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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

September 19, 2021

Twenty—Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

In the Dioceses of the United States, the last Sunday in September is commemorated as “Priesthood Sunday”—a campaign spearheaded by Serra International (a lay organization which assists and supports priestly and religious vocations) as a means of drawing attention to the positive and essential role that the priesthood plays in the life of the Church, and in the lives of individual Catholics and families.

There are no special readings or materials for this Sunday. There are no expectations on how to celebrate it. Parishes can give it as much or as little attention as they would like, and I suspect that in most parishes throughout the country it will come and go relatively unnoticed.

But in addition to my role as Rector, I also serve as one of the *Co-Directors of Priestly Vocations* for the Diocese, and so I would be neglecting one of my duties if I didn’t at least call attention to this commemoration.

I’ll start with a story...

After I celebrated my first weekend Mass here at the Cathedral, I got in my car and drove down to Holy Sepulchre cemetery to go for a walk. I’ve always loved the well-maintained cemetery grounds, the beautiful All Souls chapel on the east side of Lake Ave, and the powerful witness-value that the cemetery itself has as a monument to the generations of Catholic faithful, just like ourselves, who lived the faith here in the Diocese of Rochester.

On that visit, as I do almost anytime that I go, I made sure to swing by the “Priest Sections” of the cemetery where I can walk down the rows and pray for the souls of my brother priests who came before me in this Diocese. I make a special point of scanning the names and pausing at the graves of those priests who had some important impact on my life, whether direct or indirect.

I pray for the priest who baptized me. I pray for priests who heard my confessions or gave me need spiritual counsel at important times in my life—especially during my youth and college years. I pray for certain priests who were supportive of me during my time in seminary and helped to guide me to ordination. I even developed a special affinity for praying for those priests who may have died decades before I was even born, but while living served in the churches to which I was assigned and gave the sacraments (in some cases) to the parents, grandparents, and even great-grandparents of my current parishioners and families.

I recount this because I always walk away from such moments filled with gratitude for the priestly ministry of these men, the way that it impacted my life in the past, and even how their apostolic labors continue to have an enduring effect in my life and in that of others. It stirs me to desire to become a better, more holy, and more zealous priest myself!

I invite you to pause and reflect on some of these same sentiments. Do you pray for those priests who gave you the sacraments at various points in your life? Are you grateful in particular ways for how the Lord changed your life through the ministry of some priest? Obviously, this isn’t limited to those priests who have already passed away.

We are all acutely aware of the unfathomable spiritual damage that some priests have caused, and as a priest, I make a special point of offering prayer and penance in reparation for those sins and crimes of my brother priests which have so wounded the Church as the Mystical Body of Christ. But an occasion like “Priesthood Sunday” is an opportunity to reflect on what I think is an overwhelming Catholic experience of *GRATITUDE to God* for giving us the gift of good and holy priests who have impacted our lives in important ways, and for which we can be (literally) eternally grateful.

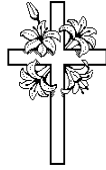
If you can sympathize with my gratitude, then I also hope that this spurs you to pray for new vocations to the priesthood in the Diocese of Rochester so that the Catholic faith continues strong in our local church and so that future generations can have the same experience that we have had.

God, our Father, please send us Holy Priests - all for the Sacred and Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, all for the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, all in Union with St. Joseph. Amen.

In the hearts of Jesus and Mary,
Fr. Peter Van Lieshout

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



*Alexander Hernandez & Olivia Piccirillo
Nicholas Yancone & Laura Caterino
Joseph Mendola & Andrea Dutcher
Kevin Jagodzinski & Meghan Phillips
Joe Lupisella & Shelby Rathbun*

Please keep their future happiness in your prayers.

This Week's Sanctuary Candle

*In Memory of—Nevis Thiagaraj
Requested by—Family*

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Requested by—Family*



Mary's Place Looking For Volunteers

Mary's Place Refugee Outreach, 414 Lexington Ave., is looking for volunteers to help with Wednesday Food deliveries to refugee families. We currently deliver to 175 families representing more than 700 people. We need both drivers and packers.

- Drivers arrive at 11:45 on Wednesday morning and will receive food and other staples assigned for delivery to approximately 10-14 households. Small SUVs or hatchbacks are ideal, but not necessary. Takes about 1 to 1 1/2 hours. Drivers may bring a partner to assist.
- Packers arrive at 9 am and unpack several pallets of food—produce, staples, sometimes dairy products. Food is bagged or boxed to be ready for drivers. Takes about 2 hours.

Drivers and packers should be able to lift up to 30 pounds. If you are able to help, please contact Matt Palocy, program director at matthew.palocy@marysplaceoutreach.org

Most Rev. Salvatore R. Matano, Bishop of Rochester
Most Rev. Matthew H. Clark, Bishop Emeritus of Rochester
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PLEASE JOIN US FOR A NINE-DAY NOVENA TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL, PATRON SAINT OF FIRST RESPONDERS

September 21-28, 2021
Chanted Chaplet Of St. Michael
Sacred Heart Cathedral
8 PM

September 29, 2021
The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael Archangels
Sacred Heart Cathedral
7 PM

**Break the Cycle of Poverty:
Support the Catholic Campaign for
Human Development September 18 & 19**

Our special collection today supports the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. CCHD funds programs that empower low-income people to address the root causes of their poverty. These grants support organizations across the country, including four in our own Diocese! In addition, 25% of the funds we collect will remain in our diocese to fund smaller, local anti-poverty projects. By supporting this collection, you are standing with people on the margins and making positive social change. Make your check out to The Cathedral Community and write "CCHD" in the memo and place this in the collection box or visit the parish website for online giving options for designating your gift to CCHD. Thank you!



Saturday, September 18, 2021

1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15

4:00 pm Anne & Edward Hartz—Gene & Sue Cherkis
Walter O'Neill—Patty Dardzinski

Sunday, September 19, 2021—Twenty-Fifth Day In Ordinary Time

Wis 2:12, 17-20; Jas 3:16—4:3; Mk 9:30-37

7:00 pm For the people of the Cathedral Community
9:15 am Lee Reh—RRRS
11:15 am Raymond Megerle—Beverly Kowalczyk

Monday, September 20, 2021—Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest and Paul Chong Ha-Sang, and Companions, Martyrs

Ez 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18

12:10 pm Frank Atti—Julie & Dave Boland

Tuesday, September 21, 2021—Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13

7:30 am Special Intention
8:00 pm Chaplet of St. Michael

Wednesday, September 22, 2021

Ezr 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

12:10 pm Intention of Kimberly Krautwurst—Gene & Sue Cherkis
8:00 pm Chaplet of St. Michael

Thursday, September 23, 2021—Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Hg 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9

12:10 pm Intentions of Joanna Mix—Becky Urlacher
8:00 pm Chaplet of St. Michael

Friday, September 24, 2021

Hg 2:1-9; Lk 9:18-22

12:10 pm Priests of DOR past & present—Parishioner
8:00 pm Chaplet of St. Michael

Saturday, September 25, 2021

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Lk 9:43b-45

4:00 pm Nevis Thiagaraj—Family
8:00 pm Chaplet of St. Michael

Sunday, September 26, 2021—Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Nm 11:25-29, Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

7:00 am Sandra Crusoe—Barb & Steve Spector
9:15 am Conrad Scheg—Gail McElligott
Lee Reh—All-Star Tutors
Gaetano & Enrichetta Catalani—Family
11:15 am For the people of the Cathedral Community
8:00 pm Chaplet of St. Michael



Sunday, October 3, 2021 at 11:15 a.m.

Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano

Principal Celebrant and Homilist

Sacred Heart Cathedral

296 Flower City Park

Rochester NY 14615

To RSVP please email Shannon.Kilbridge@dor.org

**Parish Offertory Support
September 11 & 12, 2021**

Actual	Goal	Variance
\$9,777	\$7,000	\$2,777
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\$83,010	\$84,000	\$-990

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