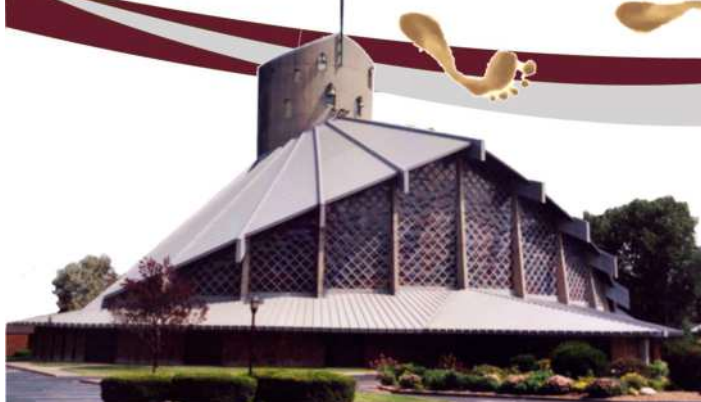


St. John the Evangelist Greece

October 12, 2025

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In the Footsteps of St John

A journey of exploration and reflection upon the treasure who is the patron of our parish church, St John the Evangelist.



Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you." - Lk 17:17-19

Let Us Give Thanks to the Lord

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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday Evening: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM

Holy Days: As announced in bulletin

Weekdays: Monday–Wednesday & Friday 8:15 AM

CONFESSIONS By Appointment.

Please contact the Parish Office 225-8980.

BAPTISMS For parishioners requesting Baptism for their child, we encourage you to please contact the Parish Office at (585) 225-8980 before the birth of your child to prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism.

MARRIAGE Arrangements for the Sacrament of Marriage must be made at least SIX MONTHS in advance. Call the Parish Office at 225-8980.

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DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday

Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/
Jon 2:3- 5, 8/
Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday

Jon 3:1-10/
Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8/
Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday

Jon 4:1-11/
Ps 86:3-6, 9-10/
Lk 11:1-4

Thursday

Mal 3:13-20b/
Ps 1:1-4, 6/
Lk 11:5-13

Friday

Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/
Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9/
Lk 11:15-26

Saturday

Jl 4:12-21/
Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/
Lk 11:27-28

Sunday

2 Kgs 5:14-17/
Ps 98:1-4/
2 Tm 2:8-13/
Lk 17:11-19

Welcome!

If you are new in the parish, we invite you to become a member of our faith community where we come together to worship the Lord and celebrate the Eucharist. We want to get to know you and recognize there are some challenges in doing so during Covid-19, however, if you can introduce yourself after Mass, we will be grateful. Please know that your prayers, your presence, and support of our beloved St. John's Church are appreciated. Please call or e-mail the Parish Office for registration assistance. You will find contact information on the front cover of the bulletin.



Twelve Rules to Live By

Remember: Anger is a condition in which the tongue works faster than the mind.

Remember: You can't change the past, but you can ruin the present by

worrying over the past and not embracing the future.

Remember: Love and you shall be loved, and give back freely what you have received from God through the kindness of other people.

Remember: God always gives His best to those who leave the choice to Him.

Remember: All people smile in the same language.

Remember: A hug is great gift. One size fits all. It can be given for any occasion and it is easy to exchange.

Remember: Everyone needs to be prayed for and loved, especially when they do not deserve it.

Remember: The real measure of a person's wealth is what one has invested in eternity.

Remember: Laughter is God's sunshine, so laugh a lot.

Remember: Everything has beauty, but not everyone sees it.

Remember: Thank God for what you have; trust God for what you need.



Remember: Happy memories never wear out. Re-live them as often as you want.

Peace and blessings to all,

Welcome to St. John's!

We extend a warm welcome this weekend to our visiting priests, Rev. Joseph DeMaio, O. Carm., celebrating our 4 PM Saturday Mass and Rev. Daniel Condon, Chancellor of the Diocese of Rochester celebrating our 8 and 10 AM Masses on Sunday morning. Together with Fr. Peter, Deacon Elmer, and Deacon Lon, we are grateful for their presence and ministry to us this weekend during Fr. Peter's travel home for a time of respite.

*Together We Bring Hope
...and Hope does not disappoint*



2025/2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal



Hopefully, you have received the Catholic Ministries Appeal mailing and have had a chance to review the materials. The theme for this year's campaign is *Together We Bring Hope...and Hope does not disappoint*. The CMA is a vehicle to help us extend Christ's mission throughout the Diocese of Rochester. It supports each of us in our faith life and enables us to live out our purpose as Catholics. Through gifts to the CMA, we support the larger Church so that it may meet real needs throughout the Diocese. Your gift to the CMA enables the Church to be responsive and caring in fulfilling its mission. Please be as generous as your means allow in your response. Every gift is needed and important! Please pray for the success of our efforts. Thank you.

A Prayer for Our CMA Campaign

O God, our loving Creator and giver of all good gifts,
bless our parishes, strengthen our faith
and grant us the spirit of Christian Stewardship
so that we may give generously
of our time, talent and treasure
to the building of Your Kingdom here in our church
and throughout the world.

We pray for your help in achieving success
in this campaign, so that we can help others
throughout our Diocese.

This we ask through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit,
now and forever. AMEN.

Masses for the Week—October 13—19

MONDAY, October 13 *Weekday*

8:15 AM + *Antoinetta Epifanio*
by Lina Mezzatesta

TUESDAY, October 14 *St Callistus I, Pope*

8:15 AM + *Alfred Crocetta*
by Daughters, Angela & Pamela

WEDNESDAY, October 15 *St Teresa of Jesus*

8:15 AM + *Maria & Santo Panella*
by Giulia

THURS, Oct 16 *Sts Hedwig & Margaret Mary Alacoque*

FRIDAY, October 17 *St Ignatius of Antioch*

8:15 AM + *Eleanor Zanni*
by Loving Husband & Family

SATURDAY, October 18 *St Luke, Evangelist*

4:00 PM + *Stanley Waffle*
by Daughter, Chris

SUNDAY, October 19 *29th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 AM + *Deceased Members*
of the DiStasio & DiChairo Families
by Nick DiStasio
10:00 AM + *Deceased Members of St John's*

Wills/Bequests/Memorials—

Please Remember St. John the Evangelist Parish

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, October 12

9:00 AM OCIA in Meeting Room

Monday, October 13 Columbus Day

Parish Office CLOSED

NO Bible Study

Wednesday, October 15

10:30 AM Bereavement Ministry in Parish Center

Thursday, October 16

4:30 PM Cursillo in Meeting Room

Saturday, October 18

Food Drive Weekend

3-3:45 PM Confessions in Church

5:00 PM Oktoberfest in the Parish Center

Sunday, October 19

Food Drive Weekend

9:00 AM OCIA in Meeting Room

After 10:00 AM Mass First Reconciliation,
First Eucharist & Confirmation Class in Parish Center

Please keep the following ordained in your prayers this week.

Oct 12	Oct 13	Oct 14	Oct 15	Oct 16	Oct 17	Oct 18
Matthew Temple	Martin Truong	Daniel Tormey	Jeffrey Tunnicliff	Gary Tyman	Michael Upson	Peter Van Lieshout

Food Drive for the Greece Food Shelf

NEXT Weekend, October 18/19



The Greece Food Shelf feeds over 300 Greece residences each month. They are asking for donations of the following items:

- Tuna, chunky style soup, cereal, canned pasta
- Salad dressing, flavored noodles, rice mixes
- Baking mixes, condiments
- Bars of soap, shampoo, deodorant, body wash
- Dish detergent
- menstrual pads and tampons.

Food will be delivered on the morning of October 20. Please, contact Pamela Tofany-Kern at 585-227-6053 or email gakern85@gmail.com if you can help with the delivery.



Parish Office CLOSED

THIS Monday, October 13
for Columbus Day



Indigenous
Peoples' Day



America Needs Fatima

Public Rosary Rally—Please join us!

Please join us at the South/East corner of Long Pond & Latta Rd. THIS Monday, October 13 at 6:00 PM.

NOTE: Please use the various parking lots in the vicinity so as not to diminish the parking availability for customers at any one business.

We hope to see you there! For any questions, please contact the Parish Office (585) 225-8980.

Bereavement Group Meeting (SJE)

THIS Wednesday, October 15 at 10:30 AM

St. John the Evangelist Parish Center

Topic: Anna Stetzel, LMSW from Lifespan will be presenting the many services Lifespan offers with at our bereavement group. All are invited!

Some of Lifespan programs include:

- Care Management
- Caregiver support for those caring for someone with memory loss, dementia, Alzheimer's
- Social work advocacy – supporting older adults living in nursing homes or who are being abused/mistreated by loved ones
- Financial services
- Information & assistance with long-term supports and services
 - Transportation
 - Medicare
- Health and wellness
- Fall prevention
- Education

These services may greatly help you in a time of need. Please come sit in, have a cup of coffee and spend a little time socializing. Peace, Deacon Lon

Don't Grieve Alone 



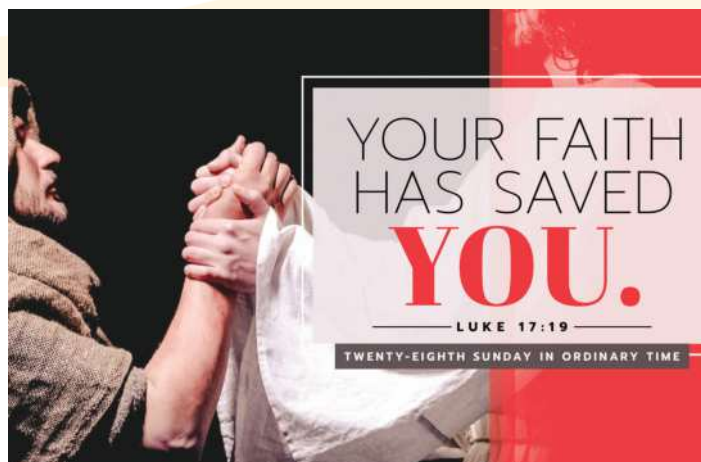
It's Time for Pie!

We continue with our annual Pie Fundraiser to benefit our Parish and support the mission of Special Touch Bakery. The holidays will soon be upon us, so **now** is the time to think

about pies. You will find information along with order forms in the narthex by the center doors and both far end doors.

Please keep in mind the **order deadline is Thursday, October 30**

Thank You for Helping to Make This Fundraiser a Great Success!



Your Faith Has Saved You

Your faith has saved you. These are the words I pray I will hear when my heart stops beating, when the last breath has left my lungs.

We hear Jesus say these words, or words like them, several times in the Gospels: to the woman bold enough to grasp for his cloak in a crowd, to the men who testify to their belief that he can restore their sight, to the leper kneeling before him in thanks.

These are some of my favorite passages in all of Scripture, because they illustrate so beautifully what salvific faith is — and what it is not.

It's so easy to think that I have done all the necessary work by simply *believing*. Yes, Christ is my Savior. Yes, the Church is his bride. Yes, this doctrine is true, that dogma is infallible, so on and so forth.

I believe!

These are the words I pray I will hear when my heart stops beating...

Well, so what? Satan believes, too. It doesn't do him any good.

The lepers had faith — so they begged Jesus to heal them.

They had faith — so they followed his instructions and went to the priests. Their faith was sufficient to motivate these actions, which led to their physical healing. But only one had faith strong enough to understand that physical healing doesn't mean anything without spiritual results. Only one had enough faith to go back to the source of his healing and say, "Thank you. Now what?"

I have enough faith to know that God can heal me. But do I have enough faith to embrace the purpose for which He heals me?

If Jesus tells you that your faith has saved you, he isn't talking about faith as merely an internally held belief. In each of these Gospel passages, he's talking about faith as a conviction that is making itself seen. Heard. Felt. He's talking about an arm that is reaching for the hem of a garment, a voice that says "I believe" or a knee that is bent in gratitude.

He's talking about faith that is so strong it becomes action. This is the faith I hope I can have. ©LPI

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we approach World Mission Sunday on October 19, 2025, I write to you with deep gratitude for your dedication to the mission of the Church to bring the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

This year's theme, "Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples," invites us to rediscover our role as bearers of hope rooted in Christ. It is especially meaningful that this World Mission Sunday will be the first under the pontificate of Pope Leo XIV, who spent most of his priestly ministry as a missionary in Peru, serving communities in the Andean highlands and rural villages, always with humility, joy, and pastoral care.

Pope Leo XIV has called The Pontifical Mission Societies "the primary means for awakening missionary responsibility among all the baptized [and for] supporting ecclesial communities in areas where the Church is young." His words encourage us to recognize our vital role in sustaining the life and growth of the Church in over 1,124 mission territories across Asia, Africa, Latin America, Oceania, and parts of Europe and the Middle East.

The collection we take up on World Mission Sunday is not just financial—it is a living sign of our communion with the universal Church. It supports the formation of seminarians, religious sisters, and catechists; the building of chapels, schools, and clinics; and the ongoing evangelization of peoples who may be hearing the Gospel for the first time by bringing the light of Christ to places marked by material poverty, persecution, or spiritual longing.

I respectfully ask you to respond generously to this invitation. Let us also unite in prayer for the success of the Church's missionary activities and for the missionaries themselves, who sacrifice much and dedicate their lives to spreading the Gospel.

Renewing my deep gratitude for your generosity on October 19th, as well as your support of the missionary activity of the Church throughout the year, I remain with an assurance of my prayers,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ *Salvatore R. Matano*
The Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano
Bishop of Rochester



Ernest Frasco Husband of Loretta Frasco
Francesca Mallia Mother of Joseph Mallia



This Week's Sanctuary Candles burn for

- ✚ Tabernacle I **James D. Parkman**
- ✚ Tabernacle II **George A. Ringholz**
- ✚ Marian I **The Unborn**
- ✚ Marian II **Spiritual Renewal within Families**

BLESSINGS OF FINANCIAL



October 4/5 Week 14	ATTENDANCE..443
BUDGETED Sunday Offering.....	\$ 9,950.00
SUNDAY Offering.....	\$ 9,389.00
ONLINE Giving.....	\$ 3,393.00
TOTAL Sunday Offering.....	\$ 12,782.00
OVERAGE for SUNDAY OFFERING.....	\$ 2,832.00
2nd Collection Boiler Fund/Capital Improvement	
SUNDAY Offering.....	\$ 1,801.00
ONLINE Giving.....	\$ 1,040.00
TOTAL Offering.....	\$ 2,841.00

Fiscal Year 2025-26 as October 5, 2025

YEARLY BUDGET	\$ 517,500.00
BUDGETED TO-DATE.....	\$ 139,300.00
ACTUAL COLLECTED.....	\$ 146,591.98
OVERAGE TO DATE.....	\$ 7,291.98

Please know of my sincere gratitude for those who are fulfilling their increased giving pledge to sustain the needs of the church. I humbly ask you to continue with your sacrificial giving and for those who may not be currently contributing, please prayerfully reflect on this and offer what you can. We are a family and we're in this together to spread the Good News for the greater glory of God! God bless,



Online Giving

You can make your weekly, monthly, annual and one-time donations from your checking or savings account, or by using a credit or debit card, electronically, from your own computer. Don't hesitate to contact the Parish Office, 225-8980 for details or assistance with Online Giving. Find the link to Online Giving on our Parish Home Page— www.stjohngreece.org.



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 Victim Assistance Coor:

Deborah A. Housel, 585-328-7177, x1555; Toll-free: 1-800-388-7177, x1555 or by e-mail to victimassistance@dor.org

Planning for Your Legacy

Monday, October 20, 2025 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish Hall 5000 Mt Read Blvd., Rochester 14612

A workshop to help you make informed choices from a Catholic perspective on:

- Funeral Planning
- Planned Giving Vehicles
- Wills & Estate Planning
- Legacy Gifts that Make an Impact

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Semi-Silent Retreat | November 14-16

(Men & Women) With Fr Michael Costik, Deacon Jon Schott and Jodie Scordo

"Fill Your Soul Days"

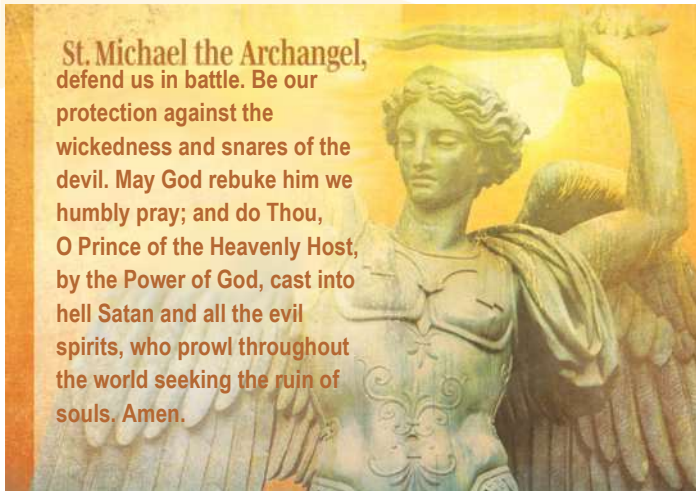
The Body & Soul's Journey through Grieving

November 18 | 9:00 AM—3:00 PM | \$35

Given by Roslyn Karaban, MDiv, PhD, and Sr. Melissa Gernon, SSJ

Register Today!

St. Michael the Archangel,
defend us in battle. Be our
protection against the
wickedness and snares of the
devil. May God rebuke him we
humbly pray; and do Thou,
O Prince of the Heavenly Host,
by the Power of God, cast into
hell Satan and all the evil
spirits, who prowl throughout
the world seeking the ruin of
souls. Amen.



**GIVE
THANKS
& PRAISE**
in Prayer



Senior Home Communion Service Ministers September/October 2025

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October 12, 2025 Steve & Mary Ann Donato
October 26, 2025 Ron LaForce

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October 26, 2025 Bob & Barb Gotham

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