

December 10, 2017

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WEEKLY COLLECTION

Many thanks for your continued generous support of our Parish. Many thanks to those who continue to support St. Patrick's while they are away from home. It is very helpful to be able to rely on your continued support throughout the year even when you cannot be here.

Last week \$4527 Last week \$4005 (Envelopes \$3620, Children \$12, Plate \$373)

PRAYER LIST

(These names will be listed for two months and then removed, unless we hear otherwise. If a name is removed and needs to be placed on the list again, please call the Rectory.)

Judy Rushford, Tony Mastracchio, Evelyn Gonyo, George Marnes, Lucille Monette, Diane Marks, Lionel Barcomb, Sharron Beck, Ren & Ginette Eney, Patricia Lewis, Cathy Schoonmaker, Janet Carey

Please pray for all those in our Community Intention Book and all the sick of our area.

READER/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS/ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

December 9 / 10

4:00PM Matt Boire
Pat Carey, Josie Maskell, Volunteer
Angelena Polniaszek, Volunteer
10:00AM David FitzGerald
Mary Racicot, Joan Seguin, William Wrye
Richard McGrath, Volunteer

December 16 / 17

4:00PM Brenda Jolicoeur
Brenda Jolicoeur, Carole Lefebvre, Volunteer
Olivia Kulevich, Lauren Lincourt
10:00AM Connie Boutin
Tom Bechard, Terry Bechard, Karen Coulombe
Rachel Letourneau, Emily Bauer

MASS INTENTIONS

December

Sat. 9 **(Anticipated) Second Sunday of Advent**
4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) 12th Anniversary of Melissa Lloyd Merchant by Ted Favro
5:30PM †(St. Mary's) Donald Smith by Helen & Children
Sun. 10 **Second Sunday of Advent**
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) 10th Anniversary of Marion Anctil & 23rd Anniversary of Rene Anctil by Cathy & Family
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Bernadette & Laurier Lefebvre by Rollande & Family
Mon. 11 **Advent Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Helen Lewis by Lewis/Judge Families
7:00PM (St. Patrick's) Confessions until 8:00PM
Tue. 12 **Our Lady of Guadalupe**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Fred Martin by Joseph Bailey
11:00AM Mass at Senior Housing, 16 Manor Drive, Rouses Point
Wed. 13 **St. Lucy**
9:00AM (St. Patrick's) Communion Service
Thu. 14 **St. John of the Cross**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Eleanore Gladd by Champlain Fire Department Auxiliary
7:00PM (St. Mary's) Confessions until 8:00PM
Fri. 15 **Advent Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Georgianna Castine by Donald Castine & Family
Sat. 16 **Anticipated) Third Sunday of Advent**
4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) 69th Anniversary of Joseph Favro Sr. by Ted Favro
5:30PM †(St. Mary's) Valerie LaBombard by M/M Danny Scriver
Sun. 17 **Third Sunday of Advent**
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) Morton Emery & Sylvia Cheeseman by Carol Favreau
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) 4th Anniversary of Gerald Dupree by Arsene, Rose & Rachel Letourneau & Dupree Family

SANCTUARY LAMP

Parishioners of St. Patrick's

BLESSED MARY CANDLE

Gregory Connelly
by his Family

ADVENT CANDLES

In Loving Memory of
Cyril Manor by Carol

Theresa & Ernest
Ducharme
by their Family

Notes from the Pastor's Desk

SECOND COLLECTION ... Help religious communities ... "Your generous contribution helps us to care for our retired sisters and enable our younger sisters to continue in active ministry," writes a religious sister. Your gift to today's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for thousands of senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. It also helps ensure younger members and continue the good works of their elders!

ANointing OF THE SICK ... This Sunday, December 10, at the 10:00AM Mass at St. Patrick's and the 8:00AM Mass at St. Mary's, we will be administering the Sacrament of the Sick to all who desire it. The sacrament, however, is only for those with serious ailments, either mental or physical. The very elderly are eligible. I hope that you can bring some parishioners who cannot get to Mass by themselves, shut-ins who would be good candidates for the sacrament. The sacrament is also administered to those who are going to have serious operations in the hospital. Please leave the front seats open for those who have difficulty moving about.

CONFESSIONS ... St. Patrick's on Monday, December 11 from 7:00 - 8:00PM and St. Mary's on Thursday, December 14 from 7:00 - 8:00PM.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION ... The Diocese of Ogdensburg's Retirement Plan for Priests has long been supported by parish contributions from its annual Christmas Collection. Currently 40 retired priests, and 8 active priests age 70 and older, are expected to receive pension benefits of \$892,000 in 2017-18. Also 100% of the cost of health insurance premiums for retired priests 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.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION ... Christian Formation Classes continue this Sunday from 8:45-9:45AM in St. Patrick's Parish Center for Grades 1 to 7, Sunday evening from 7:00 - 8:00PM in St. Mary's Sacristy for 8th Grade and Sunday evening at 7:00PM in St. Patrick's Rectory Meeting Room for Confirmation.

SIGN-UP SHEETS ... Reminder that there are sign-up sheets in the upstairs church lobby for 1st Grade, 2nd Grade, 8th Grade and Confirmation Students. If you do not attend Mass here at St. Patrick's, please have the pastor at the church you attend sign a bulletin from that church and bring it to your class.

Christian Formation Calendars can be found on our website (www.stpatricksrpy.org) under the Christian Formation Tab.

ANOIDING MASS ...Tuesday, December 12, 11:00AM at the Senior Housing, Manor Drive, Rouses Point.

GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS ... are available from Fr. Lewis or the presiding priest. Please request these only if you require a gluten-free diet.

CEMETERY REMINDER ... Please ensure that all flowers, etc. have been removed from their cemetery lots. Any Christmas wreaths may be placed on a stand next to the foundation or on the monument until March 31.

CEMETERY CLOSED FOR THE WINTER ... Please note that our cemetery is now closed for the season.

2017 BISHOP'S FUND APPEAL We are very close to reaching our goal. Envelopes are located in the upstairs church lobby. Online giving is also available at www.rcdony.org/bishop-s-fund-appeal.

Total to date: \$12233 (Goal to reach \$13061)

PENNY DRIVE ... As of 12/8/17, our total is \$2861. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

20-WEEK CLUB WINNER ...

Week 5 - Pete Bedard (\$50)

ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF HOURS ... The food shelf is open on Wednesdays from 9:30AM to 10:30AM.

We are looking for someone to take over the food shelf. If necessary, the hours of operation could be adjusted to accommodate whoever is running it. Please call the Rectory if this is something you would be willing to do.

SOLIDARITY IN FATH INITIATIVE ... We have twinned with the Maronite Diocese of Latakia, Syria to develop a mutually enriching relationship of sharing, solidarity and understanding. Bishop Antoine Chbeir of Latakia will visit Seton Catholic Central School, Plattsburgh on December 14, 10:00AM where he will preside at Mass and meet parishioners. All are invited to attend.

CHRISTMAS MAILING. ... Parishioners will have received their mailing. The mailing includes the schedule for Christmas and New Year's services and envelopes for Christmas and Christmas flowers. As in the past, we are accepting donations towards the Christmas flowers which will decorate our church. You may use the envelope that will come in your Christmas mailing. **If you wish to make the donation in memory of your loved ones, please clearly PRINT their names on your envelope.**

PRAYING THE ROSARY ... Please join us weekday mornings at St. Patrick's or St. Mary's at 8:30AM to say the Rosary whenever there is a 9:00AM Mass or Communion Service. All are welcome!

YOUTH BUS FOR MARCH FOR LIFE ... Annual March for Life, January 18 to 20. The Eastern bus pick-up/drop-off point is in Schroom Lake. The cost of \$150 covers transportation, hotel, breakfasts, dinner, and MFL shirt. Contact Colleen Miner at cminer@rcdony.org to register.

COLLEGE MARCH FOR LIFE ... If you are 18 to 35, consider joining the Diocese of Ogdensburg for a pilgrimage to D.C. from January 18 to 20. For more information, contact Fr. Timothy Canaan at frtim@broadstreetcatholics.org. Cost is \$185 per person.

ANGEL TREE ... Our "Angel Tree" has been set up in St. Patrick's upstairs church lobby. The gifts purchased and donated to the "Angel Tree" will help needy children in the area. After you have chosen an angel, please sign your name on the sign-up sheet next to the number which corresponds to the number on the angel so that we can keep track of all the angels. Remember that the items listed on the angel are only a wish list so please purchase what you feel comfortable giving. Gifts should be left unwrapped with the angel attached to them and brought to St. Patrick's Rectory or Sacristy as soon as you are able to. Thank you for your generosity. Please note that angels are coming in slowly, but there are more to come. **Please return your angels to St. Patrick's no later than December 12.**

18th ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY
THIS SUNDAY
1:00 to 3:00PM
St. Patrick's Parish Hall
Come and see Santa!!
ALL ARE WELCOME!!

MASSES WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 23/24 ... Please note that there will only be one Mass on Saturday, December 23 at 4:00PM at St. Patrick's. **There will not be a Mass at St. Mary's at 5:30PM.** Masses on Sunday morning, December 24, will be at 8:00AM at St. Mary's and 10:00AM at St. Patrick's.

CONFESSIONS St. Patrick's, December 11 7:00PM to 8:00PM St. Mary's, December 14, 7:00PM to 8:00PM	CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES St. Mary's, 4:00PM (Choir) St. Patrick's, 6:00PM (Mero Family Musicians) CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES St. Mary's, 8:00AM St. Patrick's, 10:00AM	NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS St. Mary's, 4:00PM NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS St. Patrick's, 9:00AM
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LET US KEEP ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL AND THEIR FAMILIES IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ... Mandy McCammon, Chad McCammon, Patrick Rosenberg, Colleen Kelly, Jarred Hayes, Ben Brassard, Craig Jackson, Justin R. Moore, Alexis Wrye, Andrew Patterson, Andrew Barcomb, Eric Pristera-Polniaszek, Craig Langley, Paul Langley, Michael Casey, Matthew Letourneau, Reece Tucker, Maritza St. John-Lester