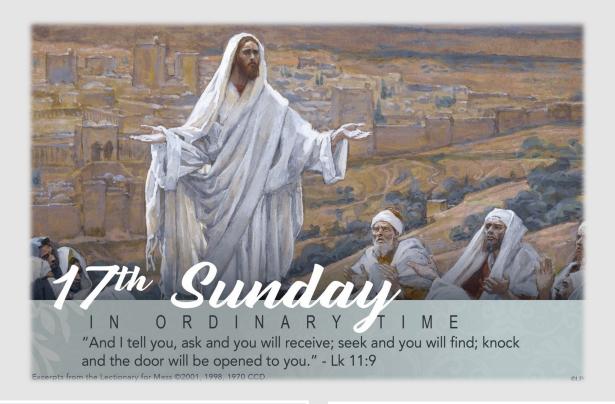
# **Southeast Rochester Catholic Community**

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**Blessed Sacrament** 

Saint Boniface July 27, 2025 **Saint Mary's** 

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.



#### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

**SATURDAY VIGIL MASS:** 

4:30pm at St. Mary's 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. Mary's or by appointment with one of our priests.

\*\*\*Please see the Weekly Parish Calendar on page 2 for information about the Sealing and Striping of the St. Mary's Parking lot August 1-3.

#### 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

#### Weekly Calendar/Parish Events

Tuesday, July 29

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

Wednesday, July 30

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

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83056264840? pwd=qXjwslmsGAKI3XqmwdbbMbAxxjgjFa.1

Thursday, July 31

3:00 p.m. Parishioner Led Weekly Rosary (Zoom) https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88367489666? pwd=LmtVVDzMy61VwIdvV4XfbFsZ37zOIj.1 Meeting ID: 883 6748 9666 Passcode: 6V3KzU

Saturday, August 2\*\*\* St. Mary's Parking Lot Is Closed due to sealing and striping. Parking is available with photo ID in Excellus Parking Garage\*\*\*

Sunday, August 3 \*\*\* St. Mary's Parking Lot is Closed due to sealing and striping. Parking is available with photo ID in Excellus Parking Garage \*\*\*

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



# **Microplastics**

We've been writing about reducing our use of plastics. Why? Well, not all plastics are recyclable. For example, clam shell containers cannot be

recycled even if they are labeled #1. Many of our plastics end up in landfills and in the ocean. Over time plastic products break down, but not completely. What they break down to are microplastics, which are tiny plastic fragments, generally smaller than 5 millimeters, that are increasingly recognized as a significant environmental *and* health concern.

There are two types: Primary Microplastics originate from the direct manufacture of small plastic particles for specific products, such as cosmetics and personal care products, think facial scrubs. Secondary Microplastics are the result of the breakdown of larger plastic products, such as containers, bottles, and packaging. Not only are these plastics ending up in landfills and oceans, but in our waterways, soil, and even in the air we breathe. They can be ingested by organisms, including humans and they accumulate in the food chain.

Microplastics take hundreds or even thousands of years to break down! Eventually they break down into Nano Plastics, which are even smaller particles. Even then, they persist in various ecosystems and organisms, affecting the health of all life on this planet. Let's do all we can to reduce our use of plastics.

#### Devotions, Liturgies and Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, July 26, Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne

4:30 p.m. (SM) For the People of the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

#### Sunday, July 27, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 a.m. (SB) Laura Califano-Laskey by Tony Califano Anna & Martin Greene by Barbara Greene
- 9:30 a.m. (BS) Barbara Clark by Clark Family Earl Handel by Amy Voelkl
- 11:15 a.m. (SM) Roy Scalera by Jim & Margo Vinci

#### Monday, July 28, Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. (BS) June Bauer by John & Judy Lynd

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

# Tuesday, July 29, Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus

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

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

#### Wednesday, July 30, Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. (BS) Elaine Vander Brook by Rita Lesnick

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

#### Thursday, July 31, Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Loyola

8:00 a.m. (SB) Michael and Carmel Adams by Timothy and Mary Ellen Coleman

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

#### Friday, August 1, Memorial of Saint Alphonsus Liguori

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

#### Saturday, August 2

4:30 p.m. (SM) For the People of Ukraine by Al Smith

#### Sunday, August 3, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

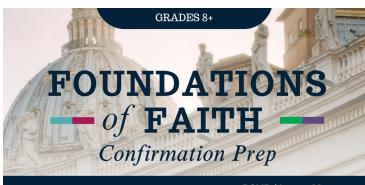
8:00 a.m. (SB) Pete Klee by Paul White

9:30 a.m. (BS) Andrew Blanda by Earl & Margy Handel Earl Handel by Chris Walsh

11:15 a.m. (SM) For the People of the Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

Readings for August 3rd Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23 Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11 Luke 12:13-21



Registration NOW Open!

RSVP / Learn More: tyler.davis@dor.org



## MEN'S SHARING RETREAT AT NOTRE DAME August 8-9, 2025

This 24-hour Retreat experience for men will focus on the Eucharist in our lives as men of faith. There will be sharing and time for quiet reflection and prayer following short presentations on the centrality of the Eucharist. The experience begins at 3:00pm on Friday afternoon at the Notre Dame Retreat House overlooking beautiful Canandaigua Lake. Three meals are included as well as overnight accommodations in private rooms at the Retreat house. Fr. Ed Palumbos, a Pastor of over 40 years, priest of 53 years and experienced retreat Leader will be our guide. Registration cut-off is August 4. Retreat cost: \$125.

For more information on how to register, contact Phil Palumbo at (585) 455-8793 and for Notre Dame Retreat House call Nancy Lynch at (585) 394-5700.



### THE SRCC BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRIVE!

We are collecting items from July 26th to August 10th NEW backpacks & school supplies

Backpacks and school supplies will be shared with Nativity Preparatory Academy, other local schools, families, and children in need of school supplies. Boxes for donations will be available at all of our church locations starting July 26th.

**NEW supplies needed:** Backpacks for all ages, 2-pocket Plastic Folders, Markers, Crayons, Colored pencils, Highlighters, #2 Ticonderoga pencils, USB thumb drives, Blue or Black pens, Expo (dry erase) markers, Index cards, Post-it notes, 5-tab dividers, Spiral notebooks, Composition books, Large erasers, Kids scissors, Glue sticks, Personal hand sanitizer, Pencil case/box, Sharpies, Small staplers and staples, Small pencil sharpeners.



#### The Southeast Rochester Catholic Community Supports Rochester Hope!

Rochester Hope is a not-for-profit organization that serves 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month from 8:45AM to Noon at the St. Michael's Church complex.

#### Our next service date is Saturday, August 16th

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...



To what sort of God does Jesus teach us how to pray in today's Gospel? We are to address God as Father. But God's holiness impels us to regard the very name we use to address God as sacred and to wish for God's reign to extend to every aspect of creation, including our very persons and lives. We are to ask God for what we need to sustain us each day. But the forgiveness that we seek for our own sins is predicated upon and impels us to forgive everyone who sins against us. Further, we ask God to keep us from having to endure any ultimate trial to determine the presence, quality and genuineness of our faith, hope and love of God. Our understanding of how Jesus teaches us to pray

and the God to whom we offer our prayers is shaped by our presumptions about whether God is more interested in divine justice and retribution or in divine mercy and generosity. The rest of what Jesus offers about prayer suggests a God who is more of the latter than the former.

First, Jesus shares a parable that reveals that God responds to our requests for help when we are in need just as a generously giving friend would. There is no need or point in trying to shame God into giving us what we need. As one commentator notes the Greek word that is rendered "persistence" is more accurately translated as "shamelessness," which shifts our understanding of the parable. So, if the friend doesn't get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, then the visitor will shamelessly create such a fuss as to rouse the whole community and bring shame upon the friend for failing to offer hospitality. Thus, just as it is completely unthinkable for a friend to act shamefully by denying a friend in need, the same is true all the more so for God.

To some extent, we see this play out in our first reading. Abraham plays the part of the shameless friend who petitions the Lord, not once, twice or even three times, but six times. Each time, God responds, "I will not destroy." The extent of God's mercy and generosity remains veiled because Abraham stops asking, not because God says, "This, and no more!" Yet, perhaps the answer is revealed by God's one and only Son, the one true innocent, who willingly lays down his life for us to overcome sin and death, opening the way to the fullness of life for all of us for eternity.

Jesus reinforces this understanding through the series of sayings that follow the parable. The God of mercy and generosity stands ready and eager to give when we ask, to reveal when we seek, and to answer when we knock. For God our Father only knows how to give good gifts to God's beloved children. Above all, God gives us the gift of the Holy Spirit, who comes to us especially in our times of need and who is always already dwelling within us, inspiring and empowering us to live the life that God shares with us in Christ.

Therefore, when we pray, we are not imploring God to change God's mind, but rather asking God to keep us faithful to the process of transformation that God has begun in us. Having been showered with every good gift by our loving and gracious God, we strive to use these unearned and abundant gifts to increasingly give and forgive as God does.

May God's peace and blessings be ours as we pray in the way that Jesus taught us.

Yours,

Fr. John

- PS 1) Please see the note about our need to adjust where we park at St. Mary's next weekend August 2nd & 3rd, due to the sealing and striping the parking lot. Street parking is free all weekend and the Excellus garage is available to those with valid photo identification (i.e. a driver's license).
- 2) The declining availability of deacons means that we need to recruit and train more Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in August to start serving in September at our weekend Masses. More to follow.

# SUMMER MISION APPEAL IS <u>THIS WEEKEND!</u> JULY 26 & 27, 2025 With Powered Antonio Company Lange

With Reverend Antonio Carpena Lopez Diocese of Gracias in Honduras

We are being asked to support a newly formed and lively diocese stretching across two of the poorest regions in Honduras, the majority of whose population is from the indigenous Lenca people. Our prayers and financial support will bolster diocesan efforts to eradicate poverty and underemployment through education, as well as provide healthy food, clean drinking water, and adequate health care; organize empowerment programs for women and families; promote religious vocations; and provide pastoral services. The faithful of this young and vibrant diocesan church need our help to overcome obstacles and take advantage of opportunities. Whatever support we can offer is very much needed and greatly appreciated. Thank you.

#### PARISH COLLECTION INFORMATION

July 20, 2025	Actual	Budget	Variance	
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 6,882	\$ 7,100	\$ (218)	
St. Boniface	\$ 1,891	\$ 3,250	\$ (1,359)	
St. Mary's	\$ 4,034	\$ 5,200	\$ (1,166)	
Year-to-Date				
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 21,284	\$ 21,300	\$ (16)	
St. Boniface	\$ 6,825	\$ 9,750	\$ (2,925)	
St. Mary's	\$ 14,836	\$ 15,600	\$ (764)	
ATTENDANCE FOR LAST WEEK				

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<b>Blessed Sacra</b>	ment Seating Capacity - 800
9:30 a.m.	Mass Attendance - 154
St. Boniface	Seating Capacity - 550
8:00 a.m.	Mass Attendance - 66
St. Mary's	Seating Capacity - 550
4:30 p.m.	Mass Attendance - 57
11:15 a.m.	Mass Attendance - 125

Please Pray for those in need of Healing: Layla Tremble, Carla 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 Yawman, Mark Schork, Tracey Schatz, Joseph Guiessly, 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, Evy Pugh, Andrea Moracco, Greg Stark, Joe Centanni, George Bauman, Kate Byrnes, Thomas Kelly, 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, Suzie Ricci, Paula Frumusa, Michael Iannehone, Clifford Cayer.

Please help keep our list accurate by calling as soon as possible when you or a loved one would like to be removed from the list. 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 at (585) 271-7240 to let us know.

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#### MASS INTENTIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED THROUGH SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

We are accepting Mass intentions for Masses through September 28, 2025 at our three worship sites: Blessed Sacrament, Saint Boniface and Saint Mary's.

The Mass is a particularly powerful form of prayer that can be offered for a particular person or purpose. For example, a Mass may be offered in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as a birthday, on a wedding anniversary, during a time of illness, etc.), or for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. We offer Masses for our deceased loved ones, in particular, to aid them in their journeys to heaven by passing more quickly through the purification process called purgatory. We are accepting Mass intentions for Masses through September 28, 2025 at our three worship sites: Blessed Sacrament, Saint Boniface and Saint Mary's. The requested donation is still \$10.00. Please contact the parish office at (585) 271-7240 to schedule your intentions.