

December 8, 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 \$4965 **Last week** \$2468 (Envelopes \$2184, Children \$2, Plate \$282)
Thanksgiving \$180

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 Foshier, Carol Manor, Julie Lafountain, Angelena Polniaszek, Catherine LaPier, Jean LaBombard, Dustin Maher, Diane Favreau, Bonnie Filion, Agnes Howard, Ed Sweeny

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

READER/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS/ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

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

December 14 / 15

8:00AM Mary Ann Hebert
Lori Kulevich, Merrie Nautel, Sue Duffy
Volunteer
10:00AM David FitzGerald
Karen Coulombe, Sue Lefebvre, William Wrye
Rachel Letourneau, Lauren Lincourt

MASS INTENTIONS

December

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
Mon. 9 **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Robert & Neil Guay by Virginia
7:00PM **(St. Patrick's) Confessions**
Tue. 10 **Advent Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Jim Boire by Jim & Jane Forkey
Wed. 11 **Advent Weekday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Kenneth Place by Dale Place
Thur. 12 **Our Lady of Guadalupe**
5:00PM †(St. Mary's) Orville Bing Gload by Woody & Joyce Mayo
7:00PM **(St. Mary's) Confessions**
Fri. 13 **St. Lucy**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Loretta McCarthy by George & Theresa Miller
Sat. 14 **St. John of the Cross**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Roderick Willette by Larry & Audrey Douglas
(Anticipated) Third Sunday of Advent
4:00PM †(St. Mary's) Rene & Marion Anctil by Cathy & Family
Sun. 15 **Third Sunday of Advent**
8:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Harold & Bette Mero by Merrie & Buffy
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Deceased Members of the Clarence & Mabel LaBombard Family by Robert, Mary & Darlene Baker

SANCTUARY LAMP

Special Intention by Virginia Guay

BLESSED MARY CANDLE

Gregory Connelly by his Family

ADVENT CANDLES

Cyril Manor by Carol & Family

Theresa & Ernest Ducharme & Diane Bushey by their Family

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

ANOINTING OF THE SICK ... This 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 THIS WEEKEND ... Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests ministered for years for little to no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your gift to today's second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous.

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

ANGEL TREE ... Many thanks to all who have purchased items for our Angel Tree. If you still have not turned in your Angel gifts, please do so by Monday, December 8. Once again, many thanks.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION ... There are classes this Sunday 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 received their Christmas mailing. 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.

LEGION OF MARY MEETING ... Wednesday, December 18, 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. For further assistance, contact the Rectory at 518-297-7361.

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!

20-WEEK CLUB WINNER ...

Week 5 - Joy LaPorte (\$50)

PENNY DRIVE ... As of 12/6/19, our total is \$3932. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION ... The Diocese of Ogdensburg's Retirement Plan for Priests has long been supported by parish contributions from its annual Christmas Collection. Currently 33 retired priests, and 12 active priests age 70 and older, are expected to receive pension benefits of \$900,000 in 2019-20. Also 100% of the cost of health insurance premiums for retired priests, estimated at \$220,000 this Fiscal year, is paid by the Plan. Your generous contribution not only supports current retirees but will also help provide for the retirement needs of priests who will retire in the future. Say thank you to your pastor and all priests of the diocese through a generous contribution to our Christmas Collection.

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.

RISTORANTE CASA CAPITANO ... is now offering Sunday Morning Brunch starting at 11:00AM. It is all you can eat for an excellent price.

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.

CDA COURT #1451 DINNER/MEETING ... Thursday, December 12, 6:30PM, K of C Hall, Champlain. All members welcome. 50/50, raffles, ornament exchange, food drive, Avon sale. Hope to see you there!

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!

<p>21ST ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY</p> <p>THIS SUNDAY</p> <p>1:00 to 3:00PM</p> <p>St. Patrick's Parish Hall</p> <p>Come and see Santa!!</p> <p>ALL ARE WELCOME!!</p>

<p>CONFESSIONS</p> <p><i>St. Patrick's, December 9, 7:00PM to 8:00PM</i></p> <p><i>St. Mary's, December 12, 7:00PM to 8:00PM</i></p>	<p>CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES</p> <p><i>St. Mary's, 4:00PM (Choir)</i></p> <p><i>St. Patrick's, 6:00PM (Mero Family Musicians)</i></p> <p>CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES</p> <p><i>St. Mary's, 8:00AM</i></p> <p><i>St. Patrick's, 10:00AM</i></p>	<p>NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS</p> <p><i>St. Mary's, 4:00PM</i></p> <p>NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS</p> <p><i>St. Patrick's, 9:00AM</i></p>
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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