

February 24, 2019

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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 \$2768 Last week \$3349 (Envelopes \$2954, Children \$4, 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, Terry Hyde, Frank Dumas, Emma Savage, Venita McChesney, Brenda Jolicoeur, Brian Willette, Cathy Schoonmaker, Cassidy Spinner, Celia Lefebvre, James Boire, Art & MaryAnn Tremblay, Mike McManus, Craig Willette, Gary Burton, Joan LaCount, Sandy Barcomb, Barbara Guay, Andy Guay, Linda Duprey, Gabriel Bedard, Maurice Lefebvre, Joan Burton, Yvette Gebo, Richard "Dick" LaBombard, JoJo LaBombard

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

READER/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS/ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

February 23 / 24

4:00PM Pat Racine
Mary Ann Hebert, Pat Racine, Volunteers
Richard McGrath
10:00AM David FitzGerald
Merrie Nautel, Joan Seguin, Sandy Barcomb, Volunteer
Rachel Letourneau

March 2 / 3

4:00PM Matt Boire
Lori Kulevich, Sue Lefebvre, Volunteers
Lauren Lincourt
10:00AM Tom Bechard
Renee Morelock, Jeff Morelock, Joan Seguin, William Wrye
Michaela Bresnahan, Camilo Rodriguez

MASS INTENTIONS

February
Sat. 23 (Anticipated) Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) Marcel Laurin by M/M Gerard Ducharme
5:30PM †(St. Mary's) For Deceased Family & Friends by Bruce Favreau
Sun. 24 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) Fr. James Delbel by Henry Gooley Family
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Mass of Thanksgiving by Brandon's Family
Mon. 24 Weekday
9:00AM (St. Patrick's) Communion Service
Tue. 25 Weekday
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Earl & Ruth Legnard by their Family
Wed. 26 Weekday
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Bonnie Ashley Rossi by Pauline Brindisi
Thur. 27 Weekday
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Joseph Leo Bedard by Louis & Rita Bedard
March
Fri. 1 Weekday - First Friday
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Francis Laurin by Gerard & Genevieve Ducharme
(St. Patrick's) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
11:00AM (St. Patrick's) Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat. 2 (Anticipated) Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00PM †(St. Patrick's) 8th Anniversary of Phyllis Gokey by her Family
5:30PM †(St. Mary's) 10th Anniversary of John Disch Sr. by daughter, Karen Peets
Sun. 3 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00AM †(St. Mary's) Jim Manor by Allisn & Sam Blain
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Edwin Sterling by Bob & Family

SANCTUARY LAMP

Special Intention by Beverly Duprey

BLESSED MARY CANDLE

Vicki Connelly by her Family

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

Notes from the Pastor's Desk

ST. PATRICK'S FESTIVAL ... Our St. Patrick's Festival will be held on April 6 and 7, 2019. As it is never too early to start planning, the Rosary Altar Society would like to have a Craft Table as well as their White Elephant Table. We are asking our parishioners to 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. We will also have the Bake Sale/Fudge Table, so keep that in mind. Lastly, we will have our Turkey Dinner on Sunday, so mark your calendars! Any other donations as well as monetary donations to help defray the cost of expenses would be greatly appreciated.

PALMS ... We have placed baskets at both church entrances to collect your old palms. Please drop them off at your convenience.

FIRST FRIDAY ... Friday, March 1 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 ... There are no Christian Formation Classes this Sunday 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.

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE

FIRST RECONCILIATION ... Saturday, March 2, 2019, 10:00AM at St. Patrick's Church.

CONFIRMATION ... Saturday, May 4, 2019, 4:00PM at St. Mary's Church, Champlain.

Note: The 4:00PM Anticipated Mass will be at St. Mary's not at St. Patrick's for that day only. There will not be a 5:30PM Mass at either parish.

FIRST COMMUNION ... Sunday, June 9, 2019, 10:00AM, St. Patrick's Church.

ADDITIONAL DATES TO NOTE ...

Ash Wednesday - March 6 (St. Patrick's 9:00AM & 7:00PM and St. Mary's 5:00PM)

1st Rice Bowl Dinner - Wednesday, March 20, St. Patrick's after 5:30PM Mass

2nd Rice Bowl Dinner - Wednesday, April 10, St. Patrick's after 5:30PM Mass

Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 20, St. Patrick's 8:00PM

Easter Sunday - April 21 (St. Mary's 8:00AM and St. Patrick's 10:00AM)

ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF HOURS ... The food shelf will be open on Wednesday, March 6 and 20 and Saturday, March 23, 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 by dropping off food donations as well as monetary donations.

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.

ROSARY ALTAR MEETING ... Monday, March 4 at 1:00PM in the Rectory Meeting Room.

ST. PATRICK'S PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING ... Monday, March 4, 6:30PM in the Rectory Meeting Room. Please check your e-mail for Agenda and Minutes.

PENNY DRIVE ... As of 2/22/19, our total is \$3657. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

20-WEEK CLUB WINNER ...

Week 16 - Fr. Clyde Lewis (\$50)

NEWS FROM ST. MARY'S CHURCH, CHAMPLAIN ... Bishop LaValley has given permission to move forward with the construction of their new Parish Center. It will include a large room for events, a small kitchen, a cafeteria-like bar for accessing food, two new restrooms, and a new sacristy. In addition, the parking lot will also be redone. Groundbreaking for this new Parish Center is scheduled for Saturday, May 4 at 11:00AM with Bishop LaValley presiding. On that day, the 4:00PM Mass will be at St. Mary's with Bishop administering the Sacrament of Confirmation. **There will be no 4:00PM Mass at St. Patrick's or 5:30PM Mass at St. Mary's.** Please note that during this construction, there will be no funerals at St. Mary's except on Saturdays.

ATTENTION ENVELOPE USERS ... Parishioners wishing to receive a tax receipt may indicate this on their envelope, drop a note in the collection basket or call the Rectory. Receipts can be picked up at the Rectory, e-mailed or mailed directly to each parishioner who requests one.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS ... We are looking to train new Altar Servers, new Lectors, and new Eucharistic Ministers. If you are interested in volunteering, please call the Rectory at 518-297-7361. Training will be provided.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Prayer Volunteers Needed ... Beginning Ash Wednesday to Palm Sunday, March 6 through April 14, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the vigil site in front of Planned Parenthood, 66 Brinkerhoff Street and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information - and especially if you'd like to volunteer to pray at the vigil site, please contact: Nancy Belzile, 518-593-6024, nancys_56@hotmail.com or www.40daysforlife.com/plattsburgh. Fr. Mickey Demo will lead a kick-off blessing March 6 at 10:00am at the vigil site.

WHERE IS THAT IN THE NEW ABORTION LAW? ... Many have questions about the new Reproductive Health Act that is now NYS law. This new resource is available from the NYS Catholic Conference via the Archdiocese of New York and can be found on the table in the church lobby. We must continue to educate about this law and offer alternatives to abortion. It is also posted on the Diocese of Ogdensburg Respect Life webpage.

ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST ... Sunday, March 3, 8:00AM to Noon, Holy Angels Parish Hall, Altona, NY. Menu: Pancakes, French Toast, Sausage, Bacon, Ham, Home Fries, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage & Biscuits, Fruit, Danishes, Juice, Milk, Coffee. Adults \$9.50, Children 6-12 \$5, Under 5 Free. Takeouts available.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN ... It's Our Church ... It's Our Future ... There is still time to turn in your pledge or one-time gift if you have not already done so. Envelopes are available in the pews or at the church entrances. As of February 22, St. Patrick's has raised \$120,638 from 82 donors. When we subtract the amount designated for our Bishop's Fund Appeal Goal and the 25% designated to the Diocesan Projects, so far, the income coming back to St. Patrick's, if all pledges are honored, is \$80,683 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 (82 donors from 545 families), our Parish is at about a 15% participation rate. It is our hope that everyone will consider participating. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

As a reminder, the Development Office will send out pledge reminder statements with return envelopes and will process recurring credit card pledge payments on the 15th of each month or the next business day if necessary.

St. Patrick's Campaign Goal	Amount Pledged to Date	# of Donors
\$216,043.00	\$120,638.00	82

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

