

# Southeast Rochester Catholic Community



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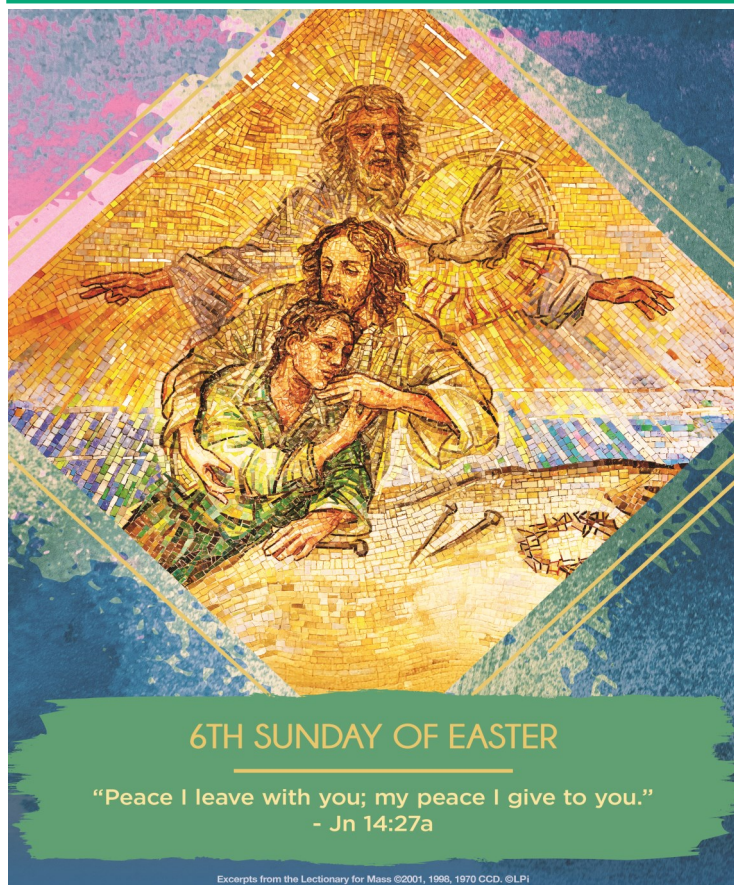
**Blessed Sacrament**

**Saint Boniface**

**Saint Mary's**

**May 25, 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.



## 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."  
- Jn 14:27a

### 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

*Rosary & 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

**Monday, May 26 \*\*\* Parish Office is Closed in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. We will reopen at 8:00AM on Tuesday, May 27\*\*\***

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

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Meeting ID: 880 7953 4354 Passcode: zC4D84

**Tuesday, May 27**

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

**Wednesday, May 28**

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

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**Thursday, May 29**

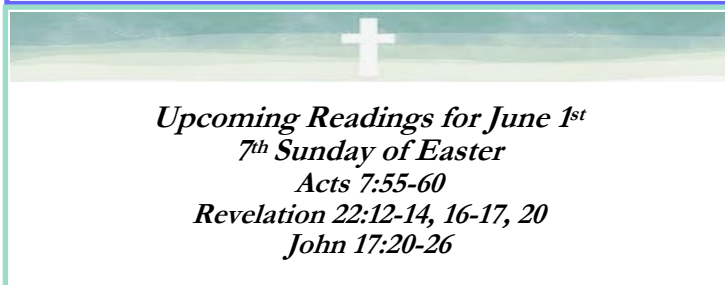
3:00 p.m. Parishioner Led Weekly Rosary (Zoom)

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7:00-9:00 p.m. Young Adult Holy Day Mass  
(St. Margaret Mary Church, 401 Rogers Pkwy)  
& Ice Cream Social & Games (St. Kateri Church, 445 Kings Hwy S.)



## Devotions, Liturgies and Mass Intentions

**Saturday, May 24, Fifth Week of Easter**

4:30 p.m. (SB) Thomas and Joyce Meteyer by Family

Pete Klee by JoAnne Englerth

**Sunday, May 25, Sixth Sunday of Easter**

8:00 a.m. (SB) Catharine Powers Finnegan by Nancy O'Donnell

9:30 a.m. (BS) Peter Romeo by Kathleen Wade

Elinor Redman, Mary O'Neill and Lois Whelehan by daughters

11:15 a.m. (SM) For the People of Ukraine by Al Smith

**Monday, May 26, Memorial of Saint Philip Neri**

9:00 a.m. (BS) For the People of the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

**Tuesday, May 27, Sixth Week of Easter**

8:00 a.m. (SB) For the People of the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

12:10 p.m. (SM) Rosary & Communion

**Wednesday, May 28, Sixth Week of Easter**

8:00 a.m. (BS) Ann McKay by John & Judy Lynd

12:10 p.m. (SM) Rosary & Communion

**Vigil of the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**

**\*\*Holy Day of Obligation\*\***

**\*\*Please note unusual locations**

**for Wed., 5:30pm and Thurs., 12:10pm Masses\*\***

5:30 p.m. (SM) For the People of the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community (parking available in lot next to Geva)

**Thursday, May 29, Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**

8:00 a.m. (SB) For the People of the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

12:10 p.m. (BS) For the People of the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

**~~\*\*\*12:10 p.m. (SM) Rosary & Communion is cancelled because Excellus Food Truck Rodeo blocking off street\*\*\*~~**

**Friday, May 30, Sixth Week of Easter**

12:10 p.m. (SM) For the People of Ukraine by Al Smith

**Saturday, May 31, Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

4:30 p.m. (SB) George and Mary Ellen Brock by JoAnne Englerth

**Sunday, June 1, Seventh Sunday of Easter**

8:00 a.m. (SB) Mary Ellen Clark by Anthony Califano

9:30 a.m. (BS) Raquel, Manuel and Jorge Paz by Ellen & Gustavo Paz

Peter Romeo by Kitty Jensen

11:15 a.m. (SM) Dr. Sonia Garcia by Shirley Cirillo





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

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 27th** (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](mailto:dharris@dor.org), 575-271-7240, ext. 120.



***A Special Note of Thanks  
from the  
Care for Creation Committee!***

Thank you to everyone in the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community that participated in our electronic recycling drive with Staples. It was a big success across all 3 churches. You can still bring your recyclable electronics to the Staples on Jefferson Road to ensure they are disposed of correctly.

If you missed the Care for Creation Committee's talk on Native Plants at all the coffee hours this May, make sure to watch a recording of it on the parish website under "Social Justice"- <http://southeastrochestercatholics.org>

For more information on the committee, please email Sr. Phyllis Tierney at [ptierney@ssjrochester.org](mailto:ptierney@ssjrochester.org), or Grace Adams at [adamsgraceb@gmail.com](mailto:adamsgraceb@gmail.com).

***Holy Beginnings Outreach***

Ever wonder how those Synod meetings have helped change the church?

Holy Beginnings is one outgrowth of listening to the voices of the faithful!

Holy Beginnings Outreach cordially invites you to join us for an evening of prayer and praise!

**Voices from Within**

**Catholic LGBTQ+ Faith Journeys**

Stories from people in the pews!

**Thursday June 5<sup>th</sup> at 7-8pm**

**Reception to follow**

**Mass at 6pm - adoration at 5:30pm**

**St. Rita Catholic Parish 1008 Maple Drive, Webster 14580**

**Learn more:** [holybeginnings.org](http://holybeginnings.org)

Contact: Deacon Duncan [dharris@dor.org](mailto:dharris@dor.org)



***First Neighborhood-Monroe Avenue  
Ambassador Program Graduation***

The Neighborhood Ambassador-Monroe Avenue is a one of a kind program that employs folks who are struggling with substance use disorder, chronic homelessness, mental health struggles and the prison system.

We held our closing ceremonies on May 12 for our first official year. The program has been renewed for year Two and they are looking forward to continued support from the community and Blessed Sacrament to help grow the program. Congratulations to All!

## A Word From Father John...



Our Gospel today begins with Jesus making an awe-inspiring statement about what it means to be his disciples: “Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him,” (John 14:23). The first part talks about how we reveal ourselves to be disciples of Jesus Christ. First, as his disciple, our relationship with Jesus is grounded in love. As we learned from Jesus’s encounter with Peter, that love is the love of friends, for whom there is no greater love than to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. Second, that love of Jesus leads a disciple to keep his word. This builds on our tendency to take to heart the words of our friends, whether criticism or compliments. In the case of a disciple, we cling to the word of the Lord such that it becomes a part of us—who we are and what we do. In this regard, a Franciscan priest taught me a prayer that he would say as he marked the sign of the cross on his forehead, lips and over his heart just before the Gospel is proclaimed at Mass: “May the Word of God be on my mind, on my lips, and rest gently in my heart.” That prayer captures beautifully how we are to keep the word of the Lord.

The second part talks of how our loving Jesus and keeping his word opens us to experience God the Father’s love and the indwelling of God the Father and the Son. While God loves us first and always, our loving friendship with Jesus, who is both human and divine, is the means by which we enter into the love shared between the Father and the Son. That love overflows to become its own coequal Person, the Holy Spirit, who comes to reside in us through baptism. As baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, we are destined to share in his divinity through that same Holy Spirit, who overshadowed Mary in the Incarnation - God becoming a human being like us—and who entered more powerfully into Jesus at his baptism - inspiring and empowering him to reveal the Word of God in his words and actions. In much the same way, in today’s Gospel, Jesus indicates that the Father sends us the Holy Spirit to teach us everything and remind us of all that Jesus told us. Thus, the Holy Spirit helps us to love Jesus and to keep the word of the Lord.

At the same time, being brought into the loving communion of the three divine persons imparts the peace that Jesus gives us. As Jesus indicates this peace is not the worldly peace based on treaties, deal making or posturing, and equated with the absence of war and conflict. This divine peace is a wholeness that only God can provide. It will not prevent our having to endure trial and persecution or guarantee our good health and success. Instead, it is an assurance that whatever evil we may encounter has been overcome already in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. As such, this peace is an unbreakable bond between us and the Triune God, which will guide us along the way to our heavenly home. When trial and persecution, ill health and failure inevitably come, we recall Jesus’s reassuring words, “Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.” He has warned us ahead of time, so that when it happens we can believe that the Holy Spirit dwells within us guiding us and granting us peace.

Hopefully, coming to understand and appreciate Jesus’s awe-inspiring words in today’s Gospel will help us amid the uncertainty and polarization that presently challenge us. And may they spur us to respond by living into our loving friendship with Jesus and taking to heart his word, so as to experience the love of God in the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and gift of God’s peace.

May our celebrations this Memorial Day weekend be filled with the Easter gifts of love, joy and peace.

Yours,

Fr. John

- PS - 1) Thursday is the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. We invite you to join us for Mass on this holy day of obligation. Please see page 2 for times and locations of the Masses in our parish.
- 2) Please consider donating to the Catholic Ministries Appeal to help us reach our goal at Blessed Sacrament. With less than one week to go, we only need \$1,500.00 more. Please note that all donations must be received by May 31, 2025. To facilitate this, we kindly request that you make your donation online, or drop it off at the parish office. This way, we can take them directly to the diocesan offices. We truly appreciate all those who have donated to the CMA from all three churches. Your generosity is much appreciated!
- 3) Our parish offices will be switching to summer hours starting this week (May 26-30). Our office hours will be Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, and on Fridays from 8:00 am to noon. As during regular office hours, we will provide assistance 24/7 through the Emergency Line by calling (585) 271-7240 and following the prompts.

### Remembering our longtime Maintenance Man at St. Boniface - Dave Bergeron

Tragically, Dave passed away unexpectedly just as he was nearing retirement. Reaching out to the family, we learned that they are not choosing to do anything publicly at this time. In recognition of his longtime service to our parish and the connections that he established with many of our parishioners, we are offering Mass intentions for the repose of his soul at our regularly scheduled weekend Masses at St. Boniface on Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>.



### PARISH COLLECTION INFORMATION

<u>May 18, 2025</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 4,641	\$ 7,400	\$ (2,759)
St. Boniface	\$ 3,557	\$ 3,550	\$ 7
St. Mary's	\$ 3,903	\$ 4,770	\$ (867)
<u>Year-to-Date</u>			
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 336,269	\$ 340,400	\$ (4,131)
St. Boniface	\$ 148,772	\$ 163,300	\$ (14,528)
St. Mary's	\$ 235,999	\$ 219,420	\$ 16,579

### ATTENDANCE FOR LAST WEEK

#### **Blessed Sacrament      Seating Capacity - 800**

9:30 a.m.    Mass Attendance - 194

#### **St. Boniface      Seating Capacity - 550**

4:30 p.m.    Mass Attendance - 90

8:00 a.m.    Mass Attendance - 74

#### **St. Mary's      Seating Capacity - 550**

11:15 a.m.    Mass Attendance - 151



### ***Coffee Hour at Blessed Sacrament is June 8<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30AM Mass***

We will be celebrating Father's Day at our next coffee hour. BBQ grill cookies, brown butter chocolate chips, and cowboy cookies are just a few suggestions that help say, "Happy Father's Day!"

As always, please bring your goodies down to the Supper Program Dining Room before the start of Mass.

Thank you,  
Linda and Larry

***Please Pray for those in need of Healing:*** Layla Tremble, a Logan, David Ballerstein, Marilyn Dietz, Frances Carney, Barbara Fransen, Brian Dzuba, Carol Childs, Carm Donovan, Carla Spooner, Kathy Haight, Diane Kannel, Gwen Walsh, Pat Nicolosi, Ruth Smith, Sam Lanzafame, Kitty Jensen, Lucy Coonan, Matthew Grasta, Louise Adler, Paul Rice, Ann Maloney, Denise Alexander, Rose Koonmen, Loretta Rose Doyle, Ann Marie Arnold, Fred Williams, Anne Bauman, Gerry Yanman, Mark Schork, Tracey Schatz, Joseph Guiesby, Ella Dyson, Bertha Ortiz, Mary Beth Ferguson, Rob Armor, Barbara Murphy, Maureen Williams, James Boothby, Becka Crof, Kristina Parker, Stephanie Ortiz, Secret Ortiz, Robert Brownyard, Liz Clarke, Maya Reagan, Nia Hrynio, Karen Agnello, Brian Lynd, Margaret Rutledge, Amanda Milne, Keri McBurney, Ery Pugh, Andrea Moracco, Greg Stark, Joe Centanni, George Bauman, Kate Byrnes, Thomas Kelly, Christine Sibilio, MaryEllen Melder, Bill Long, Henry Albertelli, Bruce Gorman, Vera Horak, John Osterhout, Sharon Herring, Veronica Horn, Jean Clinton, Dawn Zinn, Mary Pflieger, Rachel Mary Cox, Jack Bowes, John Wesley, Bill Speechley, Charles Ronder, Steve Hahn, Phyllis DiMora, Suzie Ricci, JoAnne Englerth.

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