

WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Monday 1/16	Monday of the 2 nd week in Ordinary Time Heb5:1-10;Ps110:1-4;Mk2:18-22 12:15 p.m. MASS (IT): <i>Domestic Peace</i>
Tuesday 1/17	St. Anthony, Abbott Heb6:10-20;Ps111:1,2,4,5,9,10;Mk2:23-28
Wednesday 1/18	Wednesday of the 2 nd week in Ordinary Time Heb7:1-3,15-17;Ps110:1-4;Mk3:1-6 5:30 p.m. CONFESSION 6:00 p.m. MASS (IT): <i>pro populo</i>
Thursday 1/19	Thursday of the 2 nd week in Ordinary Time Heb7:25-8:6;Ps40:7-10,17;Mk3:7-12 10:00 a.m. MASS (IT): <i>Parish Staff</i> 10:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. ADORATION (IT)
Friday 1/20	Friday of the 2 nd week in Ordinary Time Heb8:6-13;Ps85:8,10-14;Mk3:13-19 9:00 a.m. MASS (PE): <i>Urban Family</i>
Saturday 1/21	St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr Hev9:2,3,11-14;Ps47:2,3,6-9;Mk3:20-21 5:00 p.m. CONFESSIONS 6:00 p.m. MASS (IT): <i>The Budd Family</i>
Sunday 1/22	2 nd week in Ordinary Time Is8:23-9:3;Ps27:1,4,13-14;1Cor1:10-13,17; Mt4:12-23 9:00 a.m. MASS (PE): <i>+Elaine Miller</i> 11:00 am MASS (IT): <i>Pro populo</i>

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Sat., Jan. 21	6:00 pm Mass (IT): Marty McDaid
Sun., Jan. 22	9:00 am Mass (PE): Sara Walden
Sun., Jan. 22	11:00 am Mass (IT): Dan Drolett LeeAnn Bellinger

USHERS

Sat., Jan. 21	6:00 pm Mass (IT): John Franich
Sun., Jan. 22	9:00 am Mass (PE): John Pohl
Sun., Jan. 22	11:00 am Mass (IT): Drew Endter Todd Crawford

GREETERS

Sat., Jan. 21	6:00 pm Mass (IT): Marty & Gary McDaid
Sun., Jan. 22	9:00 am Mass (PE): John Pohl
Sun., Jan. 22	11:00 am Mass (IT): Drolett Family

ANOTHER SPECIAL THANK YOU AGAIN

Thank you to all who have shared your resources with us to fulfil the wish list Father had for the parish. As of now, we are over halfway to our goal for the Perrinton WiFi, have the funds to cover the sound equipment (with enough to research live streaming) and Religious Ed needs. Thank you so much. If you are interested in still giving to this worth while list of needs, you are encouraged to do so! Thank you! *AGAIN*

Dear Parish Family,

As you know Pope Benedict XVI, Joseph Ratzinger, died on Dec. 31, 2022, or on the Seventh Day of the Octave of Christmas. His predecessor, John Paul II, died on the Seventh Day of the Octave of Easter. Ratzinger himself was born on the Seventh Day of Holy Week in 1927, or Holy Saturday. I personally believe God likes to work like a poet from time to time on these matters, and I find great blessing in the recent addition to this poetry.

Joseph Ratzinger was often maligned by the media, and even by dissidents within the Church with pejorative nicknames like "God's Rottweiler," or "Cardinal Panzer." He was characterized as a strict, and cruel as the chief doctrinal cleric in the Vatican, because he worked correcting error, and cleaning up institutions that began to preach errant belief. If you can believe it, there was a time when many seminarians at many seminaries had to hide books by Ratzinger, or risk being labeled as uncharitable, and obstinate.

The reality is that when one looks at the work of Ratzinger, it is clear he was a man who wanted the world to know the love of Jesus. That love is sometimes tender, and sometimes tough. Ratzinger exercised both the tenderness, and toughness of Christ in his teaching, and governance. Overall, he inspired many in my generation of priests to be sound in thought, and firm in governance. In other words, he taught us to be good fathers.

It has also been my experience that when those who dislike him, actually read his authored works, they are moved by his love of Jesus, and the tender way he communicates the love of Jesus. Ratzinger saw what the Godless ideologies of the Nazis and Soviets did to his homeland. From the rubble of those evils, he found the light and love of Christ. It was his life's work to remind the world of that love, and many came to love Christ more deeply because of his witness.

May God rest his soul. May we all come to know the love of God more and more through prayer and study.

prayers,

Rev. Edwin C. Dwyer, JCL

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

ST PAUL PARISH: 1/1/2023: \$5,696.00

LET US PRAY FOR ... THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

... **THE RECENTLY DECEASED**

... **THE MILITARY:**

Major Matthew Cary | Tony Bellinger
Remember those who have no one to pray for them.

PARISH SCHEDULE

Thurs 1/12	Sacramental Preparation 6:00 p.m. Room 5 Ithaca
Sun 1/22	Community Meeting WFC 10:00 Both Church Halls
Tues 1/24	CCW Meeting 2:00 p.m. Room 4

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 22ND, THE LENDING LIBRARY WILL BE OPEN. Judy Zamarron worked hard to provide us with this very extensive library. Please come and take a look after Mass.

SILENT AUCTION

As part of our Valentine Dance fundraiser, we also have a large silent auction. There were many beautiful things donated last year and I'm sure this year will be no different. The lion share of the profits from this event come from the silent auction. We were able to buy all the books for Religious Education and all new long tables for Ithaca's hall. We are in need of donations! Many of the best sellers last year were: religious art, legos, family games, vacation get-away, homemade keepsakes. We will again have MSU/UofM tailgate coolers! If you have items to donate, please call the office at 989-875-2852 and we can arrange a drop-off or pick-up. **THANK YOU!**

SCHEDULE CHANGES

Our feast of St. Paul dinner and Mass has had to be re-scheduled for February 2nd at 6:00 p.m.. Father will be attending a priest retreat. The office will be closed to the public January 23rd - 26th. As always, messages and emails will be checked. Masses on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday that week will also be cancelled. Friday Mass at Perrinton will stay as scheduled.

WHOLE FAMILY CATECHESIS

We hope you are all enjoying your lessons and finding all the support you need going into this new year.

At our next community meeting, we will continue our study of the Eucharist and spend about 15 minutes in the church with a lead adoration of the blessed sacrament. See you then!

Mark your calendars!

NEXT MEETING – January 22nd at 10:00 a.m. at both churches.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Please pray for Jackson, Alaina, Aliyah, Aiden, Brooks, Gracyn, and Shayla as they prepare to receive the sacraments of reconciliation and eucharist. May God bless them on their journey of faith!

Mark your Calendars!

Next Meeting – January 12th at 6:00 p.m. Ithaca Rm 5

VALENTINES PARTY

This year, the Valentine's Day Party will be held at Pins Bowling Alley in Ithaca on February 11th. The evening will begin at the venue with Mass at 5:00 p.m. (there will NOT be Saturday Mass at St. Paul Church) The Brenda Loomis Band and they will be begin playing at 6:00 p.m.. Tickets on sale SOON!

LOCAL MARCH FOR LIFE 2023

The Diocese of Saginaw is hosting an Ecumenical March for Life Event on Friday, January 20. Join Bishop Gruss and area pastors for a rally at the Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption beginning at 9:00 a.m., followed by a March at 10:00 a.m., to Holy Family Parish on S. Washington (across from Hoyt Park), where we will conclude with a 30 minute Ecumenical Prayer Service that begins at 11:00 a.m. The theme for this event is "Changing Hearts & Saving Lives," with the focus of spreading awareness and education of the many options available for women to choose life for their child. For more information, contact Lori Becker at 989.797.6652 or lbecker@diosag.org.