

February 25, 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 \$3238 **Last week** \$2768 (Envelopes \$2363, Children \$1, Plate \$404)
Eastern Europe \$736

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
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 24 / 25

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

March 3 / 4

4:00PM Matt Boire
Brenda Jolicoeur, Pat Racine, Kirsten Boumil
Taylor Woods, Angela Polniaszek
10:00AM Connie Boutin
Melissa Bresnahan, Peg Rivers, Sue Duffy
Michaela Bresnahan

MASS INTENTIONS

February

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
Mon. 26 **Lenten Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Anne Walsh by Liz Capito
Tue. 27 **Lenten Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Edward Legnard by Jackie O'Brian
Wed. 28 **Lenten Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) 3rd Anniversary of Edwin Sterling by Bob Sterling
followed by Stations of the Cross

March

Thu. 1 **Lenten Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Anita Reynolds by Florence Cardin
Fri. 2 **Lenten Weekday - First Friday**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Fr. James Delbel by Bill & Janet Carey
followed by Stations of the Cross
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
11:00AM Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat. 3 **(Anticipated) Third Sunday of Lent**
4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) 7th Anniversary of Phyllis Gokey by her Family
5:30PM †(St. Mary's) Jim & Connie Wells by Pat & Gene Gladd & Family
Sun. 4 **Third Sunday of Lent**
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) Gloria Castine Hart by Sandy Menard & Family
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Agnes Beauharnois by Dot & Peggy DeGrandpre

SANCTUARY LAMP

62nd Wedding Anniversary
Blessings for
George & Dolly Letourneau

BLESSED MARY CANDLE

In Thanksgiving for Favor Received

ST. JOSEPH CANDLE

Special Intention by a Parishioner

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

NORTH COUNTRY CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN ... begins this weekend in our parish. During the upcoming year, the North Country Catholic will be a critical source of information and evangelization as we continue to explore the pastoral vision which Bishop LaValley has announced for our diocese. In a message about the NCC, the bishop said, "I depend on our Catholic newspaper to serve as a critical means of communication as we move forward together with a mutually shared vision for the future of the church in our beloved diocese."

Bishop LaValley has asked that the diocesan newspaper be welcomed in every Catholic home in the diocese. For more than seven decades, the North Country Catholic has provided a Catholic perspective on the news of the day, kept us informed of all the important activities in our far flung diocese and provided spiritual enrichment through a wide variety of writers for all ages.

This week there are additional copies of the North Country Catholic in the back of the church. If you don't already subscribe, please consider picking up a copy and reading it closely. The price for a year's subscription is \$27 for Catholics who live in the Diocese of Ogdensburg. You may also want to consider becoming a patron of the NCC for \$35, \$50, \$100 or \$250 which allows the newspaper to maintain an affordable subscription rate for all. I hope that everyone in our parish will welcome the paper into their homes.

RICE BOWL DINNERS ... We will have one more Rice Bowl Dinner in our Parish Hall on Wednesday, March 21, following the 5:30PM Mass. **If you are interested in making a soup, please call the Rectory.**

FIRST FRIDAY ... Please note that First Friday, March 2, will be held at St. Mary's in Champlain. Mass will be at 9:00AM, followed by Stations of the Cross. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will start after the Stations and end at 11:00AM with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. As always, it is important to ensure that at least two people are present during the time of exposition.

PARISH TRUSTEES ... Many thanks to Tom Bechard who has served as a Parish Trustee for the past eight years. We are grateful for his service to St. Patrick's. We are pleased to welcome Jim Gonyo as his replacement. We thank him and our other trustee, Pat Racine, for their support of our parish.

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.

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.

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.stpatricksrpny.org) which has Bishop Robert Barron's daily Lenten reflections.

"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. Please request these only if you require a gluten-free diet.

ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF HOURS ... The food shelf will be open on Wednesday, March 7 and 21 and Saturday, March 17 and 31, 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 or are feeling ill. 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.

PENNY DRIVE ... As of 2/23/18, our total is \$3013. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

20-WEEK CLUB WINNER ...
Week 16 - Scott Rabideau (\$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.

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: 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 Scholarship Forms are available on the lobby bulletin board for active church families.

ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST ... Sunday, March 11, 8:00AM to Noon, Holy Angels Parish Hall, Altona, NY. Menu: Pancakes, French Toast, Sausage, Bacon, Hash Browns, Scrambled Eggs, Ham & Egg Cups, Yogurt w/Fresh Fruit, Pastries, Juice, Milk, Hot Chocolate, Coffee & Tea. Adults \$8, Children 6-12 \$5, Under 5 Free.

LENTEN SOUP NIGHT ... Wednesday, March 14, 5:30PM, Knights of Columbus Hall, Champlain. All parishioners are invited to attend a simple meal of soup, bread and dessert followed by a presentation about the new Parish Center to be built at St. Mary's. Please call the Rectory (518-298-8244) or sign-up on the sign-up sheet on the radiator cover at the back of St. Mary's Church to ensure that there is enough food available.

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.

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.

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. **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

