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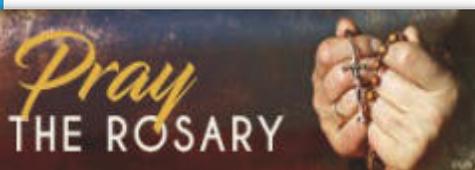
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2021-22 School Year! Contact us!



PreK through 6th Grade

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8:30am Weekdays ~ St. Rose
 7:00pm Wednesdays ~ St. Agnes
 9:30am Tuesdays ~ St. Paul 's



20th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." - Mk 10:27

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Our Mission:

"Energized by the Holy Spirit and nourished by the Eucharist, we the parishioners of St. Agnes, St. Paul of the Cross and St. Rose, in joyful unity embrace our baptismal call to worship God, spread the good news of Jesus Christ, build up a welcoming community of faith and hope, and lovingly serve and comfort those in need."

Have you read our weekly ENewsletter? Timely updates and happenings in our Parish Cluster, links to Faith Formation and Family sites. Go to our website and click on the link: **Parish Update!**

CALENDAR

- SAT 10/9** 3:00-3:45pm **SA** Confession
4:00pm **SA** Teresa & Richard Nenno - By Family
- SUN 10/10** 8:00am **SR** Torry Blazey Kerr - By Recktenwald Family
9:45am **SP** Evie Francesca - By Pete Francesca
11:30am **SA** For the People of the Parish Cluster
- MON 10/11 Columbus Day - Parish Offices Closed**
8:00am **SR** Tom Richardson - By Nancy O'Grady
- TUE 10/12** 8:15am **SA** *Amy Holland ~ Birthday - By Mom
9:30am **SP** Queen of Peace Prayer Group
- WED 10/13** 9:00am **SP** For Peace in Our World
9:30-11am **SP** Adoration & Confession
6-7:45pm **SP** Hall Community Faith
- THR 10/14** 8:00am **SR** Arch Krest - By Lyn & Bernie Gross
- FRI 10/15** 8:15am **SA** Terry Salley - By DeVito Family
- SAT 10/16** 12:00pm Rosary Rally - Harry Allen Park, HF
3:00-3:45pm **SA** Confession
4:00pm **SA** Dec. Members of Gibbons & Coble Families
- By Pat & Dan Coble
- SUN 10/17** 8:00am **SR** Dorothy Schares - By St. Agnes School & Staff
9-10:45am **SR** Brendan Hall Community Faith
9:45am **SP** For the People of the Parish Cluster
11:30am **SA** Ann D'Angelo - By Family

*Indicates Mass is for a living person.

Readings

- Sunday:** Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [14]/Heb 4:12-13/
Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27
- Monday:** Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Lk 11:29-32
- Tuesday:** Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [2a]/Lk 11:37-41
- Wednesday:** Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 [13]/Lk 11:42-46
- Thursday:** Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7]/Lk 11:47-54
- Friday:** Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [cf. 7]/Lk 12:1-7
- Saturday:** Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43 [8]/Lk 12:8-12
- Next Sunday:** Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or
10:42-45

Observances

- Sunday:** 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** St. John XXIII, Pope; Columbus Day
- Thursday:** St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr
- Friday:** St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
- Saturday:** St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin; BVM
- Next Sunday:** 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Presumption can be a great sin. We can easily convince ourselves that as long as we do the bare minimum or master the basics, it is sufficient. Love doesn't operate this way. If we are truly in love with God, then the basics are not going to be enough. That love is going to want to get expressed in going above and beyond, in leaving the comfortable and familiar, in stretching and growing and in following a voice other than our own. This is what those who are truly in pursuit of wisdom come to realize. Just like any human relationship worth achieving reveals, we never reach a plateau in following the Gospel or growing in wisdom and holiness. Wisdom is the rudder that guides us through all of life's attractions and options. It alone determines what is worth pursuing and what must be left behind. That is why those who are only concerned about checking the boxes and doing the least amount possible often walk away sad when offered God's gift of life eternal. They are not truly in love.

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A WORD FROM FATHER

Holy Indifference

The words of today's gospel passage have been a source of concern for me for a long time. In the United States of America and the western world in general we are wealthy compared to most of the rest of the world's population which lives in simple to squalid poverty. And that's only if we look at a snapshot of the world today. If we were to consider the world's population throughout all history, the life we lead in comparison is incredibly comfortable, luxurious, beyond the imagination kings and princes. How then are we ever to gain eternal life if Jesus' words are true, it's harder for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than a rich person to enter Heaven? Even those hearing Jesus words were amazed because in the Jewish mindset wealth was a blessing from God a confirmation that the person is leading a good and virtuous life. Poverty on the other hand was viewed as a curse; those who were poor suffered God's disfavor. All the more difficult, then, for someone to fathom taking from their wealth, their blessings from God, and giving it to the impoverished who are disfavored in God's eyes. It would be something like making charitable contribution to an abortion clinic from our perspective today.

Let's be clear. First and foremost, it is not wealth in and of itself that is the problem. Saint Paul said, "the **love** of money is the root of all evil." (1 Tim 6:10) It is therefore our attachment to money, the priority that we place on possessions, that can lead us astray. Holy Indifference asserts that we should desire neither wealth nor poverty, health nor sickness nor any other worldly concern, but care only about love for God and love for neighbor. The really scary thing is how much we can be drawn into outright sinful or at least distracting attachments and not even realize it. That is why I congratulate people in the confessional for faults and failings that they bring to the Lord. The only way that improvement can be made is to be aware of the problem to begin with. For example, when I became aware that my allegiance to a particular football team would occasionally lead me to the insanity of yelling at the TV or feeling lousy on Monday morning because they lost a game, I realized that this was an undo attachment that had to be severed. Start with something easy like that, then move on to something important.

All Things Are Possible for God,

Father Michael Fowler



The Faith Formation Office is accepting names and addresses of young adults who are away from home in college, the military, or at their first job. We will be sending a care package from the parish in October. We are also accepting donations towards postage (\$8 per package) and donations of popcorn, hot cocoa, gum, fun-sized candy or single serve snacks by October 17th.

Please email names and address to: Christine.DeVito@dor.org

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question:

What is the name for the “walk” that Catholics commemorate to retrace Christ’s journey to Calvary?

Answer:

Stations of the Cross
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Coats for Kids

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The Knights of Columbus in conjunction with the non-profit, County-based Focus on the Children are seeking to raise funds to provide disadvantaged elementary school students with a new coat for winter.

Please see flyer in the back of church for more info. *Thank you for your support!*



Congratulations to Cooper Ryan Ripple, infant son of Nicholas & Robin Ripple. Cooper was baptized on Saturday, October 2nd, 2021 at St. Rose.



PRAY FOR
Our Deceased

† Larry Cronmiller

WORSHIP & MEDITATION



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

If we are truly in love with God, then the basics are not going to be enough. That love is going to want to be expressed in going above and beyond, in leaving the comfortable and familiar, in stretching and growing, and in following a voice other than our own. St. Teresa of Calcutta rightly instructs us that for “love to be real, it must cost, it must hurt, it must empty us of self.” Being in love with God requires more than just checking the boxes of the commandments. It requires a sincere and unconditional self-investment. Desiring God with our whole heart, mind, and soul means that I must also desire a relationship with my neighbor with that same degree of fervor.

Biases and prejudices usually occur when people are kept at a distance and treated as objects. We cannot truly know our neighbors, especially if they are different than us, if we keep them in boxes and do not listen to their stories. When we open ourselves to listen to another person’s story, we begin to realize more how similar we are than dissimilar. Being overly attached to our possessions, ideologies, agendas, lifestyles, and personal needs are absolute barriers to achieving the type of personal investment love demands. This is why following Christ can be difficult. It is less a matter of intellect and more a matter of heart and soul. It requires that we transfer our treasure from an investment in tangible secular things and move it into the Kingdom of God. It is only the gift of wisdom and discernment that can help us decide what to do and how to do it.

Contemporaries of Jesus would know that a camel could not enter through the portal of a city weighed down with the baggage it was carrying. In order to enter, the baggage must be removed so that the animal could fit through the entry way. The same is true for us. We carry a lot of excessive baggage around with us that keeps us tethered to our past histories, wounds, myopic world views, prejudices, fears, and suspicions. To invest ourselves in the Kingdom of God, do God’s work and live out our love relationship with God, we need to shed the extra weight. While it may seem that a lot of that stuff is necessary, it really is not. We are much more than the things that we think define us and more secure than we think. The more there is to hold on to and the more that we carry with us, the harder it will be to leave it all behind. Many choose not to and walk away sad because they are not ready to trust.

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LITURGICAL LIFE

RESPONDING to the Call

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

If Heaven were like Harvard

There's no getting around it: life on earth can seem easier if you're rich. Most of the bodily and material needs a person could have are fulfilled if you've got a little bit of money behind you. So why doesn't this same theory apply to entering the kingdom of Heaven? Why isn't Heaven like an Ivy League school, where a connection and a hasty tuition check might open a lot of doors?

When you think about it, the virtues required to enter Heaven — things like charity and justice and courage — should be even closer within the grasp of those who never had to worry about where their food is coming from. In theory, your capacity for good works should only increase with the resources at your disposal.

The same is true for stewardship potential. Let's say I've got a lot of talent. Maybe I've got a lot of free time. On paper, it should be easier for me to give freely of these gifts, because I have the luxury that eluded the widow and her two coins: I can see my ample gift being put into action, when so many can only offer what they have and remind themselves that God sees it and appreciates it.

But here we get into the mess of humanity: if we have a lot of something, it means we have a lot of something we could use any way we want. And then we hear the whisper of the serpent: *Think of what this (money, time, talent) could do for you.*

May we pray for God to give us the heart of the widow, no matter our resources.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Operation Christmas Child Boxes

The Samaritan's Purse project Operation Christmas Child **collects shoebox gifts-filled with fun toys, school supplies and hygiene items**—and delivers them to children in need around the world to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way. For many of these children, the gift—filled shoebox is the first gift they have ever received.

Boxes and instructions are available in the back of church. Please return your filled boxes to church by Nov. 1st.

Thank you in advance for helping send a little "Christmas Cheer" to kids around the world!



St. Agnes School Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is looking for parishioners who would like to volunteer to work with the committee. PTO focuses on supporting the school in their mission to provide "education with heart and soul", specifically we assist with community service outreach and organizing fun events for the students. In September we helped organize a coffee and donut reception for veterans after our annual 9/11 ceremony and hosted a back to school snack, game and social hour for all school families. In October we are planning to assist with Red Ribbon week activities, including planting red tulip bulbs around the school and town, as well as organizing "Trick or Trunk" for the students to celebrate Halloween. Volunteers will need to complete Creating a Safe Environment (CASE) training as required by the Diocese of Rochester to volunteer at the school. If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to: Michelle Gerwig at 585-727-7041 or Leslie Ras at 585-738-0945.

Annual Harvest Tasting

St. Agnes School will hold our annual Harvest Tasting fundraiser this fall. Unfortunately we will not be able to host an in-person event this year due to COVID restrictions, but we will have an online auction, similar to what we did last year. This year we are adding several take out meal options that will come with a bakery sample box. The online auction will start on Thursday, October 28th. Tickets for the meals will be limited and available on the auction site. Item and meal pick-up will be Saturday, November 6th from 11am-2pm in the St. Agnes church parking lot. More details to come as we get closer to the auction start date.

If any parishioners have a business that would like to donate or make craft items they would like to contribute for the auction, please reach out to Michelle (585-727-7041) or Leslie (585-738-0945). Last year we listed 145 items for the auction, received over 1000 bids and over 25,000 page views on the auction website. Any donations would be appreciated and all proceeds go to the school to help fulfill their mission of providing "education with heart and soul".



4000 Club Raffle

DONATION: \$30

**Weekly Prize Drawings
Begin Tuesday, 9 am | Nov. 9th, 2021
at the Parish Office**

19 Weeks: 2 Winners - \$30 ea.
10th Week: 4 Winners - \$50 ea.
20th Week: 1 Winner - \$1000
1 Winner - \$500
8 Winners - \$100 ea.
6 Winners - \$50 ea.
2 Winners - \$30 ea.

20th Week drawing at St. Rose - Brendan Hall
Saturday, March 26, 2022 | 3 pm

Winners need not be present to win.

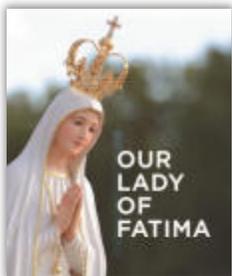
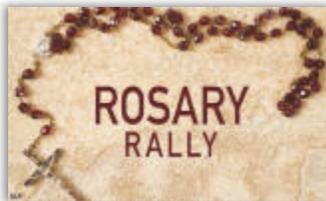
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Tickets go on Sale September 27, 2021 at the
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If you are interested in purchasing a ticket, but are
unable to attend Mass or stop by the Parish Office,
please text or call Aimee Calhoun 585.721.8621.

Save the date . . .

**October 16th, 2021
12:00 pm
Harry Allen Park
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traveling statue will
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St. Paul of the Cross
beginning Saturday,
Oct. 9th through 15th.

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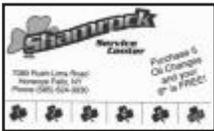
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