

# Southeast Rochester Catholic Community

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January 16, 2022

*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**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 with the spiritual support and information you need.***

### Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday:

4:30 PM Vigil Mass at St. Boniface Church

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

**Confessions: Saturdays 3:30pm at St. Boniface;**  
**or by appointment with one of our priests.**

### 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.***

**Blessed Sacrament**  
534 Oxford Street  
Rochester, NY 14607

**Saint Boniface**  
330 Gregory Street  
Rochester, NY 14620

**Saint Mary's**  
15 St. Mary's Place  
Rochester, NY 14607



**2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY** *in ordinary time*

Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." - Jn 2:4

The Parish Offices (located in the former rectory at Blessed Sacrament Church) are now open for telephone calls and emails. All visitors and parishioners should limit themselves to essential visits. If you would like to schedule a Mass or have another need, please call 271-7240, before you set out for the office. All visitors, regardless of vaccine status are required to wear masks. Office Hours are Monday through Friday 8:30am-4:30pm.



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## Weekly Calendar/Parish Events

### Sunday, January 16

10:45 a.m. Faith Formation Classes (BS School)

4:00 p.m. Youth Group Meeting (BS School)

### Monday, January 17

5:30 p.m. Book discussion: *The Universal Christ* (Zoom)

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/91297662611?pwd=cUFGT25mSjQyNFpzQ1lrMHY2M1FKUT09>

### Tuesday, January 18

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

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

### Wednesday, January 19

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

6:30 p.m. Adult Faith Formation: Dcn David's talk on Justice and Service (SM)

### Thursday, January 20

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

### Saturday, January 22

1:30 p.m. Confirmation Session: Justice and Peace (SM Dugan Center)

### Sunday, January 23

10:45 a.m. Faith Formation Classes (BS School)

4:00 p.m. Youth Group Meeting (BS School)

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Voices of Women—noon on January 30th (See page 3)

Deadline for Steubenville trip deposit: January 20th (See page 3)

Holy Hour: February 3rd at 6:30. (See page 3)

**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 Fransen, 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, Gerry Yawman, Deanna Milne-Azzolina, Mark Schork, Rhonda Fauci, Ginny Sillman, Anthony Zinone, Tom Meteyer, Fred Ludwig, Pete Klee, Timothy Romeo, Joe Wesley, Mary Koenig, Tracey Schatz and Carson Corrigan.

**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.**

**Readings for January 23, 2021:  
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Nehemiah 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10  
1Corinthians 12: 12-30  
Luke 1: 1-4; 4:14-21**

## Devotions, Liturgies and Mass Intentions

### Saturday, January 15

3:30 p.m. (SB) Sacrament of Penance

4:30 p.m. (SB) Ruth Condon by Marsha Condon

**\*Note the location change to St. Boniface!\***

### Sunday, January 16, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. (SB) Anna Greene by Barbara Greene

9:30 a.m. (BS) John B. Porter by Peter Romeo

10:45 a.m. (SM) Tim Behnke by Sandy Behnke

12:00 p.m. (BS) Mary Stewart by The Lynd Family

### Monday, January 16, Saint Anthony, Abbot

8:00 a.m. (BS) Claire Sterling by John and Judy Lynd

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

### Tuesday, January 17, Weekday

7:30 a.m. (SB) Jesse Cannon by Christine Appleby

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

### Wednesday, January 18, Weekday

8:00 a.m. (BS) Richard Waltz by John and Marilyn McCrank

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

### Thursday, January 20, Weekday

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

### Friday, January 21, Saint Agnes Virgin and Martyr

7:30 a.m. (SB) The Haney Family by Bequest

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

### Saturday, January 22

3:30 p.m. (SM) Sacrament of Penance

4:30 p.m. (SB) Deceased Members of the Hughes Family by Barbara Hohman and Tina Thomas

### Sunday, January 23, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. (SB) Osvaldo Espinosa by Reilly and Pablo Espinosa

9:30 a.m. (BS) James Mason by Peter Romeo  
Anne Cassidy by Vincent Lamark

10:45 a.m. (SM) Linda Myers by the Myers Family

12:00 p.m. (BS) Sadie Costello by Jeff and Alicia Smith and Family



## VOICES OF WOMEN PRESENTS ...

### Women Aging in Grace and Wisdom

"Life is a succession of lessons which must be lived to be understood." -Helen Keller

Voices of Women invites you to join us on Sunday, January 30th with its inaugural program for 2022. As we grow older, many changes occur within us both physically and emotionally and it can be stressful to cope with the aging process.



Our speaker for this day is **Sr. Mary Lou**

**Mitchell, SSJ**, who is currently the Director of Pastoral Care for St. Ann's Community. Sr. Mary Lou has experience in nursing, leadership and many years of experience in caring for the quality of life of adults coping with the aging process. Aging gracefully isn't always easy, but attitude matters a lot, experts say. This program will be held in the Dugan Center beginning at 12 pm following the 10:45 Mass at St. Mary's or by Zoom (Meeting ID:820 5581 8508 or link at <https://us06web.zoom.un/j/82055818505>)

## MONDAY BOOK DISCUSSION

Our online book discussion group will begin reading Richard Rohr's book, **The Universal Christ** started Monday **January 10** and continues on Monday evenings 5:30-7pm. If you would like more information or to join us, please contact Lucien at [lowelllucien359@gmail.com](mailto:lowelllucien359@gmail.com) or 402-4629. Order information is in the Tuesday email newsletter, as is the link to the Zoom meeting.

## HOMICIDE PRAYER VIGIL



As you know, our community saw unprecedented violence in 2021, with a record 81 homicides – each victim a beloved child of God. You may or may not be aware of it, but a ministry was started at St. Mary's Church more than 25 years ago to witness against all senseless violence in our community, and it continues to this day: homicide prayer vigil. A group of the faithful gathers at the scene of each homicide to pray – for the victim, the victim's family and friends, the perpetrator, the neighborhood and the community at large, for we are all harmed whenever one of us is a victim of violence. And we gather to bless and consecrate the homicide scene and the neighborhood, begging for God's peace to come upon that place and the people who live nearby.

For much of the time of the pandemic, this ministry has carried on remotely, but recently we began to return to the homicide scenes, in response to this unprecedented wave of violence. If people cannot attend in person, they are asked to stop what they are doing at the time of the vigil and pray wherever they are. We believe that God has the power to change hearts and bring about peace.

And we would like to invite all our parishioners to consider joining in this ministry of prayer and peace. It's as simple as adding your name to the email mailing list, so that you are informed of vigils as they are planned. You are then asked either to join us in person to pray and witness for peace and non-violence, or if you are unable to participate in person, pray wherever you are.

If you are feeling called to join in this ministry of our parish, please let Katie Amann or Deacon Ed have your email address and we will make sure you receive notices as they are sent out.

May God bless you and may God bless our Rochester community with peace and may all people come to see in each other their inherent dignity as sons and daughters of God. Thank you.

## HOLY HOUR AT ST. BONIFACE CHURCH

Thursday, February 3, 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

February 2 is the feast of the Presentation of the Lord and Candlemas Day, the traditional day on which candles for the church year are blessed. As part of the February 3 Holy Hour you are invited to bring a candle to be blessed which you can use during your prayer times in 2022.



## IMPORTANT SCAM WARNING

There has been increase in online scam attempts. Here are some tips and information to avoid becoming a victim.

### Common Scam Types

1. **Phone scams** - A scammer will call you or have a pop-up display show a phone number on your computer or phone asking you to call them. They will pretend to be Amazon, PayPal, or another major company. Their goal is to get access to your Amazon/online account to make fraudulent purchases or trick you into withdrawing money from your bank.
2. **Email phishing** - This is the most common scam/attack. Examples:

- a. Impersonation of Pastor or Executive
- b. Fake Fax emails
- c. Fake Shared documents
- d. Fake Voicemails



### What Should You Do?

- DO NOT allow anyone you don't know to connect remotely to your PC/Laptop.
- Only Contact companies using phone numbers found on their website or in an app on your phone.
- Do not click on links or attachments from senders that you are not expecting to receive.
- Do not try to open any shared document you are not expecting to receive.

### Other Important Security Concerns

- Sign up for Multifactor Authentication on any account that offers it.
- Passwords - **Length beats complexity**, consider using a passphrase or several random words, e.g. "My favorite movie is Titanic", "Space Spectrum Cabin".

### LINK FOR STEUBENVILLE INFORMATION

We recorded the Zoom informational meeting for our July trip to Steubenville. Use the following address or see the live link in our Tuesday email newsletter.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AVMFXwJXf8>

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

If you are anything like me, I suspect that when COVID-19 arrived on the scene two years ago, you were not thinking that it would still be with us at this point. It seems like every time we are given a reason to hope that the end is on the horizon, that a new variant or development has popped up that spurs a new surge of the disease.

Looking back at the 1918 influenza pandemic, this pattern is not unusual. Like our current pandemic, it too came in waves, the first in the spring of 1918, which was followed by two more waves in the fall of 1918 and winter of 1919, before a fourth and final wave in the spring of 1920. As the disease repeatedly washed over the world, an estimated 500 million people, or a third of the world's population, was infected, with estimated total deaths ranging from 17 to 50 million people. Without any vaccines or antibiotics to treat secondary infections, the pandemic only petered out as the virus became less deadly and caused only ordinary seasonal flu.

This may be giving rise to the current speculation with regard to the omicron variant, that has been particularly more virulent, but supposedly causes less severe symptoms in most people. As with earlier hopes and speculations, we will have to wait and see what develops. It appears that thinking of pandemics as coming in a pattern of successive waves is a good way to characterize the fluid nature of its impact and our ever adjusting responses.

At this point, I would like to thank all of you for your patience and cooperation as we have sought to adjust our collective response to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, as we have progressed through the various waves of the disease. In this regard, I am grateful to the numerous volunteers in each church who have stepped up and faithfully assisted us week after week with these efforts. As I have said before, I will only be too happy to be rid of masks and the other measures, when the time comes.

Along these lines, I also truly appreciate your continued strong financial support of our parish. If you remember back in the spring of 2020, I asked you to continue your support, so that we could keep our parish staff working. Your admirable response, supplemented by funds from the Payroll Protection Program, have kept us in a stable position financially. Your continued contributions to the parish right up to today, no matter how large or small, remain very much needed and greatly appreciated. Thank you.

This brings me to some good news about our progress towards our Catholic Ministries Appeal goals. According to the reports that we received on January 11th, we have blown past our goal at Blessed Sacrament by some 10%. We are rapidly approaching our goal at St. Mary's, having reached over 98%, with some \$700 remaining. And we are not that far behind at St. Boniface with some \$3,600 to go, as we have reached 86% of the goal. Knowing how we have closed more significant gaps in the recent years, I am very hopeful that before too long, I will be congratulating you for having reached our goals in all three churches. And I cannot thank enough all of those who have donated so far. It is a great relief to me not to be facing the prospect of having to launch a renewed campaign to close significant gaps. And you may be just as relieved not to have to be subjected to those efforts. Thanks be to God.

Looking toward Lent, which starts with Ash Wednesday, on March 2nd, we are considering creating a Parish Lenten Reflection Booklet as we did last year. If you remember, we asked for volunteers to write a short reflection on the readings for Mass for each day from Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday. Please prayerfully consider volunteering to write one of those reflections. And keep an eye out in the coming weeks for information about how to participate in that effort. We received positive feedback from our contributors and those who made use of the booklet last year. And we look forward to a similarly positive experience this year.


For those of you who have picked up a copy of Matthew Kelly's latest book, *Life Is Messy*, I hope you have had a chance to start reading and gaining insights into dealing with difficult and challenging times in life. If you have not picked up a copy or would like to share a copy with family members and friends, who are going through difficult times, additional copies are available in church or through the parish office.

Peace and blessings as we strive to persevere, trusting that God remains with us through this latest pandemic surge.

Yours,

Fr. John

**2021-22 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL AS OF 1/7/2022**

	<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>	\$71,540	\$21,966	\$43,712
<b>Amount Remaining</b>	<b>Thank you!</b>	\$4,163	\$694
<b>% of Goal</b>	110%	84%	98%
<b># / % of Households Participating</b>	147 16%	77 20%	111 18%

**PARISH COLLECTION INFORMATION**

Christmas (as of 1/9)	Actual	Budget	Variance
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 6,756	\$ 8,000	\$ ( 1,244)
St. Boniface	\$ 3,817	\$ 4,000	\$ ( 183)
St. Mary's	\$ 3,157	\$ 5,000	\$ ( 1,843)

January 9, 2022	Actual	Budget	Variance
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 4,550	\$ 6,030	\$ ( 1,480)
St. Boniface	\$ 3,301	\$ 3,000	\$ 301
St. Mary's	\$ 8,619	\$ 4,900	\$ 3,719

Year-to-Date Totals	Actual	Budget	Variance
Blessed Sacrament	\$ 169,805	\$ 168,840	\$ 965
St. Boniface	\$ 91,550	\$ 84,000	\$ 7,550
St. Mary's	\$ 141,553	\$ 137,200	\$ 4,353

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

**HITMAKERS:**

**SAVE THE DATE  
AND GET YOUR  
TICKETS!!**



The Parish Life Committee has again selected a JCC Hitmaker's show "Welcome to the 70's" at 2pm on February 20, 2022 at JCC's Center Stage. It is an extra special event this year, as it will be dedicated to one of our parishioners, the late Jack Garner, who penned the last several Hitmaker's musical productions. This newest tribute to the history of popular music highlights the diversity of rock music in the early 70's with hits from Bill Withers, Stevie Wonder, The Carpenters, The Staple Singers, Al Green, Carly Simon, Elton John, and more.

Purchase your own tickets and select your own seats online at: <https://jccrochester.org/events/hitmakers-welcome-to-the-70s/>

Tickets are normally \$33 plus a service fee, but we have been able to secure a \$4 discount for our group so tickets are \$30 each with no service fee. Simply use the code GARNER when ordering tickets for your discount. Don't delay - Hitmaker's is a popular series and shows typically sell out - especially Sunday afternoons!!!! We hope to see you on February 20!!

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*Walter Miller, St. Mary's*  
*Diane Kannel, Gardener, St. Mary's*

**CHOIR SUSPENDED**

Due to the large number of new COVID cases, the SERCC Choir has suspended singing for the next several weeks. We look forward to our next Joint Choir Mass at St. Mary's Church in the near future. God bless!

**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.**

***IN SEARCH OF:  
METAL FLAT FILE CABINET***

The historians for St. Mary's are currently moving their artifacts as recommended by archivists from Genesee Country Museum. They have been advised to store these materials in a metal flat file cabinet, an item of much expense. (An example is pictured below.) If anyone is aware of where such a cabinet can be obtained at a reasonable price, please inform Katie Amann at [katie.amann@dor.org](mailto:katie.amann@dor.org) or call the office at (585) 271-7240. Thank you.



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