



# Sacred Heart Cathedral

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Cathedral Office Hours  
Monday—Thursday 9:00 am — 3:00 pm  
Friday 9:00 am — Noon  
**The office will be closed Mon—Thurs 12:10—12:40 pm**

## **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 14, 2022**  
**Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

Praised be Jesus Christ!

You may have noticed the “new” holy water fonts that now stand at the principal entryways into the Cathedral. These fonts were a gift to the Cathedral from All Saints Parish in Corning and were originally located in St. Vincent de Paul church (which closed back in 2018). I’m very grateful to the Pastor, Fr. Matthew Jones, for his donation to the Cathedral parish, and I hope that those parishioners who once attended St. Vincent de Paul’s church can appreciate that some elements of their parish are being used in other parts of the Diocese. I’m amazed at how well the fonts blend in with the color-scheme of the Narthex!

Naturally, the presence of new holy water fonts brings up the question of the future of the baptismal font—which remains unfilled since the initial weeks of Covid restrictions back in March of 2020. Here are a few things to know about the current situation:

Even before March of 2020, although the font was filled, it was not functioning properly due to damage in the internal structure of the font. Specifically, this damage was within the piping system within the font and under the church that is responsible for sending the overflow water back to the main pump and heater.

This damage has existed for years. But to avoid the amount of cost that such a repair would entail (since the main damage is within the structure of the font itself) contractors reworked the system by cutting out the return line all together, and simply allowing all of the overflow from the font to run directly into the drain. **This means that the only way that the baptismal font can currently function is by constantly heating and softening the incoming city water, pumping it down the length of the church into the font, filling the font to overflow, and then allowing the overflow to go directly down the drain.** This results in having to dump between 1 and 2 gallons of water down the drain per minute the entire time the font is running—something that is neither financially nor environmentally responsible.

The estimated costs to repair the font are extremely pricey, given the location of the damage itself. It would essentially require the font to be disassembled, repaired, and re-assembled.

Given this situation, and after consultation with Parish Council in meetings during the last year, as well as the unanimous recommendation of our Buildings and Grounds committee, **my suggestion is that we go forward with a plan to have the baptismal font removed.** My reasoning is as follows:

1. Based on consultation with our HVAC company, the cost of removal of the font would be far less than the cost necessary to do these repairs, without even factoring in future depreciation of the font and the cost of general upkeep.
2. Full-immersion adult baptisms are so infrequent at the Cathedral that I do not think the large size of the current font is proportionate to our needs. Moreover, in our current situation, I am of the opinion that full-immersion baptisms should be prudently avoided due to public propriety and safe environment concerns.
3. The removal of the font would allow liturgical processions at the Cathedral to proceed directly down the main aisle. This would be especially beneficial at weddings, which are numerous at the Cathedral, and currently require the bride to navigate around the font in awkward fashion for her entrance procession.

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4. A smaller, noble, and more easily moveable and "cleanable" baptismal font could be acquired for free and re-purposed from one of the closed churches of the Diocese.

For the sake of the brevity required by the bulletin, I had to keep some of the explanations here relatively short. I'm happy to discuss my thoughts at greater length if there are questions or concerns. I wanted to present my thoughts to the parish before taking further steps.

In the hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Peter Van Lieshout

## Food Frenzy Weekend



Thank you for your generous donations and support of Joseph's Place. Our next Food Frenzy will be August 20 & 21. We would greatly appreciate donations of, **spaghetti sauce, cereal or breakfast bars, instant potatoes, canned meat or salmon, macaroni and cheese and toilet paper.** Please remember we can accept opened packages of any food. Donated food can be placed in the bins that will be located in the narthex.



**Our Next Community Brunch**  
**Sunday, August 21, 2022**  
**12:30 — 2:30 pm**

Community brunch/dinners were started by the Social Ministry Team of The Cathedral Community for two purposes. One was to feed those who were living in poverty and in need of a healthy meal. The second was to connect our neighbors who live in poverty with the parishioners of our Cathedral Parish. We have a solemn obligation to serve our brother and sisters and as Disciples of Christ, we must reach out in love and compassion to all of those in need. In service we can form friendships and build lasting relationships with the people in our Cathedral neighborhood. **On the menu: Scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage, bagels, fruit, turkey or ham wraps, many desserts.** To go meals are available. If you would like to help, please call the office at 254-3221.



You're invited! Join us as we pray the Holy Rosary for the families of Sacred Heart Cathedral. We meet every Saturday at 3:00 PM.

"There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot solve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary." -Sister Lucia of Fatima



## Saturday August 13, 2022

*Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15*

2:30—3:30 pm Confessions  
 4:00 pm Michael McGivney—KoC 15118

## Sunday, August 14, 2022—Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

*Jer 38:4-6, 8-10, Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53*

7:00 am Robert Wise—Mr. & Mrs. Clark Rich  
 9:15 am David Van Voorhees—Family  
 11:15 am For the people of the Cathedral Community  
 8:00 pm Solemn Compline w/Fr. Van Lieshout

## Monday, August 15, 2022—The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary

*Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab, 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56*

11:30—Noon Confessions  
 12:10 pm Dina Carfagna—Amy Preziosi

## Tuesday, August 16, 2022

*Ez 28:1-10; Mt 19:23-30*

7:30 am Priests of the Diocese of Rochester Past and Present

## Wednesday, August 17, 2022

*Ez 34:1-11; Mt 20:1-16*

11:30—Noon Confessions  
 12:10 pm Ernest Nardone—Daughter

## Thursday, August 18, 2022

*Ez 36:23-28; Mt 22:1-14*

11:30—Noon Confessions  
 12:10 pm Theresa Gordinier—Bequest

## Friday, August 19, 2022

*Ez 37:1-14; Mt 22:34-40*

11:30—Noon Confessions  
 12:10 pm Jeanne Sloan—Dick & June Mangan

## Saturday, August 20, 2022—Saint Bernard, Abbott and Doctor of the Church

*Ez 43:1-7ab; Mt 23:1-12*

2:30—3:30 pm Confessions  
 4:00 pm Gianna Medical of Central and Western NY—  
 Angela Kristan

## Sunday, August 21, 2022—Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

*Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30*

7:00 am For the people of the Cathedral Community  
 9:15 am James DeLorenzo—Joe & Mary Giorgi  
 11:15 am Intentions of Richard Muriel & Isaac DeMartino—  
 DeMartino Family  
 8:00 pm Solemn Compline w/Fr. Van Lieshout



## Calling All Bakers

The Knights of Columbus, Council 15118, are looking for bakers to bake cookies, cake or bread for their **baked food sale** that will be taking place after all the masses on August 27 & 28. Please drop off your baked goods just before the mass you will be attending. Thank you for your help! Any questions, please call the office at 254-3221.

Monday, Aug. 15, is The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary. This is **NOT** a holy day of obligation this year. We will have our regular mass the 12:10 pm mass on Monday.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**



*Eric Herr & Paige Kuebler  
Andrew Berveysa & Ellen Paddock*

*Please keep their future happiness in your prayers.*

**This Week's Sanctuary Candle**

*In Memory Of — Irene June Burandt  
Requested by — Nephew, Andrew Mastin*

*In Memory Of — Sandra J. Nelson  
Requested by — Irene & Bill Morgan Jr.*

*In Memory Of — Robert Dardano Sr.  
Requested by — The Capone Family*



**PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED**

In your charity, please pray for Michael John Tarwacki, Giuseppe Ilii Sr. and all of our deceased.



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



*Elizabeth Clare Alfano*

*We welcome our newly baptized into our parish community*

**PRAY FOR OUR SICK**



Jaime Ananko, Phillip Batchelor Jr,  
Bishop Matthew Clark,  
Ann D'Amato, Jackie Goldfarb,  
Dan Gentile, Sr. Joan Hilbert, RSM,  
Karen Hyland, Lucille Ilii, Marcia Mendola,  
Lucas Marone, Patti Stetson, Bentley Vega

**Catechists Needed!**

Now that we've entered the month of August, its amazing that we already have to begin planning for this year's Religious Ed and Confirmation.

Sign-ups for Religious Ed and Confirmation prep will be coming soon. Last year I was pleasantly surprised at how quickly our program grew—almost to the point that it was difficult to manage! In order to make sure that we are well-prepared this time around, we are looking to build in advance a team of devoted catechists and assistants.

If you are interested in helping, or just want some more information, please contact Karen Stevens ([karen.stevens@dor.org](mailto:karen.stevens@dor.org))

**RCIA**

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming a Catholic? As we approach the end of summer it's time to gauge interest and gather names for the 2022-2023 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 Easter. 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.

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 14th.**

**Teachers and Assistants Needed**

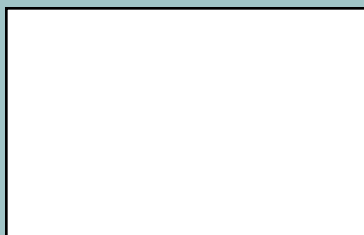
Teachers & assistants are needed for the Religious Education program! If you love working with kids and want to share the Catholic faith with others, please prayerfully consider volunteering for Sacred Heart Cathedral's Religious Education program. The students range from 4-12 years old, and the time commitment is 1 hour a week on Sundays from 10-11 AM. Our program is based on the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd curriculum. This is an excellent opportunity for high school students to fulfill their community service hours. Contact Karen Stevens, Religious Education Coordinator, at: [karen.stevens@dor.org](mailto:karen.stevens@dor.org)

**Liturgical Ministry Schedule**


Please enter your **not available dates by August 22** for the next Liturgical Ministry Schedule for Sept. 3 — Nov. 27 or call Michele at the office 254-3221. Thank you.

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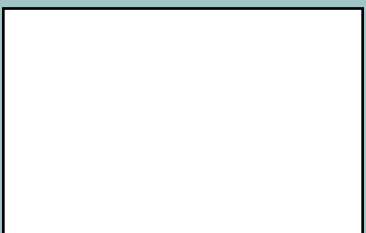
  
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