

St. Mary's /St. Peter's Parish

200 N. James Street

Rome, New York 13440

Pastor: Father Sean P. O'Brien

Deacon: Deacon Nicholas Rosher

Pastoral Associates:
Sister Rosaire Anne De Mare, CSJ
Mrs. Laura Mack



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November 2019



St. Mary's Oratory
210 W. Liberty Street

St. Peter's Cemetery
E. Dominick St. Rome
315-337-8307
St. Mary's Cemetery
W. Liberty St. Rome
315-336-3110

St. Peter's Church

200 N. James St.

PO Box 627

Rome, NY 13442

Parish Office 315-336-5072

St. Peter's Fax 315-336-0855

E-Mail:

smsprectory@twcnny.rr.com

Office Hours:

Monday 10:30 am - 3:30pm

Tuesday thru Friday

8:30 am to 3:30 pm

Religious Education

Office 315-336-5066

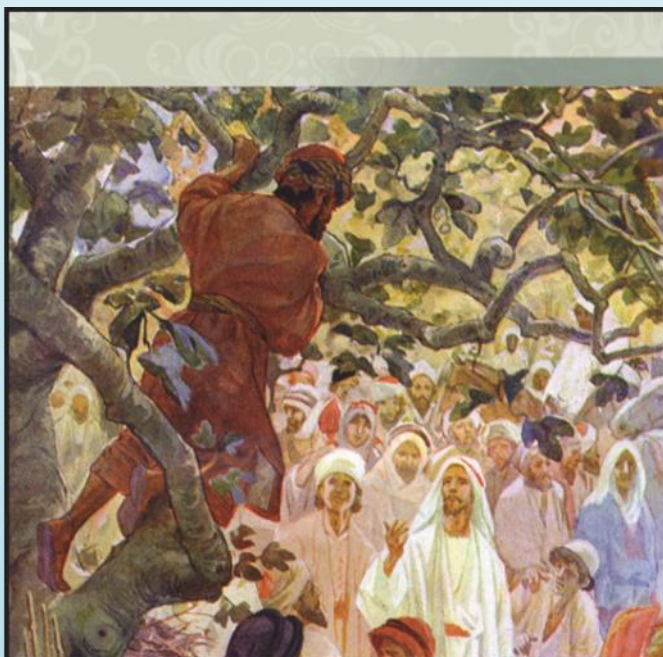
Online at:

www.smspfaith.com

Email: spedre@twcnny.rr.com

MISSION STATEMENT

The Faith Community of St. Mary's/St. Peter's is centered in the Eucharist and is dedicated to serving the Spiritual and Social life of the people of God, through the guidance of the Holy Spirit..



31st Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. - Lk 19:5-6

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St. Mary's/St. Peter's Parish

Remembering
D-DAY
1944 · 2019

Veterans Day Memorial Service

Sunday
November 3rd
3-4 p.m.

Honoring All Who Served...
And Are Serving ...



St. Peter's Church
200 N. James St., Rome, NY

Reception to follow
in Social Hall

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday, Saturday, November 2, 2019 ALL SOULS DAY

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

- 8:00 am Mass for ALL OUR DECEASED PARISHIONERS
and Kimberly Casler by Mary Jane O'Neill
and Debbie Puffer by Kathleen Murray
5:00 pm **Vigil Mass** for Edwin O'Brien by family
and Jean Moles by Char Young
and John Damon by wife

Sunday, November 3, 2019 THIRD-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 8:00 am Mass for Irene Meyers by Sandra Casadei and Joe Gawarecki
and Catherine Hunziker by family
and Clara Burnard by Pat Pekola
and Edwin Draper (20th anniv) by Bill and Mary Draper
10:30 am for Russ and Emily Harjung by John and Ann Harper
and Shirley K. Oppen by Jack and Mark Oppen and family
and William Kernan and Stephan Kernan by family
and Philip Gigliotti (anniv) by wife and Family



During this week, November 4th to 8th
There are no Masses scheduled

Saturday, November 9, 2019

- 8:00 am Mass for Pearl Mellen (birthday) by Family
and for Joseph Traversa by Family
and for Charles Kasby by Family
5:00 pm Vigil Mass for Windsor S. Thomas (wed Anniv) by loving wife, Barbara
and for Harry and Diane Kozma by Rick and Cathy Gilmore and Jan Lewis
and for John Damon by Chris and Shalom Hansen

Sunday, November 10, 2019 THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

- 8:00 am Mass for John F. Kelly by Family
and for Marie Parry by Dorothea and Paul Iselo
10:30 am for Joseph E. and Joyce D. McMahon (Wedding Anniversary) by Family
and for John Dickson by Judy, Mother
and for Edwin J. Smith by Eleanor, wife and family
and for James F. Wheeler II by Lisa Pimpinella

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/ CONFESSION

Saturday 4:00 pm
or by appointment at the Rectory

SACRAMENTS OF MATRIMONY/ MARRIAGE AND/OR SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Rectory Office for
information

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK FOR THE HOMEBOUND AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

When a family member or friend
may be in need of anointing,
please call the Rectory Office.

HOSPITAL

It is important that a family member
indicate that the person being
admitted to the hospital is a
Catholic and belongs to a certain
parish. Our Parish Ministers who
are visitors go to the hospital
almost everyday.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome new members to our
parish family. We invite you to
become an active participant of our
parish community. Please introduce
yourself to the Pastor and please
call the rectory to register.

A SPECIAL NOTE:

For those who find it difficult to
walk, etc.
The front pews across the Church are
reserved for you. Communion can be
brought to your pew.



November 11th
VETERANS DAY
WE HONOR YOUR SACRIFICE

Second collection next weekend November 9th/10th
National Collection for Military Services
Envelopes to donate and a flyer explaining the collection
are in the bulletins explaining the American Armed Services project.

*Second collection this
weekend*
Cross Country Outreach

Help Us Grow:

Did you know that your weekly contributions can be debited
automatically from your checking or savings account [or processed
using your credit or debit card? Our electronic giving program
offers convenience for you and provides much-needed donation
consistency for our parish. Simply scan the QR code using your
phone's QR code reader or go to StMarysStpeters.com and locate
DONATE in the menu. Questions? Give us a call: 315-336-5072



October 27, 2019

St. Mary's /St. Peter's Collection
Regular Collection \$9983.05
Electronic Giving \$450.50
Total \$10,433.55
Make ups \$123.00

Thank you for your support!

PARISH EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Sunday, November 3rd, **Veteran's Day Ceremony** at 3 pm.

Wednesday, November 6th, Bible Study of **MATTHEW** at **6:00 pm**
in the Church Hall

Wednesday, November 6th **Scripture Sharing** to reflect on the Readings for Sunday
Liturgy at 10:00 am in St. Peter's Church Hall. All are Welcome

Wednesday, November 6th **Prayer Group** at 7 pm at St. Mary's Parish Center

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

All at St. Peter's Church

SATURDAY Vigil MASS 5:00 pm
SUNDAYS 8:00 am, 10:30 am
Weekdays Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at 7 am
Saturday at 8:00 am
Holydays 7:00am, 12:10pm and 5:30 pm Vigil

The Sanctuary Lamp

will burn the Weeks of November 3rd to 24th
For **Grace Corbett** by Grandpa and Nanni

MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS

In Mission of the Christ Child
from St. Paul's Social Ministry
from Carol Riolo

In Memory of Lance and Marie Ryder
by Kathleen Oliver

Come Learn about Your Faith

Adult Religion Education
with Father O'Brien

Mondays. November 18th December 16th
from 6:00 to 6:50 pm in St. Peter's School
Any one over 18 years of age is welcome

For the Area Hunger Walk Our parish had several walkers. Sister Rosaire Anne raised \$1090 from sponsors. The parish handed in \$1061.23 from the loose change collection. A big THANK YOU FOR ALL the support. Our parish in return received several boxes of canned goods and we will receive a check from the Hunger walk to support the our mission of the Christ Child.

FAMILY PERSEPCTIVE

Provided by the Hope Appeal Funds

Jesus is saying what he said Zacchaeus, "I must stay at your house today," It doesn't matter if in today's gospel Jesus "intended to pass through Jericho to another town." In families we sometimes stop at the wrong places. It is wisdom to "pass through" annoying family situations so we can enjoy the goodness of each other.

ALTAR CARE

November
Mary Wahl
Tina Brognano

COLLECTION HELPERS

November 3rd

Sari Verenti
Joan Rhude

November 10th

Cindy Thurston
Amy Balog

HOSPITAL VISITATION

November 3rd

St. John's Team 3

November 10th

St. Mary's/St. Peter's Team 4



Faith Formation

Sunday, November 3rd, 2nd Year **Confirmation Large**
group at 10:30 am Mass with class until 1 pm

Sunday, November 3rd, **First Penance Class**
from 9:15-10:15 am

Monday, November 4th, **Grades 1 to 6** from 6-7:00 pm

Monday November 4th, **Grades 7 to 9**
from 7:30 to 8:30 pm

Tuesday, November 5th, **Family Formation Session**
Grades 6:30 to 8 pm

Wednesday, November 6th **Grades 1 to 6** from 8 to 9 am



WREATHS across AMERICA

Wreaths will be placed on veterans graves, in conjunction with **National Wreaths**

Across America Program, at St. Peter's,

St. John's, St. Mary's, Evergreen and Westernville Cemeteries on December 14th.

If you would like to purchase the \$15 wreath for a loved veteran, send a check made out to: Wreaths Across America to

Joe Maurer, 1215 N. Madison Street, Rome

You can also include the military history of your loved veteran in the brochure made for the event or to volunteer to help place the wreaths, by emailing or calling **JOE** at 315-

337-9453 (margmaurer@yahoo.com)

www.wreathsaacrossamerica.org

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

Thank you
for all the donations that made last weekend's Bake Sale a success. Your continued support is truly appreciated!!!

SAVE THESE DATES:

Thursday, November 21st

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner catered
by Eddie's Paramount Diner.

All parishioners are welcomed!!!

Details to follow on advanced ticket sales.

December 7-8

Annual Religious Articles and Bread Sale

Friday, December 13th

Annual Christmas Party
at the Franklin Hotel.

All parishioners are welcomed!!!

Details to follow on advanced ticket sales.

"Ladies of our Parish"

*We invite you to attend one of our meetings
or one of our social events to see
what we are all about.*

*Your time & talents would prove to be an
asset to this wonderful organization!!*

The next **"MERRY MAKERS"** Meetings
Knitters & Crocheters:

Wednesday, November 13th, from 6 to 9 pm

Sewers:

Thursday and Friday,
November 14 and 15th, 10 am to 4 pm
(Bring a bag lunch)

NOTE: Refreshments and desserts
will be provided for all three days.

We Need Knitters, Crocheters & Sewers:

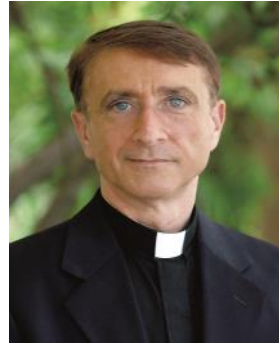
We knit & crochet **Hats, Mittens & Scarves** for the
local school children, We also sew
Chemo Hats and Walker Bags for Rome Hospital
and for individuals in Our area.

*Anyone wishing to join us is welcome to attend any
or all our meetings, or just work at home alone.*

*Patterns, yarn, needles and material are
available upon request.*

Contact Cate Powers at (315)337-2289 or
(315)225-7900 for more information.

**We welcome Outreach Priest
Rev. Bernard Olszewski, JCD
here this weekend.**



Father will speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. Please be generous to Father's appeal. Brochures will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic Ministry.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP:

Meets November 11th at St. Paul's Parish center at
2 PM, guest speaker will be Deacon Ed Doyle.

End-of-Life Moral and Medical Issues

Live Stream on YouTube
With Father Vavonese and
Dr. Paul Fiacco

Monday, November 4th from 7 to 8pm.

This broadcast will explore moral
dimensions of medical issues and
palliative care opportunities brought
about by advances in medical
technology.

This event will only be available for
viewing during the time of the
presentation. Register at:

endoflifelivestream.eventbrite.com

or

Call 315-472-6754 ext.3

What does “turn the other cheek” mean? My son got into a fight with a schoolyard bully. I don’t want my son to fight, yet I felt proud that he didn’t back down. What should I tell him?

The phrase “turn the other (cheek)” appears in the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:39). Here Jesus proposes a superior moral standard to the law taught by the scribes and Pharisees. It isn’t indifference to evil but avoidance of retaliation.

We avoid striking back because we are to be perfect, as God is perfect. During his trial, Jesus tells Pilate that retaliation would be easy: “If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants [would] be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews” (John 18:36). The passion account repeatedly tell of Jesus being roughed up. “They spat in his face and struck him, while some slapped him, saying, ‘Prophesy for us, Messiah: who is it that struck you?’” (Matthew 26:67–68).

Jesus refused to lash back. He absorbed abuse without raising a hand! He even admonished Peter to “put your sword back into its sheath,” after Peter had cut off a slave’s ear. Jesus added: “For all who take the sword will perish by the sword” (Matthew 26:52).

Jesus suffered taunts, scourging, blows, and—finally—death to overcome the very evil he was undergoing. His was redemptive suffering. Senseless suffering for its own sake should be avoided or stopped at all costs. Jesus isn’t advocating being a doormat for thoughtless bullies. He is, however, promoting peaceful resistance to aggression as a way of ending the spiral of violence and promoting God’s reign.



Pope Francis Speaks to FAMILIES!!

Love Forever

It’s important to ask yourself if it is possible to love each other “forever.” This is a question that must be asked: is it possible to love forever?”

Today so many people are afraid of making definitive decisions. One boy said to his bishop, “I want to become a priest, but only for ten years.” He was afraid of a definitive choice. But that is general fear that comes from our culture. To make life decisions seems impossible. Today everything changes so quickly; nothing lasts long. And this mentality leads many who are preparing for marriage to say, “We are together as long as the love lasts,” and then? All the best and see you later ..and so ends the marriage.

But what do we mean by “Love”? Is it only a feeling, a psychophysical state? Certainly, if that is it, then we cannot build on anything solid. But if, instead, love is a relationship, then it is reality that grows, and we cannot build on anything solid. But if, instead, love is a relationship, then it is a reality that grows, and we can also say by way of example that it is built up like a home. And a home is built together, not alone. To build something here means to foster and aid growth.



Father’s address:
**Immaculate Conception
Rectory
400 Salt Springs Street
Fayetteville, NY 13066**

Dear People of St. Mary’s/St. Peter’s Parish

I would be remiss if I didn’t THANK YOU ALL for my many happy years as you Pastor. I was privileged to serve you good people for twenty nine years and honored to participate in your spiritual growth. As I have left in retirement to come to Immaculate Conception Parish in Fayetteville, I am blessed to know that you have a wonderful talented and holy Priest to take my place as you Pastor. I was comforted to know that Father Sean O’Brien has served as Pastor in my home parish of St. Matthew and beloved by the people there. So I know that you as people of the parish will come to appreciate and realize that you now have a Marvelous gifted young Priest as your new Pastor. I am sure you will welcome him as you have welcomed me and the different retired Priests we have been blessed to have at the parish through my years as your Pastor. Once again, I want to express by gratitude to all of you and a promise that I will keep you, Father O’Brien and the parish staff in my prayers. Please say one for me!

Gratefully your, Father Philip Hearn

PARISH STAFF

Director of Faith Formation
Laura Mack (315-336-5066)

Organist

Office Administration
Sharon Hansen

Administrative Assistants
Sister Rosaire Anne DeMare, CSJ

Maintenance Directors
St. Peter's Mark LaGasse
St. Mary's William Link

Cemetery Superintendent
St. Peter's and St. Mary's
Joseph Fusco

PARISH ORGANIZATION and PARTICIPATION

Altar Rosary Society Mary Wahl

St. Peter's Senior Group
W. Warren Sickles, Jr
Readers and Eucharistic
Ministers Kathy Miller
Scripture Study Betty Pettinelli
Prayer Group Barbara Thomas
Funeral Preparations B. Thomas

Volunteers are needed as:
Altar Servers * Collection
helpers
Ushers * Choir * Greeters
Please call the rectory for
more information.

Pope Francis

asks us to pray for one of
his published intentions
each month. To pray with
the Pope daily
Visit: clicktopray.org

November Dialogue and reconciliation in the Near East

*That is spirit of dialogue, en-
counter, and reconciliation
emerge in the Near East,
where diverse religious com-
munities share their lives
together.*

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Meetings are held on the 2nd
Tuesday of each month

Father Sean P. O'Brien, Pastor

Kevin Barry, President
Betty Pettinelli, Vice President
Joseph Maurer, Trustee

St. Peter's
Ralph Mirabelli, Trustee

St. Mary's
Dale Rashford, Trustee

St. Peter's
Joseph Stanton, Trustee

Michael Adey
Toni Belmont
Ginny Craiglow
Sister Rosaire Anne DeMare
Edward Donohue
Doug Holdridge
Carol Kaun
Joan Lamb
Laura Mack
Marguerite Maurer
Patrick Reilly
Deacon Nicholas Rosher

Let us remember our family, friends and parishioners in our prayers

Georgie Amodio
Paula Bailey
Raymond Barbar, Jr.
Doris Barry
Joseph Beasock III
Stella Beer
Karen Bieksza
Ben Boulay
James Brooks
Lorayne Callicchia
Stephanie Callicchia
Kay Cerato
Barbara Colquhoun
Nick Conrod
John Cordson
Tom Delpico
Al Eisinger
Paul Eisinger
Robyn Engle
Bill Evans
Ron Fazio
Judith Ann Fesner
Rose Fenton
Joan Fiaschetti
Diana Fowler
Julianna Fusco
Lauri Fusco
Michael Gans
Augusta Ginsburg
Scott Ginsburg
Amanda Gold
John Green

Gail Green
Billy Jo Hillenbrandt
Joan Hinman
Joshua Hedrington
John Hedrington
David Johnston
Lena Johnston
Paula Johnston
Mary Ann Kimmel
Edwin Kindler
Gary Koster
Paul LaSalle
Teresa La Salle
Bill "Dobie" Link
Lori Losowski
Anne Lubecki
David, Liz, and Mitzi
Marcelletta
Geoff Marchione
Russell Marchione
Terry Martin
Mary McAdoo
Brian McQueen
Patricia Melioris
Angie Messineo
Tom Moonan
Ann Moster
Phil Murphy
Beverly Nasci
Tari-Lyn Orton
Robert Pabis
Debbie Pacicca
Father Mark Pasek

Barbara Pazdur
Rachel Pawlikowski
Clair Papadametrious
Jim Pekarski
Roxanne Platt
John Preski
Dorothy M. Pomilio
Patrick Quinn
James Rank
Dale Rashford
Bill Reese
Pam Riggelman
Catherine Roman
Robert Roman
Lisa Ryder
Kelly Sabia
Brian Schilling
Emmalynn Sharrow
Francis Schwartz
Alexander Simpson
Freja Emily Simpson
Kaye Skinner
Russell Smith
Spencer Robert Smith
Blanche Sweatman
Carol Tardugno
Michael Testa
Anne Toepp
Jim Vacherse
Vito Waterman
John Wright
David Williams
Ray "Dusty" Whitman

Please call the rectory for additions, deletions and corrections.



CHRIST THE KING
RETREAT AND
CONFERENCE CENTER

For all events call: 315-446-2680

A Women's Ignatian Retreat April 24th to April 26th

Presented by Dr. (Sister) Joann Heaney
Ignatian Spirituality is all about finding
God in all things and celebrating His
awesomeness!

This system of meditation and prayer
continues to be the backbone of Igna-
tian retreats, where seeker come to ex-
amine their lives, contemplate their fu-
tures, face their decisions and revitalize
their souls. Call for reservations.
Offering \$200.

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**Weekend for Separated and  
Divorced November 22-24 This**  
transforming experience will have a  
healing Mass, etc.



Call for more info and to register call  
315-735-6210

### THE THIRD OPTION **Marriage Enrichment Program** MEETS EVERY OTHER SUNDAY; AT 6:30 TO 8:30 PM

Wish you had a better marriage or  
want to enhance your marriage.  
Learn to handle problems, resolve  
conflicts and communicate better

**WOMEN AT THE WELL**  
MEETS 6:30 TO 8:00 pm  
on the last Tuesday of each month  
Looking for a place or group  
where you could share your  
thoughts and experiences about  
God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit, scrip-  
ture or your own spiritual growth?  
Facilitator Sister Mary Ellen  
Schopher, CSJ Spiritual director

**ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament**  
**AT TRANSFIGURATION Church Chapel**  
Adoration times will be from 6 am to 9 pm with  
2 adorers required for each hour. To sign up or  
for  
questions call Bernadette Kapps at 337-5439.



**PRAYER FOR OUR TROOPS**  
*Lord, hold our troops in your loving  
hands. Protect them as they protect us.  
Bless them and their families for the self-  
less act they perform for us in our time of  
need, and give us peace. Amen.*