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*Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 26, 2021*



## WELCOME TO THE SBU FAMILIES!!!

This weekend is Family Weekend over at the university. Last year because of the COVID pandemic it was canceled. As of the writing of this bulletin it is still scheduled to take place for this year. The conditions of the pandemic change so quickly that it makes it difficult to count on scheduled events taking place. So, if the weekend is active may the visiting families have an enjoyable time in the Olean-Allegany area visiting their college student and taking in the beginning of the Fall foliage.

**Statistics.....** Every year in the Fall each parish in the diocese must send a number of reports to the bishop's office. The diocesan fiscal year runs from September 1 through August 31. So yearly reporting from finances to general parish statistics are based according to this timeline. So when phrases like "the parish budget" or "the parish year" are used they refer to September of the previous year through August of the present year. Here, then, are the sacramental statistics from the year just completed - September 2020 through August 2021:

- Parishioner Infant/Child Baptisms - 20
- Non-parishioner Infant/Child Baptisms - 4  
*(these are people who live out of town, are back in the area for the holidays or a special event and wanted their child baptized here for the convenience of extended family -usually grandparents - who live in the parish)*
- Adult Baptism - 1
- Children Receiving First Communion - 5
- Adolescent Confirmation - 18
- Adult Confirmation - 4
- Marriages - 0 (2 weddings were held here for other parishes)
- Deaths - 30
- Average Weekend Mass Attendance during COVID - 266
- Total Number of Registered Households - 522
- Total Number of People comprising the households - 1256

## Monthly Stand for Life....

Join the region's pro-life community at the National Life Chain in Lincoln Park in Olean to give a public witness to the culture of life on Sunday, October 3 from 1:p.m.- 2:p.m. Come give a voice to the voiceless.

## Feast of St. Francis...

Next weekend the parish will celebrate the Feast of St. Francis. In his Canticle of Creation St. Francis praises God as he sees the divine presence reflected within and through the various elements of creation. In honor of the feast apples will be blessed at the end of Mass for you to take home and enjoy.



## LITURGY SCHEDULE

**Saturday Mass:** 4:p.m.

**Sunday Masses:** 8:a.m. & 11:a.m.

**Liturgy of the Hours:** Tuesday - Thursday: 8:a.m.

**Holy Day Masses:** consult the bulletin for times

## RECONCILIATION / CONFESSIONS

Saturday at 5:15 p.m.

in church Reconciliation Room / Priest Sacristy  
or by appointment

## BAPTISM & MARRIAGE

Please call the parish office to  
arrange an appointment with Fr. James

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament is available for the ill, elderly, those  
facing surgery or medical tests upon request.

Please inform the parish office or Fr. James when  
a family member enters or leaves the hospital.

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:** 8:30 a.m.- 2 p.m.

**Friday:** 8:30 a.m. - Noon

**Saturday, Sunday, Monday & Holidays:** Closed

## THE BRIDGE THRIFT SHOP HOURS

**Tuesday thru Friday** 9:a.m. - 2:p.m.

**Saturday, Sunday, Monday & Holidays:** Closed

## Words from Pope Francis

On October 3, 2020 Pope Francis issued the encyclical: "Fratelli Tutti." The encyclical calls for more human fraternity and solidarity, and is a plea to reject wars. It focuses on contemporary social and economic problems, and proposes an ideal world of fraternity in which all countries can be part of a "larger human family". This column will re-print in short segments the entire encyclical for you to reflect on. Below are paragraphs 98 - 106



98. I would like to mention some of those "hidden exiles" who are treated as foreign bodies in society.[76] Many persons with disabilities "feel that they exist without belonging and without participating". Much still prevents them from being fully enfranchised. Our concern should be not only to care for them but to ensure their "active participation in the civil and ecclesial community. That is a demanding and even tiring process, yet one that will gradually contribute to the formation of consciences capable of acknowledging each individual as a unique and unrepeatably person". I think, too, of "the elderly who, also due to their disability, are sometimes considered a burden". Yet each of them is able to offer "a unique contribution to the common good through their remarkable life stories". Let me repeat: we need to have "the courage to give a voice to those who are discriminated against due to their disability, because sadly, in some countries even today, people find it hard to acknowledge them as persons of equal dignity". [77]

### *Inadequate understandings of universal love*

99. A love capable of transcending borders is the basis of what in every city and country can be called "social friendship". Genuine social friendship within a society makes true universal openness possible. This is a far cry from the false universalism of those who constantly travel abroad because they cannot tolerate or love their own people. Those who look down on their own people tend to create within society categories of first and second class, people of greater or lesser dignity, people enjoying greater or fewer rights. In this way, they deny that there is room for everybody.

100. I am certainly not proposing an authoritarian and abstract universalism, devised or planned by a small group and presented as an ideal for the sake of levelling, dominating and plundering. One model of globalization in fact "consciously aims at a one-dimensional uniformity and seeks to eliminate all differences and traditions in a superficial quest for unity... If a certain kind of globalization claims to make everyone uniform, to level everyone out, that globalization destroys the rich gifts and uniqueness of each person and each people".[78] This false universalism ends up depriving the world of its various colors, its beauty and, ultimately, its humanity. For "the future is not monochrome; if we are courageous, we can contemplate it in all the variety and diversity of what each individual person has to offer. How much our human family needs to learn to live together in harmony and peace, without all of us having to be the same!"[79]

### **BEYOND A WORLD OF "ASSOCIATES"**

101. Let us now return to the parable of the Good Samaritan, for it still has much to say to us. An injured man lay on the roadside. The people walking by him did not heed their interior summons to act as neighbors; they were concerned with their duties, their social status, their professional position within society. They considered themselves important for the society of the time, and were anxious to play their proper part. The man on the roadside, bruised and abandoned, was a distraction, an interruption from all that; in any event, he was hardly important. He was a "nobody," (continued next column)

undistinguished, irrelevant to their plans for the future. The Good Samaritan transcended these narrow classifications. He himself did not fit into any of those categories; he was simply a foreigner without a place in society. Free of every label and position, he was able to interrupt his journey, change his plans, and unexpectedly come to the aid of an injured person who needed his help.

102. What would be the reaction to that same story nowadays, in a world that constantly witnesses the emergence and growth of social groups clinging to an identity that separates them from others? How would it affect those who organize themselves in a way that prevents any foreign presence that might threaten their identity and their closed and self-referential structures? There, even the possibility of acting as a neighbor is excluded; one is a neighbor only to those who serve their purpose. The word "neighbor" loses all meaning; there can only be "associates", partners in the pursuit of particular interests.[80]

### *Liberty, equality and fraternity*

103. Fraternity is born not only of a climate of respect for individual liberties, or even of a certain administratively guaranteed equality. Fraternity necessarily calls for something greater, which in turn enhances freedom and equality. What happens when fraternity is not consciously cultivated, when there is a lack of political will to promote it through education in fraternity, through dialogue and through the recognition of the values of reciprocity and mutual enrichment? Liberty becomes nothing more than a condition for living as we will, completely free to choose to whom or what we will belong, or simply to possess or exploit. This shallow understanding has little to do with the richness of a liberty directed above all to love.

104. Nor is equality achieved by an abstract proclamation that "all men and women are equal". Instead, it is the result of the conscious and careful cultivation of fraternity. Those capable only of being "associates" create closed worlds. Within that framework, what place is there for those who are not part of one's group of associates, yet long for a better life for themselves and their families?

105. Individualism does not make us more free, more equal, more fraternal. The mere sum of individual interests is not capable of generating a better world for the whole human family. Nor can it save us from the many ills that are now increasingly globalized. Radical individualism is a virus that is extremely difficult to eliminate, for it is clever. It makes us believe that everything consists in giving free rein to our own ambitions, as if by pursuing ever greater ambitions and creating safety nets we would somehow be serving the common good.

106. Social friendship and universal fraternity necessarily call for an acknowledgement of *the worth of every human person*, always and everywhere. If each individual is of such great worth, it must be stated clearly and firmly that "the mere fact that some people are born in places with fewer resources or less development does not justify the fact that they are living with less dignity". [81] This is a basic principle of social life that tends to be ignored in a variety of ways by those who sense that it does not fit into their worldview or serve their purposes.

(To Be continued next week)

For referencing footnotes ( numbers in [ ] ) go to:  
[https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco\\_20201003\\_enciclica-fratelli-tutti.html](https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20201003_enciclica-fratelli-tutti.html)  
 See the last page for reference notes.



**90th Anniversary of the Church Building**

On October 18, 1931 Mass was celebrated for the first time in the present church building. The solemn dedication Mass of the church was held 8 days later on October 26, 1931 with Bishop William Turner presiding at the dedication Mass.



In celebration of the 90th anniversary of our church building the Saturday 4:p.m. Mass on October 23, 2021 will be presided over by Bishop Michael Fisher, the present Bishop of Buffalo. Bishop Mike when he first became Bishop of the diocese expressed that he wanted to visit every parish in the diocese early on in his tenure. Fr. James thought it appropriate and timely to invite him to preside at a Saturday Mass near the anniversary date of the church dedication. More information on this anniversary Mass and the Bishop's visit to the parish in upcoming bulletins.



**Choir Members Welcome!!**

St. Francis is quoted as saying: *"What are God's servants but his minstrels, who inspire the hearts of people and stir them to spiritual joy"*. Here at St. Bonaventure we are gifted with a gifted organist, seasonal instrumentalists, quality cantors and a spirited choir. New members are welcome to enhance the music ministry of our parish with instruments and voice. Consider sharing your gifts of voice and instrument. New members are always welcome to join the choir and other areas of music ministry. Further inquiries can be directed to Judy Pastore by calling 372-3546 or seeing Fr. James.

**2022 Mass Book is Now Open**

Weekend Mass Remembrances are now being accepted for 2022. Please be aware that because of the COVID-19 pandemic and the possibility of changing conditions dates and times of the Mass Remembrance may need to be adjusted during the year. But at least for now we are scheduling weekend Mass Remembrances for requested dates and times. Call the parish office (373-1330) to make an appointment with Jacki so to schedule your Mass Remembrances for 2022.

**Stewardship & Attendance:**

- August 15 - \$3,172 - 272 communions
- Direct Deposit (monthly) - \$3,375
- August 22 - \$3,285 - 266 communions
- August 29 - \$2,786 - 242 communions
- September 3 - \$3,247 - no attendance taken
- September 12 - \$3,667 - no attendance taken
- Direct Deposit (monthly) - \$3,375

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**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, September 25**

- 4:p.m. (1) Margaret Ulasewicz  
    by Mike & MaryAnn Taylor
- (2) Marge Volante by husband Chuck
- (3) For the People

**Sunday, September 26**

- 8:a.m. - (1) Amy Granger  
    by Arlene, Joe & Dave Rado
- (2) Donors to the Memorial Fund
- (3) For vocations to Ministry
- 11:a.m. - (1) Vicki Everetts by a friend
- (2) For an end to rage & violence
- (3) For those afflicted with COVID

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**Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer):**

**Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at 8:a.m.**

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**Saturday, October 2**

- 4:p.m. (1) Michael Stayer  
    by Mike & MaryAnn Taylor
- (2) Jeanie Sewell by mom & family
- (3) For the People

**Sunday, October 3**

- 8:a.m. - (1) Van Karl Family by estate
- (2) Frances Reamer by a friend
- (3) Helen Jones a former student
- 11:a.m. - (1) Francis Ryan Family by Estate
- (2) Norm & Helen Kersch by Family
- (3) Rosemary Ryan  
    by Maureen Finch & Famil

**Prayer Requests**

Please remember in your prayers this week:

Nathan Fish	Carol Rado
Jack Karl	Nick Pircio
Chris Carl	Michael O'Brien
Fr. Bernadine Kessing	Brandon McCord
Carmen Daniels	Victor Edwin
Colt Matz	Joe Stayer
Kellie Baxter	Fr. Ron Pecci

For the Sisters and Friars in the St. Elizabeth Motherhouse Infirmary and in other Assisted Care Facilities

For those suffering from the coronavirus variants

The patients in the Olean General Hospital and in area nursing homes

For the Road to Renewal plan for the Diocese of Buffalo

For the victims of physical and emotional abuse.

For the deceased, especially Jeanette Bouchard, may she rest in peace and for the Bouchard Family during this time of mourning that they find strength & comfort



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