

WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday 10/11	St. John XXIII, Pope Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32 12:15 pm MASS (IT): <i>pro populo</i>
Tuesday 10/12	28th Tuesday in Ordinary Time Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday 10/13	28th Wednesday in Ordinary Time Rom 2:1-11; Ps 62:2,3,6,7,9; Lk 11:42-46 5:30 pm CONFESSIONS (IT) 6:00 pm MASS (IT): <i>Fr. Kevin Wojciechowski</i>
Thursday 10/14	St. Calistus I, Pope and Martyr Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1-6ab; Lk 11:47-54 10 am – 8 pm ADORATION (IT)
Friday 10/15	St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1,2,5,11; Lk 12:1-7 9:00 am MASS (PE):
Saturday 10/16	Ss. Hedwig and Margaret Mary Alacoque Rom 4:13,16-18; Ps 105:6-9; 42,43; Lk 12:8-12 5:00 pm CONFESSIONS (IT) 6:00 pm MASS (IT): <i>Pro Populo</i> (PARISH MISSION: FR. TOM WANTLAND)
Sunday 10/17	29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 53:10-11; Ps 33:4,5,18-20,22; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45 9:00 am MASS (PE): <i>Pro populo</i> (PARISH MISSION: FR. TOM WANTLAND) 11:00 am MASS (IT): <i>Pro populo</i> (PARISH MISSION: FR. TOM WANTLAND)

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sat., October 16, 6:00 pm Mass (IT):	Sarah Mikulka
Sun., October 17, 9:00 am Mass (PE):	Cliff Thelen
Sun., October 17, 11:00 am Mass (IT):	Courtney Patrick Bev Bellinger

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Sat., October 16, 6:00 pm Mass (IT):	Zachery Mikulka John Raducha
Sun., October 17, 9:00 am Mass (PE):	John Pohl
Sun., October 17, 11:00 am Mass (IT):	Chuck Wieferich Dane Longanbach

READ TODAY'S DAILY READING HERE

Dear Parish Family,

This past Thursday the Church celebrated the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary (Oct. 7). The celebration was once called Our Lady of Victory and can still be referred to as such today. The date is significant as it marks the victory of Christian forces at the Battle of Lepanto in 1571 off the West Coast of Greece. This victory stopped the invasion of the Islamic Turks into Christian lands and preserved Christian Europe for centuries. Pope Paul V knew the stakes of this battle and ordered all the churches in Rome to be open for prayer as the battle neared. The faithful flocked to these sacred buildings offering many prayers, but most abundantly they prayed Our Lady's Rosary. In thanksgiving for the victory, and the thousands of freed Christian slaves, Paul V established the feast we celebrate today.

To Americans it was an eon ago, and it was prior to our republic's founding, but to us as Catholics we should rejoice as so much of what we enjoy about our faith was preserved in this victory. Without the security of Europe sealed by this victory, our republic may never have been founded at all. We owe a thanks to the men who fought and died in that battle in addition to those who fought and for this country over the years.

The rosary is still a weapon against invading, anti-Christian forces. It may not be the Turks anymore, but the empire of Secularism has pervaded into what were Christian lands and has left horrible devastation in the souls of Westerners. As Paul V did, so I do in my own capacity today. I call upon the faithful of this parish to pray against evil and pray against it every day. I call upon all our faithful to pray the rosary daily. If you don't know how to pray it, instructions are only a google search away. It takes about 3-5 minutes to pray ten Hail Mary's, so even doing those 5 times a day will be a rosary. Pray it as though the future of the Church in Gratiot County depends on it, because in many ways it does.

Rev. Edwin C. Dwyer, JCL

ADULT EDUCATION - DIVORCE

Father Dwyer will host an adult education class entitled "Divorced and Catholic: What now?" on Oct. 25 at 7pm. This presentation will cover the Church's teaching on marriage & divorce and debunk many myths the culture promotes. It will also cover annulments, and the process of applying for them.

**NO GIFT IS TOO SMALL OR TOO GREAT
WHEN GIVEN FROM THE HEART**

ST PAUL PARISH: 10/3/2021: \$3,560.17

**LET US PRAY FOR ... THE SICK OF OUR PARISH
... THE RECENTLY DECEASED**

Rob Quinlan | David Wright

... THE MILITARY:

Major Matthew Cary | Tony Bellinger | Lt. Col. Tom Sager

Remember those who have no one to pray for them.

PARISH SCHEDULE

Sun 10/10	Coffee and Donuts after Mass Hall – Ithaca Coffee and Donuts after Mass Perrinton – lower level Knights of Columbus Meeting – 7 p.m. Hall - Ithaca
Tues 10/12	Bible Study Times/Places Below Ithaca – Room 4 9:30 am – 11:00 am; 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Perrinton – Hall 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Fri 10/15	Cross Catholic – Parish Mission
Sat 10/16	Cross Catholic – Parish Mission
Sun 10/17	Consecration to St. Joseph 2:30 pm Mt. St. Joseph
Sun 10/24	Consecration to St. Joseph 7:00 pm St. Paul the Apostle Room 4
Tues	Consecration to St. Joseph 9:00 am St. Martin de Porres
Mon 10/25	“Divorced & Catholic: What Now?” by: Fr. Edwin C. Dwyer, JCL 7:00 p.m. Ithaca Parish Hall
Tues 10/26	CCW Meeting – 2:00 p.m. Ithaca Room 4
Thurs 10/28	First Reconciliation Class 6:00 p.m. Room 5 - Ithaca

COFFEE AND DONUTS

The Ithaca Knights of Columbus will be hosting coffee and donuts in Ithaca after 11:00 Mass in the hall TODAY!

ST. MARTIN ALTAR SOCIETY

Coffee and Donuts will be offered after 9:00 a.m. Mass THIS Sunday in the lower level of the church.

REQUIEM MASS

St. Paul Church in Ithaca will hold a Requiem Mass for the soul of our former pastor, **Fr. John Ederer**, on Oct. 18 at 6pm. This Mass is open to the public. The lunch break Mass will occur as scheduled.

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Saturday, February 12, 2022, at 7:00 p.m., St. Paul Parish will be hosting its **2nd Annual Polka Party** at the hall in Ithaca. This event is hosted by the Financial and Pastoral Councils. More information to follow. Please plan to join us!

WHOLE FAMILY CATECHESIS

This Monday, you will be receiving an email with reminders, inspiration, and information that will have a link to a teaching video from Fr. Eddie. If you have any questions or concerns about the program, please contact one of your leaders or the office directly. We are here for you!

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Did you Know?? The Church refers to the family as an ecclesia domestica. What does this mean? It translates to “domestic church” and reminds us that we are called to live out our baptismal promises together - with our families and friends. One of the best ways to do that is simple and free...pray together! We are called to prayer with our community at Mass and we also called to pray with our family at home. As we tackle another back-to-school season and the busyness of life sets in full force, ask yourself these questions: How do we pray together at home? What more can we do to pray together? What regular prayer opportunities can we add to our daily lives? Weekly? Monthly? In the words of St. Paul, we are to “pray at all times” (1 Thessalonians 5:17). This begins in the domestic church - your home.

Mark Your Calendars!

Thur, Oct. 28 - First Reconciliation Class 6pm - St. Paul
Thur, Nov. 18 - First Reconciliation Class 6pm - St. Paul

FEAST OF ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

On Wednesday, November 3rd, the 6:00 p.m. Mass will be celebrated in Perrinton to honor the feast of St. Martin de Porres. There will be a meal following the Mass in the lower level of the church. The meal will be catered by Dianna’s Catering. **Please call the office to RSVP for this event by October 20th.** Thank you and see you there!!

PARISH MISSION

Please welcome Fr. Tom Wantland who will be visiting our parish next weekend. He comes to us from Cross Catholic Outreach and will share some touching stories about the work Catholic missions are accomplishing worldwide. Since they empower existing Catholic missions, its programs are cost-effective, and most of the resources it collects go into program services that help the poor around the world. To learn more about Cross Catholic Outreach, go to CrossCatholic.org/outreach.

CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH

This is a 6-week individual or small-group book study which can help us understand St. Joseph. October 23/24, members of the CAFÉ committee will be in the vestibule before and after all Masses to answer your questions & purchase your books. The books are \$15. Group sessions will begin Sunday, Oct. 24, 2:30 p.m. at Mt. St. Joseph, Sunday, Oct. 24, 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle, and Tues., Oct. 26, 9:00 a.m.