

October 4, 2020

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WEEKLY COLLECTION

Many thanks to all who continue to support St. Patrick's Church with their offertory gifts, either by mail, personal delivery or when attending Mass. This is very important for the day-to-day operations of our parish. We are truly grateful for your continued support.

Last year \$3103 **Last week** \$2161 (Envelopes \$1984, Children \$2, Plate \$175)

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, Ed Sweeny, James Lefebvre, Shirley Rap, Jackie Ducharme, Eric Pristera-Polniaszek, Bob Dessureault, Diane Marks, Claire Vacca, Ken Dupere, Tommy Harrigan

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

READER/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS SCHEDULE

October 3 / 4

4:00PM Pat Racine
10:00AM Douglas DiSabito

MASS INTENTIONS

October

Sat. 3 **Weekday**
9:00AM **(St. Mary's)** No Mass
(Anticipated) Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00PM †**(St. Patrick's)** George Marnes by Pat & Mary O'Connor
Sacrament of Confirmation - Bishop Terry R. LaValley
4:00PM **(St. Mary's)** Intentions of the Confirmation Candidates

Sun. 4 **Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00AM †**(St. Mary's)** Shirley Dorothy LaCount by Grace & Lena
10:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** 15th Anniversary of Eva Favro by Joseph & Family

Mon. 5 **Weekday**
9:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Dale Reynolds by Sherri Deforge

Tue. 6 **Weekday**
9:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Chudleigh & Claire Foshier by Bob & Maria Foshier

Wed. 7 **Our Lady of the Rosary**
9:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Michel Birtz by Jean & Sharman Birtz

Thur. 8 **Weekday**
9:00AM †**(St. Mary's)** Jane Zmudzinski by Linda Boire

Fri. 9 **Weekday**
9:00AM †**(St. Mary's)** Loretta McCarthy by the Coache Family

Sat. 10 **Weekday**
9:00AM **(St. Mary's)** No Mass
(Anticipated) Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00PM †**(St. Patrick's)** 24th Anniversary of Jeannine Pelkey by Sheila & Brian Pelkey & Family
4:00PM †**(St. Mary's)** Arnie Beal by his wife, Marlene & Children

Sun. 11 **Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:00AM †**(St. Mary's)** Roderick Willette by George & Theresa Miller
10:00AM †**(St. Patrick's)** Donald LaBombard by his Family

BLESSED MARY CANDLE

Kay Cavanagh by her Family

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

2020 BISHOP'S FUND APPEAL ... United in Faith - Continuing Christ's Mission ... Our parish's 2020 Bishop's Fund Appeal is coming to a close. We are grateful to the 28 families that have made a sacrificial gift to this year's Appeal. Our parish has raised \$2732.50 toward the effort. If you have not made a 2020 Bishop's Fund Appeal commitment, please pray about your decision and make a pledge or one-time gift. Please remember - every gift makes a difference - every gift counts. Any gifts received after the Appeal reaches its goal will be used to further supplement the Bishop's Good Samaritan Fund which assists families in need in our community and throughout the Diocese. Pledge envelopes are located at the back of the church or you can make your gift online by visiting <https://www.rcdony.org/bfa.html#donate>. **If you are dropping your envelope in the collection basket, please include your name so that St. Patrick's and St. Mary's envelopes can be separated.**

BULLETINS ... We will begin providing paper copies of our bulletin starting this weekend. They will be available after Masses at the church entrances. Please take your bulletin home with you and do not leave it in the church. You may also find the bulletin on line on our website(www.stpatricksrpny.org) and on Facebook on the St. Patrick's Church page.

FIRST COMMUNION ... No date has been set as yet for the 2019-2020 school year.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION ... No decisions have as yet been made regarding Christian Formation Classes for the upcoming school year. As soon as information is available, it will be passed on to you.

CONFESSIONS & HOLY COMMUNION ... St. Patrick's and St. Mary's will have confessions Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:45PM or you can call to make an appointment. You may also call the Rectory and request that Holy Communion be brought to you.

Notes from the Pastor's Desk (cont'd)

WELCOME BACK TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS ... As more people are returning to Mass, please be aware of the following: Are you wearing your mask? Are you sitting where the pew is marked with masking tape? In order to keep our social distancing, you should be sitting where the masking tape is in front of you - either in the middle of the pew or at either end. If you wish to sit together as a couple, please sit in the side pews. If you are a family of three or more, you may sit together, but the pew in front of you and behind you needs to be empty. We ask that you listen to the volunteers who are there to assist in the seating as they are just doing what we have been told to ensure that our church stays open. Please keep in mind that as the numbers increase, it will be necessary for the assigned seats to be enforced so that the required social distancing is maintained. We hope everyone will understand and comply with the rules that are necessary so that we can remain safe and healthy.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION Please come to Communion using the main aisle. Parishioners should alternate exiting their pews from side to side and forming a **single line in the middle of the aisle** while maintaining 6 feet social distancing. Once the center pews are empty, those in the side pews may cross to the middle aisle as well. After receiving Communion, you should exit the church and not return to your pew.

WHEN VISITING OUR CHURCH ... We ask that those of you who come to visit our church during the week for Mass or just to pray, please wear your mask and use the hand sanitizer which is located at both church entrances. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES ... Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 8:00AM to 4:00PM; Thursday and Friday: Not open so church can be sanitized for weekend Mass; Saturday: 2:45PM to 5:00PM; Sunday: 9:15AM to 11:00AM

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

ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE ... The Champlain Knights of Columbus Council #3525 will be holding their annual Food Drive October 2, 3 and 4 at Price Chopper in Champlain. Donations from this event help support the Mooers Wesleyan Food Pantry.

COVID CLARIFICATION ... Do people need to continue wearing masks throughout the entire time they are in the church - especially when it is hot? Wearing masks is essential. All those who are not taking a speaking part during the liturgy are required to keep their masks on. If they are unable, they must refrain from moving about, speaking, singing, or projecting their voices in other ways. This is in line with the intention of the NYS guidelines.

CDA COURT #1451 MEETING ... Thursday, October 8, 6:00PM at St. Mary's Parish Center (no meal or auction). There will be 50/50 and monetary/baby items collection for Birthright. Don't forget the Rada fundraiser, bring your orders to Roxanne. New members are invited to attend. For more info, call Sabrina at 518-297-5532.

LIFECHAIN SUNDAY ... October 4, 2020 ... Stand up for LIFE at this year's LIFECHAIN! Join in the 33rd annual peaceful, prayerful, public, pro-life witness to the sanctity of life. Rain or shine. All faiths are welcome! Bring a friend! Signs are provided. LIFECHAIN practices social distancing. Please stand 25 feet apart. For information about the LIFECHAIN in your area, visit www.lifechain.net.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SURVEY ... Families will be receiving in the mail a questionnaire on how, when and where we can go forward with our Religious Education Program. Parents are asked to fill out the questionnaire by October 15 and return it by mail or in the collection basket. Classes will **not** be held in our Parish Center classrooms, but rather in St. Patrick's Parish Hall, St. Patrick's Parish Center Basement and St. Mary's Parish Center. We urge you to complete this survey so that plans can be made. If you do not receive the questionnaire, please call the Rectory (518-297-7361) or Sue Lefebvre (518-298-2485).

NEW STUDENTS ... If you are new to the parish or have a child who is in First Grade, please contact the Rectory or Sue Lefebvre for more information on our Religious Education Program.

VIRTUAL PRIEST DISCERNMENT SESSIONS: Attention Men Hearing the Call ... Zoom in to Priest Discernment ... High School Junior men & older are invited to join Father Howard Venette & guests for 60-minute virtual discernment sessions on the following Sundays at 3:00PM: October 4 & 18; November 1, 15 & 29 and December 13. Contact Father Venette at hvenette@gmail.com for meeting access.

CP HOLIDAY TRAIN ... Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, CP will be shifting focus and holding a virtual holiday-themed concert for the 2020 season instead of operating its brightly lit trains across the U.S. and Canada. CP will still make a donation to our food shelf as they have done in the past. We are very grateful to them.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2020 CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES ... This Saturday, October 3, Bishop Terry R. LaValley will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to the candidates of St. Patrick's and St. Mary's at St. Mary's Church. We would like to congratulate them all. We hope and pray that they will journey on to the future and become wonderful Catholic Christians.

St. Patrick's, Rouses Point
Michaela Bresnahan & Rachel Letourneau

St. Mary's, Champlain
Peyton Palmer & Benjamin Middleton

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE DOWNSTAIRS CHURCH LOBBY ... 1) Take a shoebox, fill it with the appropriate requested items, and bring it back to the church for mailing; or 2) Purchase some of the requested items and they will be placed in shoeboxes as needed; or 3) Make a donation to Operation Christmas Child to be used to purchase items. If you are able to, please provide the \$9.00 cost for shipment of each shoebox. Brochures are available which further explain how to pack your shoeboxes. Boxes must be returned to St. Patrick's during the week of November 16-23, 2020. We hope you will consider participating in this worthwhile cause. **Do not include: Candy, Toothpaste, Gum, Used or Damaged Items, War-Related Items, Seeds, Food, Liquids or Lotions, Medications or Vitamins, Breakable Items or Glass Containers or Aerosol Cans.**

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