

December 30, 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 \$4140 Last week \$3410 (Envelopes \$2928, Children \$13, Plate \$469)
Christmas Collection \$3472
Christmas Flowers \$1292

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, Sandy Barcomb Barbara Guay, Andy Guay, Kat Letourneau

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Donald Tetreault. 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 29 / 30
4:00PM Volunteer
Lori Kulevich, Mary Ann Hebert, Volunteers
Richard McGrath
10:00AM Tom Bechard
Merrie Nautel, Mary Racicot, Melissa Bresnahan, Connie Boutin
Rachel Letourneau

January 5 / 6
4:00PM Matt Boire
Lori Kulevich, Sue Lefebvre, Volunteers
Lauren Lincourt
10:00AM Douglas DiSabito
Renee Morelock, Jeff Morelock, Joan Seguin, William Wrye
Michaela Bresnahan, Camillo Rodriguez

MASS INTENTIONS

December
Sat. 29 (Anticipated) The Holy Family of Jesus, Joseph & Mary
4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) Evan MacDougal by Donald & Barbara LaBombard
5:30PM †(St. Mary's) Steve Burky by Pat Gladd
Sun. 30 The Holy Family of Jesus, Joseph & Mary
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) Jim Manor by Allisn & Sam Blain
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Aline Terry by Janice & Bob St. John
Mon. 31 (Anticipated) Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
9:00AM (St. Patrick's) No Mass
4:00PM †(St. Mary's) William "Bill" Carey by Norman & Kathleen Bechard
January
Tue. 1 Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Dick Anctil by his Family
Wed. 2 Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen
9:00AM (St. Patrick's) Communion Service
Thur. 3 Christmas Weekday
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Elsie Mayo by Veronica & Bob LaCount
Fri. 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton - First Friday
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) 11th Anniversary of Virgil Brunell by Gary Brunell
(St. Patrick's) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
(St. Patrick's) Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
11:00AM (Anticipated) The Epiphany of the Lord
Sat. 5 4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) 12th Anniversary of Sandra Proulx by Joseph Proulx & Family
5:30PM †(St. Mary's) Deceased Members of the Baker & LaBombard Family by Robert, Mary & Darlene Baker
Sun. 6 The Epiphany of the Lord
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) Richard Eddy Sr. by Mark
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) 2nd Anniversary of Lawrence Pelkey by Sheila & Brian Pelkey & Family

SANCTUARY LAMP

In Loving Memory of
Aline Terry by
Janice & Bob St. John

ST. JOSEPH CANDLE

Noel Favro by his Family

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

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 4 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.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION ... Christian Formation Classes resume Sunday, January 6 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.

ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF HOURS ... The food shelf will be open on Wednesday, January 2 and 16 and Saturday, January 26, 9:30 to 10:30AM. Contact Eleanor Reynolds at 518-298-3111 for further assistance. Many thanks to all who continue to support our food shelf.

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.

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.

K OF C COUNCIL #2366 MEETING ... Thursday, January 3, 7:00PM at St. Patrick's Parish Center. All members are invited to attend.

ST. PATRICK'S PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING ... Monday, January 14, 6:30PM in the Rectory Meeting Room. Agenda and minutes will be sent out the week before.

CEMETERY CLOSED FOR THE WINTER ... Please note our cemeteries will be closed for the season. Any Christmas wreaths may be placed on a stand next to the foundation or on the monument until March 31.

PENNY DRIVE ... As of 12/28/18, our total is \$3516. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

20-WEEK CLUB WINNER ... Week 8 - Arsene Letourneau (\$50)

ROSARY ALTAR CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON ... Members of the St. Patrick's Rosary Altar Society will meet on **Monday, January 7 at 11:30AM at Angelo's Restaurant** for their annual Christmas Luncheon. Please RSVP Mary Racicot 297-2403 by January 4 if you plan to attend.

ATTENTION ENVELOPE USERS ... We will be beginning preparation of income tax receipts for 2018. 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 can be picked up or 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 12/28/18, the St. Patrick's Christmas Collection is \$3472. 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.

BOAR'S HEAD FEAST AND FESTIVAL ... Feast, Saturday, January 5, 5:00PM; Festival, Sunday, January 6, 2:00PM and 6:00PM. Festivities will take place at Holy Angels Hall & Church, Altona, NY. Feast Only \$25, Festival Only \$20, Both Feast & Festival \$40.

CHICKEN & BISCUIT DINNER ... Saturday, January 12, 5:00 to 7:00PM, American Legion Post 912, 29 Pratt Street, Rouses Point. Adults \$8, Under 12 \$5, Under 5 Free.

BULLETIN COVERS ... As we begin 2019, 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: Ristorante Casa Capitano, Champlain Peterbilt Fuel Mart, Copper Rooster, Blue Line Insurance and Mountain Lake Monument. 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.

2019 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. Tuesday, January 1 (Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God), Thursday, May 30 (Ascension of our Lord), Thursday, August 15 (Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary), Friday, November 1 (All Saints), Sunday, December 8 (Immaculate Conception) and Wednesday, December 25 (Christmas, Nativity of the Lord) are all Holy Days of Obligation.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN ... It's Our Church ... It's Our Future ... Positive momentum continues to grow for the **It's Our Church, It's Our Future** Capital Campaign. As of December 28, St. Patrick's has raised \$117,128 from 77 donors. When we subtract the amount designated for our Bishop's Fund Appeal Goal and the 25% designated to the Diocesan Projects (or our indirect needs – Camp Guggenheim, Priest Retirement, Education of Seminarians, St Mary's Cathedral extensive work), so far, the income coming back to St. Patrick's, if all pledges are honored, is \$78,050 for our case statement of needs.

If we look at the number of donors who have contributed versus donors from our Parish who are still prayerfully considering (77 donors from 545 families), our Parish is at a 14% participation rate. It is my hope that everyone will participate so that our very much needed parish projects will be able to get done. So if you have yet to make a donation or pledge we are really counting on all parishioners to make this happen. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

St. Patrick's Campaign Goal	Amount Pledged to Date	# of Donors
\$216,043.00	\$117,128.00	77

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, Maritiza St. John-Lester, Ethan Gadway

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!!