Welcome to

St. Paul's Catholic Church (St. Rita's Oratory)

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PASTOR: Reverend Vicente F. Jazmines

Deacon Candidates: DAN LEROY and NOEL VOOS

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SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY Contact the Pastor.

OFFICE HOURS

SP's: Monday & Friday, 12:30 – 4:00 PM SM's: Monday & Friday, 8:30 AM – noon

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Sunday @ 10:30 AM Also by Appointment SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Contact the Pastor.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

2/7/21 – Envs.: \$1,251.00 /Plate: \$60.00

Fuel: \$410.00



Ushers for 2/14/2021 are:

- Francis Dunbar
- William Flynn
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<u>Lector</u> – Charles (Andy) Rumschlag

Ushers for 2/21/2021 are:

- William Flynn
- Thomas Murphy
- Charles (Andy) Rumschlag
- Dr. Newell

Lector – Patricia Newell

WEEKLY MEMORIALS (this week)

St. Paul's: The **SANCTUARY LAMP** will burn in loving memory of VIRGINIA GRIZAWICH, requested by The Franks.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 14, 2021

- "Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him." Is the Lord touching your heart with an invitation towards service in the consecrated life, diaconate or priesthood? Talk to Fr. Christoper Carrara, carrara@rcdony.org or Cathy Russell, the Diocesan Vocation Coordinator at (315)393-2920, ext. 1450/crussell@rcdony.org. See us also on Facebook or at www.myvocation.net.

Attached to this bulletin is the **LENTEN**

REGULATIONS 2021 February 17, 2021 is Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of the Season of Lent.

Effective March 3, Father Shane M. Lynch, will become pastor of St. Paul's Church in Black River and St. Mary's Church in Evans Mills. Father Lynch will fill the vacancy created by the passing of Father Vicente F. Jazmines, who died of complications related to COVID-19 on Jan. 7.

PLEASE wear your masks, practice social distancing and don't linger in groups in the parking lot. Protect yourselves and others. Please leave the kneelers down in the pew you occupied when you leave so that we may know to clean it. Thank you

Sixth	Sunday	y in	<u>Ordinary</u>	<u>v Time:</u>

Saturday, February 13	4:00 PM (SM)	Andrew Kilcer By His Family
Sunday,	9:00 AM (SM)	For the People of the Parishes
February 14	11:00 AM (SP)	Norma LaMora

Liturgical Schedule:

Monday, February 15	8:00 AM (SP)	NO MASS
Tuesday, February 16	8:00 AM (SP)	NO MASS
Ash Wednesday,	9:00 AM (SM)	M/M Joseph Kilcer
February 17		By The Kilcer Family
	5:00 PM (SP)	William Flynn Jr.
		By Bill & Amy Flynn

Thursday,	8:00 AM (SP)	NO MASS
February 18		

Friday, 8:00 AM (SP) **NO MASS** February 19

First Sunday of Lent:

Saturday, February 20	4:00 PM (SM)	Deceased Members of SM's By Jim Decker
Sunday, February 21	9:00 AM (SM)	Tracie Clem By JoAnn Raulino & Children
	11:00 AM (SP)	The People of the Parishes

<u>IN OUR PRAYERS</u>: We ask God's help as we pray for our sick; for world peace; for Christian unity; for the victims of oppression and violence; for greater respect of all human life; and for all our departed.



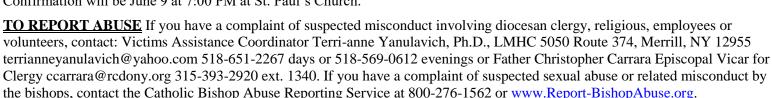
THANK YOU Father Deluca for filling in for us during this trying time. Please note that he is doing a Latin Mass at St. Mary's at 9:00 AM on Wednesdays.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

- February 14 & 21 No Class, Winter Break
- February 28 Class
- ➤ March 7 Faith at Home with Parents/FORMED (Catholic website)
- ➤ March 14 Class
- ➤ March 21 Class/Children's Liturgy

Confirmation CLASS (Grades 8 -12): Class is being held at St. Mary's Church.

Confirmation will be June 9 at 7:00 PM at St. Paul's Church.



FEED YOUR SOUL WITH PRAYER THIS

LENT! Nothing will transform your life so completely and forever like really learning how to pray. That's why this year's BEST LENT EVER journeys through Matthew Kelly's latest book, I Heard God Laugh: A Practical Guide to Life's Essential Daily Habit.

Beginning on Ash Wednesday and continuing through all 40 days of Lent, you will receive a daily email with a short video to help you reconnect with yourself and God. If you choose to throw yourself into this experience, we promise that you will be surprised by what God can do in your life with just an email, a short video and an open heart.

To sign up for this program go to: https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent/best-lentever.html Start your journey with the BEST LENT EVER Journal from Matthew Kelly and the Dynamic Catholic team. A limited number of these journals that sell for \$14.95 are available for free at your worship site. Once they are gone, they are gone!

February 14: SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Readings: Lv 13:1-2. 44-46/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45

Are you amazed at the courage of the leper in today's Gospel? Lepers were excluded from the community, they were to "dwell apart", as the first reading tells us. Yet this leper dared to approach Jesus. People must have been shocked at his approach and even more shocked at the fact that Jesus touched him. What about us? Are we afraid to approach Jesus with our deformities, with our sins? For it is not leprosy that separates us from the body of Christ, but rather our sins. Can we approach Jesus through the priest in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and say with the leper "if you wish, you can make clean." The season of Lent begins this coming Wednesday with Ash Wednesday. Let us turn to the Lord and allow him to make us clean by taking away our sins that we too may rejoice and sing his praises.

February 17: Ash Wednesday

Readings: Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/ Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Almsgiving, prayer, and fasting are ways of going out of ourselves, of giving of ourselves to others as a way of giving back to the Lord all the good things he has done for us. It is a way of countering our selfishness and to become free to love more fully. We are reminded as we receive ashes on our foreheads that we are dust and to dust we shall return. Let us use this season of repentance to return to the Lord all the good he has given us, through self-denial, giving of ourselves and praying for each other.

<u>Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time Sunday, February 14, 2021:</u> Gospel Reading: Mark 1:40-45 Jesus cures a person with leprosy, who reports his cure to everyone.

Family Connection: Today's Gospel invites us to think about the choices we make as individuals and as a family. Jesus was faced with a choice in today's Gospel. By choosing to heal the man with leprosy, Jesus showed God's compassion for the sick and the outcast. The man knew that Jesus had a choice and that Jesus could reject his request. He may have expected that Jesus would not help him. The social taboos regarding leprosy certainly gave him little on which to base his hope. In the person of the man with leprosy, we see an image of all those in need. The sick and the outcast of our world are watching us, to see if we as Christians will choose to extend ourselves to others in need of healing and compassion. Gather with your family and talk about some of the choices you have made as a family. (where to go on vacation, what activities to do together, how to spend our evenings, and so on) How does your family go about making these decisions? What do your choices communicate to others about your family's values? In today's Gospel, Jesus was faced with a choice. Read today's Gospel, Mark 1:40-45. In choosing to heal the man with leprosy, Jesus chose to show God's compassion and mercy. All our choices reflect our faith, and others are watching. Conclude in prayer together, asking God to help your family show compassion to others in your family decisions.

Pray together today's Psalm, Psalm 32, or pray the following Prayer for Vocations. -- God, in Baptism you called me by name and made me a member of your people, the Church. Help all your people to know their vocation in life, and to respond by living a life of holiness. For your greater glory and for the service of your people, raise up dedicated and generous leaders who will serve as sisters, priests, brothers, deacons, and lay ministers.

