

December 1, 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 \$3041 **Last week** \$2867 (Envelopes \$2529, Children \$2, Plate \$336)
Human Development \$768

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, Cathy Schoonmaker, Cassidy Spinner, Gary Burton, Judith Letourneau, Rose Moore, John Fosher, Carol Manor, Julie Lafountain, Angelena Polniaszek, Catherine LaPier, Jean LaBombard, Dustin Maher, Diane Favreau, Bonnie Filion, Agnes Howard

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Victor Bechard and Richard Bechard. Also please pray for all those in our Community Intention Book and all the sick of our area.

READER/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS/ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

November 30 / December 1

8:00AM Carole Lefebvre
Lori Kulevich, Carole Lefebvre, Joan Seguin
Volunteer
10:00AM Tom Bechard
Jeff Morelock, Renee Morelock, Sandy Barcomb
Rachel Letourneau, Lauren Lincourt

December 7 / 8

8:00AM Mary Ann Hebert
Pat Carey, Mary Racicot, Mary Ann Hebert
Volunteer
10:00AM Connie Boutin
Melissa Bresnahan, Peg Rivers, Connie Boutin
Michaela Bresnahan, Camilo Rodriguez

MASS INTENTIONS

November
Sat. 30 **St. Andrew**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Wake & Funeral Mass for Victor Bechard
(Anticipated) First Sunday of Advent
4:00PM †(St. Mary's) Larry Boulерice by Cathy Boulерice
December
Sun. 1 **First Sunday of Advent**
8:00AM †(St. Patrick's) 10th Anniversary of Albert & Iona Morrelli by Andy & Diane Morrelli
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Rev. Jean-Jacques Dionne by Louise Dionne Family
Mon. 2 **Advent Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Alex Davis by Lewis/Judge Families
Tue. 3 **Advent Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Gabriel Bedard by Gerard & Jane Arno
Wed. 4 **Advent Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Edna Barcomb by George & Peggy Rivers
Thur. 5 **Advent Weekday**
5:00PM †(St. Mary's) Roderick Willette by George & Theresa Miller
Fri. 6 **Advent Weekday - First Friday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) 13th 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
Sat. 7 **St. Ambrose**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Clara Gooley by Marilyn Parsons
(Anticipated) Second Sunday of Advent
4:00PM †(St. Mary's) Eleanor Gaudette by Jim & Sue Chenevert
Sun. 8 **Second Sunday of Advent**
8:00AM †(St. Patrick's) 8th Anniversary of Margaret Aubrey by Jeff & Carmen
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Eva Favro by Ted Favro

SANCTUARY LAMP

George Burton by Joyce & Ken Ryan

BLESSED MARY CANDLE

Sandy Aubrey by
Aunt Carol & Family

ADVENT CANDLE

Ryan & Burton Families
by Joyce & Ken Ryan

GLUTEN-FREE HOSTS

are available from Fr. Lewis, Fr. Duc, Deacon Noel or the presiding priest. Please request these only if you require a gluten-free diet.

Notes from the Pastor's Desk

FIRST FRIDAY ... Friday, December 6 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.

ANointing of the Sick ... On Saturday, December 7, at the 4:00PM Mass at St. Mary's and Sunday, December 8 at the 10:00AM Mass at St. Patrick'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.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND ... Help care for elders. "Thanks to support from the Retirement Fund for Religious, we are now in a much better position to care for our elders," writes a religious sister. Your donation helps her religious community and hundreds of others provide for aging members and plan for long-term needs. Please give to next weekend's Retirement Fund for Religious Collection.

CONFESSIONS ... will be held on Monday, December 9, 7:00PM, St. Patrick's and on Thursday, December 12, 7:00PM at St. Mary's.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION ... There are no classes this Sunday for Grades 1 to 8 or Confirmation. Classes resume next Sunday, December 8 for Grades 1 to 8.

SIGN-UP SHEETS ... Reminder that there are sign-up sheets for Mass attendance in the upstairs church lobby and St. Mary's lobby for 1st, 2nd and 8th Grades. If you do not attend Masses at St. Patrick's or St. Mary's, please have the pastor at the church you attend sign a bulletin from that church and bring it to your class.

CHRISTMAS MAILING ... Parishioners should have or 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 READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ... As you may have noticed, especially at the 8:00AM Mass, we have a limited roster of Readers and Eucharistic Ministers (as many people are away for the winter). Please be ready to help out as necessary. It is much appreciated.

21st ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY ... will be held on Sunday, December 8, 1:00 - 3:00PM in St. Patrick's Parish Hall. We are still collecting handmade or store-bought hats and mittens 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. If you have any questions, please call Sharon at 518-297-6208. Many thanks!

LEGION OF MARY MEETING ... Wednesday, December 4, following the 9:00AM Mass at St. Patrick's. All are welcome!

ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF ... is open every Wednesday from 9:30 to 10:30AM. Contact Eleanor Reynolds at 5618-298-3111 for further assistance.

2020 WORKBOOKS FOR LECTORS ... are available for pick-up in the Sacristy. The book begins with the First Sunday of Advent, December 1.

ANGEL TREE ... There are a few more Angels available for our "Angel Tree" in our upstairs lobby. The gifts donated to the "Angel Tree" help needy children in the area. After you have chosen an angel, sign your name on the sign-up sheet next to the number which corresponds to the number on the angel so that we can keep track of all the angels. 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 as soon as you are able to.

ROUSES POINT K OF C MEETING ... Regular Business Meeting, Thursday, December 5, 7:00PM in the Parish Center.

PENNY DRIVE ... As of 11/29/19, our total is \$3926. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

20-WEEK CLUB WINNER ...
Week 4 - Donna Gero (\$50)

ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE ... Many thanks to all who came to our Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service. \$366 was collected and will be divided between the Mooers Wesleyan Food Shelf, Champlain JCEO and St. Patrick's Food Shelf. Also many thanks for the food donations which were brought.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY HOLIDAY TRAIN 2019... Last Wednesday, 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 the food donations and also a check which will be used to help those in need in our community throughout the coming year. We are very grateful to all who brought food to the Holiday Train and the CP Railway for their continued generosity.

CANCELLATION OF MASSES ... As the cold weather is now upon us, 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 know ahead of time if Mass has been cancelled.

PRAYING THE ROSARY ... Please join us on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday mornings at St. Patrick's at 8:30AM to say the Rosary whenever there is a 9:00AM Mass. Also please join us at St. Mary's on Thursday and Fridays at 4:30PM whenever there is a 5:00PM Mass. All are welcome!

CEMETERY REMINDER ... Please note that our cemeteries are now closed for the season. Christmas wreaths are still permitted.

ROUSES POINT MEAL TRANSPORTER NEEDED ... Delivering approximately 20 meals to homebound seniors, Monday-Friday, 9:45 - 11:45 AM (not on holidays). \$11.10 per hour plus \$.50 per mile. Average daily route is 8 miles. Must use own vehicle and be able to lift 45 lbs. Call Tammy Kemp at 518-561-8320.

CRAFT FAIR ... Sunday, December 1, 10:00AM - 3:00PM, American Legion Post 912, Pratt Street, Rouses Point. Proceeds will benefit the Honor Flight.

MARINE TOYS FOR TOTS ROAD TRAIN ... Sunday, December 1, 10:30-11:05AM, Northeastern Clinton Central School, 103 Route 276, Champlain.

FREE CHRISTMAS DINNER ... for all Town of Champlain Senior Citizens (65+) (includes Champlain, Coopersville, Perry Mills, Rouses Point), Sunday, December 8, 1:00PM, Champlain K of C Hall. Reservations required. RSVP to Gloria Tetreault (518-298-8789) or Laura Trahan (518-298-8244) ASAP.

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

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY ... Saturday, December 7, 12:00 - 3:00PM at the Rouses Point Fire Department. Fire Truck Rides, Crafts, Games, Music, Cookies, Hot Chocolate and Visit with Santa!

8TH ANNUAL NORTH COUNTRY CHRISTMAS CRAFT SHOW... Saturday, December 14, 9:00AM - 3:00PM, St. Alexander's Church, Morrisonville. Local Vendors, Bake Shop, Basket Raffle & More!

2019 BISHOP'S FUND APPEAL ... 76 families in our parish have made a gift or pledge to the 2019 Bishop's Fund Appeal. Our parish goal is to have 141 or more families participate. We are grateful to those that have made a sacrificial gift to this year's Bishop's Fund Appeal. Our parish has raised **\$8210** toward our parish goal of **\$13061**. If you have not yet made your gift, please prayerfully consider supporting the 2019 Bishop's Fund Appeal, which is separate from the Capital Campaign, with a pledge or one-time gift. A pledge allows us to support the Appeal in four convenient payments throughout the year.

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, Maritza St. John-Lester, Ethan Gadway

REMINDER ... CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1:00-3:00PM IN THE PARISH HALL