



*Easter Sunday of the
Resurrection
of the Lord
April 12, 2020*

*Mary Magdalene and the disciples
went to the tomb and found it
empty. They did not yet understand
that Jesus would rise from the dead.*

ALL PUBLIC MASSES IN THE
DIOCESE OF OGDENSBURG
ARE SUSPENDED
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!

PRAYER REQUESTS: Arthur Robert Tremblay, Gerald Arno, Tina Marie Lapan, Pauline Sriver, Mary Baker, Judy Letourneau, Morris (Buster) Roberts, Diane Favreau, Jean LaBombard, Donnie Hicks.

We 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 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 APRIL 11 - 18

In Memory of All Deceased Parishioners

VIGIL CANDLE: (St. Ann) In Memory of Magella Bocare by the Family

WARNING!

Diocesan parishioners have reported receiving calls from individuals claiming to represent their parish asking for donations. The callers then ask to send donations to a bank account or address not affiliated with the parish. Please DO NOT FALL FOR THIS! Do not give personal or financial information to a stranger over the phone.

BISHOP LAVALLEY'S EASTER MESSAGE

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Easter 2020—one we won't soon forget! Over the past several weeks, events in our world have impacted greatly our families, our work, and our educational and recreational lives. The coronavirus pandemic has upset our religious routine. Our Lenten disciplines have been compromised—we were unable to celebrate Mass, join our fellow parishioners in parish Lenten Penance Services, Stations of the Cross, Parish Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Lenten Adult Ed. Classes and Lenten Soup Suppers. We had all the best of intentions to be faithful to our Lenten resolutions. Then came that most unwelcome intruder, the coronavirus.

Perhaps it didn't "feel like Lent" to you. But hasn't it been a real desert experience? This year, the Lenten Season has truly been a pilgrimage of faith in the desert. Pilgrims often encounter the unexpected in their travels. How we deal with the unexpected can make a difference in the fruitfulness of the journey. The desert can provide the setting for conversion and intimacy with the Lord. Has this unique Lent prepared us well for the Easter event? I'm confident that through prayer, fasting and sacrifice you and your loved ones have been well equipped for the journey through the desert as we now arrive at the Easter Event.

He is Risen! Easter is more than a one-day affair. We are invited to make the truth of Easter a way of life, each in our own way striving to bring light where there is darkness, hope where there is discouragement, and community building where there is loneliness and division. We will continue to sing a song of joy and live a life of confident courage as we follow the Risen Christ. He is Risen! The Risen Christ brings healing and lasting peace in the midst of an anxious and hurting world.

We come away with **2020** Vision this Easter because we see with the eyes of the Risen Christ all those hurting so much in our world. We are more attentive to the needs of others. We earnestly desire to bring the light of Christ into the lives of others. We resolve to grow even closer to Jesus through intimate prayer and works of mercy. We are meant for more than what this world has to offer. So, we rejoice: *Alleluia! He has Risen!*

Happy and Blessed Easter to you and your loved ones!

Faithfully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley
Bishop of Ogdensburg

PASCHAL CANDLE

Every year at Easter, the Easter (Paschal) Candle is blessed and dedicated as a symbol of the Risen Christ. The Paschal Candle is always part of the Sacrament of Baptism and every funeral Mass. This year the Paschal Candle is for the intention that the World may be healthy & well and is donated by Paul & Linda Seymour. Thank you for your generosity!

PALMS...

There are still palms left in church for anyone wishing some. Reminder: the church is open Monday through Friday from 9-3.

CRS RICE BOWLS....The Rice Bowls are now due. You may drop them off at the rectory. Thank you for your generosity!

STEWARDSHIP: envelopes received for April 5: \$1,551. Thank you for your continued support to St. Mary's during this extremely difficult time for everyone. Your thoughtfulness and generosity is so very much appreciated!

EASTER SUNDAY MASS FROM ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL LIVESTREAMED:

Saturday, April 11 - Holy Saturday 7pm
Sunday, April 12 - Easter Sunday 8am
<https://www.rcdony.org/livemass>.

EWTN: <https://video.ewtn.com> and Mass is televised at 8am, 12 noon, 7pm on EWTN.

BISHOP LAVALLEY ISSUES VIDEO MESSAGE IN TIME OF PANDEMIC

Recognizing that the faithful are separated from worship and some sacraments in an unprecedented way, Bishop Terry R. LaValley has issued a video message to the faithful which can be viewed on the diocesan YouTube channel, at <https://youtu.be/F5IXEjOe-QY>.

**20-Week Club Winners
Week #15: Kathleen Sample (\$50)**

*May the joy of the
Risen Lord be
With you and your
Families!
Have a Blessed Easter!*

APPRECIATE OFFERTORY SUPPORT

We sincerely thank our parishioners who mail, deliver, or drop off your weekly envelopes to the parish office while we are in this isolation period with the COVID-19 Pandemic. You may take advantage of the drop box located on the rectory porch. As many of you understand our parish expenses and obligations do not take an isolation, so it is very helpful to be able to rely on your continued support even while you cannot personally attend Mass here. We continue to look to our faith as we carefully navigate in the coming months. We pray together for all the victims of this disease, those assisting with the care and for a cure.

YOUTH RALLY 2020 CANCELLED

The Office of Youth Ministry cares about the health and safety of our Diocesan young people, chaperones, parents, and all individuals involved in bringing the Rally together. With regret, we have decided to cancel the 2020 Youth Rally in lieu of the current Covid-19 outbreak. That being said, we have been coordinating with all parties involved to reschedule the "Under The Big Top" themed Rally to the spring of 2021.

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