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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

**October 3, 2021**

**Twenty—Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time**

Praised be Jesus Christ!

This Sunday, we begin another year of religious education classes and so I ask all of our parishioners to say a few prayers for our students. It has been a slow process trying to rebuild and regather an in-person Faith Formation program this year after this time of transition and given the fact that so many parishes had to shift temporarily to online lessons—with all the complications inherent in computer-based catechesis. In that regard, Rose Davis did an excellent job creating an online, video-based Faith Formation program last year, making the best of a difficult situation. This year, Karen Stevens (who served several years ago here at the Cathedral doing Faith Formation work) has been immensely helpful to me in getting a small but growing in-person program together. We meet here in the Church hall on Sundays at 10:15am. Its not too late to sign-up!

In listing the duties of the parish pastor, the Code of Canon Law draws particular attention to the importance of religious education. It states that the pastor “is to take care that the lay members of the Christian faithful are instructed in the truths of the faith, especially by giving a homily on Sundays and holy days of obligation and by offering catechetical instruction” (Can. 528 §1). But just a few sentences later it adds: “**He is to have particular care for the Catholic education of children and youth**” (Ibid).

I make a conscious effort to fulfill this duty by being involved as much as I can during the Sunday religious education classes, even teaching most of the Confirmation lessons myself.

But there is only so much that classroom instruction can hope to accomplish, and in this culture, **it will almost certainly fail to achieve its goal if that is all that we do**. The other key pieces of the puzzle are, among other things:

**1. Family support** – The Church has always reiterated that the parents are the first and primary catechists of their children. The home itself should become what is sometimes referred to as the “domestic church.” Is the home truly a place of family prayer? Do you have a crucifix on the wall in every bedroom? Are there images of Our Lord or the Blessed Mother in a place of prominence? Do you keep a bottle of Holy Water accessible and use it frequently to bless yourself, your children and your house?

*(By the way, there is an anonymous donor willing to donate a crucifix and/or an image of the Sacred Heart to any and all families who request it. Please don't hesitate to take up the offer! Just let me know and I can arrange this for you).*

Most importantly, however, is the role of the family in making sure that Mass attendance on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation is the unwavering family expectation, even during times of vacation and travel. I can try to awaken people to the seriousness of this obligation by stressing its importance; or I can speak more positively about the benefits of Mass attendance and the graces that the Mass gives us. But as it relates to catechesis, it is my experience that religious education classes will be almost totally ineffective in nurturing the Catholic faith unless the family is also attending Mass every Sunday and Holy Day.

**2. The Liturgy** – The Liturgy itself should have a strong pedagogical role in the Catholic education of our young people. By that I mean that the truths of the faith that we teach in the classroom in words should also be “taught” and “experienced” in the liturgy through sights, gestures, postures, sounds, smells, and even reverential silence.

For example, I can teach until I am blue in the face the fact that the Mass really is, as Vatican II puts it, the “sacrifice of [Our Savior's] body and blood” which “perpetuate[s] the sacrifice of the Cross throughout the centuries.” But unless this reality is seen and tangibly experienced in the way that we worship, our teaching is just words on page with real effect. The same is true about all of the other truths of the faith.

Another way of saying this is that the classroom is to inspire a sense of wonder and curiosity in the students regarding the immense beauty of our Faith. But then going forth from the classroom, this sense of wonder is sustained and cultivated by their experience of the sacred liturgy.

**3. The whole parish** – Pope St. Paul VI famously noted in the 1970s that “Modern man listens more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if he does listen to teachers, it is because they are witnesses.” Every individual member of our parish witnesses to their faith by the way that they conduct themselves in the church, and by the way that they live out their spiritual lives on a daily basis. This witness is amplified ten-fold when it becomes a collective parish culture. Silent prayer, before and after by parishioners, before and after Mass can “speak” louder than classroom lectures. Long confession lines “speak” of the reality of sin but also the greatness of Christ's mercy. Even things like the beauty of vestments, music, and decorations “speak” to the fact that our worship is something holy and heavenly.

So basically, thank you so much for all of the implicit ways that everyone of us can contribute to the Catholic education of our children and youth!

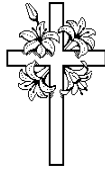
In the hearts of Jesus and Mary,  
Fr. Peter Van Lieshout



The Parish Office will be **CLOSED** on Monday, October 11 for Columbus Day. Confessions will be from 11:30—Noon and there will be one mass at 12:10 pm

**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**

*Kevin Jagodzinski & Meghan Phillips  
Joe Lupisella & Shelby Rathbun  
Michael Chaderjian & Samantha Smith  
Eric Tarapacki & Jacklyn Steffen  
Christopher Pellati & Lauren Turchetti*

*Please keep their future happiness in your prayers.*

**This Week's Sanctuary Candle**

*Intentions of — Don & Anne Barnes  
Requested by — Capone Family*

*In Memory of — Richard Proia  
Requested by — Alice Proia*

*In Memory of — Vincent/King Family  
Requested by — Darwin Lott*



**PRAY FOR OUR SICK**



Le Roy Ange, Judy Batchelor, Bernie Beisheim, Bishop Matthew Clark, Ann D'Amato, Donna Finnocharo, Dorothy Gullen, Marilyn Hare, Louise Herring, Jon Herron, Karen Hyland, Pat LaPlaca, Lucas Marone, Kathleen Meisenzahl, Ruth Nettles, Jeff Piazza, Rosemary Piazza, Nancy Prinzing, Kaia Linh Rohr, Jim Schell, Shayne Shackelford, Barbara Stifter, Sharon Swartz, Bentley Vega

Most Rev. Salvatore R. Matano, Bishop of Rochester  
Most Rev. Matthew H. Clark, Bishop Emeritus of Rochester  
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*Mia Louise Fico*

*We welcome our newly baptized into our parish community!*



### **Suggestion Box**

The Cathedral Community Pastoral Council has been meeting monthly with Fr. Van Lieshout since July. More information will soon be forthcoming about the members of council; but in the meantime, one of the things we have discussed is more 2 way communication with the parish. Starting this week, you will notice a RED suggestion box on the information desk in the narthex. We encourage you to leave questions/issues that you would like to suggest to parish council or to Fr. Van Lieshout. Going forward we hope to find a way to make summaries of our meetings available online for your review.



### **Saturday, October 2, 2021—The Holy Guardian Angels**

*Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Mt 19:1-5*

4:00 pm Priests of the Diocese of Rochester, Past & Present—Parishioner  
Mary Judith Abbott—Lynn Marra

### **Sunday, October 3, 2021—Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time**

#### **Respect Life Sunday**

7:00 am For the people of the Cathedral Community  
Lee Reh—Family  
9:15 am Marco Gallelli—Mother, Sandra & Brother, /Gianluca  
11:15 am Respect Life Mass with Bishop Matano

### **Monday, October 4, 2021—Saint Francis of Assisi**

*Jon 1:1—2:2, 11; Lk 10:25-37*

12:10 pm John North—Maguire Family

### **Tuesday, October 5, 2021**

*Jon 3:1-10, Lk 10:38-42*

7:30 am Special Intention

### **Wednesday, October 6, 2021**

*Jon 4:1-11; Lk 11:1-4*

12:10 pm Intentions of Tyler Krautwurst—Gene & Sue Cherkis

### **Thursday, October 7, 2021—Our Lady of the Rosary**

*Mal 3:13-20b, Lk 11:5-13*

12:10 pm For the people of Afghanistan—Pax Christi Rochester, Community  
5:00 pm Memorial Of Our Lady Of The Rosary  
6:00 pm The Holy Sacrifice Of The Mass

### **Friday, October 8, 2021**

*Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2; Lk 11:15-26*

12:10 pm Intentions of Fr. Peter Van Lieshout & vocations in the Diocese of Rochester—Friend

### **Saturday, October 9, 2021**

*Jl 4:12-21; Lk 11:27-28*

4:00 pm August & Jeanette Scopia —Daughter & Grandchildren

### **Sunday, October 10, 2021—Twenty-Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

*Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10-17-30 or 10-17-27*

7:00 am Richard Pilliter—Margaret Whalen  
9:15 am Gary N. Roth—John Mulcahy  
11:15 am Synod of Synodality Mass with Bishop Matano

### **Monday, October 11, 2021—Columbus Day—Office Closed**

*Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32*

11:30—Noon Confessions  
12:10 pm James Lombardo—Maguire Family

### **Upcoming Events at Sacred Heart**

**Thursday, October 7, 2021**  
**Memorial Of Our Lady Of The Rosary**  
**Rosary at 5:00 pm**

**Thursday, October 7, 2021**  
**The Holy Sacrifice Of The Mass**  
**6:00 pm**

**Tuesday, November 2, 2021**  
**Vespers For The Dead On The Feast Of All Souls**  
**8:00 pm**

### **Congratulation to David Kraft**



Congratulations to David Kraft, one of Sacred Heart Cathedral's newest parishioners and choir members, for taking **first place** in the 24<sup>th</sup> Albert Schweitzer Organ Festival Hartford – High School Division Competition. David is an organ student of our Music Director John Morabito and has sung in the Diocesan Choir for several years. The two other finalists for the competition were Daniel Colaner of Ohio, and Mélodie Michel of Paris, France. If you would like to view the entire competition, a link is posted on our Facebook page. Soli Deo Gloria!

The Prison Ministry is looking for 2021 and 2022 calendars, stapled only **NO SPIRAL BOUND**. Please drop these off at the main office during normal business hours Mon—Thurs 9:00am—3:00pm and Fri 9:00am—Noon.

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