

December 31, 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 year \$5651 Last week \$4140 (Envelopes \$3625, Children \$5, Plate \$510)
Christmas Collection \$4668
Christmas Flowers \$1579

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, Beverly Bechard, Ed Sweeny

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

READER/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS/ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

December 30 / 31

4:00PM Volunteer
Volunteers
Olivia Kulevich, Lauren Lincourt
10:00AM Arsene Letourneau
Merrie Nautel, Peg Rivers, Sandy Barcomb
Rachel Letourneau, Emily Bauer

January 6 / 7

4:00PM Matt Boire
Kirsten Boumil, Brenda Jolicoeur, Volunteer
Taylor Woods, Angelena Polniaszek
10:00AM Arsene Letourneau
Sue Duffy, Jeff Morelock, Renee Morelock
Michaela Bresnahan

MASS INTENTIONS

December

Sat. 30 (Anticipated) **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**
4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) Richard Ancil by his Family
5:30PM †(St. Mary's) Ronald & Anna Gooley by Homer & Mary Bushey
Sun. 31 **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) Jack Favreau by Class of '62
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) 7th Anniversary of Dorothy Sweeny by her Family
(Anticipated) Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
4:00PM †(St. Mary's) Elton Burky by Steve & Linda Burky & Family

January

Mon. 1 **Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Barbara Jean Bodette Sommese by Paul Corbiere
Tue. 2 **Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen**
9:00AM (St. Patrick's) Eleanor Gladd by Doris & Gary Neale
Wed. 3 **Christmas Weekday**
9:00AM (St. Patrick's) Communion Service
Thu. 4 **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Lucille Racine by Eva Woitazek
Fri. 5 **St. John Neumann - First Friday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Rene Bedard by Ron & Lori Langlois
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
11:00AM Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat. 6 (Anticipated) **The Epiphany of the Lord**
4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) 11th Anniversary of Sandra Proulx by Joseph Proulx & Family
5:30PM (St. Mary's) Kevin Castine by Donald & Family
Sun. 7 **The Epiphany of the Lord**
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) Iona & Albert Morrelli by Andy & Diane
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) 1st Anniversary of Lawrence Pelkey by Sheila & Brian Pelkey & Family

SANCTUARY LAMP

Patricia McGowan by her sister,
Mary Ballman

BLESSED MARY CANDLE

Robert & Neil Guay by Virginia

ST. JOSEPH CANDLE

Lorraine Ashline by her Family

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!

Notes from the Pastor's Desk

MANY THANKS FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS CHEER ... I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for all your gifts and kind wishes this Christmas season, not only for the personal gifts, but also the gifts to our parish throughout the year. Special thanks to Deacon Noel Hinerth; thanks to all who helped decorate our church; to the choir and musicians; the altar servers, readers and special Eucharistic Ministers; thanks to all who take care of the sanctuary; thanks to all our staff who help to make our parish run so smoothly; thanks to all who have, in any way, helped to make the Christmas season and every season so special; and a special thanks to all who help the needy.

THANK YOU ... As the Christmas season comes to an end, we would like to express our thanks to all those who helped in any way during this time. We appreciate all the donations to our food shelf, the Angel Tree, Christmas flowers, etc., but especially to those who give their time as well by helping with the Children's Christmas Party, caring for the plants, putting up and taking down decorations, etc. We are grateful to all of you now and throughout the year.

FIRST FRIDAY ... Friday, January 5 is First Friday at St. Patrick's. If you plan on taking an hour to adore the Blessed Sacrament on this Friday, please take the time to sign up on the sheet provided at the entrance near the sanctuary. We need to ensure that at least two people are present during the time of exposition. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be immediately after the 9:00AM Mass and end at 11:00AM with Benediction.

CHRISTMAS PRESENT FOR EACH FAMILY ... Last weekend, we offered copies of Matthew Kelly's book, *Perfectly Yourself* to all our parishioners. There are still copies available. Please take a copy for yourself and your family and friends. They are available in the upstairs church lobby and on the piano at the front of the church.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION ... There are no Christian Formation Classes this weekend. They will resume on Sunday, January 7 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.stpatricksrpny.org) under the Christian Formation Tab.

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

K OF C COUNCIL #2366 MEETING ... Thursday, January 4, 7:00PM at St. Patrick's Parish Center. All members are invited to attend.

ST. PATRICK'S PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING ... Monday, January 8, 6:30PM in the Rectory Meeting Room. Agenda and minutes will be sent out next week.

ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF HOURS ... Starting in January, the food shelf will be open on the first and third Wednesdays of the month from 9:30AM to 10:30AM and the second and fourth Saturdays of the month from 9:30AM to 10:30AM.

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!

CEMETERY REMINDER ... Any Christmas wreaths may be placed on a stand next to the foundation or on the monument until March 31.

2017 BISHOP'S FUND APPEAL Total to date: \$12518. Only \$543 needed to reach our goal of \$13061. Many thanks to all who have so generously donated!

PENNY DRIVE ... As of 12/29/17, our total is \$2880. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

20-WEEK CLUB WINNER ...
Week 8 - Marguerite McCabe (\$100)

ROSARY ALTAR CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON ... Members of the St. Patrick's Rosary Altar Society will meet on Monday, January 8 at 1:00PM at Angelo's Restaurant for their annual Christmas Luncheon. Please RSVP Mary Racicot 297-2403 or Mary Ballman 297-6385 by January 5 if you plan to attend.

ATTENTION ENVELOPE USERS ... We will be beginning preparation of income tax receipts for 2017. Please note that these receipts will be in the form of a letter which will show a separate total for church contributions (parish offerings) and a total for extra contributions (special collections, parish improvement, etc.) with a grand total at the bottom. **If you would like to receive a tax receipt, please indicate this on your envelope, drop a note in the collection basket or call the Rectory. Receipts will be mailed directly to each parishioner who requests one.**

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION ... Thank you for your generous gift in our Christmas collection. Like every North Country parish, we forward 75% of the collection to the diocese to fund pensions for retired priests. Pension needs for the future as well as obligations for the next year are being met thanks to your generous donation. As of 12/29/17, the St. Patrick's Christmas Collection is \$4665. Many thanks for all your generosity.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATIONS ... Many thanks to all who donated to our Christmas flowers which so beautifully decorate our church. The names of those who donated as well as those who requested special intentions are attached to this weekend's bulletin.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP ... With the onset of cold weather, check the air pressure in the tires of your vehicles. Cold air can cause tires to become underinflated, which results in greater gas consumption and a higher carbon footprint.

SIGN UP FOR THE CATHOLIC ACTION NETWORK ... The Catholic Action Network (CAN), an arm of the NY State Catholic Conference, gives us all a larger voice in the halls of government. Through our email and social media outlets, CAN reaches tens of thousands of Catholics like you to provide educational updates on the important issues being debated and to provide the tools to simplify the process of contacting your elected officials. Sign up online to receive email alerts at <http://www.nycatholic.org/> and click on the "Join the Catholic Action Network" logo on the top right corner of page.

YOUTH BUS FOR MARCH FOR LIFE ... Annual March for Life, January 18 to 20. The Eastern bus pick-up/drop-off point is in Schroon 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.

BULLETIN COVERS ... As we begin 2018, we would like to take the time to thank the businesses who advertise on the back of our bulletin cover. Your support is much appreciated. We encourage our parishioners to patronize these businesses. A special welcome is extended to our new advertisers: Bed & Breakfast - Au Bord Du Lac, Gaine's Marina and Barbara Polniaszek - Lularoe. Many thanks to The Border Press for all their work in revising, editing and preparing our bulletin covers for us each year. Please note that we will have our new bulletin cover next weekend.

2018 HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION ... As the new year begins next week, it is a good opportunity to review the Holy Days of Obligation for the coming year. Monday, January 1, is the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation as it falls on a Monday. Thursday, May 10 (Ascension of our Lord), Wednesday, August 15 (Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary), Thursday, November 1 (All Saints), Saturday, December 8 (Immaculate Conception) and Tuesday, December 25 (Christmas, Nativity of the Lord) are all Holy Days of Obligation.

ANNUAL FREE THROW CONTEST ... The Rouses Point, Champlain & Mooers Knights of Columbus will be hosting the annual Basketball Free Throw Contest on Sunday, January 14, 2018 at the NCCS Junior High Gym. It is open to all boys and girls ages 9 to 14. Doors to open at 12:30PM with contest to start shortly thereafter. The winners will immediately compete in the District Contest to determine the District winners. Those winners will then move on at later dates to Canton NY, then Syracuse, NY, and finally to West Point to determine the State winners. Brother Knights are needed to help out at the Council and District Contest.

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, Ethan Gadway

2017 CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIAL DONATIONS

The following parishioners have made donations to our Christmas Flowers and they, as well as their loved ones, will be remembered during this Christmas Season:

M/M Robert Juneau; M/M William Maskell; Dolores Rosenthal; Joseph Bailey; M/M Nelson Matott; M/M Gary Favro; M/M William Anctil; M/M Thomas Landrie; M/M Guy DeRail; Gisele Tremblay; M/M Alexander Kulevich; M/M Gabriel Bedard; M/M Thomas Bechard' Bernice Demers; M/M John Bombardier; M/M Brian Kavanaugh; Louise Perry; Robert Sterling; M/M Colin Duffy; Chris Letourneau

The following parishioners have marked their Christmas flower envelopes with specific intentions:

Ashley, Jean & Maynard Houle & Anna Duprey by M/M Steve Major
Robert & Neil Guay by Virginia Guay
Kelly Harcott, Pete LaFontaine, Ruth & Rollen Bechard & Herman & Marie LaFontaine by Roberta LaFontaine
M/M Grover Ashline, Gerald & Bette Ashline & Veronica Gonyo by Gloria Ashline
Gerry Rowe by John Rowe
Bob, Mary Ann, Richard & Tom Marra by Craig & Penny Treggett
Noah & Aline LaFontaine by M/M Francis LeBlanc
The Jefferson Family by Phyllis Jefferson
Ann & Malcolm Batchelder, Peter & Peg Barcomb, Florence & Rolle Clark & Reuben & Bertha Batchelder by
M/M Thomas Barcomb
Husband Paul Holbert by Wife Pat
Bombardier, Breyette, Fredette & Swinton Families by M/M Ronald Fredette
Deceased Members of the Birtz & Earl Merchant Families by M/M Jean Birtz
Eva Favro & Henrietta Laware by Joseph Favro
Burton & Ryan Families by M/M Ken Ryan
Laurier, Bernadette & Robert Lefebvre & Oscar & Adele Dion by Carole Lefebvre
Letourneau, Clark, Mott & Dumott Families by M/M George Letourneau
Vickie Connelly & M/M Walter Connelly Sr. by Francis Connelly
Jules Trahan, M/M Emery Trahan, M/M Anthony O'Leary & M/M Denis O'Leary & Michael by Lucille Trahan
Giuseppe Chimienti, Antonia DiTuri & Francesca Chimienti by Domenica Sugar
Letourneau, Bedard, Lampkin & St. Jean Families by MM William Letourneau
Andree LaPorte & Priscilla DesRocher by M/M Dennie LaPorte
Raull & Richard Baker Families by M/M Richard Baker
Henry LaValley, Lena LaValley, Maurice Barcomb & Mae Marnes by Janice LaValley
Woitazek & Flores Families by Eva Woitazek
Bechard, Lefebvre, Connelly & Favreau Families & Deceased Neighbors & Friends by M/M Norman Bechard
Beatrice & Richard Ramsey, Nick Roberts & Adam Poquette by Sharon Ramsey
Favro & LaDuke Families by Sue LaDuke
Gerald & Marge Bushey & Charles & Bernice Gonyo by M/M James Gonyo
Bernard & Evelyn Babbie, Rita E. Laurin & Jeannine & Dennis Babbie by M/M Robert Laurin
Joan Connelly by M/M Jim Gilman
Hubert Wells Sr. & Hubert Wells Jr. by M/M Matthew Brunet
Ralph & Theresa Gilpin & Alida & Paul Choiniere by M/M Ralph Choiniere
Fred Wright & Mary & Thomas Zelinsky by Phyllis Wright
In Loving Memory of Theresa & Ernest Ducharme & Agnes & Fernand Dupere by M/M Kenneth Dupere
Leon & Ruth Trombly & Family & Hiram & Agnes Rochester & Family by Doris Neale
Deceased Family Members of Robert & Janice St. John
Ryan, Barcomb, Burton & Trower Families by M/M Steve Barcomb
Howard & Flora Lamberton by Faith Lamberton
Clarence, Lorraine, Charles & Roy Ashline, Marcel, Harvey & Helen Matott, Grace Hamel & Richard Rushford by
Lena Matott
Deceased Legnard Family Members by George Legnard
Matthew Polniaszek & Lawrence Pristera by Barbara Polniaszek
Wilfred LaValley, M/M Joseph LaValley Sr., Marcelene & Fred Brassard & Russell Lacount by Beatrice LaValley
Deceased Members of the Cyril Manor & Clement Aubrey Families by Carol

Wife, Parents, Fr. James Delbel & Sterling & Arno Families by Loyal Sterling
Fernand & Agnes Dupere & Edward & Beatrice Quain by M/M John Quain
Linda Bahry, Dean Pelkey & Gerald J. Pelkey by Laura Pelkey
Mero & Nautel Families by M/M Allan Nautel
Richard Duffy by Bernadette Duffy
Deceased Families of Anthime Laurin & George Favro, Mike Gariepy & Beulah Laurin by Marcel Laurin
Alfred & Octavia Racine & Roy & Dorothy Smith by M/M Roy Racine
Urgel & Jeanine Laroche, Margaret Aubrey & Dumas & Aubrey Families by M/M Jeff Aubrey
Helen & Albert Anctil, Jeannine & Lawrence Pelkey, Marie Jameson & Wayne, Ron Favreau & Maryann Greene by
Elaine Favreau
Lucien, Marie-Jeanne, Pauline & Louise Dionne, Bolivia Moreno, Jean Couture, Lucille Painchaud, Marie Paule Parent &
Avelio Rodriguez by M/M Ernesto Rodriguez
Hyde & Pepin Families by Shirley Hyde
Ann & Malcolm Batchelder, Peg & Peter Barcomb, Marne Robinson, Al, Nancy & Chuck Hunter & Marcel & Janet Barbeau
by Holly Barcomb
Eva & Peter Gosselin, Delphis Gosselin & Mary & Frank Bailey by Michelle Gosselin
Marcel Bechard & Linda Pickering by Shirley Bechard
Joseph, Elizabeth, Olivia, Gerald, Walter & Helen LaValley, William & Aurore Ducharme & Lisa Seibert by
M/M Gerald Ducharme
Laurier & Bernadette Lefebvre, Phil & Grace Bedard & Robert Maskell by Rollande Maskell
Alfred & Antonine Lavoie & Albert & Jeanne Hinerth by M/M Noel Hinerth
Rene & Clement Bedard, Bechard, Bedard, Bilodeau & Dessureault Families, Simonne & Roger Dessureault & Theresa &
Walt Thornton by M/M Claude Dessureault
Rita & Leon Roberts & Sandra & Mary Proulx by Joey Proulx
Frank, Georgiana & John Carey, Walter & Greg Connelly & Mary Juneau by M/M Daniel Carey
Jules Trahan, M/M Emery Trahan & Germaine O'Leary by M/M Steven Barcomb
Montpetit & Woods Families by M/M Thomas Woods
Joyce Duffy by Ronald Duffy
Lafave, Plumadore, LaVarnway & Rascoe Families by M/M Stephen Lafave
Emma & Graice Doyle & Ronald & Dorothy Mussen by Carl Bennet
Richard & Colette Letourneau & Jerry & Gerald Dupree by M/M Arsene Letourneau
Kevin LaBombard, LaBombard & Chevalier Families & Souls in Purgatory by M/M Donald LaBombard
Robert LeBlanc & James & Annie Beauvais by Josette LeBlanc
David Benjamin, Matthew Borrie, Medric & Laura Boutin, Maurice, Ida, Alfred & Virginia Hebert by M/M Calvin Coulombe
Scott Bosley, David & Andrew, Charles Lawrence & Percy Bosley by Marlaine Bosley
Darcy Manor & Coonan & Keddy Families by M/M Donald Keddy
Bette & Harold Mero by M/M William Little
Percy Bosley, Kenneth Perry & Scott Bosley by Rita Perry
Dale Reynolds, Deceased Family & Friends & Deceased Priests & Religious by Eleanor Reynolds