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### **Cathedral Office Hours**

**Monday—Thursday 9:00 am — 3:00 pm**  
**Friday 9:00 am — Noon**

### **MASS TIMES**

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday 4:00 pm  
Sunday 7:00 am, 9:15 am & 11:15 am

#### **Daily Mass**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 12:10 pm  
Tuesday at 7:30 am

### **CELEBRATION OF PENANCE**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 11:30 am — Noon

Friday 11:30 am — Noon and 4:45 — 5:15 pm  
Saturday 2:30 — 3:30 pm

**August 29, 2021**

**Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time**

Praised be Jesus Christ!

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a Catholic? Or are you already a Catholic but feel like you could use a Catholicism 101 type of adult education course? As we approach the end of summer it's time to gauge interest and gather names for the 2021-2022 year of RCIA classes (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) here at the Cathedral.

Technically speaking, the RCIA program is an intellectual and spiritual journey for those individuals who have never been baptized, but are interested in exploring the teachings of the Catholic faith in view of potentially seeking baptism and entrance into the full life of the Church next spring. But I also find that RCIA classes can also serve as helpful formation for those non-Catholic Christians who are already baptized, but are considering "converting" to the Catholic faith by being received into full communion with the Catholic Church. And as I said above, I am also open to having lifelong Catholics sit in on these lectures and discussions as a means of filling in some of the gaps in their own knowledge of the faith.

Depending on interest, I am hoping to host these

**RCIA CLASSES ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS FROM 5:30 TO 6:30PM HERE AT THE CATHEDRAL STARTING ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>.**

Each week, we'll cover one "bite-sized" topic related to faith, morals, history, prayer and spirituality, and other relevant topics. I hope to personally teach the vast majority of these lectures myself, with the assistance of our parish deacons, and the occasional guest lecturer/expert.

No prior connection to the Cathedral is required for these classes, so feel free to spread the news far and wide and invite friends and acquaintances from all around the greater Rochester area. I've said before that I want the Cathedral to be the spiritual heart of the Diocese, which means that it should also strive to be a center for Catholic catechesis and intellectual formation.

If you or someone you know is interested, but a little nervous or on-the-fence about the commitment involved, just come to that first session on **September 15<sup>th</sup> for a no-pressure information session** and make your decision accordingly! Remember, the whole point of this group is about exploring the Catholic faith, not making any immediate commitments.

Through the fall season, we'll dive into topics such as: Revelation and Faith, the doctrine of the Trinity, Creation and the Fall, encountering Jesus in the Scriptures, the identity of Jesus Christ, Redemption, the Church, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and many others. Through this, you'll gain confidence in your knowledge of the Catholic faith, and be able to make an informed discernment about what "next steps" God might be calling you to in your walk with the Lord!

If you are interested in coming to that information session, or need more information, or are even "just a little interested" and want to test the waters—please email me directly ([fr.peter.vanlieshout@dor.org](mailto:fr.peter.vanlieshout@dor.org)) or call the Cathedral office at (585-254-3221).

In the hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Peter Van Lieshout



**Labor Day—Monday, September 6**

The office will be CLOSED. There will be confessions from 11:30 am—Noon and one Mass at 12:10 pm.

**Faith Formation**

Faith Formation — Teaching the Catholic faith to our children is an awesome responsibility, privilege, as well as an opportunity for us to grow in our own faith.

As the planning for our Faith Formation continues to unfold, we are focusing on creating *The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd* program for children ages 3-12. The program will start Sunday, September 19th and take place most Sundays from 10:15 am until 11:15 am. Faith Formation volunteers and catechists are always welcomed! Registration is available on line at our website [www.cathedralcommunity.org](http://www.cathedralcommunity.org), and printed forms can be found at the information desk in the narthex.

For children ready for confirmation classes, Fr. Van Lieshout and Dcn. Kristan will instruct them in their faith. Please feel free to call the office with any questions.

**PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED**

In your charity, please pray for all of our deceased.



*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them.*

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**



*John Eisemann & Gina Viavattene  
Sean Mahoney & Claire Benson  
Alexander Hernandez & Olivia Piccirillo  
Nicholas Yancone & Laura Caterino*

*Please keep their future happiness in your prayers.*



**MASS INTENTIONS**

The **2022 Mass Record Book** has arrived. If you would like to schedule a mass for a deceased love one, please call or stop by the office. The offering is \$10.

Most Rev. Salvatore R. Matano, Bishop of Rochester  
Most Rev. Matthew H. Clark, Bishop Emeritus of Rochester  
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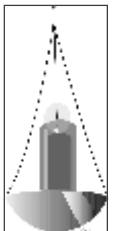
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**This Week's Sanctuary Candle**

*In Memory Of— Thomas DeRomanis  
Requested by— KoC 15118*

*Intentions Of Debbie Gillaspay  
Requested by— Capone Family*



Pray the Rosary for the families of Sacred Heart Cathedral. Please feel free to join us next to the baptismal font on Saturdays at 3:00 pm .

### Three Minute Apologetics

#### DEFENDING TRADITION

**Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year B**  
By parishioner Aaron Daniels

One common objection to the Catholic concept of “tradition” stems from a line in today’s Gospel from Saint Mark when Our Lord himself rebukes those who cling to human tradition. “Jesus rejected tradition”—so the objection goes—“and even called the Pharisees hypocrites for maintaining it!” However, when you read today’s text within context you will understand that Jesus was not rejecting tradition but rather rejecting the empty faith of the Pharisees and scribes. They served God in appearance with their works, but their hearts were far from God.

The law of Moses required a Jew to honor his mother and father. This meant that a Jew was required to love and support his parents when they were old. In the Gospel, Jesus condemned a specific practice of the Pharisees. They were accepting a financial donation to the temple, a Corban, in situations when the money should have been used to take care of the donors’ parents. Jesus was not condemning tradition but rather a false religion of human works without love; obedience in deed but not in spirit.

We can further defend tradition by citing the various places where Saint Paul commands us to cling to tradition,

- 1 Corinthians 11:2 – I commend you because you remember me in everything and maintain the traditions just as I handed them on to you.
- 2 Thessalonians 2:15 – So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.
- 2 Thessalonians 3:6 – Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us.

Furthermore, you can read the teachings of the Catechism of the Catholic Church,

- CCC 80 – “Sacred Tradition and Sacred Scripture, then, are bound closely together, and communicate one with the other. For both of them, flowing out from the same divine well-spring, come together in some fashion to form one thing, and move towards the same goal.” Each of them makes present and fruitful in the Church the mystery of Christ, who promised to remain with his own “always, to the close of the age”.
- CCC 83 – The Tradition here in question comes from the apostles and hands on what they received from Jesus’ teaching and example and what they learned from the Holy Spirit. The first generation of Christians did not yet have a written New Testament, and the New Testament itself demonstrates the process of living Tradition.
- CCC 95 – “It is clear therefore that, in the supremely wise arrangement of God, sacred Tradition, Sacred Scripture and the Magisterium of the Church are so connected and associated that one of them cannot stand without the others. Working together each in its own way, under the action of the one Holy Spirit, they all contribute effectively to the salvation of souls.”
- CCC97 – “Sacred Tradition and Sacred Scripture make up a single sacred deposit of the Word of God” in which, as in a mirror, the pilgrim Church contemplates God, the source of all her riches.



#### Saturday, August 28, 2021—Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

*1 Thes 4:9-11; Mt 25:14-30*

4:00 pm Elizabeth Bauer—Bauer Family

#### Sunday, August 29, 2021—Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

*Dt 4:1-2, 6-8, Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23*

7:00 am For the people of the Cathedral Community

9:15 am Michael McGrath—Fleming Family

Intentions of Stella Ravariere

Michael Andolina & Roland Pelliccia—Family

Joseph Muller Sr.—KoC 15118

11:15 am Edmund V. Knittel—Carol Goodman

2:00 pm Wedding Recognition Mass w/Bishop Matano

#### Monday, August 30, 2021

*1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30*

12:10 pm For Deceased family members—Julie & Dave Boland

#### Tuesday, August 31, 2021

*1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37*

7:30 am Special Intention

#### Wednesday, September 1, 2021

*Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44*

12:10 pm Special Intention

#### Thursday, September 2, 2021

*Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11*

12:10 pm Special Intention

#### Friday, September 3, 2021—Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

*Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39*

12:10 pm Susanne Grieco—Mike & Patty Fredericks

#### Saturday, September 4, 2021

*Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5*

4:00 pm Janet Bachman Petroske—Joe & Laura Foley &

Dan Foley & Family

Florence Leonard—KoC 15118

#### Sunday, September 5, 2021—Twenty Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

*Is 35:4-7a, Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37*

7:00 am Rita Whalen—Margaret Whalen

9:15 am Lee Reh—Family

Edward Sammler—KoC 15118

11:15 am For the people of the Cathedral Community

#### Monday, September 6, 2021—Labor Day—Office Closed

*Col 1:24—2:3; Lk 6:6-11*

11:30—Noon Confessions

12:10 pm Special Intention

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