

*St. Peter's Parish
Rome, New York
September 24, 2023*



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“Are you envious because I am generous?’ Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.” - Mt 20:15-16

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday September 23, 2023 Saint Pius of Pietreicina, Priest

8:00am **ANTIONETTE AND MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter, Kim
ROBERT CAPOCCIA (10th Anni) by Wife, Charlotte
 5:00pm **DORIS AND MICHAEL PALINSKI** by Family * **JACK RHUDE** by Family

Sunday, September 24, 2023 Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30am **ROY AUSTIN JR.** (B'-day) by Loving Family
DOROTHEA ISELO by Betty and Steve Leighton
 10:00am **FRANCES MACDONALD** by Daughter * **ANTHONY GOTTI, SR.** (Anniv/B'day) by Family
JACK KELLY by Family * **JOSEPH AND FRANCES COLUCCIO** (Anniv) by Family
 6:00pm **MARK OPPER** (Recovery) by Jack Opper
MARY ANN LYMAN by Paula Tagliere

Monday, September 25, 2023

7:00am **JOE AND BETTY MAMMOSSER** (Wedding Anniv) by Janik Family

Tuesday, September 26, 2023 Saint Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

7:00am **NO MASS, PRIESTS ON RETREAT**

Wednesday, September 27, 2023 Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

7:00am **NO MASS, PRIESTS ON RETREAT**

Thursday, September 28, 2023 Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr, Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs

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

Friday, September 29, 2023 Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

7:00am **THANKSGIVING FOR FATHER O'BRIEN** by Pat Johnson
JOYCE D. MCMAHON (B'day) by McMahon Family

Saturday September 30, 2023 Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

8:00am **IRENE HALL** by Sister's of St. Joseph's Associates
 5:00pm **GAIL MAREE** (B'day) by Family * **PAUL POWERS** by Betty Dowd and Family

Sunday, October 1, 2023 Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

7:30am **PAT BURNS** (16th Anniv) by Family
KIMBERLY WOOD (For Healing) by Family
 10:00am **CHARLES M SPROCK** by Jean and Joe Benner
RICH CURTIS (for healing) by Kim Ocuto
 6:00pm **ANTOINETTE AND MARK SANITA** by Granddaughter, Kim

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

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

Michelle A.	George DeFabio	Jesse Johnson	Mark Opper	Thomas Serra
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Stephanie Calicchia	Joanne Gaffey	Russell Marchione	Bill Reese	Rylin Turley
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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
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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

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W. Liberty Street, Rome 315-336-3110

Faith Formation Office

315-336-5066

Online at: www.smspfaith.com

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St. Peter's Collection

September 17, 2023

Regular \$9513.67

Electronic \$1,864.63

Make-ups \$93.00

Total \$11,471.30

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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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JESUS LITTLE FRIENDS

September 24, 2023
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

First Sacrament Orientation
September 24, 9:00-9:50AM
For Parents and Children

Monday Night Classes Begin September 25th
Grades 1-6 6:00-7:00PM
Grades 7-8 7:30-8:30PM

First Sacrament Class
October 1, 9:00-9:50AM

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



FORMATION IN A MINUTE...

The Feast of the Archangels – Our Heavenly Friends

September 29 is the Feast of the Archangels. This is a special day on which we remember three angels who are powerful with God. What distinguishes an archangel from an angel? In Heaven, there are nine choirs of angels and the archangels are members of the second-last choir. Their name means "above the angels." We know the names of three of the archangels – Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael.

Each archangel has a name with a special meaning. Saint Michael's name means, "Who is like God?" He is the leader of all angels in God's heavenly army. Saint Gabriel's name means "Strength of God." He appeared to Zachariah to foretell the birth of John the Baptist. However, the most important message he ever delivered was to Mary to announce that she was going to be the Mother of Jesus. The strength of God shines through the messages Saint Gabriel delivers. Saint Raphael's name means "God heals." He appears in the Book of Tobit, disguised as a human. He travels with Tobiah as his guide, heals Tobit (Tobiah's father) of his blindness, delivers Sarah from an evil spirit, and brings Tobiah and Sarah together.

On the Feast of the Archangels, we should say a special prayer that they will be with us and protect us.

Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael – Pray for us and lead us to Heaven!
(adapted from www.mycatholickids.com)

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and Maureen Reilley

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.
Downingtown, PA 19335
He would love to hear from you!

For those that would like to send cards or letters to
Dc. Ben Schrantz his address is:

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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!

Date: Wednesday, September 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



Join us for the Blessing of the Animals

Saturday, October 7, at 11:00AM

We invite participants to bring a pet care item to be donated to a local pet shelter. For donation suggestions, please check out the "wish lists" of area shelters available on their websites.

Wisdom, God's Vision for Life

This 8 part series will teach you how to seek out sound guidance and increase your sense of peace in navigating life. Scripture offers a vision for happiness and well-being. You will learn how to gather, gain and grow in wisdom, and you will experience the joy it brings to your life.

Starts on TUESDAY 9/19/23 at 6:15-7:30pm at

St. Aloysius Parish Center on Floyd Ave

**THIS WEEK'S (9/26) FOCUS IS ON
DECISION MAKING**

Participation is FREE. \$24.95 includes materials and online access for a year.

Registration requested but not required...call the rectory at 315-336-5072

Need childcare while you attend the series?

Take advantage of the **FREE** basketball clinic provided by Copper City Basketball program, also at St. Aloysius Parish Center, for kids in grades 1-6.



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FIGHT HUNGER BAG PROGRAM
At the Rome Hannaford
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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 continue for the next 2 weekends after all masses in the church vestibule; Sept. 23-24 & 30th- October 1st."



The **SaveAround** coupon books are now available. They will be on sale for the following 2 weekends in the church vestibule after all masses along with the multiple basket raffle ticket sales. The cost remains unchanged at \$25.00.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

St. Peter's Parish 1st Annual Oktoberfest Covered Dish Dinner. October 12th at 6pm in the church hall.

Please sign up on the sign-up sheets at all the exits of church. If you would like to bring a dish please note what you would like to make.

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.

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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

September 19, 2023

Families	87
Adults	99
Children	46
Seniors	33
Unique	8
Total Fed	186

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, October 12th 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.

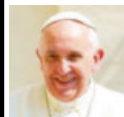


The faithful are encouraged to pray the Rosary, especially on the 22nd of each month, in thanksgiving for the Supreme Court's decision that over turned Roe vs. Wade. Pray also for the success of continued efforts on behalf of the sanctity of human life.

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 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 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
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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 24, 2023: Twenty-Fifth Sunday
(MT 20:1-16a)

Today Jesus is saying to us: "Why are you idle? Go into my vineyard." Family, where "the last will be first," is the "vineyard" entrusted to us in today's gospel. Successful families are constructed by "laborers," who work hard on family relationships, and not by couch potatoes.

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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