# May 16-17, 2020 | Sixth Sunday of Easter



# The Precepts of the Catholic Church

# LIVING DISCIPLESHIP PRACTICING OUR FAITH

The context of our faith as Catholic Christians is the relationship that God offers us through His Son Jesus,

and the same relationship that we enter into mediated through the One High Priest, Jesus.

From the Catechism, paragraphs 2041ff, The precepts of the Church are set in the context of a moral life bound to and nourished by liturgical life. The obligatory character of these positive laws decreed by the pastoral authorities is meant to guarantee to the faithful the very necessary minimum in the spirit of prayer and moral effort, in the growth in love of God and neighbor:

- 1. You shall attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor. To observe the Sabbath has two-fold effect: using our God-given freedom, we worship God and sanctify the world. In other words, Sunday reminds us of our task to recognize the holiness of God and sacred work that God has shared with us. From a relational perspective, we nurture your relationship with Jesus by regularly spending time with him.
- 2. You shall confess your sins at least once a year. Through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we recognize that our relationship with Jesus entails ongoing conversion and forgiveness as disciples, we seek to continue making ourselves better. From a relational perspective, we recognize our faults and move on through reconciliation.
- 3. You shall receive the sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter season. The Easter season is so important that it requires a minimum encounter with Jesus. His resurrection is a singular event that has brought defeat to sin and death. From a relational perspective, our life revolves around Jesus; we the Body celebrate the important milestones in the life of Jesus our Head.
- 4. You shall observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church. Our practice of fasting and abstinence shows our mastery over our instincts and desires, our capacity to see and value God the Giver over His gifts. From a relational perspective, we make self-sacrifices for loved ones we forego some good so that we benefit from more good.
- 5. You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church. Jesus entrusted us his mission. This is why we exist as his Church: to do his work. From a relational perspective, our love for Jesus leads to love our neighbor.

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'For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it. What profit is there for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?

What could one give in exchange for his life? Whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this faithless and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels."

- Mark 8:35-38

From the perspective of the Christian faith, in this time of pandemic and lockdown, for the Church to be considered as "non-essential" does not make any sense, especially when liquor stores are open, and sadly, abortion facilities too.

I recognize the importance of working collaboratively with secular institutions and authorities in promoting the common good, but can secular institutions and authorities really decide whether the Church is essential or not? In other words, if and when secular institutions and authorities consider the Church as essential, by what grounds do they make such claim? And if and when secular institutions and authorities consider the Church as non-essential, by what grounds do they also make such claim?

That Jesus Christ established the Church renders the Church essential enough to and for every Christian disciple. Jesus did not entrust the keys to the kingdom to anyone but to Peter alone.

The supernatural care for the soul cannot and must not ignore the care for the body, for the same God created the soul and the body. As safety measures are adapted by liquor stores, comparable safety measures can be and are adapted by churches, by reasonable disciples.

What is the purpose of this reflection? That we may have and continue to have an intentionally Christ-centered perspective and response on the coronavirus, and that we resist, at least, psychologically, the consequences of being publicly considered "non-essential." Because, at least, one person each day receives a sacrament, as is our case at Saint Patrick's, the Church is and remains essential.

- Father Edison

# **Liturgy & Sacramental Life**

#### HOLY MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday May 16

4:30pm - Call the Parish Office for your Mass intention

May 17 Sixth of Sunday Easter Sunday

8:30am - Leonor Garcia by Meg & Carlos CHiades

10:30am - Rev. Peter Iwachiw by Zuzulak Family

5pm - Suspended until further notice

Monday May 18 - St. John I

8:30am - Call the Parish Office for your Mass intention

**Tuesday** 

8:30am - Call the Parish Office for your Mass intention

Wednesday May 20 - St. Bernardine

8:30am - Call the Parish Office for your Mass intention

7pm - Vigil Mass

**Thursday** May 21 - Ascension of The Lord

12pm - Call the Parish Office for your Mass intention

**Friday** May 22 - St. Rita

8:30am - Call the Parish Office for your Mass intention

Saturday

4:30pm - Call the Parish Office for your Mass intention

Sunday May 24 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:30am - Call the Parish office for your Mass intention

10:30am - Call the Parish office for your Mass intention

5pm - Suspended until further notice

For Mass intentions, please email catherine.fafone@dor.org

# **Parish Communication** a Time of Social Distancing

It is important to stay connected during this time of social distancing and lock down isolation. Thankfully, technology allows us to continue celebrating community life. What are the ways available to us to stay connected?

Parish Face Book Page: St. Patrick's Church Victor. Because of its versatility and ease of use, this platform has the most updated information, news, upcoming events. Parishioners also have a way to send us communication through this platform.

Parish Website: stpatricksvictor.org. Get a good glimpse of our parish, visit our parish website. It is one way to have access to the digital weekly parish bulletin. The homepage contains general updates and news.

Parish YouTube Channel: St. Patrick Victor NY: Yes, we have our own YouTube Channel, and through it we are able to live stream the daily and weekend Masses, Eucharistic Adoration and the Stations of the Cross.

Parish App: Text App to 88202. Download myParish App, and select our parish after opening. We use our parish app to send reminders and notification, at least once a week.

# **Daily 3 PM Prayer Intentions**

Please include any of these intentions at your daily 3 PM prayer:

- For the safe and reasonable opening of businesses,
- For the safe and reasonable resumption of public worship,
- For those who have lost their jobs during this pandemic,
- For families who are trying to cope and make sense of these challenging times,
- For parishes who are suffering from spiritual crisis and financial loss.

Let us be known by our praying for each other.

#### Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation

Mondays-Fridays: 7:00 AM Saturdays: 3:15-4:15 PM Sundays: 7:00 AM, 9:45-10:15 AM Or call Fr. Edison at 924-7111 for a convenient time. Return to the Lord with all your heart!

# The Domestic Church Prays Series

- Prays the Rosary, every Tuesday at 4:30 PM, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, every Friday at 4:30 PM. We invite your family to join via live stream on our YouTube Channel: St. Patrick Victor NY.
- Celebrate Easter. Follow our community of faith and together, let us affirm the power of our faith in God. For simple ideas on how to continue to celebrate the 50 days of Easter, follow our parish Face Book page: St. Patrick's Church Victor.

Faithful families, Stronger parish

## Communicating with the Staff

The staff are working remotely. To receive timely response, please communicate by email. See page 6 for email addresses.

# The Church Is Open

The Church remains open for private prayer and devotion, and individual Confessions (in the Family Room).

Monday to Friday: 7 AM to 4:30 PM Saturday: 3 PM to 5:30 PM Sunday: 7 AM to 11:30 AM

# Available to You via YouTube Live Stream

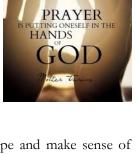
★ Daily Mass: 8:30 AM, Monday to Friday

**★** Weekend Masses:

Sat 4:30 PM, Sun 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM (Please note: Sunday 5 PM is temporarily suspended)

★ Eucharistic Adoration: onsite and online (private prayer and devotion)

> Monday: 7-8 AM Wednesday: 7-8 AM Tuesday: 3-4 PM, Friday: 7-8 PM



# We Lift Each Other in Prayer



Louise Therrien, Carol Estes, Jim & Kathy Heilmann, Bill & Marlene Goodermote, Rosa Cordaro, Frank Acquilano, Samantha Haldeman, Joseph Felice, Helen White, Jerry Martin, Ann Amico, Dick Ashlaw, Michael Keane,

Carole Annesi, Martin Neenan, Ann Spadaro, Jim McMahon, Caroline Gillen, John Becker, Randy Bishop, Christine Palmer, Bev Henehan, Stephen Melenric, John O'Brien, Karen Wicks, Linda Gensiejewski, Duane Pancoast, Randolph Kingsley

Note: This list of parishioners who are ill appears once a month in the bulletin. Please help keep this list up-to-date by informing the Parish Office at the end of the month if you want your name to be kept.

# Membership & Parish Life

because Jesus called a community

ALL PARISH EVENTS
ARE SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

# What will you remember? What will you tell them?



Child, "How old are you, Grandpa?"

Grandpa, "I'm 81, dear."

Child, "So does that mean you were alive during the Coronavirus?"

Grandpa, "Yes, I was."

Child, "Wow. That must have been horrible, Grandpa. We were learning about that at school this week. They told us about how all the schools had closed. And moms and dads couldn't go to work so didn't have as much money to do

nice things. They said that you weren't allowed to go and visit your friends and family and couldn't go out anywhere. They told us that the shops and stores ran out of lots of things so you didn't have much bread, and flour, and toilet rolls. They said that summer holidays were cancelled. And they told us about all those thousands of people that got very sick and who died. They explained how hard all the doctors and nurses and all essential workers worked, and that lots of them died, too. That must have been so horrible, grandpa!"

Grandpa, "Well, that is all correct. And I know that because I read about it when I was older. But to tell you the truth I remember it differently... I remember playing in the garden for hours with mom and dad and having picnics outside and lots of bbqs. I remember making things and fishing with my Dad and baking with my Mom. I remember making

forts and learning how to do hand stands and back flips. I remember having quality time with my family. I remember Mom's favorite words becoming 'Hey, I've got an idea...' Rather than 'Maybe later or tomorrow I'm a bit busy.' I remember making our own bread and pastry. I remember having movie night three or four times a week instead of just one. It was a horrible time for lots of people you are right. But I remember differently."

Remember how our children will remember these times. Be in control of the memories they are creating right now, so that through all the awful headlines and emotional stories for so many that they will come to read in future years, they can remember the happy times."

- Author unknown

Note: This was from a Face Book post by Taylor Greene on April 23, and she has given her permission to share this post.

# Daily Examination od Conscience During a Time of Pandemic

Based on Saint Ignatius'

- 1. Find yourself in the presence of God. Pray for clarity both of faith and memory.
- 2. In whom did you encounter God today? Be thankful to God for the encounter.
- 3. In this encounter, what went well? Make a habit of whatever you found good and helpful.
- 4. In this encounter, what could have gone better? Make a resolution to learn something new.
- 5. Ask God for the grace needed for the following day.



Dear parishioners,

Thank you for your ongoing support of our parish, particularly during this time of uncertainty. For many, the serious economic consequences of the pandemic are real and painful. Even in our

parish, we are reducing office hours and are attentive to frugal with use of utilities. With the suspension of all public Masses, we too are and will feel the financial impact of the pandemic. Still, we strive to operate and function to carry out our mission and to plan activities and events for the upcoming months and year.

Thank you to parishioners who drop off their Sunday envelopes to the safe in the Copy Room, and those who send their envelopes by mail.

Thank you to parishioners who have been donating online, and who have started donating online. Visit stpatricksvictor.org to make online donation. Or you may bring your envelope to the Parish Office.

If you have questions, please call Rich O'Donnell at (585) 415-7174.

# Ongoing Christian Formation because Jesus taught us his way of life

# Formed.org

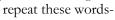
- 1. <u>It is easy and free!</u> Go to Formed.org/register.
- 2. Enter access code: 3KRJJK (capitalized).
- 3. Enter your email and password (you need these to log in later). Enjoy and share the faith.

# Featured Resource

Pass It On Pass It On is a series of presentations for parents who want to equip their children well for their life's journey. Through 15 presentations, the authors, speakers, and experts in their respective fields offer their wisdom and experience to encourage and challenge parents as they wrestle with what they should be putting into their children's backpacks. Each episode is filled with practical suggestions and helpful insights for moms and dads who want to hand on the faith to their children. These presentations are perfect for individuals to watch and listen to for daily encouragement. They are also great for couples who want to grow in clarity and unity as they embrace their parenting role together. These sessions also make an excellent springboard for group discussion and sharing, allowing parents to learn from the experiences of other parents. Each presentation can stand on its own with very little preparation. The Pass It On series can easily be used by moms or parent groups, in home or parish settings. A downloadable discussion guide for the series is available. Each presentation is about 20 minutes in length.

# **Blessing Your Family**

A simple and intimate blessing for each family member to share with each other. Using your thumb, trace the Sign of the Cross on your family member's forehead (use a little Holy Water if you have some). While tracing the Sign of the Cross,





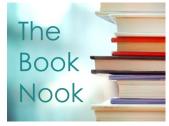
May God bless you. May he he the guardian of your Heart, Mind, & Soul. In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

This can be done anytime during the day. It is especially nice when this blessing becomes part of your family routine such as at bedtime or as fami-

ly members prepare for their day. Allow your children to bless you as well. Then, watch how the Holy Spirit begins working through your household and through you. Special note, your family members may think it is weird at first, but continue anyway. They will learn to love it and miss it when they are not blessed. This is a beautiful way to send off your child to college as well.

### **Preschool Announcement!**

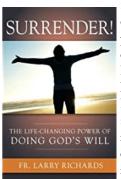
St. Patrick's Preschool is considering an afternoon 4/5 year old class. If this option is of interest to you, please contact Donna DeJoode at donna.dejoode@dor.org.



# Surrender! The Lifechanging Power of Doing God's Will

"At best, the word surrender is decidedly un-American. Remember the Alamo, Leave it all on the field, Never give up. But

Scripture and Father Larry Richards can be equally as compelling as he challenges you to go against the grain and do what



few are willing to do. Surrender outlines concrete steps you can take to dwell in peace. Simply put, God wants every one of us to be a saint which is a lot of work! It requires developing a plan for your life, in accordance with the Lord's will. Prayer is the key to this, as it opens the soul to hearing God's voice and accepting his guidance. But prayer too requires discipline and planning. Father Richards is the life coach every one of us needs on the sidelines of our daily life the tough

love coach who calls it like he sees it. Allow yourself to move out of the driver seat and surrender to the one who knows all, God."

# **Social Ministry & Outreach**

because Jesus called us to serve

#### **COVID-19 Food Relief - Rochester**



Currently, our local Victor-Farmington Food Cupboard gets the food shared with families in our area from Food Link.

Any donations of toiletries and non-perishable food items left in the collection bin by the church side door

is being donated to the COVID-19 Food Relief Group in Rochester. Donations are picked-up by volunteers and is brought to homes who express needs for such items.

We appreciate your generosity.

# **Stewardship**

because Jesus gave us gifts to share



Gift of Treasure May 9-10: \$5,429.00 (weekly budget, no EFT: \$6,886)

Do remember to send in your Easter envelopes.

We are grateful for your generosity!

# Parish Finance Updates

First, thank you for your ongoing financial support of our parish. We only have May and June prior to the end of the fiscal year.

Sunday Collection Revenue July 2019 - April 2020						
,	)	Actual		Budget		Variance
Regular Envelopes	\$	231,796	\$	229,167	\$	2,629
Loose Plate	\$	53,071	\$	75,000	\$	(21,929)
Electronic (EFT)	\$	171,313	\$	186,810	\$	(15,497)
Holy Days	\$	6,128	\$	4,500	\$	1,628
Christmas	\$	13,907	\$	16,000	\$	(2,093)
Easter	\$	2,915	\$	7,500	\$	(4,585)
Total	\$	479,130	\$	518,977	\$	(39,847)

- Pentecost Envelope. With the suspension of the public Masses, we ceased having income from the loose plate collection. Also, with regards to the EFT, some contributors are making their donations once a year from their retirement incomes. We have deficits too in our Christmas and Easter collections. To make up for these deficits, a Pentecost envelope will be sent to you. If you can, please help us reduce our deficit.
- 2019-2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA). As of May 11, 288 household have raised \$81,946 or 71.96% of our \$113,885 parish goal. If you can, please help us reduce our CMA deficit. Online donations can be made through the diocesan website dor.org.
- 2020 Building Projects. This summer, we have three projects in place: the resealing of the new parking lot, the replacement of two HVAC rooftop units (two had already been replaced), and the replacement of the roof over the Parish Library. This past December, we found out that the church boiler is leaking. Please know that parishioners may donate the Building Fund at any time of the year. Donations made to the fund will only be used for our building projects current and future projects.
- Expanding our live streaming capacities. We are working on expanding our live-streaming capacities by installing additional camera in the Parish Center for Preschool, Christian Formation, and other parish events.
- Mass Intentions. We have kept three of the four weekend
  Masses during the lockdown. Please continue to offer
  intentions at daily and weekend Masses for loved ones:
  for a special occasion, for the sick, the dead, etc. To offer
  an intention, please email Cathy through catherine.fafone@dor.org. Remember to specify date/s and
  Mass time/s that you are looking at.
- *St. Patrick's Cemetery.* We are developing a plan to have a Columbarium section at the cemetery. The proposal is ready to submit to the bishop for approval.

Inquiries pertaining to parish finances, please contact Rich O'Donnell through richard.odonnell@dor.org.

Thank you for your support of our parish.

Saint Patrick, pray for us!

# **Our Parish Ministries: Serving God and Neighbor**

Call. Ask. Discern. Serve like Jesus.

# I. Liturgy and Sacramental Life

Altar Linen	Sue Stehling / 924-3409
Altar Servers	Pat Bolger / 924-9351
Baptism Preparation Team	Judy & James Miller / 924-8158
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Lynn Foley / 259-3823
Church Cleaners	Lei Dalupang / 224-6091
Communion Ministers (EMHC)	Liz Gartland / 329-3168
First Responders at Masses	Coordinator Needed
Funeral Liturgy Team	Jackie Lafferty / 924-3898
Lectors	Coordinator Needed
Liturgy Committee	Coordinator Needed
Marriage Preparation Team	Gayle & Brian Reh / 924-4804
Music Ministry (choirs, cantors)	Carl Galland / 924-7111
Sacristans	Ena Gill / 733-6650
Ushers & Greeters	Sante DiCarlo / 742-3118
Visitation Ministry	Helen Barnes / 298-2247

#### II. Membership and Parish Life

Coffee Hour Team
Funeral Brunch Team
Knights of Columbus
Membership Team
Parish Life Committee
Women's Group

# III. Ongoing Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation Group
Bible Study
Catechists & Aides
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Confirmation Coordinator
Faith Formation Advisory Board
Parish Christ Life Team
Preschool
RCIA Team
Youth Ministry

### IV. Social Ministry and Outreach

Assisi Ministry
Community Dinner
Giving Garden
Prayer Shawl Ministry
Prison Ministry
Social Ministry Committee
Veterans' Dinner
Family Promise of Ontario County

Marcie Hamilton / 924-1528 Jean Acquilano / 645-7998 Dan & Karen Lynch / 314-5098

Mary E 742-2949/Mary S 924-7724

Helen Barnes / 298-2247 Joan Muto / 924-2501 Bob Kelly / 924-5792

Joan Trost / 924-3092

Patty Weigert / 924-7393

Kelly Mason / 924-3532

Wayne Brotsch / 924-3855

Ken Reasoner / 924-2029

Sam & Tina Condo / 678-4472

**Coordinator Needed** 

Judy Klein / 924-7022

Anne Leitner / 742-3417

Donna DeJoode / 924-2800

Carolyn Robinson/ 924-2800

Janet Zazulak / 924-7111

Sam Condo / 678-4472

Donna DeJoode / 924-2800

Donna DeJoode / 924-2800

Deacon John Payne / 924-7111

Christine & Pat Di Novo/ 924-7111

## V. Stewardship

**Buildings and Grounds Committee** Joan Oliphant / 742-3452 Cemetery Board John Butler / 924-7111 CASE Review Board Cathy Fafone / 924-7111 Finance Council Suzanne McCaffrey / 398-8219 Parish Bakers **Coordinator Needed** Parish Gardens Becky Fountain / 281-8004 Parish Magazine Father Edison / 924-7111 Parish Office Volunteers Ev DeVelder / 924-2903 Pastoral Council Bob Muto / 924-2501 Money Counters Marge Gawronski / 398-7802 Stewardship Committee Dave Keebler / 208-6923

# Let there be light...

## Form and Content

Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed the Christ to them. With one accord, the crowds paid attention to what was said by Philip when they heard it and saw the signs he was doing. For unclean spirits, crying out in a loud voice, came out of many possessed people, and many paralyzed or crippled people were cured. There was great joy in that city.

- Acts 8:5-8

In the First Reading today, we hear of the apostles ministry in Samaria and Jerusalem. Both places already had rich and strong religious traditions to the point that Samaritans and Jews were bitter rivals. Both places had been visited by Jesus, and locals would probably remember what he had said and done during his public ministry in their communities.

And now, it is the disciples' turn: they continue what Jesus had begun. The disciples proclaimed Jesus and performed signs. The good that the disciples had done brought joy to the people.

Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, who went down and prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for it had not yet fallen upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

#### - Acts 8:14-17

In Jerusalem, we hear of the people being baptized in the name of Jesus and eventually being laid hands on to receive the Holy Spirit. The practice resonates the celebration of the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. People are received into the fold through a process and this process involved a deepening of their identification and relationship with God, with Jesus and with the Holy Spirit.

Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence, keeping your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who defame your good conduct in Christ may themselves be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be the will of God, than for doing evil.

- 1 Peter 3:15-17

What personal story of your about Christ have you shared with others? How was it received? Did its reception affect your attitude towards sharing your story?

A disciple must have both some objective and personal knowledge of Jesus. Objective because Jesus is real, and he taught impressively and performed mighty deeds. And personal because Jesus connected with individuals with acknowledgement of their uniqueness. Jesus can shape our decisions, and thus can leave a Christian imprint on our lives.

# Parish Office & Preschool Information

Hours: Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM (lunch time: 12:30 PM - 1 PM) Friday: 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Parish Office Phone: (585) 924-7111 Parish Office Fax: (585) 742-3296

Faith Formation & Preschool: (585) 924-2800

# **Stay Connected**

- Parish Website: www.stpatricksvictor.org
- Parish Facebook Pages: St. Patrick's Church / Saint Patrick's Victor Youth Ministry

Parish Youtube Channel: St Patricks of Victor NY

Parish App: Text 'App' to 88202





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Confirmation Coordinator

Keep you parish staff in your daily prayers.

Whoever has my commandments and observes them

is the one who loves me.

And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."

- John 14:21

With this single verse, Jesus grounds our love for him on our observance of his commandments. Love and commandments need not be antithetical. Our observance of his commandments gives expression to our love for Jesus, and our love for Jesus is the reason for why we observe his commandments.

For us, present-day disciples, we have been left with what we need to live our lives as Christian disciples and to give witness to Iesus. Whatever we do, be it accepted by others or not, must be the fruit of our love for Jesus and his love for us. His teachings, his life, the Holy Spirit and his guidance, the development in his teachings by the apostles, and the witness of the apostles provide form and content for our discipleship. Discipleship has both the face of Jesus and of the disciple.

- Father Edison