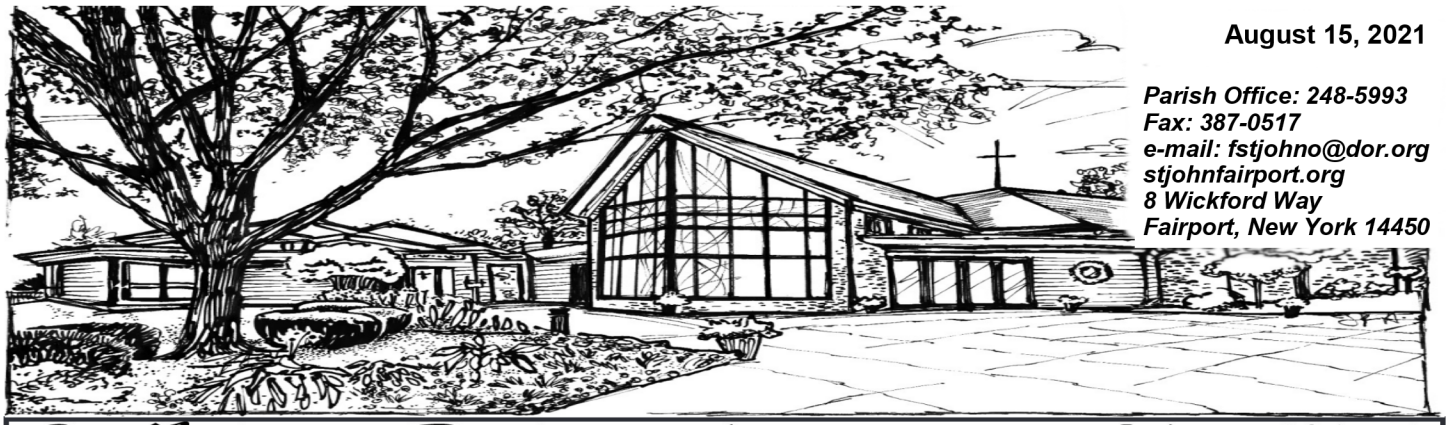

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SOME THINGS CONSIDERED

AND MARY SAID

The Feast of the Assumption interrupts our reading of John 6, and takes the place of the Sunday liturgy this weekend. As early as the Fourth Century we find writings about celebrations around the death of Mary. It would not be until 1950 that Pope Pius XII would accept Mary's Assumption as a fixed tenet of our Catholic belief. That said, the feast had been celebrated by then for centuries in many countries. Occurring in mid-summer made this a festive time. Crops readying for harvest would be blessed. In Poland, the day is known as the Feast of Mary of Herbs when bunches of fresh herbs would be brought to church for blessing at the Mary Mass. Imagine the aroma of the church filled with Sage, Rosemary, Thyme, Chives, Parsley, and so much more. Festivals are set around this day, parades and all manner of celebration.

In Sicily, there is an abstinence of two weeks from fruits, and on this day tables are heavy-laden with the fresh fruits of late summer.

Celebration, partying, festivals, parades, prayer at Mass, all mark this mid-summer feast. Our Catholic tradition is rich with both fixed teaching, and lived expression of that teaching, using all the goods of God's creation close at hand. We are a complex church with a long and erudite system of dogma, belief and teaching. We are very human and tactile, translating that belief into symbol, tradition and practice from festivals to celebration of the Mass.

The placing of the Feast at mid-summer has undoubtedly contributed to the many external celebrations associated with the Feast. At the same time however, the mid-summer placement expresses too the fundamental tenet of faith we celebrate. We have been in our fields and gardens for many weeks. Preparing, planting, tending flower, vegetable and fruits alike. These all have begun to be gathered or will be gathered in bountiful harvest soon. Mary's death and 'assumption' into heaven is itself a harvest. Jesus gathers in His own mother, as He will gather each of us into glory in God's own time. That gathering for Mary, and each of us, follows a time of preparing, planting and tending our faith, growth and life. In her faithful living, Mary becomes that first disciple of Jesus and inspiration for each of us. Our Gospel from Luke today hears Mary say: "My soul proclaims the Glory of the Lord…" Mary's soul, of course, and yours and mine as well. We are called in our discipleship to proclaim by our lives of faith the 'glory of the Lord.' Others see in our living of the faith, as the disciples saw in Mary's living of the faith, both witness and encouragement for themselves.

As the week begins. take a few minutes to ponder Mary and her place in our lives and our faith. We pray the Rosary on the livestream each Monday and Wednesday at 7. There is a recorded rosary from an earlier Monday night that you can listen to and pray along with anytime. Mary's Feast is meant to both offer an occasion of celebration amid our summers work. and an inspiration for the living of our faith throughout the year.

I will be leaving for vacation Sunday morning after the 7:30 Mass. I will be making my way to South Bend to visit friends and then on to Naperville where I stay with friends as well. I will be back by August 31. Enjoy these days….

Have a good week love,

All Masses are livestreamed on the Internet. Go to stjohnfairport.org and click on SJR Live Stream. Our Church is equipped with hearing-loop for hearing aid wearers. **Switching your hearing aid to the "T-Mode" position should allow you to hear the service.**

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SAINT'S PLACE: Settles refugee families. Clothing Closet is in SJR Parish Center. Call Isabel Miller @ 385-6860 to volunteer. *Drop off donations at St. Louis Church.*
PRAYER CHAIN: Contact Marie Kushner: jkushner@rochester.rr.com
PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday through Thursday: 8:30am to 4:30pm (closed for lunch from 12:00-1:00pm), Fridays: 8:30am to Noon.
CONFESSIONS: Saturday 4:00-4:45 PM (before 5:00 Mass)
SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday at 5:00 PM, and Sunday at 7:30, 9:00, and 11:00 AM.

We Are A "Stephen Ministry" Parish!
Confidential support in difficult times provided by trained parishioners. Call 248-5993 x16.

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Parish News

BELOVED DECEASED

Jennie Arena—Mother of Andrew (Sandra) of Bending Oak Dr, Pittsford
Anne O'Hare—of Dunbridge Heights, Fairport
Ruth Schweickhard—of Trabold Road, Rochester
Greg Smith—of Little Spring Run, Fairport
Rita Tantalo—Mother of Jane (Bob) Shengulet of Park Circle Drive, Fairport

BAPTISMS

We warmly welcome our newest members of the Catholic Church who were baptized last weekend:

Natalie Jacqueline Flaro
Daughter of William & Janelle
Dominic Joseph Pinto
Son of Joseph & Erin

Gianna Grace DiMartino and
Vincent Don DiMartino
Children of Mark & Stacy

Congratulations & Welcome to All!

HOSPITAL VISITATION

Fr. Peter and Fr. Matthew are making hospital visits again. Whether planned or unplanned, please notify us if you, a family member or neighbor is hospitalized. We are ready to bring Holy Communion and to offer our prayers! Please call the Office (248-5993) or let any staff member know.

PERINTON FOOD SHELF

Our food shelf needs at this time:
frosting, beef stew, corned or roast beef hash, baked beans, toothbrushes and deodorants.

Thank you for your continued community support.

Parish Clubs / Committees / Activities

STEPHEN MINISTRY CORNER

"Christ caring for others...through others."

Middle Age...

Full of change, crisis, and growth. We must deal with aging parents, adult children, and our own mortality. If you are going through this crisis and need a sympathetic, trained listener, a Stephen Minister would like to be there for you. Call 248-5993 x16, leave a confidential message and your phone # too. A Stephen Minister will get in touch with you.

UPCOMING RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

St. John of Rochester
Wednesday, August 25, 2021
2:00-6:30PM
Parish Center (Gym)

American Red Cross

Appointments are needed. Schedule online at redcross.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES — ARE YOU CALLED TO MINISTRY?

There are many ways to become involved in Parish ministry. As we look forward to a FULL reopening of our Church this fall, ***we need your help!***

There are so many ways to get involved. Liturgical lay ministries include: Greeters who welcome us to Mass, Ushers who direct the seating and procession of the assembly, Lectors who convey the Word of God, Altar Servers who assist the Presider at the altar, Cantors and music ministers who lead the singing, Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion who serve during Mass and/or take Holy Communion to Nursing/Assisted Living homes; there is something for everyone!

What about 'behind-the-scenes' ministries? Did you know there is a Ministry that cleans and maintains altar cloths? And what about livestreaming Masses? There are ministers for that, too!

If any of these volunteer opportunities interest you, please call the office for more information, or talk to any one of our staff members to learn more!

God does not call the equipped but equips the called. Hebrews 13:21

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED HABIT HOUSE

Perinton Congregations for Flower City Habitat for Humanity is a faith-based group that raises funds and recruits volunteers to build homes for Flower City Habitat for Humanity.

The ***Perinton Coalition 2021*** build is a single-story house with accessibility. The home is located at 871 Smith Street, Rochester NY. Go to: **perintonhabitat.org** for more information.

The 2021 volunteering campaign page is live now at: give.rochesterhabitat.org/ge/perinton, click on the green **VOLUNTEER** button to sign-up! Additional days are opened on a rolling basis, so please check back every week or two for more availability.

Questions?
Feel free to email:
info@perintonhabitat.org

Flower City Habitat for Humanity® Perinton Congregations

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

DAY	MASS INTENTIONS	PARISH ACTIVITIES
Sunday, August 15 **THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**	7:30 am—Ken Kegley—Jim & Jean Roney 9:00 am—Alexander Biellak—Melin Family —Louis & Mary Providence—Son, David 11:00 am—John Elia—Sheila & Terry Klee —Dorothy Ocon (b'day)—Daughter Maria Noonan —Healing for Mary C. Marvin—Marcus & Jane Austin	6:00-7:00 PM—Women's Spirit—Gathering Room
Monday, August 16 ***Saint Stephen of Hungary***	6:30 am—Mary & Josef Holzer—Daughter, Barbara 8:30 am—Richard Annibale (b'day)—Jim & Jean Roney	6:30-9:00 PM—Stephen Ministry—Gathering Room 8:00-10:00 PM—Pineapples BB—Gym
Tuesday, August 17	6:30 am—Intentions of Matthew Bankey—Erin Bankey 8:30 am—Desiree Crete—Alain & Alicia Crete	11:00 AM—Funeral—Church 6:30 PM—Confirmation yr 1, parent & candidate—Gym
Wednesday, August 18	6:30 am—Intentions of Justin, Kate, Wesley & Zander Selleck—Erin Bankey 8:30 am—Intentions of Alaina DiGiorgio—Alain & Alicia Crete —Sonja Stenclik—Patty & Tom Dromgoole	
Thursday, August 19 ***Saint John Eudes, Priest***	6:30 am—All Souls Intention 8:30 am—Dr. Fred Dowaliby—Bernadette Skobjak	12:30-3:00 PM—Ladies VB—Gym 6:30 PM—Confirmation yr 2, parent & candidate—Gym
Friday, August 20 **Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church**	8:30 am—Don Owens—Chris Mueller —Birthday Intentions for Arlo Dipasquale—Young Oh —John Connolly—Family	7:00-8:30 AM—Men's Prayer Group—LeVeque Rm
Saturday, August 21 **Saint Pius X, Pope**	8:30 am—Dick & Daisy Klee—the Klee Family —Michael Valentine—Arlee Valentine 5:00 pm—Greg Polisseni—the Caruso Family —Albert & Mary DiPietro—Beverly & Ray Carpenter and Wayne & Lisa Picone & family	7:30 AM—Southern Hills BB—Gym 9:00 AM—PPC Executive Committee—Gathering Room
Sunday, August 22 **Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**	7:30 am—Clayton J. Prevost—Children Sara, Jeff & Doug —Charles & Dominic Santoli—Family 9:00 am—Intentions for Lucille McGinnis—Rita & James Haley —Mr. & Mrs. Bob Stadtmiller—Sally Schindler 11:00 am—Paul Aloi & Aloi Family—the DiMarzo Family —Eileen McWilliams—Joan Wirth	6:00-7:00 PM—Women's Spirit—Gathering Room

Intercessions / Liturgical Ministries

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN SERVICE TO COUNTRY AND GOD

We Pray Especially For: Ens. Noelle DeMarco, Lt. Col. Daniel Gilmore, Specialist Ryan Kelly, Commander Rob Prince USN, Matt Wurz, Lt. Col. Robert Kurpiel, Lt. Col. Christopher Kurpiel, Jill Nawrocki, Sgt. Travis Johnson, Staff Sgt. Jordan Torcello, Maj. Jeffrey Bavis, Cpl. Ryan Palanzo, PVII Corey Pedeville, Cpt. Jennifer Long, Sgt. Chad Griffo, Tech Sgt. Kevin Maeder, Sister Susan Marie Norton, PVMI, Sgt. Robert Chantra, Seaman David Barker, Col. Martin Schmidt, Sgt. Alex Martens USMC, Sgt. Melissa Martens USMC, Pvt. Cyrus Gorcica Marine, LCpl. John Hebert, Capt. Thomas Leone USAF, Lt. Alex Dudek, USN, Capt. Timothy Segrue, Army, Capt. Dennis Segrue, Army

Consistent Life Ethic Corner

SJR Consistent Life Ethic Thought for the Week:

"Love God, serve God: everything is in that."

St. Clare of Assisi
EWTM.com

Consider: how you might show your love for God today, and each day, in a simple and easy way, by using the gifts and talents God has given you to help someone you know.

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Would you or your family like to bring up the gifts at Mass? Please call the office to let us know, or let Amy or any other staff member know when you see them at Mass. Thank you!

PRAYER CORNER

Pray for our parishioners. Many names may no longer require this listing…please call 248-5993 to update.

Mitch Alepoudakis
Caiden Asaly
Robert Atkinson
Ann Avallone
Dominic Baccaro
Larry Barnhart
Pete Beerse
Mary Bellows
Michele Berry
Allison Bianchi
Ella Bogan
Paige Boyum
Betsy Brown
Gail Burgie
Kathy Cannan
John Ceravolo
Lucy Chacchia
Max Charleton
Martha & Julio Chaves
Tom Clark
Patricia Claypoole
Bernard Cleary
A. Yahap Coban
Seyim Coban
Angie Cockman
Landon Coia
Michelle Coleman
James Compitello
Carol Cooke
Dorothy Cooper
Amy Ogi Crumley
Lenie Dame
Robert D'Amico
Christine Dandridge
Gerry Dangler
Aaron Davis
Jim Davis
Joan Mulholland Dee
Haley Dibiase
Debbie Diez
Michael DiMuro
Ben Dipasquale
Colin Donahue
Carolyn Dunbar
Beverly Duncan
Marion Easley
Steve Elensky
Theresa Elliott
Karen Farngm
Joshua Farnsworth
Lisa Ferrari
Virginia Filar
Jo Fitzpatrick
Arnold Foster
Emily Fraiser
Bailey Frank
Laura Frazier
Tom Fuoco
Mike George
Ciara Griffin
Renee Guerin
Mark Hackett, Jr.
Christine Harder
Penny Hasty
Cecile Hawkins
Eleanor Heier
Matthew Hoffman
Angela Hyman
Vivian Iaculli
Sue Itzenplitz
Sue Jackson
Jacquie Jansen
Baby Augustin Juarez
Maggie Kaiden
Karen Kanar
Claire Kaufman
Debbie Keller
Karen Kelly
Jenni Kench
Patricia Harris Koenig
Meghan Kremble
Amy Krempecki
John Krempecki
Lucy Landry
Jamie Lee
Amelia Rose LiButti
Phil Livecchi
Eugene Lynch
Kathleen Lynch
Mary MacCart
Rebecca MacCart
Bob Maddamma, Jr.
Jackie Carzo Maj
Anthony Marcoccia
Tony Marino
Mary Catherine Marvin
Kyran McCarthy
Madelyn McCarthy
Blake McCracken
Ginny McKeever
Christopher McLaughlin
Scott Miller
Aurora Monge
Laurie Morrison
Colleen Mourer
Ashlae Mull
Kim Murphy
Dan Nescot
Joseph Palmeri
Karla Panic
Yo Parnell
Jill Pasiak
Nancy Pelletier
Steve Perlow
Benjamin Pervis
Megan Peterson
Lucille Pet Rossi
Diana Pirelli
Peter Pierce
Anne Politer
Greg Poole
Michelle Puglia
Carisa Putz
Naomi Reichert
Tom Reedman
Justine Restrick
James Rhodes
Marie Rizzitano
Joel Rivera
Eric Rochester
Oscar Rodriguez
Aaron Roney
Diane Roney
Andrew Carlile Russell
Ed Schwinger
Robert Scott
Mary Sculley
Kathy Seifert
Linda Shano
Patrick Shaunessy
Jane Shenegulet
Margaret Mary Shine
Robert Sikora
Angeline Siracuse
Mary Siciliano
Debbie Silverthorne
Gloria Smith
Richard Smith
Gene & Cecelia Sommers
Ed Starken
John Stio
Suzanne Strong
Marilyn Suggs
Eric Summers
Louis J. Sutherland
Rose Ann Szczepanik
Lorna Thompson
Brian Thorpe
Kori Tolbert
John Toth
Mark Tursi
Sarah Williams
Ken Wolf
William R. Zink
Special Intention
Matthew, Baby Wyatt, Sean, Bridget, Suzanne, Ryan, Christopher, Amanda, Steve, Melissa, Anthony, Bob, Brian, Bernie, Shannon, Keith, Ann Marie

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE WITH ANY UPDATES TO THIS LIST 248-5993.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS—WEEKEND OF AUGUST 21 & 22, 2021

Day	Greeters	Servers	Lectors			Video Ministry
Saturday 5:00 PM	Pat Osborn Theresa Leone	Andrew Wolf	I—Sharon Morales II—Carol Smith			Kim Wolf
Sunday 7:30AM	Roni Walker	Jim Roney	I—Kathy Purcell II—Jeanie Sanders			Gary Granath
Sunday 9:00 AM	Cathy Basta	Gavin Kirsch	I—Laura Jaramillo II—Mark Basta			Chris Pruszynski
Sunday 11:00 AM	MaryAnn & Ken O'Brien	Addie York	I—Elsa McMahon II—Tom Walker			Mike Mathew

SURVEYING THE SCRIPTURES

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Today, August 15, 2021—Solemnity of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Chronicles 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2
The woman herself fled into the desert where she had a place prepared by God.

1 Corinthians 15:54B-57
The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Luke 11:27-28
"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord."

Daily Readings and much more is available at the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops website: bible.usccb.org/readings/calendar

UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

Questions for Reflection:

- St. Paul describes us all as "temples of the Holy Spirit." How do you celebrate this reality on today's feast?
- Many lives were lost this past year, often without the chance for goodbyes. How can you honor these lives today?
- Do you carry burdens from the past that make the present harder, and death seem an impossible proposition?

Readings for Next Week: Joshua 24:1-2A, 15-17, 18B; Ephesians 5:21-32; John 6:60-69

Knights of Columbus Fundraiser

Help the Knights raise money for the charities who so desperately need it by buying a book(s) of raffle tickets. Each book costs $10 and has 6 entries into the statewide raffle that will be held on Dec. 4, 2021. Prizes are as follows: Grand - $25,000, Second - $10,000, Third - $5,000; and ten (10) $1,000 prizes.

Funds raised support state and local charities our Council gives to, including: House of Mercy, Focus Pregnancy Center, Special Olympics, Advent House, St. Peter's Kitchen, Notre Dame Retreat House, SJR Youth Group, SJR Faith Formation, Holy Apostles & several others.

Please contact Tom Nescot via email:pitts716@yahoo.com or phone: 223-8612; he will get tickets to you.

Thank you for your generous support in the past and thank you for your continued prayers and support!

SJR LIVESTREAM SCHEDULE:

The livestream schedule for all Masses, the Rosary (Mon/Wed) and Friday Devotions is as follows:

Weekend Masses:
Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00am

Daily Mass: Monday—Thursday at 6:30 & 8:30am
Friday & Saturday at 8:30am

Pray the Rosary: Monday & Wednesday at 7:00pm

Devotions: Friday at 7:00pm

Confession is offered every Saturday beginning at 4:00pm in the Library. Please wait in the back of the Church until it is your turn.

See the website for more information:
stjohnfairport.org

SJR EUCHARIST ADORATION

Open Monday through Friday 7AM to 5 PM,
Saturday 9AM to 5 PM, Sunday closed

ALL ARE WELCOME—SIGN UP FOR AN HOUR

COME LET US ADORE HIM...
Please CONSIDER taking a HOLY HOUR

Open Hours—Wednesday: 10am;
Saturday: 9am, 1pm, 2pm, 4pm
Sunday: 12pm, 2pm (when/if we open on Sunday)

Can you take an hour weekly or substitute? Call/Text Judy Shanahan 585-880-3706

UPDATED CORONAVIRUS GUIDELINES

(received from the Diocese of Rochester June 15, 2021)

NYS has lifted most Coronavirus restrictions. Many of the guidelines for Church have been removed, except:

- Holy Communion is distributed only by Sacred Host
- The exchange of the sign of peace remains optional
- Holy water fonts remain empty
- At-risk individuals are responsible for wearing masks according to the CDC guidance
- All of the faithful are encouraged to wear masks out of care for those who remain vulnerable to the virus

STEWARDSHIP: OUR TIME, TALENT, TREASURE

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship is also gifts of time and talent

For the week of August 9, 2021

Envelopes	$	12,981.00
Loose Money	$	1,355.64
Annual	$	2,700.00
Direct Deposit	$	2,460.50
TOTAL	**$**	**19,497.14**

GIVE SERVE LIVE

Dimitri House, located at 102 North Union St., Rochester, NY was chosen to be one of the recipients of SJR's Tithing donations this summer.

DIMITRI HOUSE

In our region, nearly 60,000 children now struggle with hunger. According to Feeding America, the need has increased by 25% due to the impact of COVID-19. Families who already struggle to make ends meet must budget for two extra meals per day, per child. Hunger can cause delays in mental and physical development and can negatively affect children's futures. (FoodlinkNY.org)

Dimitri House's namesake, Dimitri Mamczur, was a homeless man with a kind and giving heart who helped his fellow homeless friends and everyone he met. Dimitri wanted to make the world a better place. Founded in 1985, Dimitri House offers the following services to our neighbors today:

·:·The Drop-In Program which provides a safe and welcoming atmosphere where clients can stop by for a meal and access services to help them address challenges they are facing on their journeys towards self-sufficiency.

·:·The Food Pantry that provides groceries to those who need to supplement their own food supplies. In serving individuals and families once every 30 days by appointment, during 2020:

- ➤ 3,664 individuals in Rochester city received emergency food from the Emergency Food Cupboard
- ➤ 2,367 individuals received hot meals in the Drop-In Lunch program
- ➤ Over 250 families received Thanksgiving baskets.

Challenges during COVID were overcome by creative problem-solving efforts.

➤ A drive-by pop-up pantry with Santa offered 160 families a turkey and two bags of groceries. Nutrition Accessibility Carts helped 250 families in need get their turkeys and all the fixings via a grant that purchased 100 grocery carts to distribute food, not having access to transportation - all this to reduce exposure for the donors who normally delivered baskets directly to clients.

Dimitiri House welcomes volunteers and/or donations.

Volunteers answer the door, welcome clients, check identification and verify addresses. During November to April, volunteers also help prepare food bags. During May to October, volunteers support their "Client Choice" program where clients have the opportunity to create their own custom food bags by choosing foods they like from the pantry.

If interested, you could hold a neighborhood food drive with your family, church or business.

To **volunteer**, call **585-325-1796** or go to **www.dimitrihouse.org**, click the **Online Volunteer Application** link on the homepage. To **donate**, go **online at** www.dimitri-house.org

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? ... If a brother or sister lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, … and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? … James 2:14-17

Faith Formation

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

In celebrating this month of Our Lady's final journey to God in her glorious Assumption, let us ask her motherly intercession to draw souls to the Sacred Heart of her Son. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey too—of conversion to God and what he intends for us.

RCIA is the process by which persons who were never baptized, or were baptized in another Christian tradition, become members of the Church, a people on pilgrimage to our Heavenly Father.

For more information, please contact Amy Voll at 248-5993 x13 or amy.voll@dor.org.

YOUR BABY'S BAPTISM

A new baby is such a Blessing and your child's Baptism is the foundation for their Faith journey.

First Time Parents: Our next Baptism Retreat is Friday, Sept. 17, 7-9 PM in the Gathering Room.

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All parents are invited to contact Pam Sikora, 585-248-8850, or register online using the Sacraments page of the website to make arrangements for your baby's Baptism.

Saints of Summer

Blessed James Alberione - Future Patron Saint of Modern Media

Blessed Giacomo Alberione or James Alberione (4 April 1884 - 26 November 1971), also known as Santiago Alberione, was an Italian priest and publisher, the founder of the Society of St. Paul and the Daughters of St. Paul, besides other orders and institutes of the Pauline Family.

After being ordained a priest, his bishop asked him to manage the local diocesan newspaper. James believed that the church needed to use all new forms of communication as a tool for evangelization. Fr. Alberione, always aflame with "zeal" for souls, identifies the quickest ways to reach every person with the Gospel message, especially persons far away and the masses of people was through media. Sensing that, in addition to books, the publication of periodicals could be a very effective means, he throws himself extensively into this form of apostolate. Fr. Alberione focuses on the press at the beginning of the twentieth century using cinema, radio, television, audiovisuals. Today the "Paulines", his followers, are turning to digital communication that is generating a new culture and anthropology. The Daughters of St. Paul, AKA the media nuns, continue his work through the power of the press and the newspapers to reach and move the masses, who were leaving the Church in ever-increasing numbers, he wanted to put these same powerful means at the service of the evangelization in the Church.

SJR Faith Formation

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2021-22 YEAR

REGISTER FOR ALL PROGRAMS ONLINE, USE THE FAITH FORMATION TAB AT STJOHNFAIRPORT.ORG

School Year

- Sept-May
- for K-7th graders
- First Parent Session
  - 9/19 10-11 AM or
  - 9/20, 7-8 PM

visit the Faith Formation tab for details

Contact the Pam Sikora at 585-248-8850 or pam.sikora@dor.org for additional details or with questions

First Reconciliation and Communion

- Parent Mtg with Pam
  - 10/12, 6-7 PM or
  - 10/16, 10-11 AM

Confirmation Prep Year 1 and 2

- Prep Starts 9/12, during Youth Ministry
- See email for meeting details

Blessing of the Backpacks

PLEASE JOIN US AT **ALL MASSES** THE WEEKEND OF **SEPT 11TH & 12TH** FOR A SPECIAL **BLESSING** FOR YOU AS YOU BEGIN YOUR NEW SCHOOL YEAR.

STUDENTS OF ALL AGES ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE.

Parish and Community Activities

ADVENT HOUSE NEWS!

After a very long hiatus, Advent House is finally planning to re-open! One of our biggest hurdles in this delay is the need for volunteers which are the heart and soul of our Home. The hours are flexible and the rewards are great!

Please join us if you think you might be considering us in this much needed ministry in our community.

We will be hosting two open houses for any one that may be interested in volunteering at our Comfort Care Home. We will be available to answer questions, give you a tour and discuss the opportunities available (patient care, scheduling, housekeeping, mailings, fundraising….).

Please feel free to stop by either Tuesday, September 14th, 11:00am to 1:00pm OR Tuesday, September 21st, 6:00-7:30pm.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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Mass Honoring First Responders

on the 20th Anniversary of 9/11

4:00 p.m.
Saturday, September 11, 2021
Cathedral of the Sacred Heart
Rochester, New York

Please join Bishop Salvatore R. Matano, as, in gratitude, we pray to God for the safety of all First Responders who so selflessly serve our community, and for all who served with courage in the tragic events of September 11, 2001, especially those who gave their lives or were injured

Join us on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 for Notre Dame Retreat House's **Day of Prayer**
(Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Rd., Canandaigua, NY 14424)

"Feeding the Spiritual Hungers"

Presented by: Rev. Robert Werth. Fr. Werth is a priest within the Diocese of Rochester for the last 42 years. He is currently serving as Parochial Vicar at Cabrini Rochester. He has a Masters in Scriptures and in Social Work and is also a Licensed Master Social Worker.

Conference 9:30am – 12:00pm followed by lunch, free time, confessions and day ends with Mass at 2:00pm. There is a $25.00 fee. Please register by calling 585-394-5700 or email ndretreat@rochester.rr.com.

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Uniting & Healing through Hope of Monroe County

Uniting and Healing through Hope of Monroe County is committed to ending the violence that has plagued Rochester through community outreach missions.

This month our group is collecting school supplies for children in the city of Rochester. Backpacks, notebooks, paper, crayons, markers, pencils, pens and erasers would be greatly appreciated. There is a box in the donation room for supplies. We will be collecting supplies through 8/25.

Thank you very much!