

*St. Peter's Parish
Rome, New York
September 3, 2023*



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." - Mt 16:24b-25

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday September 2, 2023

8:00am **PATRICIA MCCORDUCK** by Family
 5:00pm **CHARLES M. SPROCK** by Bridget Boyer * **IRENE MEIER** by Jeanette
DOROTHEA ISELO by Jen Hummel

Sunday, September 3, 2023 Twenty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30am **DOROTHEA ISELO** by Tom and Mary Shantz
DOROTHEA ISELO by Lorayne Calicchia
 10:00am **WILLIAM BESSETTE, JR. AND JENNIE BESSETTE** by Gannon Family
FR. GABRIEL BERKO by Jim and Kathy Chase
 6:00pm **DENNIS SANITA** (For Healing) by Niece, Kim

Monday, September 4, 2023 Labor Day

7:00am **RUTH MILLER** (B'day) by The Miller Family

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

7:00am **IZZO FAMILY** by Their Estate

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

7:00am **CHRIS HANSEN** (Wedding Anniv) by Family
PATRICIA NANN MCLEAN (Anniv) by Sister

Thursday, September 7, 2023

8:00am **ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH**
 9:00am **ST. PAUL'S CHURCH**

Friday, September 8, 2023 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00am **MARY PAT ROBERTS SCOTT** (B'day) by Loving Family
KATHLEEN BLACKMAN (B'day) by A Friend

Saturday September 9, 2023 Saint Peter Claver, Priest

8:00am **ANTOINETTE AND MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter, Kim
 5:00pm **CORA SUE HOWE** by Husband, Alex and Family * **MARILYN PALINSKI** by Family

Sunday, September 10, 2023 Twenty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30am **NICHOLAS LAMBERTI** by Liz
ROBERT N. CAPOCCIA (10th Anniv) by Wife, Charlotte
 10:00am **ROSE MAGGIOLINO** (B'day) by RoAnn and Christopher Destito * **JACK KELLY** by Family
COLLEEN MCLAUGHLIN KESTER by The Stanton Family
 6:00pm **MARY JONES** by Mackenzie Rutledge and Family * **MICHAEL QUINN** (Anniv) by Family

Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation from St. Peter's Church
 are now live streamed & available on the parish website: www.stmarvssstpeters.com.

Please remember our families, friends and parishioners in your prayers.

Michelle A.	George DeFabio	Lena Johnston	Debbie Pacicca	Bradley Sharpstene
Barbara K. Acchino	Barry Dunning	Megan Jones	Al Pallas	Emmalynn Sharrow
Georgie Amodio	Paul Eisinger	Jennie Kemp	Clair Papadametrious	Alexander Simpson
Leonard Amodio	Robyn Engle	Theresa Lanigan	Rachel Pawlikowski	Freja Emily Simpson
Jayne Atwood	Carol Fasick	Bill "Dobbie" Link	Barbara Pazdur	Spencer Robert Smith
Carol B.	Beatrice Ferguson	Michael Loso	Jim Pekarski	Sharon Sprague
Raymond Barbar Jr.	Judith Ann Fesner	Anne Lubecki	Carol Piatt	John Stark
Marietta Booton	Joan Fiaschetti	Francis Lust	Norma Plopper	Kelly Stevens
Jimmy Brognano	Diana Fowler	David, Liz, Mitzi	Datie Ponath	Lillian Stutmann
James Brooks	Julianna Fusco	Marcelletta	Nicoletta Powell	Blanche Sweatman
Carla Cacciatori	Lauri Fusco	Geoff Marchione	Patrick Quinn	Barbara Thomas
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Stephanie Calicchia	Augusta Ginsburg	Patti Mastrangelo	Francine Riolo	Rylin Turley
Mary Carmody	Scott Ginsburg	Nicole Mathe	John Ritchie	Fr. Corey VanBuren
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Office Hours:

Monday * Thursday
9:00am-12:00pm & 1:00-3:00pm
Tuesday
9am-1:00pm
Wednesday * Friday
9:00am-12:00pm

**Pastor: Very Rev. Seán P. O'Brien, VF
Deacon: Deacon Nicholas Rosher
Pastoral Associate: Laura Mack**

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

**WEEKDAYS 7:00 am
SATURDAYS 8:00 am * Vigil Mass 5:00 pm
SUNDAYS 7:30 am * 10:00 am * 6:00 pm**

PARISH STAFF

Director of Faith Formation: Laura Mack
First Sacraments Coordinator: Jean Bauer
Music Ministry: Barry Russo
Administrative Assistant: John Gotti
Maintenance Director: Mark Lagasse
Cemetery Superintendent: Kate Stephan
Communications/Media: Joseph Stanton

PARISH COUNCIL

Pastor: Father Seán O'Brien
President: Larry Riolo
Trustees: Bernard Kaier,
Timothy Sestito

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION

Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm or by Appointment

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM MATRIMONY/ MARRIAGE

Please call the Rectory Office for information.

PARISH ORGANIZATION and PARTICIPATION

Altar Rosary Society: Mary Wahl
St. Peter's Senior Group: W. Warren Sickles, Jr.
Scripture Study: Betty Pettinelli
Funeral Preparations: Barbara Thomas
Hospital Ministry: John MacGaffick
St. Aloysius Catholic Center: Julie McCormick
ASL Interpreters: Mary Margaret VanDamme
Gabby Griffin

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK FOR THE HOMEBOUND AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

When a family member or friend may be in need of anointing, please call the Rectory Office.

St. Peter's Cemetery

E. Dominick Street Rome 315-337-8307

St. Mary's Cemetery

W. Liberty Street, Rome 315-336-3110

Faith Formation Office 315-336-5066

Online at: www.smspfaith.com
Email: spcdre@twcny.rr.com

St. Peter's Collection

August 20, 2023

Regular	\$8,108.00
Loose	\$2,403.00
Fuel	\$197.00
Catholic Schools	\$159.00
Assumption	\$258.00
Total	\$11,125.00

Thank you for your support.

A SPECIAL NOTE: For those who find it difficult to walk, etc. The front pews across the Church are reserved for you. Communion can be brought to your pew.

HEARING AIDS: Assistive hearing devices are available for loan at the altar rail and in the front vestibule before mass.

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Electronic giving gives you a convenient way to keep up with your weekly offerings. Scan the QR code or go to www.stmarysstpeters.com and click on Donate. Complete the electronic giving authorization form to get started.





JESUS LITTLE FRIENDS

Jesus Little Friends Booklets are still available at the exits during the summer months. We will begin Jesus' Little Friends September 24, 2023 during the 10AM Mass.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFO SAVE THE DATE:

Faith Formation Open House

September 18, 2023
6:00PM to 7:00PM

Classes Scheduled to Begin the Week of
September 24, 2023

If you have a 1st grader to register, or a child who is new to our program this year, please contact the Faith Formation Office by phone or email

Registration information and calendar can be found on our Faith Formation website.

www.smspfaith.com.

There will also be registration packets at all the entrances to the church.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

Will burn the week of **August 27, 2023**

FOR

LORRAINE UTTER

By Family

DONATIONS

WINDOW/RESTORATION/MEMORIAL FUND

IN MEMORY OF

**DOROTHEA ISELO
IRENE HALL**

By Gretchen Sprock

SAFE ENVIRONMENT CLASSES

INITIAL TRAINING

SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

9:30AM In St. Peter's Social Hall
Pre-registration is required.

RECERTIFICATION

SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

6:30PM In St. Peter's Social Hall
Pre-registration is required.

Visit the Syracuse Diocese website to register:
www.syracusediocese.org

Relief Fund For Maui

Our thoughts and prayers are with all those affected by the devastating wildfires that have ravaged the island of Maui. As a community of faith, we are called to come together and provide unwavering support to those who are suffering. It is in times like these that our collective love, faith and compassion can make a tremendous difference.

Many have inquired if we can take up a collection for relief.

If you would like to donate,
make checks payable to:

Diocese of Syracuse

(in memo write **Maui Relief**) and mail to:

Finance Office

**240 East Onondaga Street
Syracuse, NY 13202**

The funds will be sent to The Hawaii Catholic Community Foundation which is a 501(c)(3) non profit corporation to support parish and school communities. Contributions will go directly to HCCF to support relief efforts for community members affected by the wildfires.

REFUSE TO BE A VICTIM

Millions of People Are Victims of Crime Annually– Don't Be One Of Them!

Safety experts agree that the single most important step toward ensuring your personal safety is making the conscious decision to Refuse To Be A Victim. You stand a much better chance of preventing criminal confrontations if you develop a safety plan before you need it.

Join us for a seminar that teaches easy-to-understand methods you can use to increase awareness and prevent criminal confrontation. In just four sessions you will learn the tools you need to develop your own personal safety strategies, including information about:

- ◆ The Psychology of Criminal Predators
- ◆ Home & Cyber Security
- ◆ Automobile & Travel Security
- ◆ Personal & Technological Security
- ◆ Self-Defense Devices & Training Options
- ◆ And more!

Dates: Wednesdays, September 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th, 2023

Time: 7:00PM

Location: St. Aloysius Catholic Center, Floyd Ave., Rome, NY

Cost: \$4.50 for course materials

To register or for more information, contact
Walter E. Beverly III, Instructor, at 315-336-2391 or 315-525-7397(Cell), or
Father Sean O'Brien, at 315-336-5072

Fr. Bernie

For those who would like to send Fr. Bernie letters and cards of well wishes you may send them to the following address:

Rev. Bernard Menard
St. John Vianney Center
151 Woodbine Rd.
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He would love to hear from you!



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Add **your choice** to the sign-up list, and **THANK YOU...**



FIGHT HUNGER BAG PROGRAM
At the Rome Hannaford
808 West Chestnut St.

For the month of September The Mission of the Christ Child will benefit from the purchase of Hannaford's reusable Fight Hunger bags. For every bag purchased at \$2.50 the Mission of the Christ Child will receive \$1.
Ask for the Fight Hunger reusable bag!

Altar Rosary Society



Our annual multiple basket raffle will kick off at the September 10th parish picnic. The raffle will continue for 3 additional weeks so everyone will have a chance to purchase a winning ticket!!!



We anticipate to have the SaveAround coupon books available sometime after Labor Day.

Our meetings will resume on Thursday, September 21st, 6pm in the church hall. If you are able please bring a dish to pass. We have a very interesting agenda to discuss!

The ladies of Altar Rosary Society extends our sincere appreciation to our parishioners for your continued support in our fundraising / events efforts. Without your support our efforts would not be fruitful. Thank you!!!!

We are a fun, productive group of ladies who enjoy serving our clergy, our church & our parishioners. If you are interested in attending a meeting and being part of an active group please come and see what we are all about.

We continually look for new members to bring their time and talent to our organization.

Please call Mary Wahl @ 315-617-3478 or
Tina Brognano @ 315-571-6707
if you have any questions.

ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE

SEPTEMBER

Barb Brady
Judy Panara

MERRY MAKERS

Our next meeting: 09/13/23, 6-9 pm
Beverages, h'ors d'ouvres and desserts will be served.

Attention

Knitters, Crocheters & Sewers

You are always welcome.

For more information, contact Cate at
(315)225-7900

THE MISSION OF THE CHRIST CHILD

The Food Pantry is an all volunteer team that distributes free food to low and middle-income families from the mission office at 400 Floyd Ave. every Tuesday. If you are interested in joining our volunteer team, please call or text the Mission at 315-271-4849

August 29, 2023

Families	80
Adults	100
Children	48
Seniors	38
Unique	7
Total Fed	193

Thanks to all the volunteers that staff the Mission Food Pantry each week and to all of the parishioners that generously support the Mission with food donations and financial contributions.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #391

112 Ridge Street Rome, New York

The next business meeting of the Knights of Columbus Council #391 will take place on Thursday, September 14th at Council Hall, 112 Ridge Street, Rome. The meeting will be at 7PM preceded at 6:30PM by the Holy Rosary.

From this moment on, live the Eucharist fully; be persons for whom the Holy Mass, Communion, and Eucharistic adoration are the center and summit of their whole life.



The faithful are encouraged to pray the Rosary, especially on the 22nd of each month, in thanksgiving for the Supreme Court's decision that over turned Roe vs. Wade. Pray also for the success of continued efforts on behalf of the sanctity of human life.

The Knights are looking for interested Catholic males over 18 to join and help support our area churches and community. For information to learn about the Knights call **315-337-4010** or join online at [kofc.org/join us](http://kofc.org/join-us) and use **Council 391**. We will be automatically notified

Special Note: In celebration of the recent beatification of our founder, Fr. Michael J. McGivney, men are now eligible to join, or re-join, the Knights of Columbus through Spring of 2023 at no cost. Men can join online at [kofc.org/join us](http://kofc.org/join-us) using promo code MCGIVNEY2020. Mention Rome Council #391 and we will be automatically notified.

Please say this prayer to adopt spiritually an unborn child: "Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion." Venerable Fulton J. Sheen Knights of Columbus- Rome #391 P.O Box 4623, Rome NY 13440



Pope Francis asks us to pray for one of his published intentions each month. To pray with the Pope daily visit: clicktopray.org

SEPTEMBER INTENTION

For People Living on the Margins

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

September 3, 2023: Twenty-Second Sunday
(MT 16:21-27)

Relationships live in a careful balance. If a person changes, the balance is altered requiring a shift in the relationship. In today's gospel Jesus announced a change and Peter resisted. Sometimes, those we count on for support may actually get in the way. Jesus told Peter: "You are an obstacle to me."

PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS

*Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform
for us in our time of need, and give us peace. Amen.*

A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.
We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.
We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.
May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine
and for all the world. Amen.

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GOOD NEWS LUNCHEON SERIES– NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS AND ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA

Join The Good News Center as we welcome **Beth Lynch** for our fall Luncheon Series on **Tuesday, October 3rd 11am-1pm**. **Beth Lynch is the Pilgrimage Coordinator and Saints of Auriesville Museum manager at Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine, Auriesville.** Since 2008, she has been researching and interpreting the inspirational stories of the North American Martyrs and St. Kateri Tekakwitha in giving pilgrimage tours, writing articles, appearing on webcasts, and on several EWTN programs.

Beth will discuss the conflicts and conversions in bringing the Lord Jesus Christ to the Indigenous Peoples with the North American Martyrs and St. Kateri Tekakwitha.

As the National Eucharistic Revival continues into its second year, be inspired by those who first offered the Body and Blood of the Lord on this continent, and those who were made new in receiving Him.

The cost is \$12 per person or \$10 for 1992 Society Members. 300 Club Members are free. **Please register before September 26th.** Call The Good News Center at **315-735-6210** or visit us at thegoodnewscenter.org.

SIGHT & SOUND THEATRES PRESENTS MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS

This holiday season, travel back in time with The Good News Center to Bethlehem on **December 11th and 12th** as the original Christmas story unfolds all around you at the Sight & Sound Theatre production of *Miracle of Christmas*. Journey alongside Mary and Joseph, a flock of surprised shepherds, and three wisemen—along with their camels! There may be no room at the inn, but God has a lowly stable prepared as the angels announce the coming of the Messiah! Experience

Miracle of Christmas as it comes to life on stage with massive sets and live animals in this cherished holiday production. **The complete package includes transportation, accommodations, one (1) breakfast, one (1) lunch and one (1) dinner, admission to the show, and Kitchen Kettle Village attraction.**

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