

Social Teachings of the Church

My dear family of Holy Trinity Church.

The life of the Roman Catholic Church is very rich in elements and teachings that help us to be closer to the Lord through the practice of the sacraments and prayers. We come to study the Bible, the catechism, we read spiritual books, and help in the Church when she asks us to do something . We believe we are fine and know everything that we need to know to have a good and healthy spiritual life. However, we do not know very much about the position of the Church regarding politics or social justice. Why? Well, perhaps because we understand the separation between Church and State, we do not pay enough attention to the different social teachings of the Church. It is true that this separation exits; however, the Church is still involved in creating a mentality for each one of her members about the different social problems that we are living. Since Pope Leo XIII, with his Encyclical on capital and labor called *Rerum Novarum* and written on May 15, 1891, the Church has been present and spoken out the social situation of all humankind.

What is the social teaching of the Church? 'The Church's social teaching is a rich treasure of wisdom about building a just society and living lives of holiness amidst the challenges of modern society. Modern Catholic social teaching has been articulated through a tradition of papal, conciliar, and episcopal documents" (<u>https://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teaching/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/seven-themes-of-catholic-social-teaching</u>). We can read the different documents in the Vatican website <u>www.vatican.va</u>.

We are living in a society where human dignity is losing its sense. The values, apparently, are changing. I said apparently because it is our responsibility to work that we continue having strong values that go according to each of the teachings given to us by Our Lord Jesus Christ and promulgated by the Roman Catholic Church through her doctrine.

Very soon, Americans will make very important decisions for the future of this amazing country. And as I said in the bulletin on September 15, 2024, "It is not my job to talk to you about politics." However, it is my responsibility to teach you what is the position of the Church regarding the coming elections and especially topics about "Equal Rights Amendment – Proposal One." My task is to help you create a social awareness according to the teachings of the Church so you can make the best decision for our country. I invite you to read the position of the Church regarding the Equal Rights Amendment and why the New York State Catholic Conference says NO to this amendment.

Why vote NO? "The amendment would render it impossible for any change to the law if the hearts and minds of New Yorkers were ever to shift toward protecting the child in the womb. Also, the inclusion of "age" as a protected class could also lead to parents' rights being stripped away. The relationship between parents and their children is sacred. Parents must be able to support and guide their children in accord with the natural law, without interference from the government or courts, which would be reaching beyond children's competency," per a statement released by the New York State Catholic Conference (NYSCC). You can read about this and more on https://www.liferoc.org/about/n-y-s-era -proposal-one/ and https://www.liferoc.org/about/n-y-s-era

Let us pray so that all New Yorkers can make the best decision in pro of our children and those who serve, love, and protect them.

Remember, The parish that we dream is the parish that I help to build.

God bless you, and may the Blessed Virgin Mary be with you always!

Fr. Jorge Ramirez

| PASTORAL | EMERGENCIES : | If you have a past | oral |
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| emergency after office hours; please call (315) 604-8070. | | | |

WEEKEND MASS TIMES: Saturday (vigil) 4:30 p.m. Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

DAILY MASS TIMES: Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Call Tricia Kull, Faith Formation Coordinator at 265-4750.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Saturdays from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m., Tuesdays from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. or by appointment with a priest.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: The Eucharist and Sacramental Anointing are available to the homebound and those in need. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

HOSPITAL VISITS: Please call the Parish Office in advance, if possible.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursday - 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

FAITH FORMATION: See our website or contact Tricia Kull for more information at (585) 265-4750 or <u>Tricia.Kull@dor.org</u>

- Religious Education Classes offered for Grades 1-7 in our Sunday Program or Family Program.
- Sacrament Preparation for First Penance and First Holy Communion (two-year program) for Grades 2 and over.
- Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sundays (October June) during our 10:30am Mass for Grades Pre-K 3.

YOUTH MINISTRY - See our website or contact Michelle Schultheis for more information at (585)265-4750x328 or <u>michelle.schultheis@dor.org</u>

- Confirmation Preparation (two-year program) for Youth in Grades 8 and over.
- OCIC to prepare children ages 7-17 to enter fully into the Catholic Church through Baptism.
- Children, Youth, and Family opportunities to gather in fellowship throughout the year. Watch our monthly newsletter for more information.

Becoming Catholic

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is a spiritual journey for adults interested in joining the Catholic Church through Baptism or in completing the Sacraments of Initiation. For more information, please contact Fr. George or Mary Kramer.

Stewardship by the Book

Today's Psalm says, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy." Good stewards demonstrate by their living and giving that they understand God as the Source of all they are and have.



BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Patrick Walsh and Mary Michelsen



Altar Candles will burn this week for the following:

The **Sanctuary Lamp** will burn in loving memory of Betty Schoen, req. by Bruce Charleton & family.

Our Blessed Mother's Altar Candle will burn in thanksgiving for Susan Dwyer, req. by Jean Wolf.

St. Joseph's Altar Candle will burn for the special intentions of Jeanne Wolf, req. by Sharon Gavens.

If you would like a candle lit in memory of a loved one or for special intentions, please call the parish office.

A REMINDER: If you need a devotional candle lit immediately for a loved one, a special occasion, or special intentions, you are invited to light the small votives that are on the side altars of the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph. They will burn for about 4-5 hours.

Cabrini Mass to stand with the poor and immigrants in preparation for the election

Cabrini Parish invites all to come to a bilingual Mass (English and Spanish) at Saint Michael Church (859 N Clinton Ave) at **11:45 am on Sunday, November 3rd**, when they will be celebrating Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini. Coming together for Mass a couple days before the election will be a beautiful way to show that as Catholics we, like Mother Cabrini, stand with immigrants and the poor. All are welcome!

Mass of Loving Remembrance

During the month of November we remember our loved ones who have gone before us. We will celebrate our annual Candlelight Mass on Friday, November 8th at 7:00 pm.

The Mass of Loving Remembrance will be livestreamed that evening. Please call the Parish Office (265-1616) with the name of your beloved loved one, even if you will not be attending, as soon as possible.



We would like to hear from you no later than **November 6th**.

All are welcome.



We welcome our newest members of Holy Trinity

September 2024

Benjamin Michael Stush Jack Stephen Dreier Bella Grace Graniero Kodi Harper Dash Indie Maria Demers

Senior Ministry Event Monday, Nov. 4th 1:30 pm Trinity Hall James Smith, President Nativity Preparatory Academy

Come and hear about the wonderful work being done at Nativity Preparatory Academy here in the City of Rochester. Nativity Prep is a 100% donor funded, faith-based private education for grades 5-8, focused on supporting the whole individual.



Nativity Prep has not only elaborate academic support but also enrichment activity time built into each learning day. w that Holy Trinity supports Nativity

Did you know that Holy Trinity supports Nativity Prep yearly through our STAR program? Come, learn more and find out how you might be able to help Nativity Preparatory Academy reach their future goals!



The November 4th event will be the first opportunity to sign up for our annual Christmas Luncheon scheduled for Tuesday, December 3rd. Tickets are \$10.00 per person

ART & CULTURE The Catholic Take on Halloween Dr. Tim Gray & Dr. Elizabeth Klein

FORMEDNOW



Our Legion of Mary is an association of Catholic men and women under the leadership of our Blessed Mother and the influence of the Holy Spirit.

The Legion's work consists of the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy, homebound and nursing home visits, assistance at funerals and any other assignment given by our Pastor. The Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday @ 9:30 am. in the Marian Room.

The Legion also uses a **Prayer Chain** dedicated to those with special needs. If you have a loved one or yourself who may be in need of prayers, please call the parish office *a* 265-1616 or email norazark@aol.com to be placed on their prayer chain.



We thank those who have given generously to the CMA. The CMA helps our Church and our parish in so many ways.

Join our appeal and give back what you can, so that we remain strong and able to do God's great work!

If you wish to give to the CMA, there are envelopes at the Welcome Desk in the Gathering Space.

GOAL: TOTAL TO DATE: DONORS: % TO GOAL: \$192,000.00 \$ 49,993.89 203 30.07% (as of October 22nd)

All Saints Day

Friday, November 1, 2024 Mass Times: 9:00 a.m. & 5:30 pm

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FROM OUR FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY OFFICES

SLEEP-IN-SUNDAY YOUTH MASS

We look forward to our next SLEEP-IN-SUNDAY YOUTH MASS on Sunday, November 3 at 6:30pm. All Youth in Confirmation Preparation through Grade 12 are invited to "sleep-in" on Sunday morning and participate in the celebration of the Mass at night! Followed by YOUTH MINISTRY FELLOWSHIP at 7:30pm! Bring a friend!

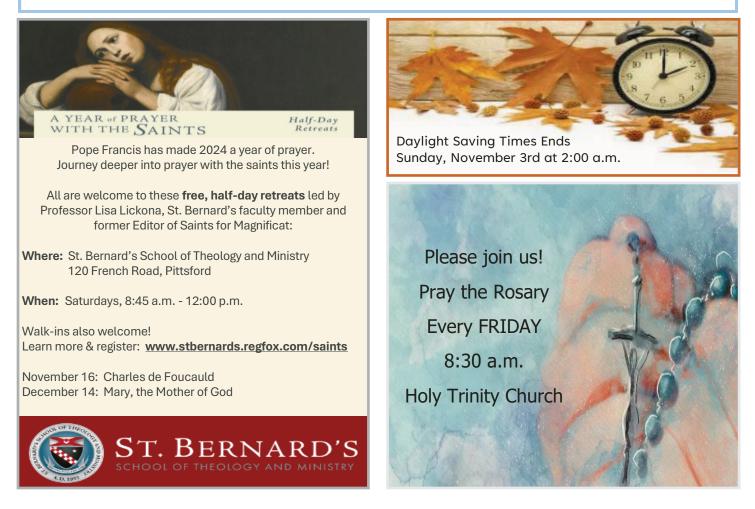


CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD



Beginning October 27, this special opportunity will return to Sunday mornings during our 10:30am Mass for our parish children. This program was developed to give younger children a chance to listen and pray at their level of understanding. Children are dismissed from the church and go with leaders to have the scriptures read and explained to them in an enjoyable and interactive environment. Parents are always welcome to attend with their children. Registration is not required for this program, simply join us at the altar when

called after our Opening Prayer. *Please note that we will not hold Children's Liturgy during designated Family Mass liturgies as the homily offered by our priests will be designed for our children and youth on those days.*



Mass Intentions: October 26 - November 3 2024

All weekday and weekend Masses will be live-streamed

Saturday - October 26 4:30 p.m. (VIGIL))† † William Pawluckie, req. by Carol

SUNDAY - THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME October 27, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Betty Schoen, req. by Bruce Charleton & family 10:30 a.m. For the people of Holy Trinity, living and deceased

Monday - Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles October 28, 2024 9:00 a.m. † Irene Sherman, req. by Elaine & Rich Notargiacomo

Tuesday - Weekday **October 29, 2024** 9:00 a.m. † Andrea Parravano, req. by family

Wednesday - Weekday October 30, 2024 9:00 a.m. † Father Phil Billotte, req. by Holy Trinity parishioners and friends

Thursday - Weekday October 31, 2004 9:00 a.m. † Jean Smith, req. by Mary Ann Sachenik

FIRST Friday - ALL SAINTS DAY November 1, 2024 - HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION 9:00 a.m. † Thomas Sillence, req. by wife, Marilyn 5:30 p.m. † Neda & Santo Patane, req. By Ed & Carol Patane

FIRST Saturday - ALL SOULS' DAY November 2, 2024 2:00 p.m. Wedding - Patrick Walsh and Mary Michelsen

4:30 p.m.(VIGIL) For the people of Holy Trinity, living and deceased

SUNDAY - THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME November 3, 2024

8:30 a.m. † Dante Mastrosimone, req. by family 10:30 a.m. † Bob Wensley, req. by family

This Week at Holy Trinity Church

Tuesday, October 29 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Legion of Mary - Marian Room 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Confession - Church

Thursday, October 31 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Adoration - Church

FIRST Friday - November 1 All Saints Day HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Rosary - Church

FIRST Saturday, November 2 2:00 p.m. - Wedding - Patrick Walsh and Mary Michelsen 3:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. Confession - Church



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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

> Website: www.holytrinityweb.com Email address: wholytri@dor.org

MASS TIMES:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. Saturday: 4:30 p.m. Vigil Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Tuesday 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.. (Oct. - June)

(no Tuesday confessions during the summer)

If you find that you are unable to attend Mass in person, you may view our live-stream at https://livestream.com/ accounts/18862485/events/5598269

Victims of sexual abuse should always report to the civil authorities. To receive help and guidance from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester contact our Victims Assistance Coordinator:

> Deborah Housel at 585-328-3228, ext. 1555 or 1-800-388-7177 ext: 1555 or email to victimsassistance@dor.org housel@dor.org



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