

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 11, 2020

Jesus likened God's reign to a great wedding banquet that a king gave for his son. Many were invited; some ignored the invitation. One guest was thrown out for disrespectful dress. In God's reign, "many are invited, but few are chosen."

MASSES

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

9:00AM (St. Mary's) NO MASS

4:00PM + (St. Mary's) Arnie Beal by wife, Marlene & Children

4:00PM + (St. Patrick's) 24th Anniversary of Jeannine Pelkey by Sheila & Brian Pelkey & Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

8:00AM + (St. Mary's) Roderick Willette by George & Theresa Miller

10:00AM + (St. Patrick's) Donald LaBombard by his Family

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12

9:00AM + (St. Patrick's) Ila Comeau by Evelyn & Timothy Gonyo

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

9:00AM + (St. Patrick's) Lawrence & Geneva Gadway by Russ & Pam Gadway

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

9:00AM + (St. Patrick's) Donald LaBombard by Sr. Mary Ann Gour

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15

9:00AM + (St. Mary's) Jason Bechard by Adam Bechard

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

9:00AM+ (St. Mary's) Leon Dutil by Marty & Lynn McCarthy

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

9:00AM (St. Mary's) NO MASS

4:00PM + (St. Mary's) 2nd Anniversary of Lee Dupee by Mom

4:00PM + (St. Patrick's) Evan MacDougal by his Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

8:00AM + (St. Mary's) Frank & Lillian Cote by Rita & Louis Bedard

10:00AM + (St. Patrick's) Deceased Members of the Jefferson Family by Brian & Patti

PRAYER REQUESTS: Joseph Louis Bedard, Carmie Babbie, Donnie Hicks, Gerald Arno, Pauline Scriver, Mary Baker, Morris (Buster) Roberts.

Please note: we keep the names on the sick list for a couple of months and then remove them, unless we hear otherwise.

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

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

SANCTUARY CANDLE Oct. 10 - 17

In Memory of all Deceased Parishioners

There are still votive openings left for the remainder of 2020. Call the office to reserve your date.

STEWARDSHIP October 4: (46 Envelopes): \$2,866, Plate: \$35. Weekly parish offertory gifts through the mail, personal delivery to the rectory to assist the funding of the day-to-day operations of the parishes are still very much appreciated. We truly thank you for your continued support!

PLEASE NOTE: THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, OCTOBER 12TH IN OBSERVANCE OF COLUMBUS DAY!

WELCOME....Whether you are just visiting us for a brief time, looking for a new parish home, or are interested in finding out more about St. Mary's, we are happy you're here and welcome! If you are a visitor, or recently moved into the parish and don't receive envelopes and would like them, or if you have just forgotten your envelopes at home, please take advantage of the "Welcome" envelopes on the radiator covers.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The COVID-19 global pandemic has disrupted everyday life for millions of people around the world. Children need great joy now more than ever. Therefore, St. Mary's Parish will be participating in the 2020 Operation Christmas Child. Please take a shoe box (found on the table in the back of the Church) fill it with the appropriate requested items and bring it back to the church for mailing. If you wish, you can make a donation to cover the shipping cost of \$9, but it is not necessary. **Boxes need to be returned the week of November 16th - 23rd, as there is a deadline to get these boxes out to reach millions of children around the world in time for Christmas.**

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY....OCTOBER 17 & 18

Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and part of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and thank you for your generosity in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion is now taking place during Mass and not at the end. Please use the center aisle and form a single line in the middle while maintaining 6 feet social distancing. When arriving at the front, please go to the priest or Eucharistic Minister who is on the side where you are sitting so that you can easily return to your pew.

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

As Catholics, we believe that every life is sacred, from the moment of conception until natural death. Every person is made in the image and likeness of God, and so each and every person has inherent dignity.

RELIGIOUS ED CORNER.... SURVEY ... Families should have received in the mail a questionnaire on how, when and where we can go forward with our Religious Education Program. Parents are asked to fill out the questionnaire by October 15 and return it by mail or in the collection basket. Classes will not be held in our Parish Center classrooms, but rather in St. Patrick's Parish Hall, St. Patrick's Parish Center Basement and St. Mary's Parish Center. We urge you to complete this survey so that plans can be made. If you do not receive the questionnaire, please call the Rectory (518-298-8244) or Pat Gladd (518-298-8614).

NEW STUDENTS ... If you are new to the parish or have a child who is in First Grade, please contact the Rectory or Pat Gladd for more information.

REMINDER: Please DO NOT LEAVE BULLETINS IN THE PEWS. If you take one, you bring it home! The bulletin may also be found on our website at: www.stmaryschamplain.org

Please be patient as we continue with repairs, etc. around the church and rectory grounds.

COVID Reminder

Wearing masks is essential. All those who are not taking a speaking part during the liturgy are asked to please keep their masks on as they are able. If they are unable, they must refrain from moving about, singing, or projecting their voices in other ways.

ST. MARY'S 2020 BISHOP'S FUND

GOAL	AMOUNT PLEDGED	# OF DONORS	AMOUNT REMAINING TO REACH GOAL
\$8,026	\$3,421.25	43	\$4,454.75

Please prayerfully consider supporting the 2020 Bishop's Fund Appeal with a pledge or one-time gift. Convenient four payment plans are available. You can make your gift online as well by visiting rcdony.org/giving/donate-now-bishop-s-fund.html.

COMFORT PRAYER IN TIMES OF TROUBLE

Please bring comfort to me in my time of trouble. There is no circumstance beyond your power, no person beyond your love. I ask that I would know your comforting presence. Use me, Lord, to comfort others with the comfort I have received from you. May your peace overflow in my life and bless those around me. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH: Resources to promote family peace

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Even before the added stress and isolation of COVID-19, one in four women and one in nine men experienced severe intimate partner physical violence, as reported by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Domestic abuse and violence refer to the physical, sexual, or psychological harm by a current or former partner or spouse including teen relationships.

Faith communities are called to offer hope, help, and healing to all harmed by domestic abuse and violence. We must learn to recognize domestic abuse, respond with compassion, and refer people to the proper services that are prepared to help them.

Catholics for Family Peace Education and Research on Domestic Abuse is offering ways to promote family peace, respond to domestic abuse, promote prayer for families and provide resources. To learn more, please visit www.catholicsforfamilypeace.org