

June 21, 2020

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**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

Many thanks to all who have donated and continue to donate to our parish over the past few months. We are very grateful for all the support that our parishioners provide to us.

**Last year** \$3282      **Last week** \$2661 (Envelopes \$2656, Children \$5, Plate \$76)

**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, Cassidy Spinner, Gary Burton, Rose Moore, Julie Lafountain, Diane Favreau, Bonnie Filion, Agnes Howard, Ed Sweeny, James Lefebvre, Shirley Rap, Jackie Ducharme, Eric Pristera-Polniaszek, Bob Dessureault

Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Scott Wilson and John Guay. Also please pray for all those in our Community Intention Book and all the sick of our area.

**READER/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS SCHEDULE**

June 20 / 21

4:00PM Pat Racine  
10:00AM Melissa Bresnahan & Gary Brunell

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**June**  
Sat. 20 **The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
9:00AM **(St. Mary's)** No Mass  
**(Anticipated) Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
4:00PM †**(St. Patrick's)** N. John Racine by his Family  
4:00PM †**(St. Mary's)** Orville Bing Gload by Catherine & Robert Arruda  
Sun. 21 **Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:00AM †**(St. Mary's)** Keith Favreau by Rita Cody  
10:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** 2<sup>nd</sup> Birthday of Joshua Duval Jr. By Sara, Larry, Noah, Nathan & Xavier  
10:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Souls in Purgatory (All Souls Envelopes)  
Mon. 22 **Weekday**  
9:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Francis "Pete" LeBlanc by Genevieve & Gerard Ducharme  
Tue. 23 **Weekday**  
9:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Alda Brunell by Gary Brunell  
Wed. 24 **The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**  
9:00AM **(St. Patrick's)** No Mass  
11:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Funeral Mass for John Guay  
Thur. 25 **Weekday**  
9:00AM †**(St. Mary's)** Genevieve Rodier by M/M Arthur Frennier  
Fri. 26 **Weekday**  
9:00AM †**(St. Mary's)** Richard Eddy Sr. by Mark  
Sat. 27 **Weekday**  
9:00AM **(St. Mary's)** No Mass  
**(Anticipated) Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
4:00PM †**(St. Patrick's)** Scott Wilson by Joan & Mary  
4:00PM **(St. Mary's)** Leon Dupee by Marie & Family  
Sun. 28 **Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:00AM †**(St. Mary's)** Darrell Mesec Sr. by Aline Ethier  
10:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Henry Van Acker by his Friends  
10:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Souls in Purgatory (All Souls Envelopes)

**BLESSED MARY CANDLE**

Lu Ann Bechard by her Family

**ST. JOSEPH CANDLE**

Laurette Bechard by her Family

**DAILY MASSES HAVE RESUMED AT BOTH PARISHES.**  
Please note that there will not be a 9:00AM Mass on Saturdays at St. Mary's.

**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**

**WELCOME BACK TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS** ... St. Patrick's and St. Mary's Churches are now reopened for weekend and daily Masses. We were pleased to see all who came last weekend and hope to see more of you as the week's progress. Even though there is limited seating, we are able to seat 91 parishioners in our church and 45 in our parish hall. If you did not receive the mailing to our parishioners last week, please read the letter at the end of this bulletin for all the information concerning our reopening. We hope everyone will understand and comply with the rules that are necessary so that we can remain safe and healthy.

**CONGRATULATIONS** ... to all our graduating seniors and college graduates. Although this past few months have been a very different and difficult time, we still wish you much success in all their future endeavors. Congratulations also to all our other students who have completed another year of studies. May they have an enjoyable summer and be ready and refreshed for the coming school year.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES MOTHER'S DAY APPEAL** ... The 2020 Catholic Charities Mother's Day Appeal has been moved to this weekend, June 20/21. This collection directly serves the needs of the poor and underprivileged in our diocese and assists those with needs for food, clothing shelter casework and other support services. Catholic Charities is also accepting direct mailed and online donations. Please be generous.

**CONFESSIONS** ... St. Patrick's and St. Mary's will have confessions Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45PM. You may also call the Rectory and request that Holy Communion be brought to you.

**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL OUR FATHERS!!!**

**2019-2020 BISHOP'S FUND APPEAL ...** is coming to a close, If you have made a pledge, we encourage you to complete your pledge as soon as possible. You may mail your final payment to: The Bishop's Fund Appeal, P.O. Box 150, Ogdensburg, NY 13669 or make an online payment at [www.rcdony.org/giving/donate-now-bishop-s-fund](http://www.rcdony.org/giving/donate-now-bishop-s-fund).

**CHILDREN'S ENVELOPES ...** Children's Envelopes for May 2020-June 2021 are now available on the table at the church entrance. For those already using envelopes, their boxes are marked. Please sign your child's name as well as the number of the box of the envelopes that you take.

**RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK ...** June 22-29, 2020 ... Beginning June 22, the Feast of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops celebrates Religious Freedom Week. Join us in promoting religious freedom for the good of all. More information, including daily prayers and reflections, prompts to take action, and bulletin inserts can be found at [USCCB.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek](http://USCCB.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek) and will also be shared on diocesan social media channels.

**72<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL K OF C PILGRIMAGE TO ST. ANNE'S SHRINE ...** Sunday, July 19 ... K of C from throughout the Diocese of Ogdensburg will participate in their annual pilgrimage to St. Anne's Shrine, Isle LaMotte, VT. State Deputy Wally Wych will welcome Most Reverend Terry A. LaValley, who will celebrate Mass at 12:15PM. Families are welcome to bring a picnic lunch to enjoy on the grounds following Mass. The Peru Knights will not be serving lunch this year, and the Shrine's cafeteria will not be open. For more information, please call Pilgrimage Coordinator Peter Keenan at 518-643-9241.

**ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF ...** is open Wednesdays, 9:30 - 10:30AM or call Pat Carey at 518-420-4957 for an appointment.

### **CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**ST. PATRICK'S CEMETERY ...** Flowers may be planted in front of monuments, preferably protected by paving stones, not to exceed 15 inches from the front of the monument foundation. (These paving stones can be placed in a straight or curved fashion, but must not exceed the 15 inches allowed). Perennials will be permitted on lots, but their height may not be more than 15 inches and they must be within the 15-inch boundary in front of the foundation. As we have said in the past and continue to reiterate, artificial flowers may be placed on the monuments only and are not permitted in the ground. Artificial flowers are considered "on the monument" if they are in an appropriate (durable) pot that touches the monument or are of a size that can be placed on the monument foundation. Artificial flowers placed in the ground are an insurance liability and also a hazard for those moving and working in the cemetery. If they are placed in the ground, they will be removed. Also, please do not place any glass containers on the lots as they may break and cause damage to cemetery equipment and personnel.

**ST. JOSEPH'S CEMETERY ...** Flowers, flags, etc. will be permitted on the ground only on Memorial Day and must be removed by the third day after the holiday. The rest of the year they will be permitted only on the monuments and out of the way for mowing of the grass. No permanent flowers are to be planted.

**CAMP GUGGENHEIM ...** 2020 Camp Guggenheim has been cancelled for this summer.

### **2020 EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL DONATIONS**

**The following parishioners have made donations to our Easter Flowers and they, as well as their loved ones, will be remembered during this Easter Season:**

Mary Ballman; Sue LaDuke; M/M Joseph Casey; Richard Foshag; M/M Thomas Vacca; Jonathan Penfield; M/M Felix Tetreault; M/M Ben Arno; M/M Nelson Matott; M/M Tom Bechard

**The following parishioners have marked their Easter flower envelopes with specific intentions in honor or in memory of:**

Rene & Marion Antcil & Eldon & Theresa Burdeau by M/M William Antcil  
Gerry & Tom Rowe by John Rowe  
Neil Thomas Guay & Robert Guay by Virginia Guay  
Reggie Mayo, Lillian Cayea, Marrion Guynup & Michael Guynup by Jane Mayo  
Burton & Ryan Families by M/M Ken Ryan  
Laura & Clement Aubrey & Family Members, Leona & Albert Manor & Family Members by Carol & Family  
Clyde A. Lewis Family & John P. Judge Family by Fr. Clyde A. Lewis, Jr.  
Ryan, Barcomb, Burton & Trower Families & Edna Barcomb by M/M Steve Barcomb  
LaFave, Plumadore, Rascoe & Lavarnway Families by M/M Stephen Lafave  
Clara Seymour & Charles & Ione Duffy by M/M Paul Duffy  
Joshua Duval Jr. & Sample, Bocare & Bechard Families by M/M Larry Dupee  
George Moore by John Hogan  
M/M Harold Ryan, M/M Charles Smith, Margaret Ryan & Sr. John Mary Brockway, SSJ by M/M Thomas Ryan  
Theresa Ducharme, Ernest Ducharme, Agnes Dupere & Fernand Dupere by M/M Kenneth Dupere  
Marra & Treggett Families by Craig & Penny Treggett  
Sandra Proulx, Rita Roberts, Leon Roberts & Mary Proulx by Joey Proulx  
Mary Filion, Norman & John Racine, Lena & George Bombardier by Pat Racine  
Marie Sterling, M/M Edwin Sterling & M/M Elwood Hodge by Robert Sterling  
Charles Duffy, Ione Duffy, Rosemary Duffy & Peter Duffy by M/M Colin Duffy  
Steve Major & Ashley Houle by Cindy Major  
Maynard Houle & Anna Duprey by Angela Houle  
M/M Alfred Lavoie, M/M Albert Hinerth, Marie-Ange LeBlanc & Joan Curran by M/M Noel Hinerth  
Laurier, Bernadette & Robert Lefebvre, Albert Jefferson & Oscar & Adele Dion by Carole Lefebvre  
Richard & Colette Letourneau, Gerald Dupree & Jerry Dupree by M/M Arsene Letourneau  
Maurice De Rail & Marie Anne De Rail by M/M Guy De Rail  
Donald & Kevin LaBombard, Clarence LaBombard Family, Charles Chevalier Family & Souls in Purgatory by Barbara LaBombard  
Francis LeBlanc by Theresa LeBlanc  
Robert LeBlanc by Josette LeBlanc  
Jules Trahan, M/M Emery Trahan, M/M Anthony O'Leary & M/M Denis O'Leary & Michael by Lucille Trahan  
Rochester Family, Trombley Family, Gary Neale & Paul Cloutier by Doris Neale  
M/M Charles Gonyo & M/M Gerald Bushey by M/M James Gonyo

**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

## LETTER TO ST. PATRICK'S/ST. MARY'S PARISHIONERS RE REOPENING

Bishop LaValley has granted us permission to reopen our churches for public worship for congregations limited to **91** persons at St. Patrick's upstairs and **45** persons downstairs in the Parish Hall AND **106** persons at St. Mary's in the Church and **20** persons in the Parish Center. We rejoice that some of us can come together to worship God and receive the Eucharist that strengthens and unites us. It will be a challenge to limit attendance at Mass to these numbers, and we ask for your cooperation and patience as we begin our journey toward normal worship and practice. Right now, it is safer for those over 60 and those with underlying health issues to remain at home. I realize this is a sacrifice, but it is for your own safety. We will begin this reopening on Saturday, June 13th, at the 4:00 P.M. Anticipated Mass at both St. Mary's and St. Patrick's.

We have developed a plan for the two parishes that will allow us to celebrate Mass and the Sacraments in a safe and responsible way. While we have "flattened the curve" of the coronavirus, there are still risks to all of us that require our attention and caution. Our parishes' plan conforms to the requirements set forth in Bishop LaValley's decree for reopening our churches for public worship. That decree and its requirements were drafted with the assistance of medical professionals and public health officials to assure that we are following the best practices for protecting our own health and the health of those around us. If all of us follow our parishes' plan, we will be safe in gathering for our worship. Even if we are not showing symptoms, each of us should think of ourselves and everyone we meet as a potential carrier of the virus. If we adhere to the precautions set forth in our plan, the risks of infection are substantially reduced. Wearing our masks, washing our hands and keeping our distance protects us and others.

Our parishes' plan is displayed at the entrance of our two churches and parish hall and center. It is also on our two websites. I am also including a copy of the plan with this letter. Let me highlight some ways in which you can help us safely return to worship.

1. Bishop LaValley has continued his dispensation from attending Sunday Mass until further notice. The plan outlines some media places where you can watch or hear Mass while remaining at home. If you are remaining home and would like to have Holy Communion brought to your home, please call one of the two rectories.
2. If you are over 60 years of age, have underlying medical issues, are not feeling well, have a cough, a fever over 99.6, shortness of breath, loss of taste or smell, vomiting, sore throat, fatigue, unexplained muscle aches, headache or had contact with anyone who has COVID-19, **please stay home for your well-being and that of others.**
3. St. Patrick's parishioners should enter the church at the front entrance only. They may leave using either entrance. St. Mary's parishioners should enter the church at the front entrances only.. They may leave through the front entrances of the church and parish center.
4. Initially, the number of people able to physically attend Mass will be limited. Please respect these limits and do not enter church if the approved number has already been admitted to church, parish hall or parish center. We will post a sign on the doors when we have admitted the maximum number.
5. Wear a face covering while in church to protect you and others.
6. Please note that all seating will be assigned so as to maximize the seating capacity of the church/parish center/parish hall.
7. Please sanitize your hands as you enter and exit the church, parish hall or parish center. Sanitizer is provided at the doors of the churches, parish halls and parish center.
8. Please keep a safe social distance of at least 6 feet between you and others who are not part of your household. This means we cannot hold hands during the Our Father and there will be no exchange of peace.
9. Note that there will be no holy water in the fonts, no choir, no offertory procession, no bulletins, missalettes or hymnals.
10. Distribution of Holy Communion will be different. This will be explained at Mass and we ask for your cooperation. Keep at least six feet between you and others as you approach the Communion stations.
11. Holy Communion will be distributed under the form of bread only. We ask you to receive Holy Communion in the hand to reduce the risk of spreading the virus.
12. The collection basket will not be passed during Mass. Instead, a basket for your contribution will be placed near the entrances of the churches, parish hall and parish center.. Please drop your envelope or donation into the basket on your way in or out of church. Thank you in advance for your support of your parish.
13. The Presiding Priest and others will sanitize their hands before distributing Holy Communion. Parishioners will remove their masks prior to approaching the Communion station and will replace their masks after receiving.
14. On a regular basis we will clean our churches, parish hall and parish center, and disinfect them after every service.
15. Missalettes, song books and other common items will be removed from the pews. Parish bulletins can be found on the parish websites.
16. You will be asked to maintain appropriate social distancing as you leave church or parish hall. You are asked to return to your cars and return home to avoid congregating at the exits of the church, parish hall, and parish center, and in the parking lots or anywhere on church property.
17. Due to the limitations placed on the number who may attend Mass due to social distancing, we will celebrate weekend Masses at the following times until further notice: **Saturday Afternoon Anticipated Sunday Mass at 4:00 P.M. in BOTH churches; Sunday Morning Mass at 8:00A.M. in St. Mary's; Sunday Morning Mass at 10:00A.M. in St. Patrick's Church AND DOWNSTAIRS in the Parish Hall.** Confessions will be held in **BOTH** churches from 3:00 P.M. until 3:45 P.M. on Saturday.

Our return to public worship will be a challenge. There will be challenges and frustrations. We are asked to behave in new ways to remain healthy. Social distancing, avoiding crowds, hand sanitizing, personal hygiene and wearing face masks are behaviors that will be with us or a while. How well we learn those behaviors will determine how successful we will be at returning to normal worship and keeping people healthy and safe. Please do your part. We will do ours! God bless you.