THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF SAINT MARY

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Sacrament of Baptism – For Children to be Baptized, please call the Rectory to schedule a meeting.

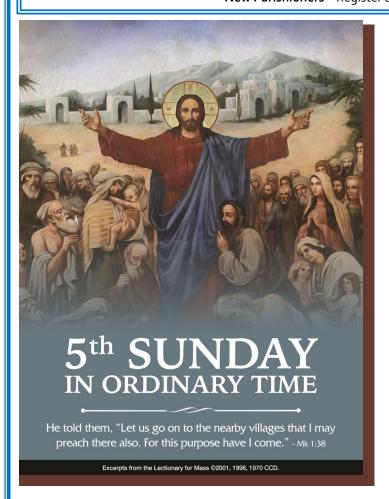
Sacrament of Penance – Tuesday from 5:40pm until done, Saturday 3:45—4:45, pm and by appointment.

Marriage – Make arrangements with the Pastor at least six months in advance. Pre-Cana instruction is necessary.

Anointing of the Sick – Please advise the parish office of the serious illness or hospitalization of a parishioner.

Communion for shut-ins – Please notify the Rectory if anyone is unable to attend Sunday Mass regularly.

*** New Parishioners – Register at the Rectory at any time. ***



OUR SACRED PURPOSE:

Christ-led, Christ-fed, and Hope-filled

The Diocese of Ogdensburg joyfully invites the people of the North Country to the journey of faith through the proclamation of the Gospel, the celebration of the Eucharist and the Sacraments, and the loving service of neighbor.

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Pastor's Corner

Let's try to keep each other healthy, shall we? Due to concerns about the flu, Deacon Jim and I are going to refrain from inviting you to offer each other the Sign of Peace for the foreseeable future. We're also continuing our practice of cleaning the Holy Water fonts each week. And of course, if you are feeling ill at all, we'd ask you to refrain from receiving from the chalice or distributing Holy Communion. (Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, if you're on the schedule but ill, please find a replacement.)

Three weeks each year (M-F) I have a workshop in Chicago on Spiritual Direction with the folks from the Institute of Priestly Formation. This is another one of those weeks. Thanks to Fr. Jack Downs for covering our Sunday evening Mass with those of you who aren't watching the Super Bowl.

A list of daily Masses in the area can be found at the doors of the church. Friday (the normal day for Mass with the school children) Fr. Michael Jablonski will be offering Mass. Fr. Mike was ordained a priest last summer, and many of you will remember when he was assigned here in Canton as a seminarian.

Last Saturday we had our first Melchizedeck Project (see elsewhere in the bulletin for details). We had 3 young men who are open to learning more about the priesthood. 2 from the local colleges and 1 from the Catholic high school in Watertown. There are a few others that are considering joining us in the future. Please pray for them all.

Next week starts Lent. What are you planning to do? See our insert for more details. (And, yes, Valentine's Day is unfortunately timed to coincide with Ash Wednesday, and as always a day of Fast.)

Distributing Holy Communion at Church?

Are you willing to help distribute Holy Communion at Masses here at St. Mary's. Please plan to stay after the three Masses next week and we'll offer a training session in the chapel. The training will last about 30 minutes.

Return your Blessed Palms

As you may know, we burn last year's palms to make this year's ashes (for Ash Wednesday). Please bring your palms to the baskets at the doors of the church in the next couple weeks.



Gabriel Project meeting

Feb. 7 at 7:00pm

For more information call Frieda at 315-347-2364

Canton's Winterfest Church Concerts

will be Monday February 12. St. Mary's will be kicking off the event with the Clergy Soup and Bread dinner from 5pm to 6pm. This is free to the public and music is provided during dinner. The concerts then go from the First Presbyterian Church and end at the United Methodist Church with refreshments. Each church is asked to donate 4 dozen cookies for the end of the event. Cookies are delivered to the United Methodist Church on that day.

Each concert is about 20 minutes and the audience is then escorted to the next church with a bagpiper!
Come join us for good food and music!





Brrrr, Its cold out there!

In a continuing effort to conserve energy and to cut down on our heating bills, we are keeping the side doors at the front of the Church closed and locked. Please use the main, center door to the Church. As always, the wheel chair ramp entrance will remain open.. Thank you for your understanding



The Chapel Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for:

A Special Intention

If you desire to have the Vigil Lamp lit in memory of your loved one or for an intention, please contact the Rectory.



Answering the question every Catholic man should ask

Fr. Doug Lucia and Fr.

Bryan Stitt are tag-teaming a Melcheizedek Project here in Canton. The Melchizedek Project is for young men (Juniors in HS and up) to learn more about the vocation to the priesthood. Join us Saturday mornings at 9:00 AM at the St. Mary's rectory. Meeting dates are Jan 27, Feb 10 & 24, Mar 10 & 24, Apr 7 & 21. Is there someone you know who should join us?



BINGO is held every Monday night, at 7pm 30 Miner Street Bring a Friend!

ALL NEW BONUS BALL



It's SUPERBOWL time. Help to support our Newman Ministry by picking a square in our annual Super Bowl pool.

See Jack after Mass on Feb 3&4

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Campus Corner



Campus Ministry Spring Retreat March 2-4 Wadhams Hall, Ogdensburg, NY

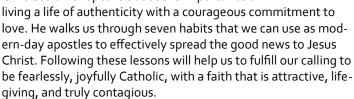
Come enjoy prayer, relaxation, fellowship, discussion and learning on this weekend retreat away from the business of college. Contact Amanda at aconklin@stlawu.edu or conklina@canton.edu for more information. More info to follow.



Featured CD of the Week:

Contagious Catholicism: The 7 Habits of Modern-Day Apostles

Internationally acclaimed speaker and author Chris Stefanick speaks about the importance of





Liturgical Ministers

(Lectors, Greeters, Altar Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion)

We will be setting up the 2018 Jan. to June schedule. Please let Terry know of any changes you would like to make for that time (vacation, holidays, etc.). (315)386-3572



Principal's Corner

St. Mary's School will host its second

"Senior Tea"

on Friday, February 9, immediately following the 8:10 mass. We will also be serving COFFEE this

time

Our theme is Mardi Gras – a time to celebrate before Lent begins. All parish and family members are welcome.

Are you struggling with alcohol or other drug addiction?



Visit Alcoholics Anonymous or Narcotics Anonymous

AA meetings in Canton

Sundays	9am	Knights of Columbus Hall, 30 Miner St.
Sundays	7pm	United Methodist Church, 41 Court St.
Tuesdays	8pm	EJ. Noble Medical Bldg, 8o E. Main St.
Wednesdays	7:30pm	Unitarian Universalist Church, 3½ E. Main
Thursdays	8 pm	Knights of Columbus Hall, 30 Miner St.
Fridays	8 pm	Unitarian Universalist Church, 3½ E. Main
Saturdays	8 pm	Unitarian Universalist Church, 3½ E. Main

NA meetings in Canton

Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 7 pm United Methodist Church, 41 Court St.



Contagious

Catholicism

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. **Amen.**

Shirley Ames	Lori Ashley	Jean Baycura
John Bessette	Keith (Sam) Bisonette	Sarah Bogart
Timothy Bogart	Sue Briggs	Camille Brown
Donald "Joe" Burnham	Shirley Burns	David Butler
Peggy Cashman	Jana & Jeremy Cassler	Joan Clarke
Katie Coakley	Steve Connelly	Jenny Cook
Scarlett Friot	Debbie Gainey	Gordon C. Gladden
Jeri Gorman	Mike Gorman	Darren Greenwood
Patricia Hayden	Ginny & Butch Hotzle	r Garrett Hughes
Eugenia Jusiak	Barbara Kelly	Dan Kinsley
Irene Krenceski	Shirley LaMendola	Danny Law
Chubby LeRoux	Laura Lombard Lev	vard and Betty Lucia
Arlene Maroney	Paul Marsh	Margaret McDonald
Stephanie McKeel	Barbara Moritz	Doni Peters
Nolan Joe Redmand	Joel Rivera	Eric Roach
Anna Marie Sinatra	Matilda Mary Smith	Desiree Smithers
Cheryl Sopos	John Steiger	Karen Stever
Mike Stull, Sr	Natalie teRele	Ethel Thomas
DorieThompson	Brian & Linda Trill	Lynn Watson
Jeffrey White	Meggan Whiteford	Eric Whitmarsh



This week the Church Sanctuary Lamp burns for the Intentions of

Karen English by Sharon & Jim White

If you desire to have the Vigil Lamp lit for a loved one or for your intention, please contact the Rectory.



February 3 and February 4, 2018

Sat. 5:00 pm

Lectors: Lisa Guccione, Brenda Sanderson Eucharist:

Freda Michaud, Pat Furgal, Joan Pope,

Bernie Proulx

Altar Servers: (need)

Greeters: Mary Thivierge

Sun. 9:00 am

Lectors: Russ Backus, Maureen Howard

Eucharist: Mel Schrems, Cheryl Curry, NormaJean LaPoint,

Judy Bailey

Nate Romano, Alexa Romano, Sarah Creighton Altar Servers:

February 10 and February 11, 2018

Sat. 5:00 pm

Lectors: Bernie Proulx, Edd White

Eucharist: Sandra Bartlett, Michael Christy, Cathie O'Horo,

Pat Furgal

Altar Servers: (need) Greeters: Brian Lee

Sun. 9:00 am

Keith Zimmerman, Mel Schrems Lectors:

Paul Schrems, Barb teRiele, NormaJean Lapoint, Eucharist:

Jack Meyers

Altar Servers: **Gavin Thompson** Greeter: Maureen Howard

Readings for Sunday February 4:

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39

Readings for Sunday February 11:

Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31--11:1/Mk 1:40-45



MASS & PARISH SCHEDULE

Monday, Feb. 5: St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

No Mass

Tuesday, Feb. 6: St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

4:00 pm Holy Hour for Vocations on your own.

No Mass or Confession

Wednesday, Feb. 7: Weekday

No Mass

Thursday, Feb. 8: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine

Bakhita, Virgin

4:45 pm Rosary for Life

No Mass

Friday, Feb. 9: Weekday

8:10 am Mass Narayanan Nair by Henry Sieg

Saturday, Feb. 10: St. Scholastica, Virgin

No Morning Mass

3:45-4:45 pm Confessions

Vigil: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Mass Jack Layhee by Nancy Layhee

Sunday, Feb. 11: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Mass Lillian Shoulette

by Nick & Gloria Spadaccini

10:00 am Religious Education

5:00 pm Mass6:00 pmFor the People of the ParishConfirmation I and II Class

The total for last week's comparison to the previous year was incorrect. The total for the third weekend in 2017 was \$6,956.00. This was due to the Respect Life Collection being taken up one week later this year. We apologize for the confusion.

Parish Support

Week of January 27 and 28	2017	2018
Envelopes	\$5,118.00	\$5,363.00
Plate	\$775.00	\$770.12
Solemnity of Mary		\$10.00
Respect Life	\$1,512.94	\$1,417.50
Fuel Collection		\$280.00
Christmas		\$5.00
Children's Envelopes		\$3.25
Total	\$7,405.94	\$7,848.87

Thank you for your support and generosity each and every week! Please continue to remember how important your weekly offering is to the life of our parish!