

December 29, 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 \$3410 **Last week** \$2980 (Envelopes \$2611, Children \$3, Plate \$366)
Christmas Collection \$4191
Christmas Flowers \$1438

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, Catherine LaPier, Jean LaBombard, Dustin Maher, Diane Favreau, Bonnie Filion, Agnes Howard, Ed Sweeny, James Lefebvre

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of George Marnes & Arleen Sterling. 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 28 / 29

8:00AM Mary Ann Hebert
Sue Duffy, Pat Carey, Merrie Nautel
Volunteer
10:00AM Arsene Letourneau
Sue Lefebvre, Tom Bechard, Terry Bechard
Rachel Letourneau

January 4 / 5

8:00AM Carole Lefebvre
Merrie Nautel, Sue Duffy, Lori Kulevich
Volunteer
10:00AM Melissa Bresnahan
Jeff Morelock, Renee Morelock, Sandy Barcomb
Michaela Bresnahan, Camilo Rodriguez

MASS INTENTIONS

December

Sat. 28 **The Holy Innocents**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Clara Gooley by Florence Cardin
(Anticipated) The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
4:00PM †(St. Mary's) Magella Coonan Bocare by Theresa A. Rabideau
Sun. 29 **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph**
8:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Alfred & Octavia Racine by Andy & Diane Morrelli
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Patrick McGoldrick by Carole Lefebvre
Mon. 30 **Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Richard "Dick" Antcil by his Family
Tue. 31 **Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Gary Neale by Harvey & Theresa Boutin
(Anticipated) Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
4:00PM †(St. Mary's) Catherine Gooley by Carolyn & Dave

January

Wed. 1 **Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Albert Gokey by Gerald & Jane Arno
Thur. 2 **Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen**
5:00PM †(St. Mary's) Bernadette Patrie by Gene & Pat Gladd
Fri. 3 **First Friday**
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Kenneth Perry by Scarlett Sample
(St. Patrick's) Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
(St. Patrick's) Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Sat. 4 **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton**
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Gerald Lashway by Pat Carey
(Anticipated) Epiphany of the Lord
4:00PM †(St. Mary's) Chris Gosselin by his wife, Kim
Sun. 5 **Epiphany of the Lord**
8:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Bernadette Duffy by Roger
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) 3rd Anniversary of Lawrence Pelkey by Sheila & Brian Pelkey & Family

SANCTUARY LAMP

Steve Major by Cindy

PENNY DRIVE ... As of 12/27/19, our total is \$4000. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

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 to Fr. Duc and myself, but also the gifts to our parish throughout the year. Special thanks to Deacon Noel Hinerth on his 80th Birthday; 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.

CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY FAMILY ... This weekend, Fr. Lewis and our Knights of Columbus Council #'s 2366 & 3525 invite each family to consecrate themselves to the Holy Family. We hope to revitalize our parishes by urging our families to devote themselves to the ideal model of familial love set by Jesus, Mary & Joseph. The Knights will be handing out prayer cards which will be used for the Consecration.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION ... There are no classes this Sunday for Grades 1 to 8. They will resume on Sunday, January 12 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 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.

ROSARY ALTAR CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON ... Members of the St. Patrick's Rosary Altar Society will meet on **Monday, January 6 at 11:30AM at Angelo's Restaurant** for their annual Christmas Luncheon. Please RSVP Mary Racicot 297-2403 by January 3 if you plan to attend.

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, January 8, following the 9:00AM Mass at St. Patrick's. All are welcome!

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 Friday at 4:30PM whenever there is a 5:00PM Mass and Saturday at 8:30AM whenever there is a 9:00AM Mass. All are welcome!

ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF ... will not be open January 1. It will reopen on January 8, 9:30 to 10:30AM. If you require assistance, please contact Eleanor Reynolds at 518-570-9370 or Pat Carey at 518-420-4957.

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.

K OF C COUNCIL #2366 MEETING ... Thursday, January 2, 7:00PM at St. Patrick's Parish Center. All members are invited to attend.

ST. PATRICK'S PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING ... Monday, January 13, 6:30PM in the Rectory Meeting Room. Agenda and minutes will be sent out the week before.

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.

20-WEEK CLUB WINNER ...

Week 8 - Michael Trahan (\$50)

FIRST FRIDAY ... Friday, January 3 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.

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, the Food Shelf, putting up and taking down decorations, etc. We are grateful to all of you now and throughout the year.

ATTENTION ENVELOPE USERS ... We will be beginning preparation of income tax receipts for 2019. 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 e-mailed, 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 12/27/19, the St. Patrick's Christmas Collection is \$4191. Many thanks for all your generosity.

2020 YOUTH BUSES FOR LIFE ... January 23-26, 2020, Washington, DC. Open to high school students and Virtus-trained adults. Departs Thursday morning from Massena, Canton & Gouverneur. March for Life in our Nation's Capital! Attend the Life is Very Good Mass and Rally and the National Pro-Life Summit! \$200 person includes: Transportation, 3 Hotel Stays, 3 Breakfasts, 2 Dinners, 2 Lunches, T-shirt, Slingbag & an Awesome Experience! Register today at www.rcdony.org/prolife.

CHICKEN AND BISCUIT DINNER ... Saturday, January 11, 5:00 to 7:00PM, American Legion Auxiliary Post 912, 29 Pratt Street. Adults \$10, Under 12 \$5, Under 5 Free.

ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKE BREAKFAST ... Sunday, January 19, 8:30AM to Noon, St. Joseph's Parish Center, West Chazy. Menu: Pancakes w/Real North Country Maple Syrup, Ham, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Home Fries & Beverages. Adults \$10, Children 6-10 \$5, 5 and Under Free. 50/50 Raffle.

BULLETIN COVERS ... As we begin 2020, 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. Many thanks to all our advertisers who continue to support us each year. As always, a special thank you 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. Wednesday, January 1 (Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God), Thursday, May 21 (Ascension of our Lord), Tuesday, December 8 (Immaculate Conception) and Wednesday, December 25 (Christmas, Nativity of the Lord) are all Holy Days of Obligation. Saturday, August 15 (Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary) and Sunday, November 1 (All Saints) are not Holy Days of Obligation this year as they fall on a Saturday and Sunday respectively.

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

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!!