

May 2, 2021
5th Sunday of Easter



CHURCH *of the* TRANSFIGURATION

"Lord, How good it is for us to be here..." Matt. 17:4

Congratulations to those who celebrated their
First Holy Communion this Weekend.



May the Grace and Joy of the Eucharist they
received fill our Parish Community!

Betty Andolina
Clara Campagna
Brendan Connolly
Addison Coyles
Cora Crowley
Tessa Crowley
Maeve Datovech
Samantha Ferrantino
August Fluet
Benjamin Fluet
Teagan Graham
Samantha Green

Addison Harold
Kadence Marriott
Terence Mortimer
Ronan O'Gara
Grayson Piehler
Anna Rice
Blaire Ryerson
Elias Smith
Grant Tipple
Colleen Wenger
Wyatt Whipple

"Lord, how good it is for us to be here."

Monday May 3, 2021

*** 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Jn 14:6-14

6:45 am Mass: Brian Price by Deacon Pat & Roxanne DiLaura

10:00 am: Chair Yoga- Ed. Ctr. U.L.

Tuesday May 4, 2021

*** Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/Jn

14:27-31a

9:00 am Mass: John & Frances Damico by Sam & Sandra Damico

4:30 pm: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

6:00 to 7:00 pm: 1st Communion Rehearsal-Church

7:00 to 8:30 pm: Senior High Youth Group-Church

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

*** Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8

6:45 am Mass: Intentions for Mike & Andrea Ferrantino by
The Noronha Family

9:00 am Funeral Mass: Dean Santos

12:30 to 2:00 pm: Grief Share-PLC Dbl. Room

6:00 pm: Gentle Yoga-Ed. Ctr. U.L.

7:00 to 8:30 pm: Joe Kelly Spring Series- Church

Thursday, May 6, 2021

*** Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 [3]/Jn 15:9-11

6:45 am Mass:

Friday, April 7, 2021

*** Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday, May 8, 2021

*** Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

4:30 pm: Marcella & Reginald Bold by the Bold Family

Sunday May 9, 2021

*** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1

Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

9:00 am Mass: Raymond Benza Sr. by Margie & Ray Benza

9:00 am Also Live Streaming

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11:00 am Mass: Aline Vangelo by The Roberts Family



TEAM 4
Team 4 (eve.)
J. Atwell, P. Diehl,
A. Jahnke, L. LeBlanc,
K. & S. Hughes

Sanctuary Candles burn
In Loving Memory of
Elizabeth Harter
Dedicated by Lisa & Tim Morris

Flowers for the Altar are
For all our
First Communicants

*Beginning the weekend of
June 26/27 Mass times will be*

Saturday 4:00 pm
at the Church of the Transfiguration

Saturday 5:30 pm
at St. Catherine of Siena

Sunday 8:45 am-Livestream
at the Church of the Transfiguration

Sunday 10:45 am-Livestream
at St. Catherine of Siena

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GIFT OF TREASURE			
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Last Weekend—4/25/21	\$12,490	\$10,811	\$1,679
EASTER	\$29,060	\$39,500	\$(10,440)
July 1, 2020 - April 25, 2021	<u>\$844,077</u>	<u>\$871,578</u>	<u>\$(27,501)</u>

"Lord, how good it is for us to be here..."

SHARE YOUR GIFTS FROM GOD
Stewardship... Live It!



Please note that the Campus will be busy the next two weeks. We have Pittsford Mendon High School here for their AP Exams. They will be occupying the PLC Gym and Meeting Rooms.

The Chapel and Gathering Area remains open as usual. Thank You.

From the Corner Office

Dear Friends,

Jesus Christ is risen – alleluia!

First, congratulations to our first communicants who are receiving the Eucharist for the first time this weekend. Sharing the Eucharist with our young friends always brings a smile to my heart, it gives me hope that they will be the future of our Church. Please keep them in your prayers that they may continue to grow in their love for our God and our brother Jesus.

Probably like many of you, I have read a number of reflections on the murder conviction of Derek Chauvin. I hope these reflections can shed light onto our collective conscious as a Country. One reflection given to me comes from Sr. Rose Francois and she entitled it Inhale, Exhale, Transform. She talks about the collective exhale she felt the nation was taking and related it back to Psalm 104 (29-30): "Take away their breath, they perish and return to the dust. Send forth your spirit, they are created and you renew the face of the earth."

I for one, like many of you, was able to exhale, slowly and deeply, letting go of a breath I did not even know I had been holding for almost a year. Breathing out, we were able to finally breathe in. A breath of hope. A breath of life. A breath of love.... There does seem to be change in the air since the murder of George Floyd, witnessed by children on the street corner and the entire world on the screen. I sometimes wonder what the outcome would have been if not for the pandemic, which kept us home and glued to our screens, which showed the breath of life being squeezed out of Mr. Floyd.

As a result, white society, and social and judicial structures, seem less inclined to tolerate or ignore long-standing patterns of abuse of authority and racially based violence by those who are sworn to protect.

I refused to speak ill of all law enforcement officers, because the vast majority of them are fine people, willing to face immeasurable dangers. Please do not read this as condemning law enforcement. As you know people in my profession have faced the same challenge of being condemned because of the actions of small minority.

My belief is all of us need to show much more accountability in our day-to-day life in order for justice to flourish and for peace to prevail. Quoting Bernice King, daughter of Martin Luther King, Jr "Accountability does not = justice. Justice is a continuum. It is, as my father said, 'love correcting everything that stands against love.' To get to justice, we need a revolution of values."

"The conviction of one individual is a small measure of justice when we have a system that remains plagued with centuries-worth of racism in the law and in practice, I pray that this will be a catalyst for real change...." tweeted Sr. Helen Prejean and she continues by quoting Mary Elizabeth Hobgood. "We will never adequately deal with the reality of racial justice, and its generational effects, unless we name its causes and attack its sources."

As we draw closer to the Feast of Pentecost, we need to breathe in hope, love, light, peace. We must exhale all our anger, disrespect and prejudices in order to follow the Spirit's call to co-create, to transform society, and ourselves ultimately to renew the face of the earth, respect human dignity, and honor every life.

Blessings in 2021!

Let us continue to pray for peace in our world!

In peace and courage,

Fr. Mike

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CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Be mindful you have until May 31st
to pay your pledge.

Goal - \$203,413

As of Tuesday, April 27

Pledged \$192,210 (94.5%)

410 Pledges (28.9%) -

Our goal 33% participation!

We are short \$11, 203!

Please make or increase your pledge ASAP.
Please make a pledge by going to www.dor.org/cma to make or increase your; pledge cards are also available in the Gathering Area. Your pledge is important so we can avoid paying any shortage from parish savings.

Thank You!



DIOCESAN MISSIONS SUNDAY

On next weekend, May 15th and 16th, we shall observe Diocesan Missions Sunday. Proclaiming the Gospel is not something we can do once for all, but is an ongoing part of the Church. This is the message of the new evangelization.

"Being a disciple means being constantly ready to bring the love of Jesus to others, and this can happen unexpectedly and in any place: on the street, in a city square, during work, on a journey." Evangelii Gaudium, "The Joy of the Gospel" (127)

Our dedicated Sisters of Mercy in Chile and the Sisters of St. Joseph in Brazil have been on pilgrimage sharing their gifts of faith and service to God's people.

We are called to help them on next weekend with our prayers and a sacrificial gift, so that they may continue to bring Christ into a world where darkness, despair and emptiness prevail. Surely, we can help to bring hope to them.

Peace & Justice

The Power of Labels

It has been said that “labels” are something we pin on a person, group or thing so we can hate or dismiss them without ever having to get to know them.

Labels are everywhere, and we use them frequently. Some are simply a form of neutral shorthand, capturing in a word or two something much larger. Some carry praise or commendation. But many labels are laden with pejorative meanings or connotations (consider, for example, labels that are often pinned on people related to race, color, ethnicity, religion, or gender.) These labels become weapons to disparage, attack, discredit, dismiss, insult, ridicule, or hate a person or thing. (Toxic labels also function to elevate the self-esteem or assert the superiority of those who deploy them.)

Listen carefully to political discourse, where labels are used freely by people on every part of the political spectrum to denigrate or demonize “the other.” Labels become attack weapons as well as barriers against dialogue and understanding.

We are people dedicated to peace, social justice, and the common good. Our faith-based social values and principles transcend political tribes, not deriving from or depending upon any particular political ideology, policy or program. But we, too, can be targeted with negative labels by critics and opponents because of our commitment or advocacy. Examples heard recently: socialists; radical extremists; woke mob; bleeding heart liberals; do gooders; SJW (Social Justice Warriors). These labels and others carry varying degrees of opprobrium.

Rather than respond in kind to toxic labels, we must strive to reduce their use and proliferation (“do unto others...”) Without label-free, respectful engagement, it is extremely difficult to work together in addressing societal issues and solving problems.

Reflection questions:

- * *Have I used labels to disparage or devalue others?*
- * *How can I help to reduce the use of toxic labels in personal and public discourse?*
- *



“Save the Date”

**Fr. Mike’s Retirement
Celebration**

Sunday, June 20, 2021

Can you help at Fr. Mike’s Picnic?

We’re in the midst of organizing Fr. Mike’s Retirement Picnic on Sunday, 6/20. We would appreciate your helping hands with various aspects of the day. Please let me know if you can help with set-up (6/19 and/or 6/20), kitchen assistance (6/20), serving or clean up. Please contact Marge Benza at:

Margie.Benza@dor.org or 248-2427. Thank you!



Have you thought about Chair Yoga? Are you available on Mondays at 10:00 AM?

Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga that can be done while sitting. Some poses can also be done standing using a chair for support. Chair yoga can improve flexibility, concentration and strength. Chair yoga is especially suited for older adults.

Lynn Klei is our Yoga Instructor and she meets with a group on **Monday Mornings** in the PLC Gym for 1 hour. Drop ins welcome. (\$11.00 per class)

If you would like more information, please call Rose in the Parish Office. 248-2427.

Weekly Food Collection



Our weekly food collection continues Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. and Friday 9:00 AM to Noon. We have barrels placed just inside the Church doors. We appreciate all the

generous donations. These are difficult times for sure and our agencies that we support truly appreciate all of you!

Here is a list of needs.

- ◆ Meal kits that do not require any extra ingredients
 - ◆ Pancake and muffin mix that only require water
 - ◆ Tabbed open soups and stews and canned pasta meals, ie spaghetti o’s
 - ◆ Shelf stable milk.
 - ◆ Tea and coffee
 - ◆ Antibacterial wipes and hand sanitizer
 - ◆ Household cleaning supplies and paper products
- Thank you all so much for your weekly support*



The Problem of plastic.

Plastic is everywhere in our lives. About a year ago NYS banned single use plastic bags. That was only a beginning. Legislation will not catch up with the harm plastic is doing to the environment. Plastic is not biodegradable so what happens is it breaks down into smaller and smaller pieces until we have microplastic around us in the environment. We ingest it and inhale it. In future weeks we will talk about it more.

VBS is coming back in 2021!

We know you have missed it and we have missed our week of fun in the summer. Gear up for a one-week hike through the wilderness and together we will discover amazing things about Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation, Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, Marriage, and Holy Orders.

Save the Date: July 12-16th
Registration form available on line



MERRY MARTHA'S AND MUSCLE

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT I AM REACHING OUT TO ALL OF YOU.

Here are a few questions that I ask that you ponder.

1. Can I help in this Ministry?
2. Could I spare 1 hour every 5 weeks? Day or Evening
3. Could I ask a friend or family member to help with me?
4. Could I use some quiet reflection time in Church while cleaning God's House?



SOME FACTS ABOUT THE MERRY MARTHA'S AND MUSCLE MINISTRY

Here are a few facts that I ask that you ponder.

1. Volunteers have cleaned the Church proper since day one!
2. This Ministry has saved us thousands of dollars over the years.
3. This Ministry needs some new life.
4. Doing God's work really is rewarding! That is a fact!!!

If you are interested in helping out, please call
Rose Volker in the Parish Office or Gael Garrity at 381-9179

Faith Formation Update

Faith Formation Update: A Few Good Ideas...

Some of our parishioners have found exciting resources for growing in faith. Here are a few recommendations from members of our faith family

The Chosen: The first ever multi-season show about the life of Christ. It's a beautiful portrait of the first followers of Jesus as they come to know and love him. All 8 episodes of season one and the first three episodes of season two are available for free on YouTube. For the upcoming episodes, you will need to download the free Chosen app to your digital device.

<https://www.youtube.com/c/TheChosenSeries/featured>
Bible in a Year:

Fr. Mike Schmitz from Ascension Press leads you through the entire Bible in 365 days (yes, the whole thing!). You can sign up for the free reading list and podcast. The program officially started in January, but you can start anytime and go at your own pace. Each 20-25 minute episode includes 2-3 Scripture readings, a reflection from Fr. Mike, and a guided prayer.

https://ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-registration?utm_source=google&utm_medium=ad&utm_campaign=BIY&clid=CjwKCAjwmv-DBhAMEiwA7xYrdwnv5taEwLG0aHhslTjnnY-yaogvqO8NgB7u1uM1FfbibpApRzi1BoCg6QQAvD_BwE

The May Prayer Playlists are here!

This month we continue in the Easter Season and look forward to the feast of Pentecost, the birthday of the Church. On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came to rest on the disciples and empowered them to share the Good News of Jesus' love with the whole world. The offerings below will help you reflect on the voice of the Holy Spirit within you and on God's call to let the Holy Spirit work through you.

Playlist for Adults: Pentecost -- Filled With the Spirit

<https://www.transfigurationpittsford.org/adult-playlist-pentecost--filled-with-the-spirit>

Playlist for Teens: God Calls You - Living in the Holy Spirit

<https://www.transfigurationpittsford.org/teen-playlist--god-calls-you>

Playlist for Children/Families: Mary Our Mother

<https://www.transfigurationpittsford.org/family-playlist---mary-our-mother>



CLUSTERING PRAYER FOR ST. CATHERINE SIENA AND THE CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

Father in Heaven, who brings together new relationships,
new opportunities and new challenges
as a way to deepen our bond with you, bless the people of the
Church of the Transfiguration and Saint Catherine of Siena,
to enter joyfully into such experiences as our communities
seek a new chapter in our shared life of mission and ministry.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.
AMEN.



<i>Liturgy Schedule</i>	May 8	May 9	May 9
	4:30 PM	9:00 AM	11:00 AM
Greeters	Charlie & Judy Newton	Mari & Mike Lutz	Charlie & Nancy Zinn
Greeters			
Usher	Mike Goonan	Paul Schultz	Peg Schoenfelder
Usher	Raul Martinez	Devon VanVechten	Jim Wright
Lector	Paul Sawicki	Roger Brandt	Robert Hutchison
B3	Fr. Mike	Fr. Mike	Fr. Mike



Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things and I desire to receive You in my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into
my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to
You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

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New Parishioners

Welcome to our Community of Faith! You may register as
part of our Community by contacting the Parish Office by
phone in person or our website. Please introduce yourself
after Mass to one of the parish staff members.

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hospitalized, or in a nursing home and he or she would ap-
preciate a visit from the Pastoral Staff, please contact the
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Sacraments

Eucharist: Please check page 2 of this bulletin for Sunday,
weekday and Holy Day Mass schedules.

Anointing: In any emergency, at anytime, please call
248-2427 wait for prompt and press 9, or at your conven-
ience, or after any weekend Mass.

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Baptism: Please contact Deacon Eric Bessette @
ebesset1@rochester.rr.com three months in advance to reg-
ister for the Baptismal Preparation Program.

Marriage: Please contact Fr. Mike, Deacon Pat or Deacon
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Catechumenate: Adults interested in joining the Roman
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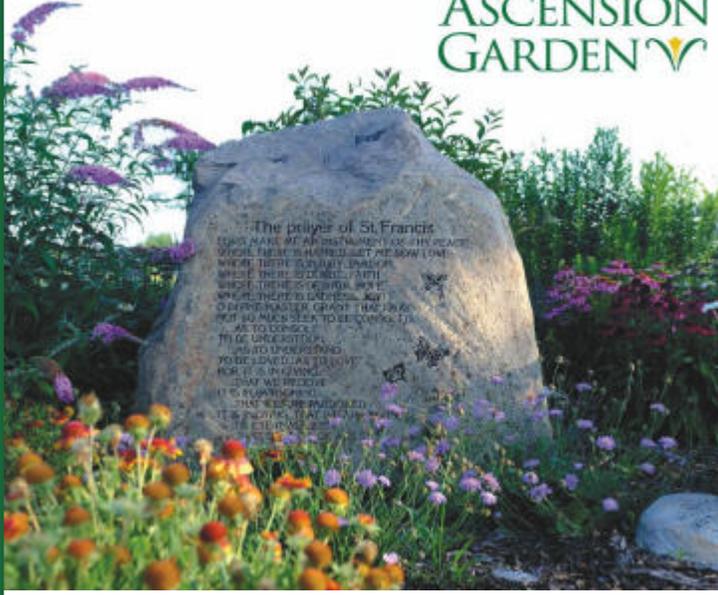


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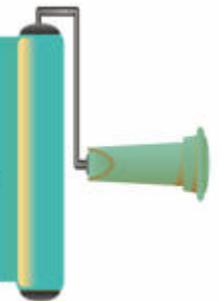
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