passage presents a simple and straightforward reading that focuses on Jesus's guidance of Peter through a threefold affirmation of his love for Jesus. This reversal of Peter's threefold denial of even knowing Jesus on the night of his arrest highlights the transformative power unleashed in the Resurrection. In both instances, we find Peter warming himself before a fire, but becoming distressed with the persistent questioning. In the first encounter, Peter's denials lead him to despair and darkness, causing him to lock himself away in fear, shame,

and guilt. However, in the second instance, Jesus calls Peter out of sin and darkness, inviting him into a new life, love, and light, that empowers Peter to boldly proclaim the Risen Lord. As followers of the Risen Lord, Jesus calls us to imitate Peter. We are to leave behind sin and darkness and embrace the new life, love, and light that the Risen Christ seeks to share with us.

Diving deeper into this passage, we encounter numerous allusions to stories of Jesus gathering and forming his disciples. First, the five named disciples and two others who get in the boat to go fishing and are asked by Jesus if they caught anything to eat allude to the five loaves and two fish that the disciples produced when Jesus asked them to feed the crowds. Subsequently, Jesus took, blessed, broke, and shared that food to feed over five thousand. Second, catching nothing after fishing all night and then catching a miraculously catch of fish after following Jesus's instructions alludes to their initial call to follow Jesus. Third, Peter's jumping out of the boat and into the water after being told that it's the Lord echoes his earlier jumping out of the boat and attempting to walk on storm-tossed waves, only to be rescued by Jesus as he began to sink. These allusions suggest that this encounter with the Risen Jesus will involve their being called to mission, fed by the Lord to go forth and start fishing for others they will then feed and call to follow Jesus, and requiring them to act boldly and faithfully to carry out that mission. Yet, the impact of this encounter with the Risen Lord will differ for his disciples as all is transformed by the newfound life, love, and light unleashed in the Resurrection.

At the same time, new images emerge that point to the formation of the Church and our ongoing role in carrying out the mission entrusted to his disciples by the Risen Lord. For instance, we can consider the Church like that boat that the disciples get in and go fishing. First, we recognize that the two unnamed disciples symbolize all of us—you and me—joining with those who are named to form the Church. As for the named disciples, Jesus's words and actions have captured our attention and called us to follow him. Second, the one hundred fifty-three large fish that the disciples catch and the net holds without tearing symbolize the astonishing number of followers that these named disciples bring into the Church, which has ample space to accommodate their great quantity and diversity without being torn apart. Third, Jesus's invitation to his disciples to come and have breakfast alludes to his feeding them to go forth and complete a day's work. This work is the threefold charge that Jesus gives Peter in response to his affirmation of his love for Jesus. First, "feed my lambs" signifies that they are to share what they have received—the Word of God and the Bread of Life—attracting "lambs," that is, new members, to the flock of Christ. Second, "tend my sheep" indicates that they are to care for those who are already members of his flock using their rod to guide them along the right paths and their staff to protect and defend them against anyone or anything that would prey on them or lead them astray. Third, "feed my sheep" emphasizes that they are to continue sharing with all those within the flock what they have received in Christ—word and sacrament; mercy, love, and forgiveness of sins; the way, the truth, and the life that is Christ.

Lastly, what is lost in translation are two distinct Greek words for love that are used. Jesus asks Peter twice if he loves him using the verb 'agapaō,' the highest form of love. Peter responds using the verb 'phileō', which means the love of a friend. The third time, Jesus asks using 'phileō', and Peter confirms his love for Jesus as a friend. However, Jesus reveals that this love of a friend is what is required of his disciples. He lays out for Peter and for all of us the cost of loving Jesus as a friend when he signifies by what kind of death Peter would glorify God. As Jesus declared and showed us, "There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends" (John 15:13). At the end of the passage, we and every other disciple are invited to follow Jesus in doing the same.

Exploring the deeper meaning of today's Gospel passage, we recognize that these post-resurrection encounters with the Risen Jesus move from initial joy and wonder to preparing and sending forth his disciples to continue his mission of building up the Church. This requires being "all in." First, the Church is to be truly catholic in the sense of being open and welcoming to all who want to join. Moreover, in actively seeking new members, the Church is to cast a wide net to catch everyone for Christ. Second, as disciples who love Jesus as a friend, we are to be "all in" in our love and commitment to serve our Risen Lord. We are even to go so far as to lay down our lives in carrying out the mission that Jesus gave us to share Christ with others. Those are tall orders. Yet, as baptized into Christ and nourished by word and sacrament, we are inspired and empowered to carry out that mission.

We mark and celebrate the fruit of those efforts as we celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation with those at the Easter Vigil, our youth who were confirmed during Easter week, and our children who will celebrate their First Communion next weekend. As we congratulate those who received the Sacraments, we also acknowledge the parents, sponsors, catechists, and staff who helped form them.

May our celebration of the Risen Lord this Easter season continue to bear fruit for the life of the Church.

Yours,

Fr. John

PARISH COLLECTION INFORMATION

April 27, 2025	Actual	Budget	Variance
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 3,808	\$ 7,400	\$ (3,592)
St. Boniface	\$ 2,597	\$ 3,550	\$ (953)
St. Mary's	\$ 3,826	\$ 4,770	\$ (944)
Year-to-Date			
Blessed Sacrament	\$301,784	\$ 318,200	\$ (16,416)
St. Boniface	\$139,672	\$ 152,650	\$ (12,978)
St. Mary's	\$221,936	\$ 205,110	\$ 16,826

ATTENDANCE FOR LAST WEEK

Blessed Sacrament Seating Capacity - 800

9:30 a.m. Mass Attendance - 205

St. Boniface Seating Capacity - 550

4:30 p.m. Mass Attendance - 86

8:00 a.m. Mass Attendance - 75

St. Mary's Seating Capacity - 550

11:15 a.m. Mass Attendance - 134

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS



Please pray for the following couple getting married:

Bobbi Michelle Paternico and Jonathan Robert Gustke



LOOK WHAT WE COOKED UP FOR OUR SUPPER PROGRAM GUESTS!

Chef Tim and Sous Chef Nancy cooking the beautiful Prime Rib for Easter Dinner. We served almost 100 guests a beautiful meal in celebration of the holiday!

A big thanks to Wegmans and all those who helped prepare and serve the meal!

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