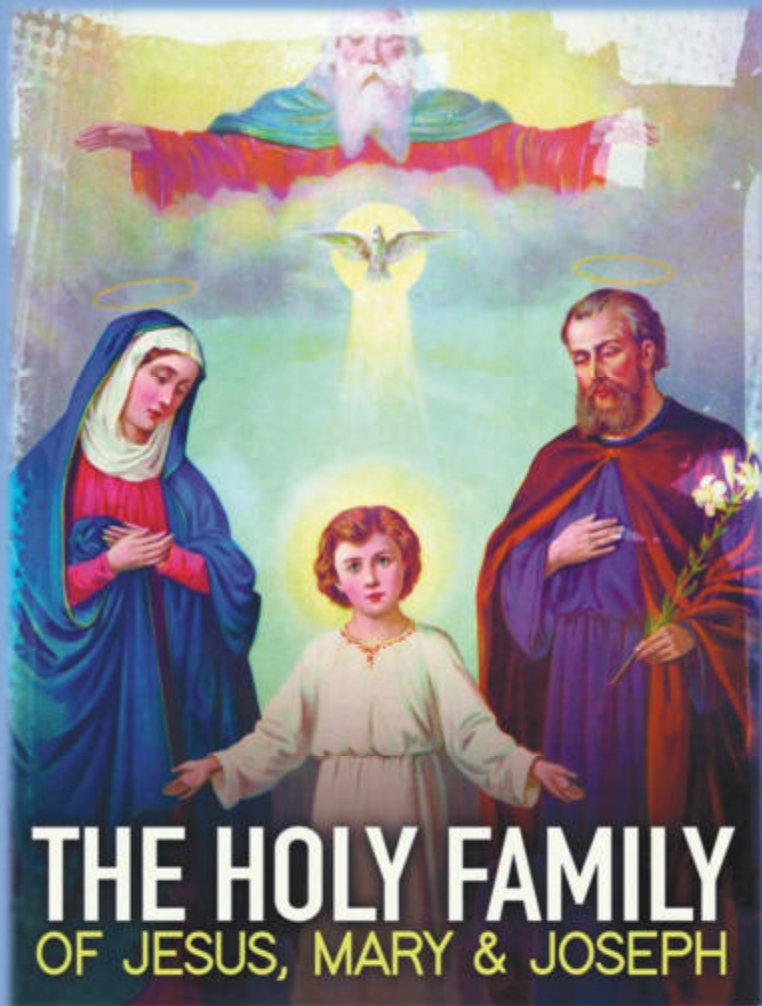


Blessed Sacrament  Saint Boniface

# Saint Mary's Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

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## THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

December 26, 2021  
*Feast of the Holy Family*

### WELCOME EVERYONE!

*No matter who you are, no matter where you've been, no matter what you've done, you are invited, accepted and most welcome in our parish communities. We hope Christ will bring fullness into your life, and that we can provide you with the spiritual support and information you need.*

### Mass Schedule for Christmas Week:

#### Friday, December 31:

7:30 AM at St. Boniface Church  
12:10 PM at St. Mary's Church

Vigil Mass for Mary, Mother of God  
4:00 PM at St. Mary's Church

#### Saturday, January 1: Holy Day Mary, Mother of God

† No Saturday Vigil Mass or Confessions Today †

10:00 AM at Blessed Sacrament Church

### Usual Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: Please note: NO Sat. Mass 12/25 or 1/1  
4:30 PM Vigil Mass

#### Sunday:

9:00 AM at St. Boniface Church  
9:30 AM at Blessed Sacrament  
10:45 AM at St. Mary's Church  
12:00 PM at Blessed Sacrament

#### Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday, Thursday & Friday 12:10pm at St. Mary's;  
Tuesday & Friday, 7:30am at St. Boniface, and  
Monday & Wednesday 8:00am at Blessed Sacrament

#### Rosary & Communion

Tuesday & Wednesday 12:10 pm at St. Mary's

*The Mailing address for all  
three churches is as follows:*

**259 Rutgers Street  
Rochester, New York 14607**  
(585) 271-7240 (585) 442-7517 Fax  
Church locations are listed below.

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## Weekly Calendar/Parish Events

### Tuesday, December 21

6:30 p.m. Bible Study (SM Dugan Center & Zoom)

6:30 p.m. Scripture Sharing (Zoom)

### Wednesday, December 22

10:00 a.m. Scripture Sharing (Zoom)

### Thursday, December 23

2:30 p.m. Weekly Rosary (Zoom)

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Youth Group Meetings:** Sundays in January. Please check back for details in next week's bulletin and email newsletter.

January 6, 6:30-7:30 Holy Hour at St. Boniface (see page 3)

January 8, Young Adult Trip to Buffalo (see page 3)

Book discussions: Universal Christ (p.3) & Life is Messy (p.4-5)

**Please Pray for those in need of healing:** *Michelle Wade, Layla Tremble, Carla Logan, David Ballerstein, Mary Kniep Hardy, Joan Hacker, Bridget Toth, Larry Grasta, Larry Schlosser, Muriel Dech, Marilyn Dietz, Silvia Centanni, Frances Carney, David Boothby, Barbara Franssen, Brian Dzuba, Carol Childs, Carm Donovan, Carla Spooner, Kathy Haight, Diane Kannel, Gwen Walsh, Pat Nicolosi, Jim Melito, Ruth Smith, Maya Johnsen, Sam Lanzafame, Kitty Jensen, Mary Ann DiPolito, Larry Eschrich, Lucy Coonan, Matthew Grasta, Barbara Tredeau, Louise Adler, Paul Rice, Ann Maloney, Denise Alexander, Rose Koonmen, Mary Beth Ferguson, Loretta Rose Doyle, Diane Vadney, Ann Marie Arnold, Fred Williams, Ann Bauman, Julie Fitzsimmons, Ryan O'Reilly, Gerry Yawman, Deanna Milne-Azzolina, Rev. Phil Bower, Mark Schork, Rhonda Fauci, Ginny Sillman, Anthony Zinone, Tom Meteyer, Fred Ludwig, Pete Klee, Joyce Wilson, Timothy Romeo, Joe Wesley, and Mary Koenig.*

**Please help us keep our list accurate by calling as soon as possible when you or a loved one would like to be removed from the list. Please Note: Due to HIPAA regulations, hospitals are not allowed to give out the names of patients when they call to report that our parishioner is in the hospital. If you or a loved one is in the hospital, please contact the church office directly to let us know.**

### **BANNES OF MARRIAGE**



*Please pray for the following couple getting married:*

**Kristin Lippa and Matthew Izzo**

**Readings for January 2, 2021:**

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

Isaiah 60: 1-6

Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6

Matthew 2: 1-12



### **COMBINED CHOIR MASSES**

Thank you for your support of our SERCC choirs as they returned to singing this Fall. We were excited to welcome members representing all three parishes to the 9:00am Mass at St. Boniface two weeks ago. We were delighted to hear the combined choir again at the 11:00pm Christmas Eve Mass at Blessed Sacrament and look forward to hearing them at the 10:45am Mass at St Mary's on January 9, as we close out the Christmas Season with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Thank you again for your support of our parish music programs!

## Devotions, Liturgies and Mass Intentions

### Saturday, December 25, The Nativity of the Lord

9:00 a.m. (SB) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Cmty.

10:45 a.m. (SM) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Cmty.

**\*NO Saturday Evening Vigil Mass\***

### Sunday, December 26, Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

9:00 a.m. (SB) The Haney Family by Bequest

9:30 a.m. (BS) Helen and Walter Davis by Joan Davis

10:45 a.m. (SM) For the intentions of Mary Ann Monley on the occasion of her retirement by Margaret Maracle

12:00 p.m. (BS) For the intentions of Mary Foley by Marie Farrelly

### Monday, December 27, Feast of St. John, Apostle & evangelist

8:00 a.m. (BS) For the intentions of the People of Afghanistan Still Living in their Country

12:10 p.m. (SM) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Cmty.

### Tuesday, December 28, Feast of the Holy Innocents, martyrs

7:30 a.m. (SB) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Cmty.

12:10 p.m. (SM) Rosary & Communion

### Wednesday, December 29, The Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas

8:00 a.m. (BS) Lawrence J. Lovall, Jr. by Jessica Gaspar

12:10 p.m. (SM) Rosary & Communion

### Thursday, December 30, The Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas

12:10 p.m. (SM) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Cmty.

### Friday, December 31, The Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas

7:30 a.m. (SB) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Cmty.

12:10 p.m. (SM) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Cmty.

4:00 p.m. (SM) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Cmty.

**(Holy Day Vigil Mass)**

### Saturday, January 1, Octave Day of Christmas Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God

10:00 a.m. (SM) Don Wiegand by Josephine Wiegand

**\*NO Saturday Evening Vigil Mass\***

### Sunday, January 2, Epiphany of the Lord

9:00 a.m. (SB) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Cmty.

9:30 a.m. (BS) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Cmty.

10:45 a.m. (SM) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Cmty.

12:00 p.m. (BS) People of the SE Rochester Catholic Cmty.

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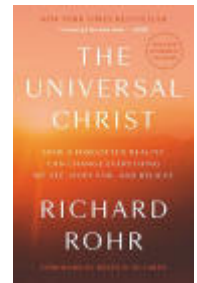


**Holy Hour at St. Boniface Church**  
**Thursday, January 6, 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**  
**Join others to pray that 2022**  
**will be a year of deeper faith in Jesus Christ.**

"Thank you to all who coordinated last night's Holy Hour at St. Boniface!! It was a beautiful, breathtaking, peaceful, and musical hour of much needed peace, praying and reflection while watching the dozens of flickering and dancing candles! I literally could feel my BP lowering as well as God's presence!"  
Join us for our January Holy Hour to pray in 2022 with a special Litany for the New Year.

## MONDAY BOOK DISCUSSION

Our online book discussion group will begin reading Richard Rohr's book, **The Universal Christ** starting January 10 and continuing on Monday evenings 5:30-7pm.



If you would like more information or to join us, please contact Lucien at 402-4629 or [lowelllucien359@gmail.com](mailto:lowelllucien359@gmail.com). Order information is in the Tuesday email newsletter, as will be the link to the Zoom meeting once we start.

## FOR SENIORS: BRIDGE TO HEALTHY LIVING

**Bridge to Healthy Living** is an effort of the Diocese of Rochester (Office of Life Issues) to raise and promote health awareness in Older Adults and their Caregivers. Go to [www.liferoc.org](http://www.liferoc.org) to learn how to participate.



## CATHOLIC CONVERSATIONS: DEATH WITH TRUE DIGNITY

The Finger Lakes Guild of the Catholic Medical Association invites you to attend "Catholic Conversations: Death with True Dignity" either in person at St. Bernard's School of Theology and Ministry or virtually via Zoom. This event will be held on Saturday, January 15, 8:30am-2:00pm.

This special event is geared towards community members, health care providers, hospice workers, and ministers and will highlight Catholic teaching on end-of-life care. Break-out discussion groups by topic interest will occur both on site and via Zoom. Registration is free but advance registration is required. [www.bit.ly/CatholicConversations](http://www.bit.ly/CatholicConversations).



## DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER PERMANENT DIACONATE

The deacon is a man of faith, who is called from the community that already recognizes his dedication to service. He makes a lifetime commitment to serving the People of God by proclaiming the Word, assisting and presiding at liturgies, and ministering in the areas of charity and social justice. A deacon gives witness to his availability to the community by addressing present and emerging needs of the Church. The Diocese is inviting interested men of strong and active faith, who can demonstrate a record of service in the communities in which they live, work and worship, who may wish to explore a possible call to ordained ministry as a permanent deacon, to first speak with their pastor for an initial conversation. They may also contact Deacon Edward Giblin, Director of the Office of the Permanent Diaconate, at [edward.giblin@dor.org](mailto:edward.giblin@dor.org), for additional information. A potential candidate must be at least 35 years of age and no older than 62 years of age at the time of ordination after a five (5) year period of formation. He must be in good health, emotionally mature, have stable relationships and must have the wholehearted support of his wife (if married) and family to enter the phase of inquiry. Because the parish is the primary experience of Church for most inquirers, the parish community is asked as well to invite from among its members men who exhibit strong faith and a spirit of service and encourage them to consider a possible vocation to the permanent diaconate.

## YOUNG ADULT TRIP TO BUFFALO!

Please join us January 8th from 10:00-6:00 as we take a trip to Our Lady of Victory National Shrine and Basilica, St. Joseph's Cathedral, Our Lady of Fatima Shrine, and Niagara Falls.

We will have a carpool departing from Blessed Sacrament Church at 8:30. Bring cash for lunch. RSVP with Tyler at [Tyler.Davis@dor.org](mailto:Tyler.Davis@dor.org).



## *A Word From Father John...*

Merry Christmas to one and all! I hope that the first days of the Christmas season are going well, and offering you a chance to rest, relax and enjoy the company of family and friends, whether in-person or virtually. As happens with the print schedule for our bulletins around this time of year, I am writing this on Wednesday, December 15, which in some ways makes it hard to enter into the spirit of the Christmas season. Yet, I remain hopeful that our celebrations of the Nativity of the Lord, along with the Holy Family, the Epiphany, and the Baptism of our Lord will be opportunities for us to focus on the light, life and love with which Jesus Christ comes to us and then shares with us. May the gift of Christ's presence in our Lord and one another bring peace and joy to the messiness of our lives. For we all are challenged to be peaceful and joyous as we come to terms with the messiness of our lives.

To help us with finding peace and joy amid the messiness of the world and our lives, we are sharing with you free copies of Matthew Kelly's latest book, *Life Is Messy*. We are grateful to the generosity of a parishioner, who made this possible. As Matthew has explained, he was motivated to write this book, as the events of the last two years have shown us the cracks in our lives and in our society, and challenged us to make sense of it, when for many, our lives just don't seem to make sense anymore. Discussing the promise and benefits of reading and reflecting on this book, Matthew offers that it is intended to help us make peace with the mess. While we can fix many things and lessen their negative effects, we can't fix everything. After doing so, life still will be messy. He desires to lead us away from our culture's obsession and addiction with certainty. As he points out, even if we are doing everything right, life remains messy.

At the same time, Matthew desires to liberate us from the shame and self-loathing that can be so destructive to ourselves and our relationships. We need to recognize that while we don't have it all together, no one does. How many of us have not discovered that the curated images fashioned on social media belie the reality of the mess with which our friends and family are dealing. As we post images of friends and family gathered together smiling, we can't forget all the difficulties and strife that were passed through to make that image possible. Shame and self-loathing is fueled by comparing that leads to despairing. We need to move away from a self-referential context, in which we lose awareness of who is in front of us and with what they are dealing. On this feast of the Holy Family, we need to recognize that our family isn't the only one that puts fun in dysfunction. Even the holy family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph had its share of tension and strife. Life is messy for all of us, including Jesus who became one of us and was a part of an extended human family that did not magically escape the messiness of the human condition.

For those of you who are familiar with any of Matthew's many other books, *Life is Messy* is different in terms of format and context. He offers us a very personal angle on his three years of excruciating suffering as he draws on his own private journals to serve as the source material for this book. In this way, he bears his soul to offer a unique insight into life and struggles. Also, the book has a less finished feel in order to evoke that sense of messiness that is a reality for all of us. As he grapples with questions about the messiness of his life, himself, the world and other people, he gives us permission and invites us to do the same for ourselves. In terms of how much to share, Matthew attempted to strike a balance offering specifics enough to get us into the ballpark, but keeping it vague enough to allow us to see ourselves in the book.

As the reality of the pandemic has dragged on, it is easy for us to feel, "I'm not enough. I'm inadequate." It is all too easy for us to catalogue all the ways that we don't measure up to expectations. Our disposable culture readily resorts to throwing out whatever doesn't measure up and getting a new one. But what about broken people, broken relationships, broken institutions, broken families, and our very own broken selves? Drawing on the Japanese artform of Kintsugi, Matthew challenges us to ask, 'Whether someone, who has been devastatingly broken and wounded, as a result of the actions of others or their own bad choices, can be healed, made more beautiful, move lovable than ever before?' I invite you to pick up and read this book to discover and reflect on how that is possible and our role in putting people and the world back together, making them more beautiful and loveable than ever before.

Free copies of the book will be available for anyone to pick up in each of our churches and from the parish office over the course of the next few weeks, while supplies last. Those of you who are fans of Dynamic Catholic's BestLentEver program especially may want to pick up a copy and read *Life Is Messy*, since this coming year's program will be based on the book.


So, in the midst of the messiness that is our human reality, on behalf of my fellow priests and the members of our parish staff, I wish you and your loved ones a very blessed and Merry Christmas and renewed hope for the coming New Year!

Peace and blessings to all, as we ask God to help us to revel in the joy and wonder that Christ's coming affords us, especially amid the messiness of our lives and the world!

Yours,

Fr. John

2021-22 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL AS OF 12/17/2021

	<b>Blessed Sacrament</b>	<b>St. Boniface</b>	<b>St. Mary's</b>
<b>Goal</b>	\$64,919	\$26,129	\$44,406
<b>Pledged</b>	\$63,864	\$18,770	\$38,167
<b>Amount Remaining</b>	\$1,055	\$7,359	\$6,239
<b>% of Goal</b>	98%	72%	86%
<b># / % of Households Participating</b>	127 / 14%	65 / 17%	90 / 14%

**PARISH COLLECTION INFORMATION**

December 12, 2021*	Actual	Budget	Variance
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 5,260	\$ 6,030	\$ ( 770)
St. Boniface	\$ 4,533	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,533
St. Mary's	\$ 7,978	\$ 4,900	\$ 3,078
<b>Year-to-Date Totals</b>			
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 139,540	\$ 144,720	\$ ( 5,180)
St. Boniface	\$ 79,256	\$ 72,000	\$ 7,256
St. Mary's	\$ 107,369	\$ 117,600	\$ ( 10,231)

Thank you for your faithful and generous support!  
We depend on your thoughtfulness and commitment.  
God bless you.

\* Because of the holidays this time of year, our bulletins often require submission dates before the collections are counted from the previous weekend. Thank you for your patience with us. **The numbers will run a week behind** most weeks between now and the beginning of January.

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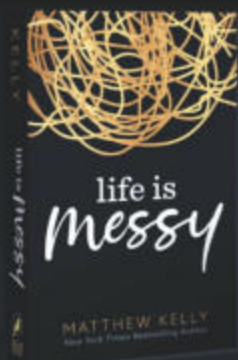
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**2021 Christmas Featured Title**

**LIFE IS MESSY**

Free book! Thanks to a donation from a generous parishioner, we have hundreds of copies of Matthew Kelly's newest book. Please join us in reading, reflecting, and discussing as a parish.

For more information, please see Fr. John's column on page 4.




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