

February 18, 2018

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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 \$3679 **Last week** \$3649 (Envelopes \$3640, Children \$9, Plate \$391)

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, Patricia Lewis, Cathy Schoonmaker, Beverly Bechard, Ed Sweeny, Terry Hyde, Barbara Primeau, Lionel Barcomb, Jim Rochester

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

READER/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS/ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

February 17 / 18

4:00PM Brenda Jolicoeur
Brenda Jolicoeur, Carole Lefebvre, Volunteer
Olivia Kulevich, Angela Polniaszek
10:00AM David FitzGerald
Sandy Barcomb, Karen Coulombe, William Wrye
Michaela Bresnahan

February 24 / 25

4:00PM Carole Lefebvre
Carole Lefebvre, Pat Carey, Volunteer
Richard McGrath, Lauren Lincourt
10:00AM Arsene Letourneau
Renee Morelock, Jeff Morelock, Mary Racicot
Rachel Letourneau

MASS INTENTIONS

February

Sat. 17 **(Anticipated) First Sunday of Lent**
4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) Souls in Purgatory (All Souls Envelopes)
5:30PM †(St. Mary's) Reggie Mayo by his Family
Sun. 18 **First Sunday of Lent**
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) Hubert Trombley by Ken & Veronica Dupere
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Rita Roberts by Russ & Pam Gadway
Mon. 19 **Lenten Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Danielle Pouliot by Evelyn Gonyo
Tue. 20 **Lenten Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Elvira DiNota by Jim & Martine Gonyo
followed by Stations of the Cross
Wed. 21 **Lenten Weekday**
5:30PM †(St. Patrick's) Joyce Duffy by Virginia Guay
followed by Rice Bowl Dinner in Parish Hall
Thu. 22 **The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Fr. James Delbel by Bill & Janet Carey
Fri. 23 **Lenten Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Lockwood "Lucky" Clark by Claire & Rob Clark
followed by Stations of the Cross
Sat. 24 **(Anticipated) Second Sunday of Lent**
4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) Steve Douglas by Jeff & Carmen Aubrey
5:30PM †(St. Mary's) 25th Anniversary of Andrus LaVenture by Rick & Sharon LaVenture
Sun. 25 **Second Sunday of Lent**
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) Favreau & Filion Families Living & Deceased by Bruce Favreau
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Louise & Donnie Robar by their Family

SANCTUARY LAMP

For a Mother & her Unborn Child
by a Parishioner

BLESSED MARY CANDLE

Vicki Connelly
by her Family

ST. JOSEPH CANDLE

Robert LeBlanc
by Josette

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!

Notes from the Pastor's Desk

EASTERN EUROPE COLLECTION ... This weekend, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection helps restore the Church and build the future in 20 countries, many of which still struggle to recover in the aftermath of Soviet rule. Funds from this collection help support reconstruction, education, formation, and poverty outreach. For more information, please visit www.usccb.org/ccee. Thank you for your generosity.

RICE BOWL DINNERS ... We will have two Rice Bowl Dinners in our Parish Hall during Lent - one on Wednesday, February 21 and the other on Wednesday, March 21, both following the Masses, which will be at 5:30PM instead of 9:00AM. **We are in need for a few more soups. Please call the Rectory if you are willing to make one.** Donations for the meal of soup, bread and fruit go to the Operation Rice Bowl program. We are also participating in the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl program which works on our behalf to care for the poorest in our world and to end global poverty. Rice Bowls will be available at both church entrances and will be collected at the end of Lent.

LENTEN MASSES ... Daily Lenten Masses will be at 9:00AM on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at St. Patrick's and Thursdays and Fridays at St. Mary's. Stations of the Cross will follow the Masses on Wednesdays and Fridays. The only exception will be on the two Rice Bowl Dinners on Wednesday when Mass is at 5:30PM and Monday, March 19 where the Mass will be at St. Joseph's Oratory at 9:00AM for the Feast of St. Joseph.

LENTEN RESOURCES ... If you are looking for resources throughout this Lenten Season, you can find them on our the Diocesan website (www.rcdony.org) as well as our website (www.stpatricksprny.org) which has Bishop Robert Barron's daily Lenten reflections.

USED PIANO AVAILABLE ... There is a small upright piano in our parish hall that is available to anyone who would like it to have it. Please call the Rectory if you are interested and we can arrange for it to be picked up.

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH OFFICE ... will be closed on Monday, February 19 to observe President's Day.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION ... There are no Christian Formation Classes this Sunday. They resume on Sunday, March 4 for Grades 1 to 8.

SIGN-UP SHEETS ... Reminder that there are sign-up sheets in the upstairs church lobby for Grades 1, 2 and 8 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.

FIRST PENANCE ... will be held on Saturday, March 3 at 10:00AM at St. Patrick's Church.

CONFIRMATION SPONSOR & CANDIDATE MEETING ... Sunday, March 4 at 7:00PM in St. Patrick's Parish Hall. All students and their sponsors are expected to attend.

CONFIRMATION ... will be held on Saturday, June 2 at 4:00PM at St. Patrick's Church.

FIRST COMMUNION ... will be held on Sunday, June 10 at 10:00AM at St. Patrick's Church.

SR. JESSY ... Over the past few months, Sr. Jessy has been visiting and bringing communion to the seniors at 260 Lake Street as well as the Senior Housing on Manor Drive. She has also been visiting some of our shut-ins. If you know of anyone who would like a visit or to have communion brought to them, please call the Rectory and let us know.

ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF HOURS ... The food shelf will be open on Wednesday, February 21 and Saturday, February 24, 9:30 to 10:30AM. Contact Pat Carey at 518-420-4957 for further assistance.

ROSARY ALTAR MEETING ... Monday, March 5 at 1:00PM in the Rectory Meeting Room.

ANNUAL FLU PRECAUTIONS ... 1) Do not share the sign of peace or drink from the communion cup if you have a cold. 2) It is recommended that parishioners receive Communion in the hand. 3) Parishioners and Eucharistic Ministers are to make use of hand sanitizers at both church entrances and in the Sanctuary.

2017 BISHOP'S FUND APPEAL Total to date: \$13083. We have exceeded our goal of \$13061. Many thanks to all who so generously donated!

PENNY DRIVE ... As of 2/16/18, our total is \$3009. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

20-WEEK CLUB WINNER ...

Week 15 - James & Crystal Menard (\$50)

ATTENTION ENVELOPE USERS ... If you would like to receive your 2017 End-of-Year Financial Statement, please indicate this on your envelope, drop a note in the collection basket or call the Rectory. They will be mailed directly to you. They will no longer be available for pick-up in the lobby.

"NEEDS" DRIVE FOR ALBANY/STRATTON VETERANS HOSPITAL ... American Legion Post 912 and its members are participating in a "Needs" Drive for the Albany/Stratton Veterans Hospital. Our parish will be one of the drop-off locations for the donations. You can find the donation box in the upstairs front lobby along with a list of requested items. This drive will continue until March 31.

GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS ... are available at St. Patrick's and St. Mary's Churches from Fr. Lewis. Please request these only if you require a gluten-free diet.

LAKESIDERS FISHERS CLUB ... is a discernment opportunity for men, high school juniors and up, who are open to the possibility of a vocation to the priesthood. The group meets at St. Peter's Church Upper Room, Plattsburgh, on the following Sundays at 3:00PM for discussion, evening prayer and dinner: 2/18, 3/4, 3/25, 4/8, 4/22 and 5/6. Contact Fr. Howard Venette, pastor.stbarts@roadrunner.com or 315-369-3554.

CAMP GUGGENHEIM REGISTRATION ... Registration for the 2018 season is now open! Weeks 1-5 are open to ages 12-15, and Week 6 is open to 16-18 year-olds. Come for an unforgettable week of friendship, faith, and fun! Register at www.rcdony.org/camp. Parish Subsidy Forms are available on the lobby bulletin board for active church families.

MARRIAGE: God Calls, We Respond ... The Department of Family Life in conjunction with the Offices of Vocations and Evangelization, will present an all-day Life and Family Conference and workshop entitled Marriage: God Calls, We Respond on Saturday, April 14, 2018 at Trinity Catholic School in Massena. Our keynote speakers will be Dr. Gregory and Lisa Popcak. On-line registration is available at www.rcdony.org/marriage.

SPAGHETTI DINNER ... Saturday, February 17, 5:00 - 7:00PM, American Legion, Pratt Street, Rouses Point, Adults \$8, Under 12 \$5, Under 5 Free.

CASH BINGO ... Rouses Point Friends of the Stage are sponsoring a cash bingo at the Alburgh Fire Station, Sunday, March 18, 1:00PM with doors opening at 11:00AM. Full Concession Stand, Pull Tabs, Special Drawings. Any questions, call Steve Merchant at 518-297-2954.

YOUTH RALLY ... Saturday, April 28, Canton. It is open to Grades 6-12. For those registered by March 15, cost is \$25 and includes lunch and guaranteed T-shirt. For those registered after March 15, cost is \$30 and includes lunch and T-shirt while supplies last. The day includes: Keynote Speaker Bob Perron, interactive park, prayer, workshops and a closing Mass celebrated by Bishop LaValley, Youth leaders can register their groups at www.rcdony.org/youthrally/rally.

ST. PATRICK'S FESTIVAL ... Our St. Patrick's Festival will be held on April 7 and 8, 2018. The Rosary Altar Society would like to have a Craft Table as well as their White Elephant Table. Please consider making items such as: dried flower arrangements/wreaths, crocheted towels, knitted items, handmade jewelry, scarves, ornaments, etc. Any handmade items and crafts would be greatly appreciated! We will be looking for items for the White Elephant Table which would include new and used items in good condition as well as jewelry. Items may be dropped off in the Parish Hall. We will also have the Bake Sale/Fudge Table. Lastly, we will have our Turkey Dinner on Sunday. **We have also begun soliciting for our big raffle ticket. Any monetary donations or other donations would be great appreciated.**

LENTEN REGULATIONS 2018

1. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting (for ages 18 to 59).
2. **All Fridays of Lent, including Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, are days of abstinence from meat** (for ages 14 and older).
3. The entire season of Lent should be observed in a spirit of prayer and penance, such as extra time in prayer, attending daily Mass, voluntary sacrifices and self denial, works of charity and service to others.
4. All Catholics who have reached the age of reason must confess their **serious sins** in the Sacrament of Penance **and** receive Holy Communion at least once a year during the Easter Season (February 18, the First Sunday of Lent, until Trinity Sunday, May 27).
5. Although other seasons are more suitable, the celebration of marriage and the Nuptial Mass are not forbidden during Lent, according to the New Code of Canon Law.

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, 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