

# Welcome to St. Paul's Catholic Church (St. Rita's Oratory)

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**February 23, 2020**

**OFFICE HOURS**

SP's: Monday & Friday, 12:30 – 4:00 PM  
SM's: Monday & Friday, 8:30 AM – noon

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

Sunday @ 10:30 AM  
Also by Appointment

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
Contact the Pastor.

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**  
Contact the Pastor.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE 2/16/20**  
*St. Paul's:* Envelopes: \$885.00/ Plate: \$444.00



**PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE:** Two Deacon Candidates to assist at both SM's & SP's. They are: **DAN LEROY and NOEL VOOS**. Deacon Patrick has been transferred to another parish.

**SECOND COLLECTION:**

Next weekend at St. Paul's - 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

The Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe will be taken up on **Ash Wednesday**, February 26th. A wonderful video about a village in Georgia is on YouTube

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

Saturday, February 22	4:00 PM (SM)	M/M Joseph Kilcer By the Family
Sunday, February 23	9:00 AM (SM)	The People of the Parishes

**WEEKLY MEMORIALS (this week)**

*St. Paul's:* The **SANCTUARY LAMP** will burn in loving memory of **ELISE FRANK**, requested by *Gramma and Grampa*

	11:00 AM (SP)	Intention of Antonio Spigolon By the Conlin Family
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**LIGHT A CANDLE:** Our Candle Rack is doing great. It is a \$5.00 donation to light one. **Candles** are lit for **prayer** intentions.



**Liturgical Schedule:**

Monday, February 24	8:00 AM (SP)	Rita Ritter By Susan Waterman
Tuesday, February 25	8:00 AM (SP)	Paul Gallagher By His Friends
<b>Ash Wednesday</b> , February 26	9:00 AM (SM) 5:00 PM (SP)	Tony Simpson By His Friends Frank Cassoni By His Family
Thursday, February 27	8:00 AM (SP)	Marie Bruso By Her Friends
Friday, February 28	8:00 AM (SP)	Peggy Thesier By Ken & Phyllis Gaines



**BISHOP LAVALLEY'S** Lenten letter will be posted at the church entrances. Also please read the letter from the Diocese on possibly filing a Chapter 11, attached. **VERY IMPORTANT!!!**

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** Stations of the Cross will be alternating between St. Paul's and St. Mary's. When at St. Paul's, Stations of the Cross will be at 5:30 PM, followed by soup and bread. Schedule for St. Paul's is March 11 & 25 and April 8.

**BREAD & SOUP MAKERS NEEDED**

There is a Sign-up Sheet at St. Paul's (*parking-lot side entrance*) for volunteers (two per night) to bring a pot of soup (to be meatless with no use of chicken/beef stock) and bread.



**First Sunday of Lent:**

Saturday, February 29	4:00 PM (SM)	John Leehy By His Family
Sunday, February 30	9:00 AM (SM) 11:00 AM (SP)	Dorothy Spangerberg By Vincent Schneider, Jr. The People of the Parishes

**NEW PARISHIONERS:** If you are new to our community, we encourage you to **REGISTER** with us at St. Paul's Parish. Please see Fr. Vicente after Mass, or call the rectory at 315-773-5672.

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** We ask God's help as we pray for our sick; for world peace; for Christian unity; for the victims of oppression and violence; for greater respect of all human life; and for all our departed.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The **Lectors/Eucharistic Schedule** for St. Paul's for the months of March/April is available for pick up on the table at the back of the church on the parking lot side.

**BOXES AT PARKING LOT SIDE ENTRANCE:** One is for St. Mary's Food Pantry with donation of non-perishable food items and the other box is for Catholic Charities to help our community's most vulnerable citizens by donations of Personal Care Items, such as shampoos, body wash, deodorant, toothpaste, tooth brushes, etc.



**Coffee hour on Mondays** at 8:45 AM, St. Paul's Parish Center. All are welcome!



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

- February 23 - No Class, Winter Break
- March 1 - Class
- March 8 - No Class
- March 15, 22 & 29 - Class (with Children's Liturgy & Fellowship on **March 22**)

CLASSES are held at St. Paul's Church on Sundays, 9:45 – 10:45 AM, for Grades Kindergarten through 7. PARENTS can still enroll their children. There are NO FEES to attend Church School at St. Paul's.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** (Grades 8 -12): Held at St. Mary's Parish Center on Sunday's at 10:00 AM. Any questions, please contact Jeff Hughes at [Jeffrey.w.hughes@gmail.com](mailto:Jeffrey.w.hughes@gmail.com).

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY: LENTEN LITURGY:** Sacred Scripture is at the heart of the Liturgy of the Word. Join us for an exploration of readings, psalms, and Gospels used at weekday Masses during Lent. We'll meet Wednesdays, 6:30 PM., at St. Mary's Parish Center starting March 4. You'll need a Bible and Catechism. Other course materials will be provided. Free refreshments. All are welcome, but please register at 315-767-1065.

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT CORNER:** Did you know? Did you know children seldom lie about allegations of abuse? Children must learn to tell a parent or another trusted adult if someone is hurting them. Parents can help children by identifying the adults whom they can trust. Abuse that has happened must be reported. The Diocese of Ogdensburg reports all allegations of abuse to local law enforcement. To learn how you can report misconduct, visit: <https://www.rcdony.org/safeenv.html>

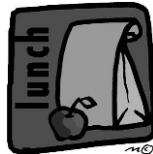


February 27 – Blood Drive – St. Mary's

Friday, March 13 – Holy Hour - 6:30 PM – St. Mary's

Saturday, March 14 - Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner at St. Mary's Parish Center in Evans Mills, NY.

**ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP:** Lent is a time to live more simply and with joy as we draw closer to our Creator God. One suggestion for Lenten reading is *Laudato Si: On Care for Our Common Home* and let it be your guiding light for the changes it calls us to as followers of Jesus. Free copies are available from Dynamic Catholic publishing co. or on-line LAUDATO SI' - Vatican



**ATTENTION SENIORS:** Lunch on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon - St. Mary's Church, Evans Mills in the Community Room. Donations Only!!! For more information, please call Prestige at 315-686-4440 or Jefferson Co. Office for the Aging 315-785-3191 to register.

**IS JESUS CHRIST CALLING ME TO BECOME A PRIEST? WATERTOWN DISCERNMENT GROUP** has scheduled the following dates for meetings: 2/23, 3/22, 4/26, 5/31. Meetings will be held at Sechi Hall at St. Anthony's Church beginning at 3 PM. Contact: Fr. Chris Looby at [fatherlooby@gmail.com](mailto:fatherlooby@gmail.com) or 3157821190.

**FEBRUARY 23 SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Readings: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48**

*Love your enemies.* Today's gospel calls us to go beyond the minimum requirements of the Ten Commandments and go the extra mile. We are called to be generous with our possessions, our forgiveness and our love. We are called to love others as God has loved us. In today's society, the norm is to see what's in it for me. We are called to go beyond the minimum and love unconditionally as Christ has loved us. This is not easy, but *we belong to Christ* and with God all things are possible.

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time --**

The Lord calls us to be merciful as our God is merciful. The Lord calls us to do God's will. Pray for vocations to priesthood, diaconate and religious life. If God is calling you, talk to Fr. Vicente or Fr. Christopher Carrara at (315) 393-2920, ext. 1340/ [ccarrara@rcdony.org](mailto:ccarrara@rcdony.org) or Cathy Russell, the Diocesan Vocation Coordinator at (315)393-2920, ext. 1450/[crussell@rcdony.org](mailto:crussell@rcdony.org). See us at [www.myvocation.net](http://www.myvocation.net).

**LENTEN RETREAT:** Register now for the annual Lenten Retreat at the Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Joseph, 1425 Washington St. It will be held on **Sunday, March 8**. Join us for an afternoon of prayer and reflection from 1:30 until 4:00 PM. The afternoon will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, a reflection given by Sister Ellen Rose, SSJ time for personal prayer, and an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. To register please call 315-782-460.

**THE ADULT FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY OF ST. PATRICK'S AND ST. ANTHONY'S** will offer a Lenten Bible

Study, **No Greater Love: A Biblical WALK Through Christ's Passion** beginning March 3, 2020. The study includes video presentation by Dr. Edward Sri of Ascension Press. Each participant will have a workbook. The cost is \$15.00. A registration form is available on the parish website: [www.catholicwatertown.org/faith/sacraments](http://www.catholicwatertown.org/faith/sacraments). The study is offered in five sessions held on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM in the Pastoral Center at St. Patrick's Church, 123 S. Massey St. Watertown. Sessions will be held March 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31. For further information contact Deacon Kevin Mastellon by e-mail: [kmastellon@spwatn.org](mailto:kmastellon@spwatn.org).

