

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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September 22, 2019

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Weekend Mass Schedule
Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am
Reconciliation
Saturday: 3:00 pm

Baptisms
By appointment. Call to register.

Marriages
By Appointment

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Marriage Vow: I Do



The words "I Do" are the most powerful in human history when exchanged by a man and woman in the arena and environment of a wedding. In this holy exchange you by a meaningful consent accept to change your status, sense of belongingness, name, lifestyle, living arrangements, habits, choice of friends, you agree that you are no longer an "I" but a "We" or "Us." This happens because you have found your best friend, your soulmate, the love of your life, the one to whom you can risk everything even the instinct to self-survival and preservation. It is only to this valued person (spouse) that you can wholeheartedly risk and promise a life-long commitment for better or for worse, in sickness and in health, for richer or poverty until death do you part. The beauty of marriage is that it symbolizes the love Christ has for the Church, a love that is unconditional. His love was so deep that He risked Himself for us. He loved us with an absence of fear and a presence of joy. It cost Him everything, and He gave it all willingly. This image is exemplified in the sacrament of marriage. When a couple says the words "I do," what they are truly saying is "I love you, I give myself to you, for as Christ loves His Church, I love you." This right here is a beautiful statement, one where the husband and wife devote themselves not just to each other, but to Christ; they boldly proclaim they will not FEAR to love.

May I acknowledge and congratulate in this community all those who have been married for 1,2,3,4,5...10,20,30,40,50,60,70 years. I pray that all married people reading this column experience marriage as a gift from God. Each of the seven sacraments are "signs and instruments by which the Holy Spirit spreads the grace of Christ the head throughout the Church which is his Body." (CCC 774). This means that marriage is a "sign and instrument" used by the Holy Spirit to share the "grace of Christ." Your marriage is a gift of grace not only to the two of you, but to the entire Church including your children, your extended family and your parish and local communities. You are the living beacons of hope and testimony in our lives that marriage life is real and a blessing. And you should remember that thousands of people have been touched by all of you in good and enduring ways. They have witnessed, through your journey, marriages that have blossomed over many years. They have seen you share joys and sorrows, as well as challenges and successes. You are all a testament to lasting marriages, true covenants of faith and love for life. At this time of confusion and many challenges in our culture and society regarding the truth and meaning of marriage, your witness is greatly needed: When a man and woman celebrate the sacrament of Matrimony, God as it were 'is mirrored' in them; He impresses in them His own features and the indelible character of His love. Marriage is the icon of God's love for us. Indeed, God is communion too: the three Persons of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit live eternally in perfect unity. And this is precisely the mystery of Matrimony: God makes of the two spouses one single life. The Bible uses a powerful expression and says 'one flesh,' so intimate is the union between man and woman in marriage. And

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Sunday, September 22
 9:00 am—Irene Pinckney—Fr. John & Staff

Monday, September 23
 12:15 pm Judith (Judy) Nolan—Martin Nolan

Tuesday, September 24
NO MASS

Wednesday, September 25
 10:15 am Mass at Fingerlakes Center
 12:15 pm Louise, Joseph & Danny Ciao, and Frank, Josephine & Anthony Ragusa—Estate

Thursday, September 26
NO MASS

Friday, September 27
 12:15 pm Tom McNabb—Dennis & Judith Squires

Saturday, September 28
 4:00 pm Pat Cinotti—Family
 Frank Carauna—Carauna Family
 Thomas Brooks—Family

Sunday, September 29
 9:00 am—Mel Brown—Estate



FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

	9/15/2019
Attendance	422
Regular Collection	\$4498.90
St. Joseph's School	\$35.00
Fuel & Heat	\$3.00
Roof Fund	\$310.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$426.00
Other	\$20.00

God Bless you for your generosity. Your support is needed and greatly appreciated.

FAITH FORMATION UPDATES :

September 22nd:
 10am PreK—6th grade session
 5-7pm Confirmation Class Y2 meeting

September 29th: 6th Grade Offertory
 10am PreK—6th grade session
 10—11:15am CYO Registration
 11:30am-12:30pm Parent/Candidate Meeting Rm 2
 5-7pm Confirmation Class Y2 meeting

HOLY FAMILY CYO 2019-2020 Registration!
 Grades 1-8 Sunday 9/29 in the gym, 10:00-11:15

ADULT CONFIRMATION Are you over the age of 16 and have not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation? A group of people will be preparing for Confirmation this fall. If you are interested in taking this next step in your Catholic faith, please contact Bernie Tomasso at 315-252-7271 or bernie.tomasso@dor.org

RITE TO CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS: Classes are beginning soon for any adult interested in joining the Catholic Church or completing their Sacraments. Contact the parish office for more information. (315-252-9576)

REGISTRATION FOR 2019-2020 CYO BASKETBALL SEASON will begin in September. Please contact your parish CYO representative for more information.

CYO Representatives:
 Holy Family- Chris & Jada Bryant 315-406-5792
 St. Alphonsus - Denise Passarello 315-283-1394
 Sacred Heart- Pat Collier 315-730-8965
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ROOF RENOVATION FUND: Our Roof Campaign Goal is \$300,000.00. We are proud to announce that at the bulletin printing time we have received \$219,010 (73%). Thank you for what you have sacrificed to contribute towards this Campaign!

BEHIND THE SCENES AT HOLY FAMILY: Soon the weather will be getting cooler, then colder and with these changes in the weather, some Parishioners may find it very difficult to attend to Mass. If you or someone you know would like to receive the Eucharist at home during the winter months, please call the Office (315-252-9576) and we will try to make arrangements. If you would like to be a Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound or drive someone to Mass, please call the Office (you are needed). We continue to try to meet the needs of all our Parishioners. There are so many ways that we can share God's love with others, this Ministry is one way. To all caregivers I found this prayer, hope it helps you as you care for a love one: "Prayer to Caregivers: Lord please add to my strength- compassion; to my skills- humility; to my knowledge- modesty; to my wisdom- humor. Gentle my hand. Sharpen my eyes. Quicken my step. Soften my heart." (Author unknown). Thank you for all you do for Holy Family!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Mary Adams, Caroline Blowers, Mark Cole, Sue Daly, Tim Daly, Leo & Dorothy Delaney, Gina DelPiano, Mary Dygert, Ginny Elardo, Ann Fronzek, Michael Fronzek, Robert Gallager, Mary Guido, Carter Hergert, Caleb Jones, Joanne Komanecky, Elizabeth Lane, Frances Lane, Stephen L. Norris, Jim O'Connor, Joan Petrucelli, Siobhan Phillippe, Donna Romano, Roberta Slayton, Leonard Smith, Stacy, Bill Tonzi, **those listed in our Book of Petitions and those serving our country:** LCpl Brian Baxter USMC, Capt. Gregory Baxter USMC, Capt. DJ Benzing USAF, LtCol Joseph E. Brooks USAF, PFC Earl Doyle Jr. USA, Sgt Tom Ellis Sr. USA, SSgt Angel Gonzalez USA, Cpl Eddie Gonzalez USMC, Pvt Zachary Gonzalez USMC, CWO4 Roger Graf USA, 1SGT Zachary Howell USA, Sgt James Johnson USMC, SFC Jason Mero USA, Pvt Justin Miller USA, E3 David Mirales US Navy.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE**Sat. September 28**

4:00 pm AS

L C. Tomandl; Sue Marullo

EM C. Tomandl; S. Marullo; G. Bennett

Sun. September 29

9:00 am AS A. Stotler; P. Wilder

L E. Nolan; D. Walsh

EM M. Lavey; D. Sikora; S. Marullo

Nursing Home Minister: S. Marullo

If you are able to serve, lector or be a Eucharistic Minister for the Feast of All Saints on November 1st, please call the parish office. Thank you.

OUR PARISH THIS WEEK**Tuesday, September 24**

10-11 am Clothes Closet

10-11 am Lunches with Love

Thursday, September 26

6-7 pm Clothes Closet

7 pm Choir Practice

Saturday, September 28

3:00 pm Confessions

DAY OF PRAYER: "Our forgotten friends. What our Catholic faith teaches us about Angels."

Join us on Tuesday, **October 8, 2019** for Notre Dame Retreat House's **Day of Prayer**.

WE are delighted to have Deacon Eric Bessette from Church of the Transfiguration, Pittsford, NY

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There is a \$25.00 fee. Please register by calling 585-394-5700 or email ndretreat@rochester.rr.com.

(Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Rd., Canandaigua, NY 14424)

PRO LIFE MARCH: Join the Pro-Life March Saturday, September 28th, 2019 at 1 PM at Veteran's Memorial Park, 172 Genesee St Auburn. Following the rally, we will March to City Hall at 24 South St. There we will recognize all religious leaders from our community present and our program will have well-known pro-life speakers, Cayuga County Loves Life would like your help in this effort and ask you to support this mission in any way you can. @cayugaCountyLovesLife or #CCLLMarch

COME AND ENJOY THE FUN!!! St. Joseph School will be having their 3rd Annual "Pick Your Jack Pumpkin Run" Saturday, September 21st at Everest Park, 5343 North Rd. Starting time is 9am. To register or for more information call the school office 315-253-8327 or email Shannon Reohr at smlavey@hotmail.com.

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this is precisely the mystery of marriage: the love of God, which is reflected in the couple that decides to live together. Therefore a man leaves his home, the home of his parents, and goes to live with his wife and unites himself so strongly to her that the two become, as the Bible says, one flesh. However, if divorce or separation should happen, the Church does not condemn, but "on the contrary, faced with so many painful marital failures, she feels called to live her presence of love, of charity, of mercy, to bring back the wounded and lost hearts to God." The same mercy God shows to all his people when they fail through sin, "teaches us that wounded love can be healed by God through mercy and forgiveness."

I take the opportunity also to thank and congratulate all those in the cluster of St. Alphonsus, Holy Family, Sacred Heart and St. Ann who got engaged this year! Please, schedule your wedding day in any of our four churches and let the preparation begin. To those courageous engaged couples who came forward this summer and entered into the most holy sacrament of matrimony, Congratulations! Keep them in your prayers that they may ever be a living testimony to their love and fidelity. This is a personal note for you engaged couples from Pope Francis: "Make [your wedding] a real celebration – because marriage is a celebration – a Christian celebration, not a worldly feast! "It is good that your wedding be simple and make what is truly important stand out. Some are more concerned with the exterior details, with the banquet, the photographs, the clothes, the flowers...These are important for a celebration, but only if they point to the real reason for your joy: the Lord's blessing on your love." Each day, the Good Lord renews and strengthens your love. He does so particularly at every Mass you attend. Here at the altar, we remember that Christ loves us to the end, giving up His Body and pouring out His Blood for us. This is the love that marriage is meant to express: free, total, faithful, fruitful and self-giving. Jesus nourishes us with His Body and Blood to help us to love as He has loved us.

What about the wedding ring—the smallest circular metal that is given a powerful meaning by the spouses on their wedding day when they make this promise: darling/ sweetheart/ honey receive this ring as a sign of my love and fidelity. So the ring that is given is a sign of the love and fidelity of the one who gives it. The ring that you wear, that was placed on your finger by your spouse on your wedding day, does not represent your commitment to your marriage, your love for your spouse, your faithfulness to this relationship and to the vocation God has called you into, etc. It represents the commitment, love and faithfulness of your spouse to you. It's an ongoing reminder of the promise that the other person has made to you. It's a sign of the covenant that your spouse has made with you, and that God has sealed, and that you have freely embraced and entered into. The same covenant that you have also made with your spouse. As couple exchange rings they conclude by invoking the Holy Name of God who is a Trinity—a community of total and perfect love as a reminder that love and marriage are indissoluble.

~Fr. John

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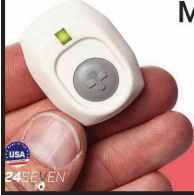
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