

WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE	
Monday 1/23	Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of Unborn Heb 9:15, 24-28/Mk 3:22-30 NO MASS
Tuesday 1/24	Saint Francis de Sales Heb 10:1-10/Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday 1/25	The Conversion of Saint Paul Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Mk 16:15-18 NO MASS
Thursday 1/26	Saints Timothy and Titus 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Tit 1:1-5/Mk 4:21-25 NO MASS 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. ADORATION (IT)
Friday 1/27	Friday of the 3 RD week in Ordinary Time Heb 10:32-39/Mk 4:26-34 9:00 a.m. MASS (PE):
Saturday 1/28	Saint Thomas Aquinas Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Mk 4:35-41 5:00 p.m. CONFESSIONS 6:00 p.m. MASS (IT):
Sunday 1/29	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a 9:00 a.m. MASS (PE): 11:00 am MASS (IT):
MINISTERS OF THE WORD	
Sat., Jan. 28	6:00 pm Mass (IT): Joyce Raducha
Sun., Jan. 29	9:00 am Mass (PE): Cliff Thelen
Sun., Jan. 29	11:00 am Mass (IT): Drew Endter Courtney Patrick
USHERS	
Sat., Jan. 28	6:00 pm Mass (IT): John Franich
Sun., Jan. 29	9:00 am Mass (PE): Tim Donohue
Sun., Jan. 29	11:00 am Mass (IT): Adam Patrick Chris Barancik
GREETERS	
Sat., Jan. 28	6:00 pm Mass (IT): Marita & Doug Harkness
Sun., Jan. 29	9:00 am Mass (PE): Tim Donohue
Sun., Jan. 29	11:00 am Mass (IT): Bellinger Family

CHRIST’S MISSION APPEAL

As of now, we are behind last year’s bench mark for Christ’s Mission Appeal. We are about 1/3 of the way to our goal. Last year, we had to pay back out of our savings to the Diocese roughly \$7,000.00. Please see the insert in the bulletin published by the diocese to better understand the state of the Appeal.

Dear Parish Family,

This past Tuesday (Jan. 17) the Church celebrated the Memorial of St. Anthony of the Desert. He lived in the 2nd and 3rd Centuries and lived to be 105 years old! Similar to the life of St. Francis of Assisi, he felt the call to sell all of his belongings and live for the Gospel against the materialism of the world.

While Francis took on a more missionary life, Anthony took on the life of a hermit. He fled to the Egyptian desert to live a life of intense austerity and offered that sacrifice as a penance for the world. He did not, however, live a life of complete isolation. Many sought him for spiritual guidance, and he bore great fruit. He even founded what could be called a confederacy of hermits throughout that desert.

Roman persecution, and new heresies plagued the Church during his lifetime. Even in his very elder years, he was known for defending the faith, and sending as much help to captive Christians. While not a martyr, he did suffer long for the sake of the Gospel and received an eternal reward at the end of his long life.

Few of us, even priests, are called to live such a life as Anthony. Nevertheless, we can apply aspects of his life to our own. He was generous with his material wealth. He was committed to quiet prayer. He did penance for himself, and the whole world. He persevered to the very end.

May all of us, in all our states in life, be so committed to Christ and his Church.

prayers,

Rev. Edwin C. Dwyer, JCL

**NO GIFT IS TOO SMALL OR TOO GREAT
WHEN GIVEN FROM THE HEART
ST PAUL PARISH: 1/8/2023: \$5,005.55
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	
Sun 1/22	Community Meeting WFC 10:00 Both Church Halls
Tues 1/24	CCW Meeting 2:00 p.m. Room 4
Thur 2/2	St. Paul Feast Day/Candlemas 6:00 Mass followed by catered dinner
Sat 2/4	Living Rosary Check the chart in the vestibule
Sun 2/5	WFC parent/child meeting 10:00 a.m. Both church locations
Sun 2/12	KofC Coffee & Donuts Following 11 am Mass in Ithaca
Sun 2/12	KofC Business Meeting 7:00 p.m. Ithaca Hall

THIS 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!**

WHOLE FAMILY CATECHESIS

At WFC this week, the family groups got an opportunity to attend a small sampling of Adoration. We viewed a video and were provided material to help understand and make the most of this opportunity.

As we continue on into the Sacraments of Healing, please keep our devout group in your prayers. We are very blessed to have such wonderful families in our program
NEXT MEETING – February 5th 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 – February 9th 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 will begin playing at 6:00 p.m.. Tickets on sale SOON!

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.

AREA CONFESSION OPPORTUNITIES

St. Cyril, Bannister- 11:30 a.m. on Sundays
Nativity of the Lord, Alma- 3:30 p.m. on Saturdays
St. Vincent, Shepherd- Before all Masses
Most Holy Trinity, Fowler- 3:30 p.m. on Saturdays

VISITING OR INTERESTED IN OUR CHURCH?

Please contact the office (989-875-2852) if you would like to talk to Father Dwyer or if you would like to register with our parish.