February 16, 2020 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

How “Ordinary Time” Could Influence the Parish’s Strategic Planning

The term “Ordinary” in the English language most often means something that’s not special or distinctive, therefore one might think this time of year in the Catholic Church is a period of normalcy, routine, or unimportant. The two seasons of Ordinary Time make up most of the liturgical year, falling outside the major liturgical seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. And the fact that the Ordinary Time falls outside of the major liturgical seasons reinforces the idea that it is unimportant. And yet, Ordinary Time is far from unimportant or uninteresting. Ordinary Time can be explained using these three words; Green, Faith, and Engagement.

The color of “Green” is the liturgical color that we find on priestly vestments. It is also known to be the color of life and hope; hope that our faith will enable us to move forward in life using wise choices. During this Ordinary Time we are afforded the opportunity to step back from the seasonal events of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter, and focus on ourselves, hoping our faith will be stronger with each passing day.

During this time, as we are less distracted, we can truly focus on our relationship with God, opening our eyes to not just where we have been in our “Faith” journey, but hoping that our Faith will enable us to move forward in our relationship with God. It is our Faith that opens our hearts as we look forward with hope, knowing that the best is yet to come. Our Faith helps us to see the graces that God gives to us every day and enables us to be open to them. This quiet liturgical time helps us to open our eyes to how God is revealing himself to us. I believe that some of the best graces can come into our lives if we are listening to God’s voice in our own hearts.

“Engagement” can be defined as active participation. It is a choice to engage in something. During Ordinary Time, Engagement gives us the opportunity to choose how we may become more involved in strengthening our closeness to God. This quiet period of the liturgical season allows us to step back and study where our Faith has led us, and where it might lead us. We have choices that we face throughout our lives. Choices to be engaged in what’s around us; our family; our community; and our Parish. And when one speaks of “engagement” it means active participation in something.

Can “Ordinary Time” influence the Parish’s Strategic Planning? It is our hope (definition of Green) that parishioners utilize their Faith in opening their hearts to make a choice to actively participate (Engagement) in the Planning. To date, two of the Strategic Planning Committees still need additional participants; Hospitality & Welcoming and Community Presence. This is an opportunity to help your Parish’s Strategic Plan build upon our mission;

“We are a welcoming, Christ-centered Roman Catholic Community, strengthened by the Eucharist, nurturing the Faith through love and service.

If you are interested in one of these committees, please contact Sister Sheila and/or Yvonne Kimaid.

Yvonne Kimaid
Chair - Pastoral Council
The Angel Care Ministry is always in need of gently used (or new) baby clothing, sizes up to 12 months only. Receptacles are available at all sites.

Bullegen Submissions:
Articles are due by 10:00 AM Monday AT LEAST 14 DAYS prior to the Sunday publication date. Email bulletin articles to kathy.steiner@dor.org. Marianne Cope Parish reserves the right to edit articles submitted.

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mass intentions, for the living or deceased, can be scheduled in person at the parish office during regular working hours. A stipend of $10 is requested when scheduling a Mass. Weekend Masses book up very quickly, but daily Masses are more readily available. According to Canon Law 948: Separate Masses are to be applied for the intentions of those for whom a single offertory, although small, has been given and accepted. Also, Daily Mass will be cancelled and rescheduled, when a funeral needs to be scheduled.

SATURDAY, February 15:
1 Kings 12:26-32, 13:33-34; Mark 8:1-10
4:30PM at GA: Richard Wright (Ruth Roncinske)

SUNDAY, February 16:
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sirach 15:15-20; 1 Corinthians 2:6-10; Matthew 5:17-37
8:00AM at SJ: Ann Burns (Eric & Sue-Ellen Thompson)
9:45AM at GA: Evelyn Lawida (Barb Dera)
11:30AM at GA: Edward Juliani (family)

MONDAY, February 17:
Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
James 1:1-11; Mark 8:11-13
8:15AM at GA: Mary Whitney (husband, Walt)

TUESDAY, February 18:
James 1:12-18; Mark 8:14-21
8:15AM at SJ: Dorothy Wing (Alice Hoh)

WEDNESDAY, February 19:
James 1:19-27; Mark 8:22-26
8:15AM at GA: Jackie Udicious (Doreen Drexler & Family)

THURSDAY, February 20:
James 2:1-9; Mark 8:27-33
8:15AM at SJ: Anne Marie Miller (Richard & Marcia Schottmiller)

FRIDAY, February 21:
St. Peter Damien, Bishop & Doctor of Church
James 2:14-24, 26; Mark 8:34-9:1

NO MASS

SATURDAY, February 22:
Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
1 Peter 5:1-4; Matthew 16:13-19
4:30PM at GA: Edward & David Abbott (family)

SUNDAY, February 23:
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18; 1 Corinthians 3:16-23; Matthew 5:38-48
8:00AM at SJ: Ann Burns (Karen Viola)
9:45AM at GA: Stephen Oleski (Elvie)
11:30AM at GA: Nick Sardella (Altar Rosary Society)

Are you gluten intolerant? We have hosts just for you. Please see the sacristan before Mass begins.

Please add to your prayer list
Dean Snyder and Deacon Jim Carra.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Saturday, February 15:
3:00PM Confession-GA

Sunday, February 16:
10:45PM Faith Formation Family Event-GA
12:30PM RCIA-GA 2
1:00PM Music Ministry-GA

Monday, February 17: President’s Day-Office Closed
6:30PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena-GA 3
7:30PM Al-Anon Family Group-GA 4
8:30PM Alcoholics Anonymous-GA 2

Tuesday, February 18:
6:45PM Choir-SJ
7:00PM Prayer Shawl Ministry-Panera Bread

Wednesday, February 19:
12:00PM Bible Study-GA 4
4:30PM Build Committee-GA 2
7:00PM Ensemble-GA Church
7:00PM Choir-GA Choir Room
7:00PM Bible Study-GA 4

Thursday, February 20:
9:00AM Bible Study-SJ Hall
6:00PM AA Back to Basics-GA Hall
7:00PM Recovery International-GA 5

Friday, February 21: Office Closed

Saturday, February 22:
3:00PM Confession-GA

Sunday, February 23:
10:45PM Faith Formation-GA
12:30PM RCIA-GA 2
7:00PM RHYM Not-Yo Ordinary Pajama Party-GA

SMC Parish Office 3318 E. Henrietta Rd., Henrietta, NY 14467 Mon.-Thurs. 9:00am-5:00pm
Guardian Angels (GA) 2061 E. Henrietta Rd., Rochester, NY 14623 Mon. & Wed.: 8:15am; Sat.: 4:30pm; Sun.: 9:45am & 11:30am
St. Joseph’s (SJ) 6105 Rush Lima Rd., Rush, NY 14543 Tue. & Thur.: 8:15am; Sun.: 8am
Join us for our annual **PARISH MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION & PANCAKE DINNER** on Tuesday, February 25th.

This is a wonderful way for **ALL AGES** to get ready for the season of Lent. The evening begins at 6pm with Mardi Gras crafts for kids (and those who are a kid at heart). At 6:30pm, we will begin our pancake dinner. Dinner will be followed by a short prayer service. Our SMC Mardi Gras is sponsored and lead by our RHYM leaders and their parents. Sign up by February 20!

◊ **Go to:** https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040845aca72fa46-parish2
◊ **E-mail Gina at:** gina.jennison@dor.org
◊ **Call the parish office:** 334-3518

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**Stewardship… a way of life… Live It!**

“Pray without ceasing.”

1 Thessalonians 5:17

St. Marianne Cope Parish Collection totals:

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**February 2, 2020**

Thank you for your ongoing support. Our parish depends on your thoughtfulness and commitment to sustain us! God bless you and your family.

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**40 Days for Life Spring 2020 Rochester Campaign**

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Volunteer to pray with your friends, in a peaceful vigil, outside of Planned Parenthood at 114 University Avenue. Visit [www.40daysforlife.com/Rochester](http://www.40daysforlife.com/Rochester) for info and to sign up for prayer vigil times. For more info, contact Rick Paoletti at [Roc40DFL@gmail.com](mailto:Roc40DFL@gmail.com) or (585) 489-9555.

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**Ash Wednesday —February 26, 2020**

We will again be doing our Annual RHAFT Food Collection this year on Ash Wednesday. Please consider the current needs of the Food Cupboard when making your donations.

Current needs include: Cans of Juice or small cartons; Helper meals (tuna and Hamburger); Boxed Potatoes; Crackers; Cereals; Canned Fruit or Meats; Spaghetti Sauce; personal care items; Pet Food.

Thank you again in advance for your generosity!

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**Catholics Speak Out for the Vulnerable: Oppose Physician Assisted Suicide in NYS**

Next week you’ll the opportunity to sign our diocesan-wide Public Policy Weekend petition in opposition to physician assisted suicide. It will read:

_I strongly oppose any legislation to legalize assisted suicide in New York State. Allowing doctors to prescribe a lethal dose for patients to end their lives devalues human life. There is also significant potential for abuse. I urge you to focus instead on improving palliative care to ensure compassionate comprehensive care and pain management for those who are terminally ill. We need to accompany rather than abandon them._

If you would prefer to sign the petition online, please go to [www.dor.org/petition](http://www.dor.org/petition).

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**Our Lady of the Genesee Council** will host its **Annual Lenten Fish Fries** on March 6th March 20th, and April 3rd at St. Marianne Cope from 5:00pm until 6:30pm. Adult dinners for $10.50 include a 10-12oz haddock filet, salt potatoes, coleslaw, bread rolls, hot beverage, or non-carbonated orange drink compliments of our neighboring McDonalds. Meals for kids under 12 are $5.00 and include a half-pound of fish and slice of pizza compliments of Blaze Pizza. Colas/sodas for $1.00 will be sold by the Boy Scouts of local Troop 750. Desserts will be provided by Angel Care Ministry, for which goodwill donations will be gratefully received, and as always there will be 50/50 raffles.

Bring family and friends to one or more of these gatherings that are a long standing tradition for the Knights and our parish community!

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Part 11: Liturgical & Religious Art in Churches

The beauty of religious art is meant to evoke the transcendent mystery of God, to lead us to contemplate heavenly realities, and to foster devotion to that which it represents. Liturgical art must serve and facilitate ritual actions, not distract from them. Genuine materials and noble form is necessary for both. Such artworks draw the people of God into a deeper awareness of their lives and of their common goals as a Christian community as well as their roles and responsibilities in the wider world.

Art in churches is not mere decoration and should not be subject simply to personal preferences; it must meet objective standards of quality and appropriateness. Mass-produced pieces and art of poor quality should be avoided. Whenever possible, artists in the area surrounding the parish should be considered.

Save the Dates!

Summer Faith Formation - for Children grades 1st-5th
July 6-10 from 9am-3pm; drop off anytime after 8:15am, pick up between 3:00-4:00pm
Our Summer Faith Option is a week of engaging with peers as we delve into the faith at each grade level and in large group activities. This option will meet the faith formation requirement with the added bonus of time for shared prayer, outdoor games and hopefully music with additional opportunity throughout the year to engage with peers and parishioners of all ages through our family events and large parish events.

Registration is necessary; sign up via our St. Marianne Cope App or website

Vacation Bible Camp - for children grades PreK4-Grade 5
July 13-17 from 9am-12pm
Prayer - Music - Games - Snacks and so much more just waiting to be explored at Roar: Wild About Jesus VBC from Group Publishing!

Registration is necessary; sign up via our St. Marianne Cope App or website

Opportunity for Lent

Jesus, Friend of My Soul by Joyce Rupp is a two-page daily reflection that brings our attention to the Lenten season, providing reflections for growth and inviting us to follow Jesus and become more like him.

“As Christians,” Joyce Rupp writes, “we look to the person of Jesus to learn from him.” Because our lives are filled to the brim with activity, it is easy to drift away from trying to live as Jesus did, and we find ourselves in need of time to focus on drawing close to him again and learning from his example. In Jesus, Friend of My Soul, Rupp guides us from Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday illustrating both how Jesus called his followers to change and how his actions provide us a blueprint for growth.

Rupp helps us learn from the qualities of Jesus and the actions and teachings that marked his time on earth, including:

♦ how Jesus extended mercy after Peter’s denials
♦ how Jesus trusted in his Father, even as he experienced other emotions when troubling events occurred
♦ how Jesus spoke and acted with integrity, which made him a valuable and trustworthy person for others to listen to and follow

Each day’s reflection begins with a verse from scripture and a meditation centered on Jesus’ life, actions, and teachings that are applied to our lives. We are then offered a prayer and an intention to carry with us throughout the day. Each brief reflection gently leads us to new growth in our lives and invites us to reach new depths in our faith. Questions for individual or group study are included.

Parishioners are invited to simply enjoy the book on your own at home or reflect with it each day and come together to share the journey with a small group of others in the parish.

Order the book on your own or contact Amanda to order for you. Contact Amanda to sign up for a small group discussion or sign up online. Our discussions will beginning Monday March 1, 12:00pm (bring a bag lunch) or Mondays at 7:00 pm.

For over 25 years, St. Marianne Cope has had the privilege of offering Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration. To become a weekly adorer or substitute as your schedule allows, or just for information about adoration (i.e., what does one do during an hour of adoration?), please contact Sue Waterstraat at comeadorehim@gmail.com or contact the office at 334-3518.

Please make sure you talk with Sue before going to adoration if you have never been before. Adorers are instructed, for their safety, to not open doors for people they do not know.

When you or a loved one is hospitalized and would like a pastoral visit, please call the parish office at 334-3518. When admitted to a hospital be sure to list yourself as a Catholic and a member of St. Marianne Cope Parish.
**Mission Statement:** We are a welcoming, Christ-centered Roman Catholic Community, strengthened by the Eucharist, nurturing the Faith through love and service.

**Vision Statement:** We strive to know, love and serve Christ in the spirit of Saint Marianne Cope’s selfless discipleship through...

- **Hospitality and Building Belonging** by warmly inviting and welcoming all to our inclusive community.
- **Vibrant Liturgy, Worship and Prayer** by making Christ’s love truly evident to everyone present enhancing their Faith.
- **Community Outreach and Presence** by joyfully bringing our Faith and love to those in need in our Parish and beyond.
- **Education, Catechesis and Spiritual Formation** by understanding the richness and intricacies of our Catholic Faith and sharing its vital relevancy in today’s world.
- **Effective Communication** by sharing the vibrant life of our Parish through a comprehensive range of media.
- **Stewardship of Our Resources** by inspiring generosity that’s driven from a deep love for our Faith and everyone we encounter.

**Sacraments**

- **Reconciliation:** Saturday, 3:00-4:00PM at St. Marianne Cope Parish (GA)
- **Baptisms:** Arrangements should be made in advance. Please call the office at 334-3518.
- **Weddings:** Arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance. (Pre-Cana required.)
- **Anointing of the Sick:** By request; emergency call 269-8858.

"Dear Mother, we love you. We thank you for your promise to help us in our need. We trust in your love that dries our tears and comfort us. Teach us the secret of peace in every day of our lives”

If you are afflicted, in trouble or want to offer thanks for favors received, join us every Monday from 6:30-7:15pm to pray a Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe and the chaplet of Divine Mercy at St. Marianne Cope Parish (GA) in room 3

**WEConnect Parish Mobile App**

Have you downloaded the Parish App yet? Download now and learn more about our Parish Staff.

- **iPhone Users Text:** ParishApp1 to 555888
- **Android Users Text:** ParishApp2 to 555888

**HELP FOR VICTIMS:** If you have been a victim of sexual abuse by anyone working in the church, you should contact the appropriate civil authorities. To receive help and guidance from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester please contact: Deborah House, victims’ assistance coordinator, (585) 328-3210, ext. 1555, or toll-free 1-800-388-7177, ext. 1555, or by e-mail to dhouse@dor.org.

God offers His love, His mercy and a return to a serenity of mind and soul to anyone who has been affected by an abortion. Free, confidential and compassionate help in understanding and receiving what God offers is only a phone call away. Please call Project Rachel today at 888-9RACHEL (888-972-2435) to begin this journey of renewed hope and peace. [hopeafterabortion.org](http://www.hopeafterabortion.org)

**Marianne Cope Roman Catholic Parish Staff**

**Parish Office:** 585-334-3518 / smcrc@dor.org

**Office Hours:** Mon-Thurs 9:00am-5pm

- Sr. Sheila Stevenson, Pastoral Administrator x1108/sheila.stevenson@dor.org
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- Tony Mercadel, Deacon Emeritus

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- Robert Manners, Music & Liturgy Director x1107/robert.manners@dor.org

- John Bunce, Ensemble Director (GA) jebunce624@gmail.com
- Pam Ebersold, Choir Director (SJ) pebersold@rochester.rr.com
- Marc DeSalvo, Maintenance Supervisor
- Bob Griffin, Maintenance
- Fran Thorne, Maintenance

**FOR A PASTORAL EMERGENCY, PLEASE CALL 585-269-8858**

Both worship sites are handicap accessible and equipped with a hearing loop (see an usher or greeter for assistance).

**Our Parish Pastoral Council** members are here to listen to you! If you would like to express a concern or a suggestion, please contact any one of our council members below.

- Yvonne Kimaid, Chair/Facilitator: ykimaid22@gmail.com
- Holly Saad, Secretary: holhanmat@hotmail.com
- Sr. Sheila Stevenson: Sheila.stevenson@dor.org
- Meg Palmer, Trustee: mzp3of10@hotmail.com
- Phil Daggar, Trustee edgedesign@fron,g576er.com
- Chuck Barone: cbinrush@aol.com
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- Glen Ziccarelli: giziccarelli@gmail.com

**Recovery, Intl.** is a non-profit community service that was founded in 1937 by the late Dr. Abraham Low. Recovery’s practical coping techniques can help people struggling with depression, anxiety, anger or stress.

Our international headquarters is in Chicago, Illinois. We offer hundreds of meetings each week throughout North America and abroad. A new local group will be meeting St. Marianne Cope Parish on Thursdays at 7pm in room 5 at Guardian Angels.

**Concerns related to financial fraud can be reported anonymously to:**

- Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester Financial Fraud Hotline 1-800-388-7177 x1266 or in writing to: Internal Audit Department, DOR, 1150 Buffalo Rd., Rochester, NY 14624.

**Counselor at St. Marianne Cope Parish:** Michael J. Sullivan, LCSW-R offers therapy to individuals, couples and families in the areas of marriage and family, chronic illness, grief, geriatric, and drug & alcohol counseling. Call 388-9258 for appointment. Confidentiality assured.