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Sunday, May 9th, 2021



From the  
Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes & Saint Anne

Dear Friends,

Spring 2021 feels so different than Spring 2020. With many of us now vaccinated and everyone sixteen and over eligible to receive their shots, there is hope and enthusiasm that we can begin to gather with family and friends in ways we have not done in over a year. Spring and Fall sports are all happening at the same time. It is good to see people at Mass who I have not seen in a year. Some of our younger members are so much taller than when I last saw them. The beauty of flowering trees and gardens, and warming, longer days lift our spirits. We are not quite out from under the pandemic however, so we need to continue a while longer our COVID protocols of face masks, social distancing, and frequent hand-washing. When enough people have been vaccinated that we reach “herd immunity,” then we will be able to safely relax those measures. Until then, we can rejoice in the beauty of Spring.

I am so grateful for your good-natured and generous response to our call for support for the CMA. As of May 3rd both parishes are not quite yet at goal, but are close, and I have confidence we will achieve both goals by the deadline of May 30th. Your sacrifice is so important and helpful to Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Anne.

This Thursday is the Feast of the Ascension when we remember that forty days after he rose from the dead the Risen Lord ascended to heaven. The obligation to attend Mass on Ascension Day is lifted due to the pandemic, so we will have only one Mass at each church: 8AM at St.

Anne and 8:30AM at Our Lady of Lourdes. The 8:30 Mass will be the school Mass for Seton Catholic School and will be live-streamed.

Today is Mother’s Day, and in Catholic tradition the month of May is dedicated to Mary, the mother of Jesus. We give thanks for our mothers and grandmothers, and we look to the Blessed Mother for inspiration and guidance.

*Happy Mother’s Day,  
Fr. Gary Tyman*

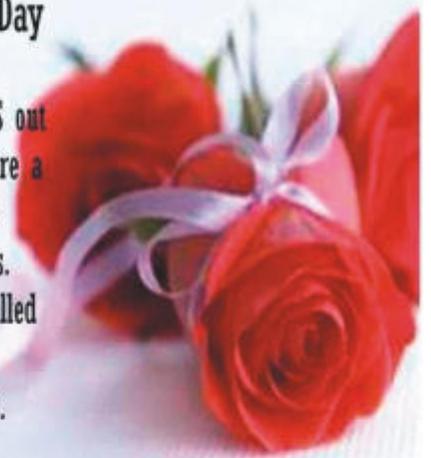


**To be a mother is a great treasure. Mothers, in their unconditional and sacrificial love for their children, are the antidote to individualism; they are the greatest enemies against war. – Pope Francis**

Day	Masses & Intentions 
<b>Sunday, May 9</b> 6th Sunday of Easter	8:30am (OLOL) Kathy Weider by Jack Weider 9:00am (SA) Lloyd Thomas by Betty Thomas 10:30am (OLOL) Living & Deceased People of Cluster 11:00am (SA) Living & Deceased People of Cluster
<b>Monday, May 10</b> Easter Weekday	8:00am (SA) Fred Stilson Family 8:30am (OLOL) Rev John B Crowley
<b>Tuesday, May 11</b> Easter Weekday	8:00am (SA) Fred Stilson Family 8:30am (OLOL) Rev John B Crowley
<b>Wednesday, May 12</b> Easter Weekday	8:00am (SA) Fred Stilson Family 8:30am (OLOL) Communion Service
<b>Thurs, May 13</b> The Ascension of the Lord	8:00am (SA) Mass today 8:30am (OLOL) Seton Catholic School Families Seton 5th Grade Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes 8:30am
<b>Friday, May 14</b> St Matthias, Apostle	8:00am (SA) Joe Testa by Sam & Josie Bovenzi 8:30am (OLOL) Rev John B Crowley
<b>Saturday, May 15</b> Easter Weekday	4:00pm (SA) Living & Deceased People of Cluster 5:00pm(OLOL) Kathy Weider by Norah & Charlie Bayer
<b>Sunday, May 16</b> The Ascension of the Lord 7th Sunday of Easter	8:30am (OLOL) Jed Hanna by Joan Hanna 9:00am (SA) Joe Testa by Tom & Joanne Monagan & family 10:30am (OLOL) John Judge 11:00am (SA) Jerry Alves by Louise & Joseph Alves

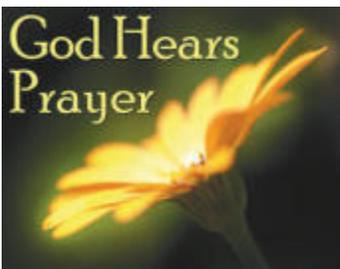
## Happy Mothers Day

to ALL the MOTHERS out there whether you are a Past, Present or Soon To be Moms. May your day be filled with love, joy and laughter..



**Join us in Prayer! Please go to our website to offer your prayer requests. Fr. Gary, Fr. Jim, and Dcn. Bill will include them in the Masses. You can also email them to [Bill.Rabjohn@dor.org](mailto:Bill.Rabjohn@dor.org) or [Fr.Gary.Tyman@dor.org](mailto:Fr.Gary.Tyman@dor.org).**

**Please Remember in Prayer:** Toni Bosso, Dawn Boyce, John Callahan, Jean Clancy, Jeannette Conniff, Kathy Doody, John Gavin, Jeff Heveron; Lori Swatek-Heveron; Joshua Honebrink, Dcn David Hudzinski, Bill Jones, Jack Kramer, Dcn Bob Lyons, Marcia Lyons, Daisy Macatangay, Gwen Nelson, Mary Clare Ryan, Fr Edward Salmon SJ, Ian Schaefer, Marie Scully, Maryanne Spoonhower, Mary Smith, Ron Stacy, Laura Valvano, Pamela Valvano, Michelle Mattiace Velez, Jack Weider, George Wonder.



**For those in Assisted Care in the Cluster:** Philomena Colucci, Teresa Cox, Lois DePotter, Trudy Gober, Nancy Nothnagle, Joan Seccombe.

**Our deployed soldiers, and others in the armed Service:** Michael Audino, Arthur J. Busick, James R. Whitcomb, Christopher Brown, Andrew Kwiatkowski & all in harm's way.



**This week, our Tabernacle candles burn in prayer for:**

**Our Lady of Lourdes & St Anne:**

**All Mothers, Grandmothers, and Step-Mothers who nurture and raise our future generations.**



# In Honor of St Joseph the Worker

Testimonials of how lay people are following the call of God through their vocations.

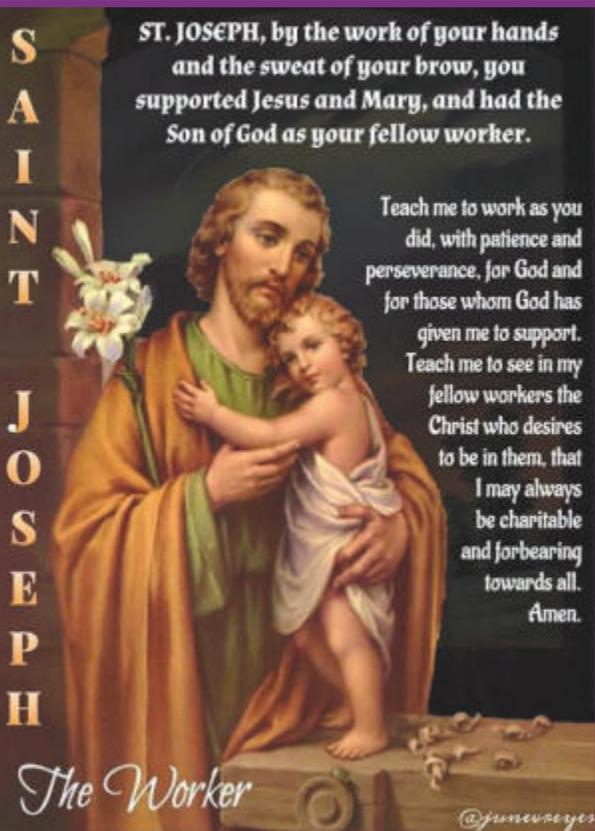
## Steve Witkowics, Lawyer at Handelman, Witkowitz, and Levitsky, LLP, Parishioner

I learned from my parents the virtue of helping others. It mattered little the specific circumstances; to my Mom and Dad, the cry for help was the call to assist. It is therefore surprising that in my career choice, I gave no thought to the notion of helping others. Perhaps it was owing to the fact that I became a lawyer only because I could not do what my heart desired. Or perhaps because I was a selfish 20 something intent on creating my own life. Whatever the reason, my circumstances allowed God to work much grace.

I became associated with a small general practice law firm. In addition to the firm's institutional clients, many individuals were also represented. The senior partner in the firm had been active in politics and developed close relations with the local civil rights organizations. In the 1960's he was prominent in integrating the workforce at Eastman Kodak. As a result, many of the individuals we represented were people of color and the urban poor. As the new lawyer in the firm, the work of the difficult circumstances of those people's lives-- misdemeanors, child custody and support, evictions, and divorce-- fell to me.

Those clients and their troubles were quite foreign to me and my upbringing. It quickly became apparent that to help them, I had to understand them. As our lives had no nexus, the only way to learn was to listen to them; really listen, without reflexive judgment, without patronizing them, and without pretense. As I listened, not only did my hearing change, but also my vision. I began to see others as persons, whole and integral, much more than the sum of their parts or problems. And ever so rarely, in looking at someone I would see a clarity, a brightness that added a depth or dimension, which my heart and my head knew to be God.

The lesson for me was that my work should not be compartmentalized. Despite Monday mornings, drudgery, and the pressure to perform, the time and place of our employment is an opportunity for God to act. May we be attentive and open to His grace.



## Ralph F. Józefowicz, MD, Professor of Neurology and Medicine, Parishioner

I have always envisioned my career as a vocation to help others. As a physician, teacher and volunteer, I have always found the greatest satisfaction in helping to better the lives of those around me. This is what Jesus taught and this is what I strive for. I am the happiest when I am able to help my patients, my students, and my community through my work and my service on boards and committees in my profession and my community. I experience God in my work daily by thinking of others and helping to make their lives better. This is the key to happiness and the antidote to depression and anxiety. Focusing exclusively on oneself is never the answer.

## Massimo Bottura

This Italian 3-star Michelin chef has been involved in many projects to help the homeless, inspired by the pope's call to help the poor. From serving the poor during the Rio Olympics, to being involved in the project Food for Soul, with a little help from the pontiff, the world's number one chef wants to feed those in need, aiming "to rebuild the dignity of the people."

## **DIOCESAN MISSIONS SUNDAY**

On next weekend, May 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 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.

### **A Call to Connect**

In his homily last Sunday, Father Tyman noted our need to take Christ out into the world. There is no more direct way of doing so than to bring The Blessed Sacrament – the body, blood, soul, and divinity of Christ—to those who cannot attend Mass. For some years our parishes have done just that for the residents of six facilities for the elderly, as well as for a number of shut-ins. Of course, for the last year that has not happened. However, three of the facilities are now resuming their Communion service, and the expectation is that the rest will shortly follow. Many of the volunteers that previously did this work are no longer able. Presently, there are three people doing twelve services a month, in addition to those seeing folks in their homes.

Frankly, this ministry is remarkably easy. One brings the Holy Eucharist, leads some simple prayers from a book, and distributes the Hosts. It takes less than an hour and the rewards, to both giver and receiver, are immediate. Despite that ease, this work cannot flourish without more volunteers. As Jesus observed, "the harvest is abundant but the laborers are few."

If you are the least bit interested, I invite you to come with me to one of the facilities. You will be able to witness for yourself what goes on, how it's done, and just how sustaining it is to those who thirst for God. I'll even spring for coffee as we recount Christ at work in the world. I look forward to your call.

-Steve Witkowicz 585-698-6902 [switkowicz@hwllawyers.com](mailto:switkowicz@hwllawyers.com)

### **The Holy Spirit, the Breath of Life:**

#### **Closer than We Can Imagine**

**Young Adult Gathering for those in their 20's and 30's**

**Thursday, May 20th**

**At Our Lady Queen of Peace (601 Edgewood Ave) (or virtually!)**

*Let yourselves be led by the Holy Spirit, with freedom and, please, do not cage the Holy Spirit.*

*~ Pope Francis ~*

The Church celebrates Pentecost on the 4th weekend in May this year. In anticipation of the church's birth at Pentecost and the sending of the Holy Spirit, you are invited to gather together to share a meal and reflect on the "breath of life." We'll take some time to slow down and become aware of our breath, the life of the Holy Spirit within us, the ground of our being.

We will reflect on such questions as:

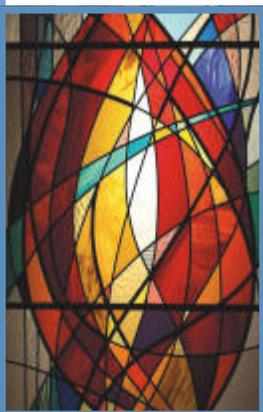
*How do I know the movements of the Spirit in my life?*

*How is the Spirit calling me to greater growth?*

*What obstacles keep me from following the stirrings of the Spirit in my heart?*

*Where do you see the Holy Spirit "caged?"*

*What gifts of the Holy Spirit might be helpful to embrace more in my life?*



**There are two options for coming together. If you can come in person, please join us at 6:30 for dinner and community, followed by prayer, reflection and conversation until 8:15. If you want to join us over zoom, please join us from 7:15-8:15. I will send the zoom link as we get closer.**

**Email Meghan Robinson, young adult leader at OLQP/STM if you are interested or have questions!**

**[meghan.robinson@dor.org](mailto:meghan.robinson@dor.org)**

We will wear masks when not eating and will adhere to social distancing guidelines.

## STEWARDSHIP

### St. Anne Church

Plate	Attendance	Plate	Budget	Variance
3/7	133	\$3,937	-	-
3/14	135	\$2,367	-	-
3/21	160	\$4,951	-	-
3/28	188	\$3,040	-	-
EFT		\$6,897	-	-
Total for Month	616	\$21,192	\$23,690	(\$2,498)

### Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Plate	Attendance	Plate	Budget	Variance
3/7	142	\$4,858	-	-
3/14	88	\$2,109	-	-
3/21	142	\$2,041	-	-
3/28	208	\$6,822	-	-
EFT		\$9,653	-	-
Total for Month	580	\$25,483	\$28,460	(\$2,977)

### Supporting our Facilities: Capital Campaign

Paid to Date (March 2021)

Lourdes	\$49,647
St. Anne	\$14,085

### Notes about the Monthly offertory report:

Shown on the left is a comparison between actual weekly collection income to our collections expected each month. This fiscal year's budget has been significantly reduced of all non-vital costs to reflect the drastic downward trend of our collections over the past several years ("weeklies" account for over 70% of each parish's income)

A favorable monthly variance indicates the "weeklies" donated during the month exceeded the amount expected of the month. Meanwhile, an unfavorable monthly variance indicates the total "weeklies"

donated during the month do not meet budgeted expectations and our financial obligations may not be met.

\* No Head Count for one of the Masses

\*\* No Head Count for two of the Masses

*Care for God's Creation*



**"Thank You"**  
**Rep. Morelle**

Have you heard about the 2021 Energy Innovation and Carbon

**Dividend Act?** Last month, NY's 25<sup>th</sup> Congressional District Representative **Joseph Morelle** co-sponsored Bill *HR 2307*. The bill responds to both conservatives and progressives by reducing carbon emissions, encouraging innovation, and **reducing climate impact on marginalized communities**.

#### Benefits of the Carbon Dividend Act

- 1. Net Zero by 2050** With a strong, economy-wide price on carbon, America's carbon pollution can be reduced as much as **30% in the first 5 years** alone, the single most powerful tool we have to hit net zero by 2050.
- 2. Affordable Clean Energy** Businesses are incentivized to respond with greater **energy efficiency** and development of **new sources** of clean energy. **Innovations** will provide abundant, reliable, affordable, clean energy, getting us faster to net zero carbon pollution.
- 3. Money Back to YOU** Carbon will be priced at the source, returning money to households to offset rising costs during transition to a clean economy. Money charged to fossil fuel companies is given as a "carbon cash-back" payment, making the carbon tax affordable and **giving ordinary Americans money to spend** without restriction.
- 4. Saves Lives** A carbon price will **restore clean air**, saving 4.5 million American lives over the next 50 years with particular impact on communities of color, which suffer the worst health impacts of burning fossil fuels.

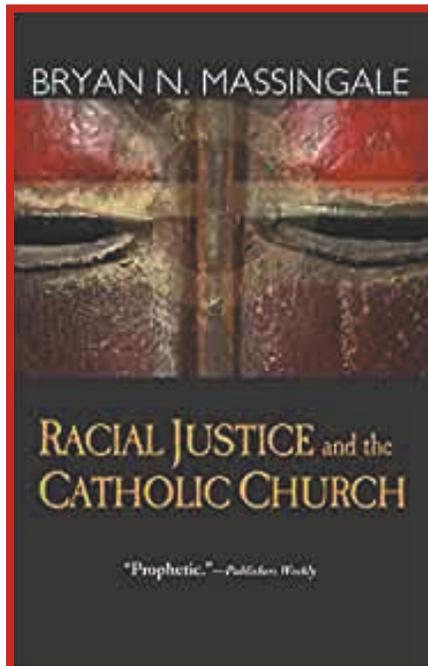
*Citizens Climate Lobby – Rochester Chapter*

**† Environmental Ministry †**

**ATTENTION!!!** If you lost a hearing aid at St Anne, please contact Konnie at **585-473-9656**.

## How to Be a Rochester Antiracist Book Club

Book: *Racial Justice and the Catholic Church* by Rev. Bryan Massingale



Wednesday, June 2, 8:00 p.m.  
(chapters 3–5)

If interested, please contact John Kapusta: jdkapusta [at] gmail

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**Sunday Masses: 9:00 and 11:00 am**  
**Weekday Mass: 8:00 am, M-F**

**Korean Mass at St. Anne:**  
 Generally 1st and 3rd Saturday at 5:00 pm



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**Lithuanian Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes:**  
 Sundays at 12:30 TBD

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**SACRAMENTAL LIFE:**

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Please contact Dcn. John McDermott or call the cluster office to register. We will be having another Baptism Prep class June 12th, September 18th, and December 11th. This will be held virtually on Zoom.

Even before the baby arrives, parents are asked to come to 1 group session, then a follow-up individual meeting to discuss particulars, answer questions and set a date. We encourage baptism of children during Mass, since this is a Sacrament of Initiation into the Community. For more details, please contact Dcn John at john.mcdermott@dor.org.

**Matrimony:**  
 Arrangements should begin at least 6 months in advance. Please email Dcn Bill at Bill.Rabjohn@dor.org. Dates secured at first night with minister.

**Christian Initiation (RCIA):**  
 A process of discernment for adults wishing to learn more about the Catholic Faith.. Contact Mary Ann Obark for further information on being baptized, confirmed, celebrating Eucharist and/or getting an update as a Catholic.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
 Saturdays 3-3:30 pm at Saint Anne  
 4:00-4:30 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes  
 or by appointment with any priest.

**Anointing:**  
 By appointment with any priest.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Currently suspended

**Annulments:** Please contact Dcn Bill at Bill.Rabjohn@dor.org

*In each church, upon request, low gluten hosts (0.01%) are available. Also available in both churches are:*



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