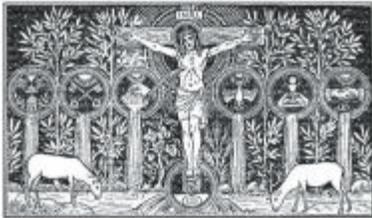


# Saint Patrick's Catholic Church

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## Think of Sacraments. Think of Divine Life.

### Sacrament of Baptism.

The sacrament through which God, in Jesus Christ, makes us His sons and daughters. To prepare for

reception, call Father Edison @ 924-7111.

**Sacrament of the Eucharist.** The sacrament through which God, like a responsible parent, feeds us, with food from heaven: His Word, and the Body and Blood of Jesus.

- **Weekend Masses:** Saturday at 4:30 PM, Sunday at 8:30, 10:30 AM and 5 PM. **Important Note: The Sunday Obligation resumed on June 5-6, 2021.**
- **Weekday Masses:** Monday-Wednesday, Friday at 8:30 AM.
- For First Holy Communion, call Donna DeJooode at 924-2800 for more info.
- Family members may bring Holy Communion to other family members who are sick and homebound.

**Sacrament of Confirmation.** The sacrament through which God by the gift of the Holy Spirit strengthens us to give faithful witness to our Catholic Faith. To prepare for reception, call Elizabeth Johnston @ 924-2800.

- Children, older than 7 y/o, and adults who needs to be baptized, receive Communion and/or be Confirmed, call Deacon John @ 924-7111.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation.** The sacrament through which God's mercy and love, justice and truth heals the wound of human sin. *Generally offered an hour before each Mass.* Please give the priest fifteen minutes before Mass to prepare for Mass.

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.** The sacrament through which Jesus continues to heal the sick among us. Anointing is offered at each Mass on the first weekend of the month. Or call Fr. Edison @ 924-7111 to schedule an anointing.

**Sacrament of Marriage.** The sacrament through which God calls a man and woman to become visible signs of His Love. Call Fr. Edison or Deacon John @ 924-7111 for more info.

**Sacrament of Holy Orders.** The sacrament through which the mission Jesus entrusted to the apostles is continued in the Church. To learn more about vocations to the ordained ministry, please call Fr. Edison or Deacon John @ 924-7111.

*Never miss an opportunity to celebrate a sacrament.*

## COVID and the Paschal Mystery

*"For through faith, you are all children of God in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ."*  
- Galatians 3:26-27

Our insertion into Jesus Christ through Baptism provides us a radically unique way by which we identify ourselves as Christians: **in Christ!** In Christ, we have one head. In Christ, we make up the many parts of His one Body. In Christ, we share in His Paschal Mystery - God's plan to save the world through the passion, death, and resurrection of His Son.

Because we share in the Paschal Mystery, the first point we need to remember is that we do not go through life alone: we go through life in Christ and we go through life together as community of disciples, the Church.

And because we share in the Paschal Mystery, we gain that radically unique way of understanding our daily pains and sufferings, and experiences of self-denial and new life, precisely as sharing in the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. Like His, our story need not end in suffering and death, but in the resurrection. To live happily ever after is not fairy tale, but the Christian truth!

**Passion.** In what ways does COVID make you confront your human limitations and weakness as well as those of others? In what ways were you hurt by circumstances related to COVID? What are the crosses that you bore during COVID - succumbing to anger, frustration, lack of patience, despair, hopelessness, non-reception of the sacraments, wearing mask?

**Death.** What things did you have to let go because of COVID - job, time with grandparents, children, cousins, friends, classmates, and fellow parishioners, travelling, etc? Have you experienced the loss of a loved one to COVID or other causes during this time? Are there plans that you had to let go because of restrictions related to COVID?

**Resurrection.** Where have you experienced new life during COVID - more time with spouse and children, more time for God in prayer, more time for rest and recreation, etc? What fears have you overcome? When did you think less of yourself and thought more about others? Can you see more clearly and identify the distractions of the world? Do you have better appreciation for who and what matters most in your life?

If this exercise creates in us the habit of inserting ourselves in Christ and the events of our life in His Paschal Mystery, we are finally participating in the redemptive work of God.  
- Father Edison

# Liturgy & Sacramental Life

because Jesus taught us to pray

## HOLY MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday Aug 28 - St. Augustine**

4:30pm - Joseph, Maristella and Claire Song by Ena Gill

**Sunday Aug 29 - Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30am - Maria by Rose Vu

10:30a - Tano Carbonaro by Camille Carbonaro

5:00pm - Rev. Paul Brennan by Stephenie McCormick

**Monday Aug 30**

8:30am - Dee Ainsworth

**Tuesday Aug 31**

8:30am - Abigail Chappell by Brian and Joanne Chappell

**Wednesday Sept 1**

8:30am - In thanksgiving for our blessings by Dee Ainsworth

**Thursday Sept 2**

8:30am - No Mass

**Friday Sept 3 - St. Gregory**

8:30am - Israel Curry by Ainsworth family

**Saturday Sept 4**

4:30pm - Anna Knapton by family

**Sunday Sept 5 - Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30am - ToTien by Rose Vu

10:30a - Marco Gallelli by Merante family

5:00pm - Patricia Boyd by Pat Garrahan



Sanctuary Candle lit for Mimi Warren  
By Kolb and Warren Families

### We Lift Each Other in Prayer

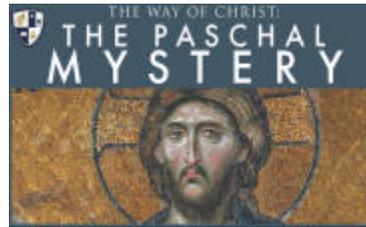
Joseph Felice, Jerry Martin, Dick Ashlaw, Michael Keane, Martin Neenan, Ann Spadaro, Jim McMahon, Caroline Gillen, John Becker, Christine Palmer, Bev Henehan, Stephen & Marian Melenric, Karen Wicks, Linda Gensiejewski, Duane Pancoast, Pat Cargnoni, Vickie Petilli, Alice Rizzo, Stephen Vacanti, Charles Callari, June Cotter, Bob Foster, Mary Miller, Clare Miller, Margaret Salamone, Lois Ernst, Michael Hebert, Stephen Meloni, Ann Amico, Marie Greenbush, Bob Monaghan, Joe Mecurio. Note: This list of parishioners who are ill appears once a month in the bulletin. Please help keep this list up-to-date by informing the Parish Office at the end of the month if you want your name to be kept.

### Daily 3 PM Prayer Intentions

Please include any of these intentions at your daily 3 PM prayer:

- For faithful observance of the Sunday obligation,
- For a culture of vocations in our parish,
- For peace and recovery for the peoples of Afghanistan and Haiti,
- For recovery for those affected by floodings,
- For the souls in purgatory.

*Let us be known by our praying for each other.*



### From COVID to Christ

As September approaches, we prepare for our plan to celebrate the Sunday liturgies with the theme of healing.

For us, Catholics, we cannot talk about healing without Jesus Christ. Because Jesus alone can truly see our wounds and suffering, and can heal and make us whole. He already has shown us how He does this, through His Paschal Mystery.

During COVID, in what ways have you -

- experienced suffering: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- experienced dying: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- and experienced rising to new life: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

On or before August 28-29, you may affix your response on the cross by the Baptismal font. If you need more space for your responses, write down your responses on a separate sheet of paper. Thank you.

### Liturgical Ministers for the Weekend of September 4 - 5

Ministry	Saturday 4:30 PM	Sunday 8:30 AM	Sunday 10:30 AM	Sunday 5:00 PM
Sacristan (1)	Helen Barnes	Nancy Kolb	Teresita Pasion	Lei Dalupang
Lector (1-2)	Betty Przepiora	Sandra Brannigan	Gayle Reh, Anna Reh	Rob Sokolowski
Communion Minister (1)	Joyce Richards	Kathy Barry, Bill Colaizzi	Marge Jacobs, Ryan Didas	
Ushers (2)	Pat Bolger, Mike Manikowski,	Dan Weigert, Mark Weigert, Wayne Brotsch, Dennis O'Dea	Joe LeMark, Sante DiCarlo, John Eilertsen	Phim Dalupang, Jack Miller
Cantor (1)	Adult Choir	Adult Choir	Adult Choir	Last Chance Choir

If interested in serving as liturgical minister during the weekend Masses, please give the coordinators a call.

See page 5 for contact info.

## Membership & Parish Life

because Jesus called a community

### St. Patrick's Picnic

*we celebrate our faith and community*



September 26, 2021, Sunday  
11:30 AM–2 PM  
on Parish Grounds

We are offering chicken dinner, which includes smoked BBQ chicken, salt potatoes, baked beans, roll, & water. An order is \$5.

Please place your order by Sept 17, Friday. To place your order, use Sign-Up Genius on the parish app, or on our parish website – [stpatricksvictor.org](http://stpatricksvictor.org), or use the sign-up sheets on the Welcome Tables.

*Saint Patrick, pray for us!*



### MyParish App Analytics

- On average, we have between 25 and 30 unique users per day, and ~180 unique users per month.
- Top five screen views per month: the Bible Readings, the Bulletin, the Messages or Notifications, the Sunday Worship Aid, and the Prayers.
- Here are the simple steps to download the app: Text 'App' to 88202. Download myParish App. Select "St. Patrick Victor NY."
- If you need help with the parish app, please call the Parish Office at 924-7111 for help.

## Ongoing Christian Formation

because Jesus taught us his way of life

### "Feeding the Spiritual Hungers"

Presented by Rev. Robert Werth. Fr. Werth is a priest within the Diocese of Rochester for the last 42 years. He is currently serving as Parochial Vicar at Cabrini Rochester. He has a Masters in Scriptures and in Social Work and is also a Licensed Master Social Worker. Join us on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 for Notre Dame Retreat House's Day of Prayer (Notre Dame Retreat House, 5151 Foster Rd., Canandaigua, NY 14424)

Schedule: Conference 9:30am – 12:00pm followed by lunch, free time, confessions and day ends with mass at 2:00pm. There is a \$25.00 fee. Please register by calling (585) 394-5700 or email [ndretreat@rochester.rr.com](mailto:ndretreat@rochester.rr.com).

### Adult Formation Resource



*Pray Like A Saint* In this Lighthouse Talk, internationally known speaker and author Matthew Leonard defines and discusses the three traditional stages of prayer. According to Scripture, every one of us is called 'to be perfect' and to 'pray without ceasing.' Prayer is the path to God, and many of us have been saying prayers all our lives. But are we really praying? Matthew lays out the practical steps to achieve union with God through deep prayer, even in the midst of this busy world.

### St. Patrick's Playground!

St. Patrick's Church & Preschool, a non-profit organization, is planning a playground! The playground will look similar to the one pictured here and will include fencing along with poured rubber flooring for extra cushion. We will begin fundraising once bishop approval is received. For additional information, please contact Donna DeJoode at [donna.dejoode@dor.org](mailto:donna.dejoode@dor.org) or 585-924-2800.



**called**

### Vocation Corner

Vocation comes from the Latin word *vocare*, which means "to call." Vocation points to the reality of the God who calls us to Himself. The Bible attests to the God who speaks. The Bible is correctly referred to as the Word of God. That God calls us presupposes that God created us with the capacity to listen to Him and to respond to Him.

**Foster Silence.** For the month of August, prayerfully develop the habit of fostering silence every day. For teens and adults. Begin with fifteen minutes. During these fifteen minutes, spend the first half, reading the Gospel for the day. And the next half, adopt a silent posture and simply listen to what God has to say to you.

For little children. Parents, begin with three to five minutes of silence. Gather them around your prayer corner at home. Have them seated. During this time, they may focus on their favorite religious image. Or have them rest their head on you, while doing this invite them to imagine that they are resting their head on God's shoulder or Jesus' chest.

In past years, when we brought teens to YPWC in Frenchville, PA. Everyday, teens were given an hour of silence. During the hour, they can do whatever they want that expresses their desire to be with God: walk in grounds, read the Bible or a religious book, spend time in the chapel, etc. By the end of the week, it is amazing how many teens wanted to continue at home this practice of observing silence.

May we be intentional in creating silence in our lives, every day. In these moments of silence, may we hear more clearly the voice of God. In response, may we have the humility and courage to respond with, "Here I am, Lord!"

Let us rebuild the Church by nurturing a culture of vocations!

**Formed.org**

1. It is easy and free! Go to [Formed.org/register](http://Formed.org/register).
2. Enter access code: 3KRJJK (capitalized).
3. Enter your email and password (you need these to log in later). Enjoy and share the faith.

Featured Resource

**Formed for Mission.**

Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp sit down for a weekly show on evangelization and mission. “Evangelizing is in fact the grace and vocation proper to the Church, her deepest identity. She exists in order to evangelize” (EN, 14). We pray that these discussions may help all the faithful be further conformed to Christ and become powerful evangelists in the world today. View all episodes of FORMED for Mission.



**Christian Formation Registration**

**EXTENDED!** Registration for Christian Formation & Sacrament Prep is now open! Options have changed! Please review programs through the website and register online by August 25! Contact Donna DeJooode at 924-2800 x 1 or [donna.dejooode@dor.org](mailto:donna.dejooode@dor.org) with questions.



**Social Ministry & Outreach**  
because Jesus called us to serve

**Vegetable Garden**



Our vegetable garden produces thousand of pounds of produce annually, donated to the Victor-Farmington Food Cupboard. Volunteers manage the entire process. Now that gardening season is soon upon us, we are planning to get the garden in shape next month. If you are interested in joining us to prep, plant, weed or harvest, please email Dan and Karen Lynch at [linky49@mac.com](mailto:linky49@mac.com)

**Stewardship**

because Jesus gave us gifts to share

**Feasibility Study on the Church Interior Work**

If you missed sharing with Mr. Troy Simmons your ideas and suggestions last weekend, he left a survey form that you can use to communicate with him. Hard copies on the Welcome Tables, or you may complete the survey online—visit our parish website. Complete the survey on or before August 31, Tuesday.

**Confirmation Preparation**



Jesus is calling you to a deeper relationship with Him and His Church. Do you want to strengthen your faith and enrich your relationship with your parish community? An informational session for teens (grade 8 and older) interested in beginning preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation is scheduled on Sunday, August 22, 11:45 AM in the Parish Center. This info session is for teens, along with their parents, who are discerning this sacrament. Contact Elizabeth Johnston via email [Elizabeth.johnston@dor.org](mailto:Elizabeth.johnston@dor.org) or phone (585) 924-2800 ext. 114 to sign-up to attend. Please register online through the website for Beginning Confirmation Preparation.

**Growing Up: A Lifelong Journey for Adults**

*Growing Up: A Lifelong Journey* is an 8-week program designed to help adults discover or rediscover who God is, who you are, and what God wants to do through you. This course incorporates prayer, scripture reading, weekly studies, and outside reading to foster deeper relationships between participants and with God while developing a better understanding of basic leadership principles not addressed in corporate training. Please register and pay online. Contact Donna DeJooode with any questions at 924-2800 or [donna.dejooode@dor.org](mailto:donna.dejooode@dor.org).



**Sunday Collection Revenue**

July 2020 - June 2021

We are grateful for your financial generosity to our parish.

	Actual	Budget	Variance
Regular Envelopes	\$ 257,640	\$ 277,000	\$ (19,360)
Loose Plate	\$ 12,748	\$ 50,000	\$ (37,252)
Electronic (EFT)	\$ 222,840	\$ 207,000	\$ 15,840
Holy Days	\$ 4,791	\$ 6,000	\$ (1,209)
Christmas	\$ 14,898	\$ 14,000	\$ 898
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 512,917</b>	<b>\$ 554,000</b>	<b>\$ (41,083)</b>



**Preschool Open Slots!**

St. Patrick's 2021-2022 Preschool is filling up fast! We have a few places left in our 3s programs and our waitlist for 4/5s is very short! Don't miss out on a stellar PreK education for your children! See website for more information and online registration. A virtual tour is also available on our website.



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**In Gratitude**



- To parishioners who have participated in the Survey for the Church Interior Works.
- To the daily Mass participants who pray for vocations and provide a prayerful foundation for vocation efforts in our parish.
- To Jennifer Stanistreet for helping a fellow parishioner in the parking lot.
- To our weekly money counters.
- To parishioners who continue to tend our parish gardens and the giving garden.

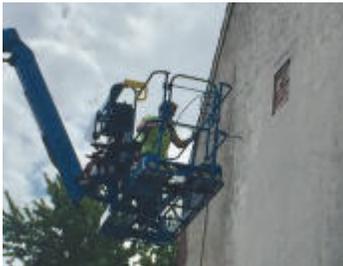
**Children's Choir**



Sign up is open for singing in the Children's Choir this year for 1st through 7th graders. In the Children's Choir, children learn how to pray, sing, and actively participate in Mass while making friends. No music background is needed, and our first rehearsal for the year is Sept. 13 from 5:45 to 6:30 PM in the Music Room. Talk to Mr. Carl, our Director of Sacred Music, for more information and to sign up. See you at the first rehearsal!

*Saint Cecilia, pray for us!*

**The Work Continues...**



Do continue to pray for good weather that the work on the exterior of the church and the Parish Office may be completed.

Thank you for your ongoing financial support of our parish.

Know that we have a Parish Building Fund. This fund is a restricted fund, meaning, donations to this fund will solely be used for parish building projects. Contact Rich O'Donnell at 924-7111 if you have questions. Thank you.

Your Gift of Presence

- Aug. 21 - 22
- Sat 4:30: 87
- Sun 8:30: 129
- Sun 10:30: 117
- Sun 5:00: 58

Your Gift of Treasure

Aug. 21 - 22 \$4,265.00

Budgeted, without EFT: \$3,980.00

Second Collection: September 19

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

*Thank you for your presence and generosity.*

**Our Parish Ministries: Serving God and Neighbor**

*Call. Ask. Discern. Serve like Jesus.*

**I. Liturgy and Sacramental Life**

- Altar Linen Sue Stehling / 924-3409
- Altar Servers Pat Bolger / 857-3201
- Baptism Preparation Team Judy & James Miller / 924-8158
- Children's Liturgy of the Word Beth Lombard / 430-5372
- Church Cleaners Lei Dalupang / 224-6091
- Communion Ministers (EMHC) Amanda Didas / (508) 981-6668
- Funeral Liturgy Team **Coordinator Needed**
- Lectors Sandy Brannigan / 645-7904
- Liturgy Committee Nerina Bellinger / 742-8023
- Marriage Preparation Team Gayle & Brian Reh / 924-4804
- Music Ministry (choirs, cantors) Carl Galland / 924-7111
- Sacristans Ena Gill / 733-6650
- Ushers & Greeters Dave O'Hare / 924-5816
- Visitation Ministry Helen Barnes / 298-2247

**II. Membership and Parish Life**

- Funeral Brunch Team Kelly Mason / 474-9754
- Knights of Columbus Wayne Brotsch / 924-3855
- Membership Team **Coordinator Needed**
- Parish Life Committee **Coordinator Needed**

**III. Ongoing Faith Formation**

- Adult Faith Formation Donna DeJoode / 924-2800
- Catechists Donna DeJoode / 924-2800
- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Carolyn Robinson / 924-2800
- Confirmation Coordinator Elizabeth Johnston / 924-2800
- Parent-led Catechesis Donna DeJoode / 924-2800
- Preschool Donna DeJoode / 924-2800
- RCIA Team Deacon John Payne / 924-7111
- Youth Ministry Elizabeth Johnston / 924-2800
- Women's Group **Coordinator Needed**

**IV. Social Ministry and Outreach**

- Assisi Ministry Marcie Hamilton / 924-1528
- Vegetable Garden Dan & Karen Lynch / 314-5098
- Prayer Shawl Ministry Mary E 742-2949/Mary S 924-7724
- Prison Ministry Helen Barnes / 298-2247
- Social Ministry Committee Joan Muto / 924-2501
- Family Promise of Ontario County Joan Trost / 924-3092

**V. Stewardship**

- Buildings and Grounds Committee Joan Oliphant / 742-3452
- Cemetery Manager John Butler / 924-7111
- CASE Review Board Cathy Fafone / 924-7111
- Finance Council Richard VanKuren / 742-2317
- Parish Gardens Becky Fountain / 281-8004
- Parish Magazine Father Edison / 924-7111
- Pastoral Council Paul Then / 742-2965
- Money Counters Marge Gawronski / 398-7802
- Stewardship Committee **Coordinator Needed**

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Please find them at the entrance tables  
a week before the collection weekend.



**Stewardship**  
RECOGNIZING GOD'S GIFTS & GIVING BACK IN GRATITUDE

## Let there be light...

### Faith in Action

*Dearest brothers and sisters:*

*All good giving and every perfect gift is from above,  
coming down from the Father of lights,  
with whom there is no alteration or shadow caused by change.  
He willed to give us birth by the word of truth  
that we may be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.*

- James 1:17-18

Moving from the Letter to the Ephesians, we read the Letter of James. Who is James? Tradition identifies him as “the brother of the Lord” (cf. Mark 6:3), and although not either of the apostles named James, he commands authority as leader of a Christian Community in Jerusalem. Except for the opening address, the letter does not have typical characteristics of letters written during that time, but is more comparable to a sermon or instruction. Others compare the letter to the Wisdom Writings in the Old Testament like Proverbs and Sirach.

The Letter of James concerns itself about faith with works. Faith is not theoretical or abstract, but informs one’s life, and therefore, daily lived.

After the exhortation to seek wisdom from God in times of trials, the letter moves to acknowledge the presence of temptations in the life of Christian disciples. Although disciples do face temptations, James makes the distinction between God who is good, provides good gifts, and who only desires the good of all, and that which is evil that deceives and remains in darkness. One way a disciple knows what is of God is its reference to the word of truth, the word of God.

*Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you  
and is able to save your souls.*

*Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves.*

- James 1:21b-22

What is the proper attitude in relation to the word of God? Humility - to recognize it not as human but as divine, to welcome and receive it, and to understand and to live according to it.

A fundamental question a faithful must ask in relation to the word of God is: “Why does God speak?”

God speaks to communicate Himself, that is, to make Himself known to men and women. Here, it is implicitly understood that God created us in such a way that we can engage with Him in manner that we can receive and understand His communication.

And since what is communicated is of God, we receive that which we, humans, do not have and do not know. Were we to receive and understand and live according to the divine word, we are transformed. Divine word shapes us to become like God.

It is the act of hearing the word of God and living according to the word of God that men and women are saved. Here, it helpful to revisit how ‘word’ is understood in Hebrew mentality. The word ‘word’ comes from the Hebrew ‘dabar,’ which can be translated as “word” but also as “event.” This understanding points to the dynamic power of word not only to inform but also to perform. Its capacity to inform and be performed gives word transformative power.

## Parish Office & Preschool Information

Hours: Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

(lunch time: 12:30 PM - 1 PM)

Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Parish Office Phone: (585) 924-7111

Parish Office Fax: (585) 742-3296

Faith Formation & Preschool: (585) 924-2800

### Stay Connected

- Parish Website: [www.stpatricksvictor.org](http://www.stpatricksvictor.org)
- Parish Facebook Pages:  
St. Patrick’s Church /  
Saint Patrick’s Victor Youth Ministry
- Parish Youtube Channel:  
St Patricks of Victor NY
- Parish App: Text ‘App’ to 88202



### Our Parish Staff

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<b>Facilities Manager</b>	

Keep your parish staff in your daily prayers.

*Religion that is pure and undefiled  
before God and the Father is this:  
to care for orphans and widows in their affliction  
and to keep oneself unstained by the world.*

- James 1:27

In the previous verse, James pointed out that a person cannot claim to be religious if he had unbridled tongue. And in this verse, he further painted an image of true religion, that which leads to action.

The Letter of James provides us the important opportunity to do self-reflection:

- Do I listen to the word of God daily? How do I make room for God to speak to me in silence? Remember: All our time is from God. God does not deserve our leftover time; God deserves the first fruits of our time.
- After listening to and understanding the word of God, do I live my day according to the word of God? Remember: Divine word is both informative and performative—its logic must lead us to action, to faith that bears fruit in good works.

- Father Edison

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