



SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL

SEPTEMBER 20, 2026 | TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome!

Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 4:00 pm Vigil

Sunday | 7:00 am, 9:15 am, 11:15 am

Weekday Masses

Monday | 12:10 pm

Tuesday | 7:30 am

Wednesday | 12:10 pm

Thursday | 12:10 pm

Friday | 12:10 pm

Confession

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday &

Friday | 11:30 am - Noon

Friday | 4:45 pm - 5:30 pm

Saturday | 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Our Address

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Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

We close for mass and lunch from

12:10 pm – 12:40 pm

Friday – 9:00 am – Noon

St. Michael Novena

Praised be Jesus Christ!

For five years each September, we have chanted the Novena of St. Michael in the days leading up to his feast day (September 29th). We ask for his spiritual protection upon our parishioners, our parish, and even our parish grounds and neighborhood.

This year, the days of the novena coincide with the events surrounding the Beatification of Bishop Fulton Sheen. Indeed on the feast day itself, September 29th, our Diocese will commemorate the reception of the relic of Blessed Fulton Sheen with a large public Mass, celebrated by Bishop Bonnici and the priests of the Diocese.



With this in mind, we will still do the St. Michael Novena but with the following modifications:

- During the weekdays from September 21st through September 29th, we will chant the novena prayers from 11:30am to 12, before daily Mass.
- On Saturday the 26th and Sunday the 27th we will do the “traditional” candlelight chanting of the Novena at 7pm, both evenings.
- On September 29th itself, in addition to the usual 7:30am Mass, I will celebrate an additional Mass at 12:10pm, as the official conclusion of the Novena prayers. (Keep in mind, that the Diocesan Mass for Bl. Fulton Sheen will take place later that same evening).

I think this the best way of preparing for the Sheen events, while still maintaining our Novena tradition.

In this hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Peter Van Lieshout

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 19, 2026--Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15

2:30 pm--3:30 pm--Confession

3:00 pm--Rosary

4:00 pm--Living & deceased members of the Davis & Macini

Families--Scott Davis

Anne & Edward Hartz--Gene & Sue Cherkis

Joe Ilii Sr.--Joe Ilii Jr.

Intentions of Margaret Sousa--Nietopski Family

Intentions of Matthew McClelland--Nietopski Family

Sunday, September 20, 2026--Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Is 55:6-9, Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

7:00 am--For the people of Sacred Heart

9:15 am--Benedetto Carfagna--Children

Louis Velez

Ernest Frazier--Ted & Debbie Knickerbocker Sr.

John A. Joseph--Craig Murphy

11:15 am--Terry Allison--Tim & Marlene Canavan

Monday, September 21, 2026--Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

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

11:30--Noon--Confession

12:10 pm--Patricia Lukash--Vulaj Family

Tuesday, September 22, 2026

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21

7:30 am--Lorraine Amino--Margaret Porter

Wednesday, September 23, 2026--Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Prv 30:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

11:30--Noon--Confession

12:10 pm-- Eileen Mangan--Vanessa Managan & Family

Thursday, September 24, 2026

Eccl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9

11:30 am--Noon--Confession

12:10 pm--Mario Iaco--Daughter, Muriel

2:45 pm--Fulton Sheen Beatification "Watch Party"-- Cathedral Hall

Friday, September 25, 2026

Eccl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22

11:30 am--Noon--Confession

12:10 pm--Prena--Family

4:45 pm--5:30 pm--Confession

Saturday, September 26, 2026--Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Eccl 11:9--12:8; Lk 9:43b-45

2:30 pm--3:30 pm--Confession

3:00 pm--Rosary

4:00 pm--Nino Trunfio--Ripton, Tara, Tessa, Graham, Marini

John Vorrasi--Family

Intentions of Joseph Nietopski

Intentions of Julianne Nietopski

7:00 pm Candlelight Chanting of the St. Michael Novena with Fr. Van Lieshout

Sunday, September 27, 2026--Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28, Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5; Mt 21:28-32

7:00 am--Joyce Dwyer Sheils--Margaret Whalen

9:15 am--For the people of Sacred Heart

11:15 am--Grace Jones--Anthony & Anne Ross

7:00 pm-- Candlelight Chanting of the St. Michael Novena with Fr. Van Lieshout

The Most Reverend John S. Bonnici, Bishop of Rochester
In Residence: Rev. Aaron J. Kelly, Secretary to the Bishop

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BANNS OF MARRIAGE



Brendan Villarrubia & Taylor Snyder

Please keep this couple in your prayers as they approach their wedding day and begin their vocation as husband and wife, revealing to the world the faithful love of Jesus Christ for His bride, the Church.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK
AND HOMEBOUND**

Bernadette Anastasi	Muriel DeMartino
Shirley Atwell	Robert DiFulio
Gary M. Butterfield	Heidi Erb
Manjo Das	Frank Campione
Scott Davis	Deborah Hard
	Sr. Joan Herbert, RSM
Kritin Helms	Fr. Thomas P. Mull
Jon Herron	Susie Shoemaker
Adele Lester	Sharon Springer
Robert Lighthouse	Susan Spinosa
Andrew Mastin	Donald Stiner
John McGarvey	Candice Verdon
Irene Morgan	



Pray For Our Deceased

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of all our faithful departed.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Mass Intentions

Consider requesting a mass for a living or deceased loved one in 2027. The requested offering is \$10. Weekend and Weekday masses are now available. Please call or stop by the office to request a mass intention(s).

Tablarnacle Candles

Make a \$10 offering to have a sanctuary lamp burn in honor of your loved one. The name of honored person will be listed in the bulletin. Cards are available with this offering. Please call or stop by the office to request this memorial.

This Week's Sanctuary Candle

*In Memory Of – Ed Nietopski
Requested by – Family*

*Intentions Of – John & Judy
Requested by – Family*

*In Memory Of – Dcn. Angelo Coccia
Requested by – Nicki Loray*



Giving Back To God

Thank you for your generosity! Your steadfast, sacrificial financial support keeps our Cathedral parish running and able to serve God and our neighbors.

Parish Offertory for September 12 & 13, 2026

Actual	Goal	Variance
\$9,512	\$9,075	+\$437
YTD Actual	YTD Goal	YTD Variance
\$105,430	\$88,750	+\$16,680



Electronic giving, via the QR code or website, is simple and convenient way to support the Cathedral Parish, either on a one-time, weekly or monthly basis.

Leave A Legacy: Remember Sacred Heart Cathedral in your Will!! It's a meaningful and tangible way of leaving a legacy that will benefit future generations of Catholics.

Save The Dates

**Events taking place at Sacred Heart Cathedral
with Bishop Bonnici**

- Tuesday, September 29, 2026 – Mass of Thanksgiving for the Beatification of the Blessed Fulton Sheen and reception of the relic with Bishop Bonnici at 7:00 pm.
- Respect Life Holy Hour & Rosary with Bishop Bonnici on Saturday, October 3, 2026 from Noon – 1:00 pm.
- Sunday, October 11, 2026 – White Mass with Bishop Bonnici at 11:15 am.



Newly[†] Baptized

Remi Jo Bohrer

We welcome the newest Child of God baptized this week.



Our Faith Formation programs are now open for registration with students entering grades 1st — 10th grade.

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| • 1st penance — Renewed by Jesus (2nd graders) | Wednesday 5:30 pm — 6:30 pm |
| • 1st Communion— Receiving Jesus (2nd graders) | Wednesday 5:30 pm — 6:30 pm |
| • Continuing Faith (3rd--7th graders) | Sunday 10:15 am — 11:00 am |
| • Confirmation Year 1 (8th graders) | Wednesday 5:30 pm — 6:30 pm |
| • Confirmation Year 2 (9th graders) | Wednesday 5:30 pm — 6:30 pm |

Please register online <https://sacredheartrochester.org/our-faith/religious-ed/religious-ed-registration/> or fill out a paper registration form available at the information desk and return the completed form to the office.

Stand Together For Life

Come to the Sidewalk! Join the Stand Together For Life!

Date: Saturday, September 26, 2026
Location: Planned Parenthood, 114 University Ave.
Time: 9:15 am Rosary led by the Knights of Columbus
9:45 am Program Start

This month we're honored to have Mike Agostinelli, retired Greece Police as our featured speaker. Bring family and friends to a peaceful, powerful public witness to the sanctity of human life! Come pray, hear inspiring speakers, get pro-life updates and join friends for donuts and coffee.

For more information on our monthly event, please contact Dorothy at (585) 704-4568.

Break The Cycle of Poverty:
Support The Catholic Campaign For Human
Development – Sept. 19 & 20

Our special collection 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. Over the past decade, six organizations in our own Diocese have received major national CCHD grants. 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 or give at our parish website. Thank you!

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Fulton Sheen Beatification "Watch Party"
Thursday, September 24th
at 2:45 pm

All are welcome to watch the live coverage of the Beatification together in the Cathedral Hall. We will have a TV and chairs set up downstairs along with some refreshments.

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Registering with
Sacred Heart Cathedral



Have you been thinking about registering with Sacred Heart Cathedral? Registration forms are located on the information desk. If you have any registration questions, please contact the office at (585) 254-3221 and speak with Michele Kelly the parish secretary.



Sick, Infirm and Our Homebound

Because of HIPAA laws, the only way the Parish Staff learns of parishioners who are ill or infirmed is if the parishioner, or a family member notifies the office.

If you, or someone you know is ill, hospitalized or moved to a nursing facility or family member's home, please let the Cathedral Office know. If you/they are unable to attend Mass, please contact the office to arrange to receive communion.

If a family member has gone to hospice care or needs healing prayers, the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick can be administered by a priest. Please call the office at (585) 254-3221

Bulletin Article Deadline

The deadline to submit a bulletin article to Michele Kelly is by noon on Monday. Please email your bulletin article to michele.kelly@dor.org. Please note, bulletin articles may need Fr. Van Lieshout's approval and articles can also be edited, prior to placing in the bulletin.

Next Liturgical Ministry Schedule October 3 – December 27, 2026

Please enter your **not available dates for the next Liturgical Ministry Schedule, October 3 - December 27 by the end of day, September 21st**. If you do not have a computer, please contact Michele Kelly in the Cathedral office at (585) 254-3221 and your not available dates will be entered into the system for you. Thank you.

Knights of Columbus Council 15118

C & B Ticket Sales

The Knights of Columbus Council 15118, will be selling Charitable & Benevolent tickets after all the masses in the narthex on the following dates: October 24 & 25, November 7 & 8, and November 21 & 22.

Bottle/Can/Sock Drive

The Knights of Columbus will also be holding a bottle and can drive, October 17 & 18 (The Flower City Parking Lot) bins will be located in the narthex for individuals to drop off socks.

Blessed Fulton Sheen Relic Tour

The dates, locations and times are:

Tuesday, September 29 ,2026 at 7 pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral
Thursday, October 1, 2026 at 7 pm at St. Stephen Church, Geneva
Wednesday, October 7, 2026 at 7 pm at St. John the Evangelist Parish, Spencerport
Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 7 pm at St. Mary, Geneseo
Wednesday, October 28, 2026 at 7 pm at St. Joseph, Penfield
Thursday, October 29, 2026 at 7 pm, St. Mary Our Mother, Horeseheads
Wednesday, November 4, 2026 at 7 pm, Immaculate Conception, Ithaca

Wedding Anniversaries to be featured in November's Courier

Each year, the Catholic Courier publishes a list of couples celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries. This year's anniversary listings will appear in the November 4th print edition and/or at CatholicCourier.com. To list a wedding anniversary of 25 years or more, visit CatholicCourier.com/classifieds and click the button labeled "Place Your Own Ad." Online only listings are free; this year, there is a small fee to appear in print. Submission deadline is October 16, 2026.



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