

December 2, 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 \$3065 **Last week** \$3041 (Envelopes \$2717, Children \$5, Plate \$319)

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, Terry Hyde, Debelain Jefferson, Frank Dumas, Richard LaBombard, Amy Patrie, Emma Savage, Venita McChesney, Brenda Jolicoeur, Brian Willette, Cathy Schoonmaker, Cassidy Spinner, Celia Lefebvre, James Boire, Art & MaryAnn Tremblay, Mike McManus, Craig Willette, Jackie Ducharme, Gary Burton, Joan LaCount, Ted Favro

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Steve Burky and Lena Matott. Also please pray for all those in our Community Intention Book and all the sick of our area.

READER/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS/ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

December 1 / 2

4:00PM Matt Boire
Lori Kulevich, Mary Ann Hebert, Pat Racine, Volunteer
Richard McGrath
10:00AM David FitzGerald
Merrie Nautel, Mary Racicot, Melissa Bresnahan, Sandy Barcomb
Rachel Letourneau

December 8 / 9

4:00PM Pat Racine
Pat Racine, Carole Lefebvre, Sue Lefebvre, Volunteer
Lauren Lincourt
10:00AM Connie Boutin
Renee Morelock, Jeff Morelock, Joan Seguin, William Wrye
Michaela Bresnahan, Camillo Rodriguez

MASS INTENTIONS

December

Sat. 1 **(Anticipated) First Sunday of Advent**
4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) 7th Anniversary of Margaret Aubrey by Jeff & Carmen
5:30PM †(St. Mary's) Gloria Castine Hart & Danny Castine by Bill & Theresa Castine
Sun. 2 **First Sunday of Advent**
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) Jake Ashline by Jenny Ashline
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Evan MacDougal by Ken & Veronica Dupere
Mon. 3 **St. Francis Xavier**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) 11th Anniversary of Virgil Brunell by Gary Brunell
Tue. 4 **Advent Weekday**
9:00AM (St. Patrick's) No Mass
11:00AM †(St. Joseph's) Funeral Mass for Lena Matott
Wed. 5 **Advent Weekday**
9:00AM (St. Patrick's) Communion Service
Thur. 6 **Advent Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Bill Carey Sr. by Rita & Louis Bedard
Fri. 7 **St. Ambrose - First Friday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Bruce Anctil by Royce & Donna Clark
(St. Patrick's) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
11:00AM (St. Patrick's) Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
(Anticipated) Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7:00PM †(St. Mary's) Maurice Racine Sr. by his Family
Sat. 8 **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Bruce Seguin by Bob & Gloria Trombly
(Anticipated) Second Sunday of Advent
4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) 13th Anniversary of Melissa Lloyd Merchant by Ted Favro
5:30PM †(St. Mary's) Michael LaPorte by his Children
Sun. 9 **Second Sunday of Advent**
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) Rene & Marion Anctil by Cathy & Family
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Joan Connelly by her Daughter

SANCTUARY LAMP

Parishioners of St. Patrick's

ADVENT CANDLE

Ryan & Burton Families
by Joyce & Ken Ryan

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

ATTENTION LECTORS:
2019 Workbook for Lectors is available for pick-up in the sacristy.

Notes from the Pastor's Desk

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ... Saturday, December 8 is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and is a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be a 7:00PM Anticipated Mass on Friday, December 7 at St. Mary's and a 9:00AM Mass on Saturday, December 8 at St. Patrick's.

BULLETIN ADVERTISER NEEDED ... We need your help! We are looking for an advertiser for our 2019 Bulletin Cover. If you or anyone you know is interested in taking this ad, the cost is \$120 for the year. The bulletin is available at St. Patrick's and St. Mary's Churches and is offered to over 500 families each week, 52 weeks a year. Please call the Rectory as soon as possible to let us know.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND ... Next weekend we take up the special collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. A donor writes, "Your flyer touched my heart—seeing the retired religious, such memories surfaced." Do you remember the sisters, brothers, or religious order priests who made a positive difference in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Please give generously.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK ... On Sunday, December 9, 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.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION ... There are Christian Formation Classes this weekend for Grades 1 to 8 and Confirmation.

SIGN-UP SHEETS ... Reminder that there are sign-up sheets for Mass attendance 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 priest at the church you attend sign a bulletin from that church and bring it to your class.

FIRST PENANCE PARENTS' MEETING ... Tuesday, December 4, 7:00PM in the Rectory Meeting Room.

MASS SCHEDULE ... Please check your bulletin for the daily Mass schedule. This week there will be Masses on Monday, Tuesday and Friday and a Communion Service on Wednesday at St. Patrick's and a Mass on Thursday at St. Mary's.

20th ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY ... will be held on next Sunday, December 9, 1:00 - 3:00PM in St. Patrick's Parish Hall. We are still collecting hats, mittens and fleece blankets to be given to the children who attend the party. They can be dropped off at the Rectory or in the Sacristy. Many thanks for your support of this annual event. If you have any questions, please call Sharon at 518-297-6208.

ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF HOURS ... The food shelf will be open on Wednesday, December 5 and 19 and Saturday, December 22, 9:30 to 10:30AM. Contact Eleanor Reynolds at 518-298-3111 for further assistance. Many thanks for your continued support.

MANY THANKS ... to Penny and Craig Treggett and Steve Barcomb for once again setting up our outside Christmas Manger. They have been doing this for many years and we are very grateful for their help.

ADVENT WREATH CANDLES ... Our Advent Wreath will be lighted on this Sunday, December 2. There are still a few candles available. If you would like to reserve a candle for your special intention, please call the Rectory. The cost is \$5 per candle per week. The candle is lit during Mass times of that week.

CANCELLATION OF MASSES ... Please note that if the NCCS School District cancels classes and has a snow day, we will not have Mass either. This will help to let you ahead of time if Mass has been cancelled.

CEMETERY CLOSED FOR THE WINTER ... Please note that on December 1, our cemetery will be closed for the season.

ANGEL TREE ... Our "Angel Tree" has been set up in our upstairs church lobby. The gifts purchased and donated to the "Angel Tree" will help needy children in the area. 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 by **December 7**.

20-WEEK CLUB WINNER ...

Week 4 - Gail Carey (\$50)

PENNY DRIVE ... As of 11/30/18, our total is \$3461. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

CHRISTMAS MAILING. ... Parishioners will be receiving their Christmas mailing soon. 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.

ATTENTION ALL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ... As you may have noticed, especially at the 4:00PM Mass, we are sometimes in need of Eucharistic Ministers. We are asking that the Eucharistic Ministers from St. Patrick's (who are not scheduled), as well as St. Mary's, please make themselves available. It is much appreciated.

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!

MILITARY PERSONNEL ... Please check our military personnel listing in our bulletin and let us know if there needs to be any changes, deletions or additions to this list. Remember to keep all these men and women and their families in our thoughts and prayers.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY HOLIDAY TRAIN 2018... Last Tuesday, we were fortunate to have the CP Holiday Train stop in our village and entertain us with a wonderful show. St. Patrick's Food Shelf was the beneficiary of around 500 pounds of food, \$20 in cash and a check for \$4000. We are very grateful to all who brought food and cash donations to the Holiday Train and to CP Rail for their continuous generosity.

FREE CHRISTMAS DINNER ... for all Town of Champlain Senior Citizens (65+) (includes Champlain, Coopersville, Perry Mills, Rouses Point), Sunday, December 2, 4:00PM, Champlain K of C Hall. Reservations required. RSVP to Gloria Tetreault (298-8789) or Laura Trahan (298-8244) ASAP.

NEIL WRIGHT CHRISTMAS SHOW ... Sunday, December 2, 3:30-5:00PM, First Presbyterian Church, 52 Washington Street, Rouses Point, Community event with free will offering taken.

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING ... has been rescheduled to Monday, December 3, 6:30PM in the Rectory Meeting Room. Please check your e-mails next week for agenda and minutes.

ROUSES POINT K OF C MEETING ... Regular Business Meeting, Thursday, December 6, 7:00PM in the Parish Center.

ROUSES POINT ANNUAL PARADE OF TOYS ... Friday, December 7, starting at 6:45PM in Rouse Park.

MARINE TOYS FOR TOTS ROAD TRAIN ... Sunday, December 9, 4:30PM at the Rouses Point Recreation Center on Lake Street.

ADVENT CONFESSIONS ... Monday, December 10, 7:00PM at St. Patrick's and Thursday, December 13, 7:00PM at St. Mary's.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN
It's Our Church ... It's Our Future

Here are the latest updates to our Capital Campaign. Our parish continues to make progress as we work towards reaching our goal. We also hope to reach our goal of 100% participation. There is still time to make your pledge. Please consider doing so. Pledge cards are still available in your pews. A special thanks to all families that have already made their commitment. We appreciate your support!

St. Patrick's Campaign Goal	Amount Pledged to Date	# of Donors
\$216,043.00	\$91,078.00	63

LET US KEEP ALL MILITARY PERSONNEL AND THEIR FAMILIES IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ... Mandy McCammon, Chad McCammon, Patrick Rosenberg, Colleen Kelly, Ben Brassard, Justin R. Moore, Alexis Wrye, Andrew Patterson, Eric Pristera-Polniaszek, Craig Langley, Paul Langley, Michael Casey, Matthew Letourneau, Reece Tucker, Maritza St. John-Lester, Ethan Gadway