

February 23, 2020

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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 \$3349 Last week \$2968 (Envelopes \$2683, Children \$5, Plate \$280)

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, Rose Moore, Julie Lafountain, Jean LaBombard, Dustin Maher, Diane Favreau, Bonnie Fillion, Agnes Howard, Ed Sweeny, James Lefebvre, Karen Coulombe, Shirley Rap, Jackie Ducharme, Judy Letourneau, Peyton Palmer, Helen Sample

Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Francis "Pete" LeBlanc. Also please pray for all those in our Community Intention Book and all the sick of our area.

READER/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS/ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

February 22 / 23

8:00AM Carole Lefebvre  
Mary Racicot, Merrie Nautel, Joan Seguin  
Volunteer  
10:00AM Melissa Bresnahan  
Tom Bechard, Terry Bechard, Arsene Letourneau  
Rachel Letourneau, Lauren Lincourt

February 29 / March 1

8:00AM Pat Racine  
Joan Seguin, Sue Duffy, Lori Kulevich  
Volunteer  
10:00AM Douglas DiSabito  
Jeff Morelock, Renee Morelock, Sandy Barcomb  
Michaela Bresnahan, Camilo Rodriguez

MASS INTENTIONS

February

Sat. 22 Weekday  
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Doris Picard by Florence Cardin  
(Anticipated) Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
4:00PM †(St. Mary's) Victor & Laurent Bechard by Jane & David Boulerice  
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sun. 23  
8:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Lucien & Marie-Jeanne Dionne by Louise Dionne & Family  
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Donald LaBombard by Pete Bedard  
Mon. 24 Weekday  
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Bruce Anctil by Connie & Family  
Tue. 25 Weekday  
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Agnes Beauharnois by M/M Michael Baker  
Wed. 26 Ash Wednesday  
9:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Francis "Pete" LeBlanc by Joseph Bailey  
Followed by Stations of the Cross  
7:00PM †(St. Mary's) Joseph Leduc by Roger Giroux & Judy  
Thur. 27 Thursday after Ash Wednesday  
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Helen Roberts by a Parishioner  
Fri. 28 Friday after Ash Wednesday  
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Gloria (Castine) Hart by Cindy Fresn  
Followed by Stations of the Cross  
Sat. 29 Saturday after Ash Wednesday  
9:00AM †(St. Mary's) Richard "DJ" Eddy by Mark  
(Anticipated) First Sunday of Lent  
4:00PM †(St. Mary's) 8th Anniversary of John Paul Tetreault by Andy & Rita Oliver

March

Sun. 1 First Sunday of Lent  
8:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Carol Favro by Walter W. Favro  
10:00AM †(St. Patrick's) Gary Neale by Arsene & Rose Letourneau

SANCTUARY LAMP CORRECTION  
(Week of February 16)

Kelly Harcott by Roberta LaFontaine

BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Vicki Connelly by her 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.

ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF ... Wednesdays, from 9:30 to 10:30AM. Contact Eleanor Reynolds at 518-298-3331 for further assistance.

Notes from the Pastor's Desk

LENTEN WORKSHOP ON THE EUCHARIST ... Our Lenten Workshop will begin this Thursday, February 27 and continues until April 16 in St. Patrick's Parish Center from 6:30 to 8:00PM. The first session will be: The History of the Mass. As we will need to provide you with materials, please call St. Patrick's Rectory at 518-297-7361 to register. All are welcome.

CHANGE OF MASS TIMES FOR FESTIVAL WEEKEND ONLY ... As St. Patrick's Festival is a two-day event, and to encourage attendance on Saturday, we will have the 4:00PM Mass here at St. Patrick's for that Saturday only. The Mass on Sunday at 8:00AM will be at St. Mary's and the 10:00AM Mass will be at St. Patrick's. We appreciate your understanding and hope that you will be able to attend one or both days of our festival. It is our biggest fundraiser of the year and it is only successful if our parishioners support us!

SECOND COLLECTION ... Next weekend, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 20 countries that still struggle to recover from the aftermath of Communist rule. Funds support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your generosity helps restore the Church and build the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection as we begin our Lenten journey. More information is available at www.usccb.org/ccee.

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION ...** There are no Christian Formation Classes this Sunday. They will resume on March 1 for Grades 1 to 8, 8:45 to 9:45AM in the Parish Center.

**LENTEN RETREAT ... "Reflect - Pray - Reconcile" ...** A Retreat for students in Grades 7 to 12 will be held on Saturday, March 7, Noon to 4:00PM at St. Mary's Parish Center, Champlain (with concluding 4:00PM Mass at St. Mary's Church). Expect an afternoon of fun activities, Penance Service and Reconciliation. Light snacks will be available. No fee to attend. To register for this event, go to: [www.rcdony.org/youthlenten/lenten-retreat.html](http://www.rcdony.org/youthlenten/lenten-retreat.html).

**FIRST RECONCILIATION ...** Saturday, March 7, 10:00AM for St. Patrick's Students and Saturday, March 14, 10:00AM for St. Mary's Students.

**CONFIRMATION ...** Sunday, June 7, 10:00AM Mass at St. Patrick's Church for students from St. Patrick's and St. Mary's Churches.

**FIRST COMMUNION ...** Saturday, June 13, 4:00PM at St. Mary's Church for students from St. Mary's.

**FIRST COMMUNION ...** Sunday, June 14, 10:00AM at St. Patrick's Church for students from St. Patrick's.

**DATES TO NOTE ...**

Ash Wednesday - February 26  
(St. Patrick's 9:00AM & St. Mary's 7:00PM)  
1<sup>st</sup> Rice Bowl Dinner - Wednesday, March 11,  
St. Patrick's after 5:30PM Mass  
2<sup>nd</sup> Rice Bowl Dinner - Wednesday, April 1,  
St. Patrick's after 5:30PM Mass  
Easter Vigil - Saturday, April 11, St. Mary's 8:00PM  
Easter Sunday, April 12  
(St. Mary's 8:00AM and St. Patrick's 10:00AM)

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING ...** Monday, February 24, 6:30PM in the Rectory Meeting Room. Please check your e-mail for Agenda and Minutes.

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

**PENNY DRIVE ...** As of 2/21/2020, our total is \$4046. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

**20-WEEK CLUB WINNER ...**

Week 16 - Katie Lefebvre (\$50)

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

**ATTENTION ENVELOPE USERS ...** 2019 Tax Receipts are now available. 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.

**2019 BISHOP'S FUND APPEAL ...** We are still hoping to reach our goal. So far, we have raised **\$12390.50, which is only \$670.50 short of our parish goal of \$13061!** If you have not yet made your gift, please prayerfully consider supporting the 2019 Bishop's Fund Appeal with a pledge or one-time gift. A pledge allows us to support the Appeal in four convenient payments throughout the year.

**PRIESTHOOD DISCERNMENT GROUP ...** Attention Men Hearing the Call. Have you felt the invitation to follow Jesus Christ as a Catholic Priest? If you are considering the priesthood, you are encouraged to attend: St. Peter's Church Upper Room, 114 Cornelia Street, Plattsburgh, Sunday, March 1 & 29, April 19 & May 3 & 10 at 3:00PM. To register, or if you have questions, contact Fr. Howard Venette at [pastorsmoll@stmaryti.org](mailto:pastorsmoll@stmaryti.org) or 518-585-7144. or the Vocations Director Fr. Chris Carrara at [ccarrara@rcdony.org](mailto:ccarrara@rcdony.org) or 315-375-6571.

**DIOCESAN YOUTH RALLY ...** Annual gathering for young people in Grades 7 to 12 ... The theme of "Under The Big Top" sets the tone for a carnival style event with fun games, entertainment, great food, a wonderful resort location, a dynamic speaker and a closing mass offered by Most Reverend Bishop Terry LaValley. This is an all-inclusive event and is made available at the low ticket price of \$30 per youth through the generous support of the Bishop Fund Appeal and Donor organizations. The Youth Rally will be held in the High Peaks Resort, 2384 Saranac Ave., Lake Placid, April 25, 2020 from 10:00AM to 5:00PM with closing Mass at 4:00PM. Contact [www.rcdony.org/youthrally](http://www.rcdony.org/youthrally) for more information.

**ANNUAL FISH FRY ...** Friday, March 6, 4:30 - 7:30PM, Sacred Heart Parish Center, Chazy. Menu: Fried Fish, Mac & Cheese, French Fries, Cole Slaw, Roll, Beverage & Dessert. Adults \$12, Kids 6-12 \$6. Take-Outs \$12.

**ST. PATRICK'S FESTIVAL ...** Our St. Patrick's Festival will be held on April 4 and 5, 2020. 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 monetary donations or other donations to help defray the cost of expenses would be greatly appreciated!**

**ADULT CONFIRMATION PROGRAM ...** We will begin an Adult Confirmation Program for those who wish to make their Confirmation. Classes will be held on Tuesday evenings starting March 25 and continuing until May 6, 6:30 to 8:00PM, in St. Patrick's Rectory Meeting Room. Please call St. Patrick's Rectory at 518-297-7361 if you wish to attend.

**LENTEN REGULATIONS 2020**

1. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting (for ages 18 to 59).
2. **All Fridays of Lent, including Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, are days of abstinence from meat** (for ages 14 and older).
3. The entire season of Lent should be observed in a spirit of prayer and penance, such as extra time in prayer, attending daily Mass, voluntary sacrifices and self denial, works of charity and service to others.
4. All Catholics who have reached the age of reason must confess their **serious sins** in the Sacrament of Penance **and** receive Holy Communion at least once a year during the Easter Season (March 1, the First Sunday of Lent, until Trinity Sunday, June 7).
5. Although other seasons are more suitable, the celebration of marriage and the Nuptial Mass are not forbidden during Lent, according to the New Code of Canon Law.

**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