

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 20, 2019
MASS INTENTIONS
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Daily Mass in the Chapel this week will be held on Monday through Wednesday:

Saturday, 4:00pm	Mafalda & Joseph D'Amore, req. by their family
Sunday, 9:30am	Deceased Members of the Altar Rosary Society
Monday	NO MASS , Martin Luther King day
Tuesday, 12:00pm	Vincent Leo, anniversary, req. by Peter & Jackie Aloï
Wednesday, 12:00pm	Matthew & Mary Devin, req. by Jerry & Pat Duda
Saturday, 4:00pm	Timothy P Drury, 24 th anniversary, req. by Anne Marie Drury
Sunday, 9:30am	Vincent Leo, req. by Tony & Mary Ann Caruso

Weekend Masses - Blessed Sacrament Church

Saturday - 5:00pm
Sunday - 7:30am, 9:30am, and 11:30am



This week's Sanctuary Lamp burns in loving memory of Samuel A Conti, 30th years in heaven, as requested by his daughter, Maria Conti.

WE ASK YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE SPIRITUAL COMFORT AND RESTORATION OF HEALTH FOR: MaryAnne Hines, Kim Harrington (granddaughter of John and Joanne Harrington), Sandra Betts, Desiree Landers, Nate Wagner, Madeline Duda, Ann Martin, Marilynn Bause, sister of Lauren Brooks, John Ferguson, (brother of Linda James and Sue Overton) Judy D'Amore, Tom Dettmer, brother of Sharon Dettmer Welch, and Martin Griffin. (These prayer requests will remain for one month on the list and for them to continue or to be removed, or to add a new name, please contact the rectory.)

ALTAR SERVERS WEEKEND: 01/26-01/27

4:00pm- ADULT VOLUNTEERS
9:30am- Garang, Garang, Chol Mo, Lueth Mo

LECTORS: 01/26-01/27

4:00pm – Bob James
9:30am – Lena Murphy, Sr. Joana Baidoo

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – 01/26-01/27

4:00pm– Mary Burr, Deborah Durante, Jennifer Modugno
9:30am – Peter Lual, Sue Marsello, Reda Nephew

GREETERS –01/27/19

9:30am – Patricia Ilacqua



COFFEE HOUR – January 27, 2019
Donut Pick Up: Bob James
Hosts: 9:30am: Ella Tong

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Hours are Tuesday, and Thursday, 8:30am - 12:30pm. The office will be closed on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Pastor's Notes

Dear parishioners,

The majority of our time at Tuesday's Pastoral Council meeting was spent talking about our imminent linkage with Blessed Sacrament parish due to take effect on July 1, 2019. What a linkage means is that both parishes remain open with one pastor who serves both communities. Each parish retains their financial assets.

A significant development has been that 3 retired priests have expressed a willingness to say St Vincent's weekend Masses on a rotating basis. With the agreement of our new pastor this would allow us to keep our present Mass schedule. Of course, our new pastor will be pastor of both parishes, so he will want to preside at our weekend Masses as part of the rotation. This way he gets to know and pastor parishioners of both parishes. The 3 retired priests need to be consulted as to whether they might be willing to cover weekend masses at Blessed Sacrament when our new pastor is presiding at St Vincent's. Our new pastor can decide to live either at St Vincent's or Blessed Sacrament. In addition we are hopeful that Deacon Mike will take a turn in the preaching schedule.

Anne Kolozsvary, who is secretary of the 3 linked parishes of St Matthew's/St Mary's, Minoa/and St Francis, Bridgeport is a member of our pastoral council. She was an invaluable resource at our meeting. She shared with us her experiences of the past 3 years of their linkage. One of her recommendations is to form a Leadership Team made up of the pastors, trustees, and two pastoral council members from both parishes who could begin to formulate recommendations to offer our new pastor. Dan Romeo has agreed to contact Jerry Ball from Blessed Sacrament to arrange a meeting in February of both pastoral councils and to suggest the formulation of this Leadership Team. The Leadership Team will meet on a regular basis to make recommendations. It was also suggested that there be Town Meetings for parishioners of both parishes to offer suggestions, ask questions, and raise concerns.

All in all we had a very fruitful meeting. I will keep you posted as to further developments as we move forward.

*All the best,
Fr John Rose*

At Cana, we get a good insight into Mary's parenting style. She did not plead, argue, demand or manipulate. She merely pointed out the situation and trusted her son would make the best decision.

FINANCES

01/13/19	ATTENDANCE	204
	Offertory	\$2,328.26
	Received from 79 env.	\$1,928.00
	Loose:	\$ 400.26
	Bldg. Fund:	\$ 83.00

The Christmas flower donations booklets are on the back tables for you to pick up. Thank you again for your generous donations.



Faith Formation – there will be no classes today, January 20th because of the Martin Luther King holiday. Please contact Kathyne Sparaco (315-729-0286/sparacok@gmail.com) with any questions.



Anyone from 11th grade and older who has not received the Sacrament of Confirmation and is interested in receiving it, please contact Phyllis in the Parish Office at 315-479-6689.



Remember for just \$5.00 you could be the next winner of the 50/50 raffle. The next drawing is Sunday, January 27th after the 9:30am mass. Contact Bob James at 315 471-0818 for tickets or more information.

YOUTH

Youth Committee will meet on Monday, January 14th from 6:00-7:00pm in the church hall.

MEETINGS

Legion of Mary will meet on Wednesday, January 16th, from 1:00-2:00pm in the church hall.

OTHER EVENTS

Monthly French Toast Breakfast for the first Sunday of each month is in the Blessed Sacrament School Cafeteria, 3127 James St.

You are invited to a Spaghetti Dinner at Blessed Sacrament on Saturday, January 26th to kick off Catholic School's Week from 4:00-8:00 pm! There will be Prizes and Raffles as well as a Bake Sale and Pizza Frites! Come enjoy the fun! The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring the event and will be *Matching Donations* for the dinner and Mystery Raffle! Full-size dinner is \$10, Junior \$6, and Family \$25. The proceeds will go to the Blessed Sacrament Eagles Scholarship Fund for students."

"Share the Wealth" is a raffle for Blessed Sacrament School and Church Capital Improvement and Parish Operations. Tickets are \$75.00 each and only 750 tickets will be sold! Tickets can be purchased online by going to the following two websites: <https://blessedsacramentsyracuse.ejoinme.org/2019raffle> or <https://blessedsacramentsyracuse.com> (select Give then select STW Raffle) or calling the Blessed Sacrament rectory at 315-437-3394.

Christ the King Retreat House presents a Women's Retreat, "Faith: a Gift from God" with Kathy Meus on February 8-9 (Friday at 5:00pm and Saturday at 7:00pm). The retreat begins at 6:00pm with dinner on Friday and ends with dinner on Saturday. If you can, bring a snack or beverage to share. Offering is \$105.00, (commuters are \$75.00). Call 315-446-2680 or email ctkretreat@syrдио.org.

Join the Catholic Sun on a Lenten Pilgrimage to Italy led by Bishop Cunningham, visiting the holy sites of Rome Assisi, Florence, Venice, and more. 11 days beginning March 11-21, 2019. Contact Select International Tours at 1-800-842-4842.

Christ the King Retreat House presents a Valentine's Day Fundraiser on February 14th. Social begins at 6:00pm and dinner follows at 6:30pm. There will be a Magic show following dinner. Offering is \$55.00 per person. For reservations call 315-446-2680 or email ctkretreat@syrдио.org

PEACE AND JUSTICE

Monetary donations for the Food Pantry at the Northeast Community Center are accepted at any time and may be placed in the collection basket. Food for the pantry is planned for the 3rd weekend of the month to consolidate the collection for the person who delivers it to the pantry.

Training to begin for Jail Ministry Visitor Advocates – Many inmates in the county jail have no one to visit him or her. Visitor Advocates meet one-on-one with an inmate in the Onondaga County Justice Center if the inmate requests and is approved for a visitor. Advocates meet once per week on any day or weekend at any time that is convenient. Training includes four sessions on February 11, 18, 25 and March 4th, a visit to court with Jail Ministry members to experience arraignments, a three hour civilian orientation hosted by the Justice Center Administration, Security clearance and Fingerprinting. Please contact: Keith Cieplicki, at 315-440-6407 or jailministry@gmail.com

From Paul Welch:

Below is an excerpted Palestinian Authority statement sent by Hanan Nasrallah, a Catholic Relief Services colleague in Israel/Palestine.

The Nativity Church represents the centrality of Palestine for the history of our world. From a humble grotto in Bethlehem, Jesus delivered to humanity the message of love, justice, and peace. Our people continue to carry this message with pride and honor that Palestine is the birthplace of Christianity....

We pray for the end of Israel's belligerent occupation, for the cities of Jerusalem and Bethlehem to be reunited, for the free return of our people to their holy sites, and for a free Palestine being able to fulfill its touristic and heritage potential. . . There is nothing divine about occupation and apartheid; instead, there are many blessings in freedom and justice. This Christmas we reiterate our call upon Israel and the U.S. not to turn our struggle for the end of Israel's military occupation into a religious war.

We shall never lose hope. Here I feel compelled to repeat the same words of Kairos document, a call of solidarity by Palestinian Christians to Christians around the world to stand up for the freedom of the Palestinian people: "Hope is the 'capacity to see God in the midst of trouble. It encourages us to change the reality in which we find ourselves. Hope means not giving in to evil, but rather standing up to it".