



*Third Sunday of
Advent
December 13, 2020*

MASSES

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

9:00AM (St. Mary's) NO MASS
4:00PM + (St. Mary's) Marion & Rene Ancil by Cathy Boulerice & Family
4:00PM + (St. Patrick's) 9th Anniversary of Margart Aubrey by Jeff & Carmen

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13

8:00AM + (St. Mary's) Neil Sturgeon by the Lemieux Family
10:00AM + (St. Patrick's) Bill, Kay & Joe Jennings & Ducharme Family by Jackie Ducharme

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14

9:00AM + (St. Patrick's) Lyla "Dolly" Letourneau by Leah & George Letourneau

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15

9:00AM (St. Patrick's) Special Intention by Josie Maskell

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16

9:00AM + (St. Patrick's) Lucille Merchant by Jean & Sharman Birtz

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

9:00AM + (St. Mary's) Darrell Mesec by Morris & Pauline Roberts

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18

9:00AM+ (St. Mary's) 2nd Anniversary of Donald Tetreault by Suzanne & Family

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

9:00AM (St. Mary's) NO MASS
4:00PM + (St. Mary's) Janet Carey by Claude & Joan Boucher
4:00PM + (St. Patrick's) Kristin Patterson by Bernard Duffy Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20

8:00AM + (St. Mary's) Richard "DJ" Eddy by Mark
10:00AM + (St. Patrick's) 7th Anniversary of Gerald Dupree by Arsene, Rose & Rachel Letourneau & Dupree Family

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

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 December 12 - 19

In Memory of all Deceased Parishioners

VIGIL CANDLES - DECEMBER 12 - 19
(St. Joseph) Private Intention by a Parishioner

(St. Ann) Special Intention for a Favor Received
by a Parishioner

STEWARDSHIP December 6: (Envelopes): \$4,178 Plate:\$19.
Thank you to all who are so generous to our parish and to all who make up their envelopes, even though they are unable to attend mass.

**LIGHT UP FOR CHRIST....Saturday, Dec. 12 following
the 4pm mass.**

RETIREMENT FOR THE RELIGIOUS

Make a difference. "Every dollar makes a difference in covering our expenses," says a Trappist abbot. Hundreds of US religious communities struggle to provide for aging members because most senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little pay. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps these communities bridge the gap, offering support for medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please be generous.

**IN ORDER TO KEEP THE REQUIRED SOCIAL
DISTANCING , RESERVATIONS ARE
REQUIRED FOR ALL CHRISTMAS MASSES TO
ENSURE EVERYONE'S SAFETY!**

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE 518-298-8244 OR EMAIL:
CHURCHOFSTMARY@YAHOO.COM

Seating will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. Those who do not make a reservation will be asked to wait until everyone with reservations is seated and will be permitted only if there is still space available. It is never our intent to turn people away from Mass, so we ask that everyone take the time to make their reservations to ensure they have a place.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL
MASSES.**

FR. LEWIS' RECOVERY...Fr. Lewis is still recovering from his ankle surgery in Meadowbrook, Room #17. We ask that you continue to keep him in your prayers.

2020 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve

St. Mary's, 3:00pm & 5:00pm
St. Patrick's, 3:00pm & 5:00pm

Christmas Day

St. Mary's, 10:00am
St. Patrick's, 10:00am

New Year's Eve,

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God
St. Mary's, 4:00pm

New Year's Day

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God
St. Patrick's, 9:00am

CHRISTMAS DECORATING...Christmas this year looks very different for all of us due to the ongoing pandemic. With this in mind, our church will still be decorated beautiful for Christmas, but will be limited decorations. The tree will be going up next week, so if anyone is interested in helping, please call the rectory for a day and time. Next Sunday following the 8:00am Mass, we will be doing the remainder of the decorating. Please stop by the church to give us a hand.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

If you wish to share Christmas Greetings with priests of our diocese, copies of addresses are on the radiator covers.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS/FLOWERS

Your Christmas mailing includes the Christmas & New Year's Mass schedule along with the Christmas & Flower envelopes. Once again, the flower donations may be made in memory of loved ones and may be given at any time. If you did not receive the mailing, you may also submit your donation in a plain envelope. PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY!

HAVE A SAFE WEEKEND!

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The Diocese of Ogdensburg's Retirement Plan for Priests has long been supported by a percentage of parish contributions from its annual Christmas collection. This Christmas, to help parishes with financial stress due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the diocese is reducing the contribution from 75% to 50% of the Christmas collection, with the parish keeping the balance. Currently 40 retired priests, and 11 active priests age 70 and older, are expected to receive pension benefits of \$970,000 in 2020-21. Also 100% of the cost of health insurance premiums for retired priests, estimated at \$220,000 this fiscal year, is paid by the Plan. Your generous contribution not only supports current retirees but will also help provide for the retirement needs of priests who will retire in the future. Say thank you to your pastor and all priests of the diocese through a generous contribution to our Christmas Collection

SUPER BOWL FUNDRAISER

The Champlain Catholic Men's Club will be conducting their Annual Super Bowl Fundraiser. Tickets can be obtained by contacting Roy or Brenda Cardin at 518-726-0280 or 518-420-3765.

YEAR END GIVING....if you would like to include St. Mary's in your year end giving, please be reminded that it needs to be received by December 31, 2020 to be included in this tax year.

FACE MASK THROUGHOUT MASS

Due to the increasing numbers of COVID-19 infections, the Diocese of Ogdensburg ask that members of the congregation age 2 and older, wear masks or cloth face coverings during indoor Masses (except when receiving Holy Communion) to decrease the spread of airborne droplets and the subsequent risk of transmission. Wearing face coverings is a risk-reduction measure that permits as many people as possible to attend Mass in person. In particular, this helps guard against transmitting the virus to the elderly and immune compromised members of the congregation and to those who assist in their care. We appreciate your cooperation with this request.