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Mass for The Sabbath

Saturday 6:30 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM
Daily Service:
As scheduled in Bulletin

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 8, 2026

Our Mission

We are a Eucharistic community dedicated to making disciples of Jesus who love God wholeheartedly and others compassionately, serving the world selflessly, and boldly evangelizing Christ's Good News.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday after 6:30 PM Mass
Other times by appointment.

Low gluten
Those suffering from an intolerance to gluten are advised that St. Paul's keeps Low Gluten Hosts on hand for those who need them. Simply check in with an usher to arrange for one.

Sacrament of Baptism
Because of the importance of the celebration of the sacrament of baptism, please consider carefully the man or woman of faith you chose to inspire and educate your child in the ways of our faith for the entirety of their lives. We suggest calling the church office during your pregnancy so that a more thorough preparation may take place. Godparents must be practicing Catholics and submit a certificate of eligibility from their parish prior to the Baptism. Baptisms will normally take place at a parish weekend Mass. Date and time will be scheduled by the pastor.

Sacrament of Matrimony
For adequate preparation, arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance.

Sacrament of Anointing
Please let the parish office know if someone is seriously ill. If you know of anyone who is unable to get to Mass, we would be glad to help arrange transportation.

Membership in our Catholic Community
New members are warmly welcomed and may register by calling the parish office or online. If you move out of the area or change your address, please notify the parish office.

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7
6:00 P.M. Rosary
6:30 P.M. Patrick Russell
by Paul & Sharon Gordon
Fred & Constance Walsh Schild
by William & Ronayne Schild
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8
7:30 A.M. Rosary
8:00 A.M. Deceased Members
of St. Paul's Parish
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
9:00 A.M. Rosary
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10 St. Leo the Great
9:00 A.M. Rosary/Miraculous Medal Novena
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11 St. Martin of Tours
9:00 A.M. Rosary/Morning Prayer
6:00 P.M. Adoration
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12 St. Josaphat
9:00 A.M. Rosary/Communion Service
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13 St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
9:00 A.M. Rosary
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14
6:00 P.M. Rosary
6:30 P.M. Deceased Members
of St. Paul's Parish
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15
7:30 A.M. Rosary
8:00 A.M. Anne Arnoldine
by Evan & Margaret Hall



LECTORS for November 14/15
6:30 P.M. G. Gotthardt
8:00 A.M. K. White
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS for November 14/15
6:30 P.M. (Host) J. David
6:30 P.M. (Cup) L. Ligas
8:00 A.M. (Host) S. Drake
8:00 A.M. (Cup) Joan Stevenson
ALTAR SERVERS for November 14/15
6:30 P.M. K. Caramore
8:00 A.M. Jim Stevenson

TAKE NOTE

St. Martin of Tours - Feast Day: November 11
St. Martin of Tours (c. 316-397) is remembered as a soldier, bishop, and beloved servant of God. Born in present-day Hungary, Martin served in the Roman army before dedicating his life entirely to Christ. One of the most famous stories of his life tells how, while still a soldier, he encountered a poor begger Shivering in the cold. Martin took his military cloak, cut it in half, and shared it with the man. That night, he dreamed of Jesus wearing the half-cloak, reminding him that whatever we do for the least among us, we do for Christ. After leaving military service, Martin embraced a life of prayer and simplicity. He later became Bishop of Tours in France, where he devoted himself to preaching the Gospel, caring for the poor, and bringing others closer to Christ. St. Martin is an enduring example of charity, humility, and Christian service. His life reminds us that holiness is found not only in great acts of faith but also in the simple, loving ways we serve those in need.
Prayer: St. Martin of Tours, pray for us! Amen.

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Mark your calendars! Our next **Gather & Feast Community Dinner** will be held on Thursday, November 19, from 4:30 - 6:30 PM. We are excited to have Legion Auxillary Post 289 hosting this special gathering! Come enjoy good food and wonderful company as we bring our community together. We look forward to seeing you there! All are welcome! Bring a friend and join us!

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A Celebration of Convalidation is an opportunity for couples married outside of the Catholic Church to enter a marriage covenant in the Catholic tradition, be strengthened by God's grace, and be supported by His Church. A husband, wife, and God are like a three-ply chord – "… not easily broken" (Eccl 4:12). The Roman Catholic Diocese will offer a Convalidation Ceremony on Sunday, November 29, 2026, at 2 PM, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Church, 125 Eagle Street, Albany. If you and your spouse desire holy matrimony in the Catholic Church, you are invited to convalidate your marriage through your parish at a date of your choosing *or* join Bishop Mark O'Connell together with other couples at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany on November 29. Please speak to your parish clergy, then register by calling the Office for Discipleship Formation at 518-453-6660. Families and friends are invited to attend! *Please note: the ceremony will include the Liturgy of the Word and the Celebration of Matrimony but is *not* a Mass.

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November Prayer: Heavenly Father, Thank you for the blessings of this life and the gift of those we love. Remember the souls of our departed loved ones. May Your mercy surround them and Your eternal light shine upon them. Bring comfort to the grieving, peace to our hearts, and strengthen our faith. Help us to live each day with love, gratitude, and trust in You. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 8, 2026

Open House for Bob Rushforth's 85th Birthday!
Sunday, November 8, from 2-4 PM at the American Legion 210 Pennsylvania Av Hancock, NY.
******No Gifts Please******

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We are collecting items and monetary donations to prepare and send **Christmas boxes to our seminarians**. Donations of other thoughtful items are welcome. We will be collecting up through November 15. You can drop off donations to the parish office Tuesday thru Friday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Monetary donations can be place in the collection basket in an envelope marked Seminarians. Thank you for helping us share the joy of Christmas with our seminarians!

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Catholic Trivia - Test your knowledge of the faith! Each week, two Catholic trivia questions will be posted here in the bulletin. Come back next week to check your answers and see how well you did. Have fun learning and growing in faith!

1. Which Pope declared the Dogma of the Assumption in 1950?
2. What Roman Emperor legalized Christianity in 313 A.D.?

ANSWERS FROM LAST WEEK:

1. What does a priest take communion to the sick in?
A pyx.
2. What is the garment over a funeral coffin called?
Pall

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YOUCAT ~ Chapter Two:
I Believe in Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God
76) *Why did God become man in Jesus?* **"For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven" (NICENE - CREED).** In Jesus Christ, God reconciled the world to himself and redeemed mankind from the imprisonment of sin. "God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son" (Jn 3:16). In Jesus, God took on our mortal human flesh (INCARNATION), shared our earthly lot, our sufferings, and our death, and became one like us in all things but sin.

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MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:
Week of 11/8 Creamy Peanut Butter
Week of 11/15 Pork & Beans
Coffee, Tea & Sugar are welcomed anytime. Please drop off items at the church doors. Thank you for your generosity.

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Prayer Intention of Pope Leo XIV for November:
For the proper use of wealth. Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

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Walking with Moms in Need - At this time, we are in need of size 4 diapers, sensitive laundry detergent, liquid dish soap and Clorox wipes. Thank you for your generosity!

STEWARDSHIP

SACRIFICIAL GIVING November 1

Number of regular collection envelopes	26
Loose cash and checks	$477.00
Regular envelope collection	$845.00
Total	$1,322.00
September Online Giving	$2,891.00
October Online Giving	$3,011.00

Additional Offerings

Votive	$46.00
All Saints	$230.00
Renovation & Repairs	$110.00
Flowers	$100.00

Attendance November 1

Sunday: 10:30 AM	105
Total:	105

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, November 9
(Office Closed)
4:00 PM Reconciliation Class - DeSerio
Tuesday, November 10
6:00 PM Pastoral Council Meeting - Hall
Wednesday, November 11
6:00 PM Prayer Group - Rectory
6:00 - 7:00 PM Adoration - Church
Friday, November 13
7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous - Hall
Sunday, November 15
9:00 AM Adult Ed Book Talk - Hall

Cleaning Group # 4: M. Hunt, J. David

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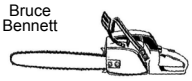
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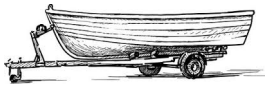
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