

*The Presentation of the Lord  
February 2, 2020*

Joseph and Mary brought Jesus to the temple to be consecrated. Simeon, a holy and pious man, took the child in his arms, and Anna the prophetess gave thanks to God.

**MASSES**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1**

9:00AM + (St. Mary's) Dewey Gordon by Liz & Jerry Boire  
4:00PM + (St. Mary's) Rita & Richard Smith by Brent & June Dragon & Sharron & Joe Pion

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2**

8:00AM + (St. Pat's) Gary Neale by Karen & Calvin Coulombe  
10:00AM + (St. Pat's) 46<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Rosa Guay by the Guay Family

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

9:00AM+ (St. Pat's) Corinne & Gerard LaFountain by their Son

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

9:00AM + (St. Pat's) 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Clyde Lewis Sr. by his Family

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

9:00AM + (St. Pat's) Madeleine Bourdeau by her Mother & Family

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6**

5:00PM + (St. Mary's) William Wrye Sr. by Friends

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7 - First Friday**

9:00AM+ (St. Pat's) Albert Gokey by Rouses Point Nutrition Site

(St. Pat's) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
11:00AM (St. Pat's) Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

9:00AM + (St. Mary's) Clifford Ashline by Carl LaFontaine  
4:00PM + (St. Mary's) Ralph, Claire & Shirley Ann Filion by Dicky & Barb Filion

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9**

8:00AM + (St. Pat's) Edna Barcomb by Doris Neale  
10:00AM + (St. Pat's) Madeleine Bourdeau by Barbara LaBombard

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Pat Pepin, Pauline Scriver, Mary Baker, Judy Letourneau, Morris (Buster) Roberts, Diane Favreau, Jean LaBombard, Donnie Hicks.

**DECEASED:** Please pray for the repose of the souls of Madeleine Bedard Bourdeau, and Gerald Mesec. May they rest in peace.

**Please note: we normally keep the names on the sick list for a couple of months and then remove them, unless we hear otherwise. However, they may be placed on the list again by just calling the rectory.**

**Nursing Homes:** Lucien Rodier, Rose Moore, Art Tremblay, Doris Deso, Gerry Hayes.

**Please pray for all of our Military** including: Maritza St. John-Lester, Avery Trombley, Shawn LaFontaine.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE FEBRUARY 1 - 8**

In Memory of all Deceased Parishioners

**WELCOME**

If you are visiting St. Mary's, or have not been here in a while...Welcome! We are grateful you have joined us today!

**WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP**

	2020	2019
January 26	(59)	(78)
Envelopes	\$1,920	\$2,906
Make-ups		
Plate	141	67
Kids		
Total	\$2,061	\$2,973

Thanks to all who are so generous to our parish and to all who make up their envelopes when they are unable to attend mass.

**RESPECT LIFE THANKS**

We are extremely appreciative of everyone's generosity to the Respect Life Collection held last weekend. Our total collected was \$549. Thank you for your support and all you do to build a Culture of Life.

**BLESSING OF THROATS**

The Feast of St. Blaise is Monday, February 3. As it is customary to bless throats on and following the feast day, throats will be blessed on Monday, February 3 and before & after Masses next weekend (Feb. 8/9).

**VIGIL/SANCTUARY CANDLES**

The Vigil Candles burn for 6/7 days for an offering of \$10. The Sanctuary Candle burns for 7 days for an offering of \$20. This is a great way to remember someone (living or deceased) or on special occasions. Please call the rectory to request a date.

**TWENTY WEEK CLUB WINNER**

Week 5: (\$50) *Linda Favro*

**FACTS ABOUT LENT 2020**

**When does Lent start?** *Lent begins on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>.*

**When does Lent end?** *As a liturgical season Lent ends on Holy Thursday, immediately before the Mass of the Lord's Supper that evening, when the Easter Triduum begins.*

**Save the Date...Bazaar Weekend!**

Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> - Car Show on grounds

Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup> - Bazaar continues!!

More details in coming weeks/months

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**February 13 @ 6:30pm....Bazaar meeting at the rectory.**  
New people are always welcome to attend the meetings.

**SPECIAL THANKS...**to the Knights of Columbus men who took down the outside Christmas Creche' this past week. We certainly appreciate all of your help and continued support given to our parish of St. Mary's.

**WORLD DAY OF CONSECRATED LIFE**

World Day of Consecrated Life will be celebrated on Saturday, February 2. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

**BUILDING A CULTURE OF LIFE:** Moving beyond the despair and darkness of NYS's abortion expansion law NYC Catholic Conference created a two-sided, color flyer to educate on what you can do to help build a culture of life. Please see radiator covers for the flyers.

**IT IS IMPORTANT TO BELONG**

It is good for everyone to have a sense of belonging...some place to call your own. It is good to belong to a parish...to have a church to call your own. Possibly you have been coming to St. Mary's for some time and never actually joined or registered. If you do not receive mailings, it may indicate we do not have your address or that you may not be registered.

If you would like to call St. Mary's your parish, please fill in a census card located on the back table and simply place in collection basket, mail it, or bring to the Parish Office. You may also email churchofstmary@yahoo.com.

**REMINDERS DURING FLU SEASON**

+ Parishioners should not share the sign of peace if feeling ill.

+ It is recommended that parishioners receive Communion in the hand. Communion on the tongue does present hygienic problems during flu season.

+Hand sanitizers are available on the radiator covers for use by parishioners.

**BISHOP'S FUND - IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO GIVE**

68 families in our parish have made a gift or pledge to the 2019 Bishop's Fund Appeal. Our parish goal is to have 87 or more families participate. We are grateful to those that have made a sacrificial gift to this year's Bishop's Fund Appeal. Our parish has raised \$6,548 toward our parish goal of \$8,026. If you have not yet made your gift, please prayerfully consider supporting the 2019 Bishop's Fund Appeal, which is separate from the Capital Campaign, with a pledge or one-time gift.

**REMINDER FOR ENVELOPE USERS**

The 2019 end of year financial statements are available to envelope users. Please call the parish office to have your name placed on the list.

**SPRING 40 DAYS FOR LIFE ~ PLATTSBURGH: Join us in prayer in ending abortion this lent**

From February 26 through April 5, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood 66 Brinkerhoff St., Plattsburgh, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Nancy Belzile 518-593-6024  
www.40daysforlife.com/Plattsburgh

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE for...**

**February 1 @ 4:00PM**

Lector: Allisn Blain

(EM) Roxanne Downs, Kathy Tetreault

**February 8**

Lector: Molly Ryan

EM: Tom/Kim Trombley

**AREA HAPPENINGS**

...All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast Sunday, February 2, from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm at Holy Angels Church Hall, Altona. Cost - \$10.00 Adults, \$5.00 Children 6-12 Under 5 free. Takeouts Available.

...Spaghetti Dinner on Friday February 21 from 5:00 PM to 7:00PM @ THE American Legion Auxiliary Unit 912, Rouses Point. Cost: Adults \$ 10.00; 6-12 \$ 5.00; 5 and under Free!

**PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT GROUPS: Attention Men Hearing the Call.**

PLATTSBURGH AREA:

Where: St. Peter's Church Upper Room, 114 Cornelia Street  
When: The following Sundays at 3pm: Feb. 2, Feb. 16, Mar. 1, Mar. 29, Apr. 19, May 3, May 10  
Contact: Fr. Howard Venette at pastorsmoll@stmaryti.org or 518-585-7144

**LOOKING AHEAD...**

**LENTEN RETREATS 2020: "Reflect - Pray - Reconcile"**  
Retreats for Young People in grades 7 to 12.

March 7th | St. Mary's Champlain  
Noon to 4:00PM with concluding Mass at St. Mary's Church  
No fee to Attend

To Register for this event go to:  
www.rcdony.org/youthlenten/lenten-retreat.html  
or contact Virginia Demers, youth office administrator at:  
vdemers@rcdony.org - 315-393-2920 ext.1401

Each retreat will focus on 3 aspects to aid us in centering ourselves on Jesus Christ and strengthening our relationship with our loving God. Each afternoon retreat will be fun, heart and mind opening and spiritually rejuvenating.