

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.

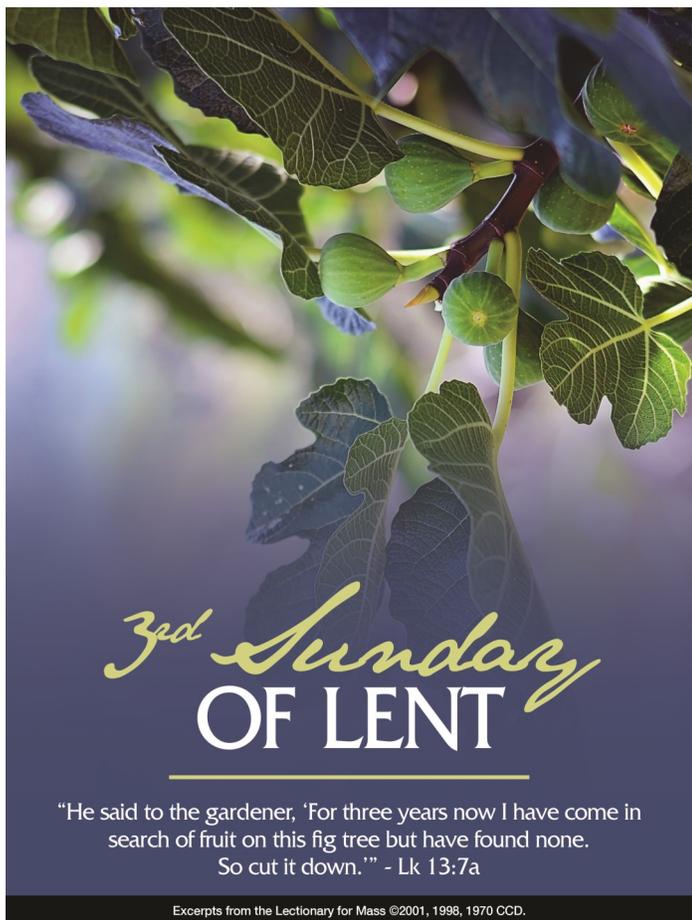
Sacrament of Penance – Tuesday from 5:40pm until done, Saturday 3:45—4:45, pm and by appointment.

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.

March 24, 2019

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Pastor's Corner



I hope you enjoyed this past week as much as I have. What a great St. Patrick's Day Family Fun day last week. Special thanks to Dan Sweeny chef extraordinaire and all the Knights of Columbus for putting on the dinner; thanks to our new PTO for all the fun activities; and thanks to the Confirmation candidates for all the help serving and cleaning up.

A number of you have also asked about my Grandmother. Teresa Stitt (or Grandma Dolly as we call her) not only made it to her 100th birthday last Friday, but she has rebounded and was doing wonderfully for the party. Although she's still receiving rehab at the hospital, she was able to get up and enjoy the food, drink, company, and the 100 roses we got her. (It's a great thing to have a florist in the family!) Thank you so much for any and all prayers for her!



It's been great having an increase in numbers at our daily Masses and the Tuesday Holy Hour for Vocations (4-5 PM). We'd love to have you there as well.

Finally, there is no shortage of things going on this coming week. See the insert for more.

THE SILVER SCREEN LIGHTS, CAMERA, AUCTION

SAVE THE DATE FOR THIS YEAR'S GALA
APRIL 27, 2019

6:00 PM AT ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

Featuring Live Music, Dinner Stations, Adult Beverages,
Silent Auction, Live Auction, Dancing

To benefit St. Mary's School

40 Cans for Lent

A Knights of Columbus sponsored program, which starts Ash Wednesday and concludes Easter Sunday, connects traditional alms-giving with the needs of the hungry. One -can-per-day food donation is inspired by Christ's 40 days of fasting in the desert.



There will be a box at each entrance of the church for food drop-off. The food will be given to local food banks. Don't feel locked into 40 gifts — give from the heart what you can. **Thank you!**



ANNUNCIATION NOVENA—for our future principal to be prayed from March 16-24



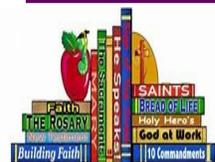
O most holy Virgin Mary, to whom God sent the Angel Gabriel to announce that you should be the mother of His Only-Begotten Son, pray for us who have recourse to you. Holy, lovely Mary, we give our all to you: what is past and present, and the future, too. Bless us with...state your intentions here...and especially our future principal!

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of Virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



Mass Attendance for Last Week

5:00 PM Saturday 117
9:00 AM Sunday 141
5:00 PM Sunday 47



Religious Education

Confirmation I & II Class 6:00-7:30pm

Lenten Family Gathering 3/24 @ 10:00am
March 24



THE MASS

Thursday Evenings at 6:45 and Fridays at 4:00.
With videos by Bishop Barron. Started last week, but there are still openings..

Call the rectory office for info or to sign up



Unplanned

Thursday March, 28th-Regal Theater-Salmon River Mall, Wapertown-6pm

FREE tickets to this ground breaking movie (sign-up required in the back of church-numbers due by Monday)

Unplanned unfolds a fascinating real-life transformation in the life of Abby Johnson, examining her journey from Planned Parenthood clinic director to becoming a leading advocate for life and women in crisis. You won't want to miss this eye-opening movie!

As one of the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic directors in the nation, Abby Johnson was involved in upwards of 22,000 abortions and counseled countless women on their reproductive choices. Her passion surrounding a woman's right to choose led her to become a spokesperson for Planned Parenthood, fighting to enact legislation for the cause she so deeply believed in. Until the day she saw something that changed everything.

The St. Mary's School Annual Fund is

UNDERWAY

Thank You to all those who have sent in their donations already-we have raised **\$28,238** so far!

Last year the fund raised \$47,496, please help us surpass this total!

To give, you can bring your gift to the rectory or you can give online at www.stmaryscantonny.com/donate-now

Contact Amanda: aconklin@stlawu.edu or (315)386-2543 for info.



Dr. Charlie Robinson

Knight & non-Knight friends of Dr. Charlie Robinson, Norfolk, NY, are invited to a Meet & Greet for his candidacy to the high office of State Warden of the NY State KofC Council. Sat. 3/30/19,

Drop in between 1: - 3:30pm at the Fr. Amyot Center behind the Church of the Visitation, 3 Morris St, Norfolk. Dress is casual. \$20 pp donation to Norfolk Council 11544.

"Science was Born of Christianity"

Stacy Trasancos, Doctor of Chemistry, Convert to Catholicism and Catholic theologian, will be giving the Niles Lecture on Religion and Science at **St. Lawrence University**.

The talk will be held at Herring Cole on **Wednesday, April 10, at 7:00 PM**. The talk is **free and open to the public**. Trasancos has been a frequent guest on Relevant Radio, Ave Maria Radio, EWTN, and Catholic Answers Live. She has written numerous articles for Catholic publications and is the author of



Particles of Faith: A Catholic Guide to Navigating Science.



STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE:

All High School Youth!

Attention All High School Youth:

Join us at the Steubenville Youth Conference

July 19-21 at Franciscan University of Steubenville.

The best Catholic speakers, powerful praise and worship, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Celebration of the Holy Mass, small groups, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and more!

All with 2,500 other faithful teens!

For more information contact Dayna Leader, Family Life Associate at 315-323-0827 and visit Family Life Office at

<https://www.rcdony.org/family-life-marriage/marriage/steubenville-youth-conference.html> for details.

Moe Sweeney was the lucky winner of the scratch off tree!

Congratulations to Moe and also a big **Thank You** to the Celtic Knot at 17 Main Street for donating the tree!



Pink Next Week!

The Church asks us to lighten up on the dark purple 2 Sundays a year as an outward sign to lighten up on our penances. Gaudete Sunday is the 3rd Sunday of Advent and Laetare Sunday is the 4th Sunday of Lent next Sunday the day we pull out the rose colored vestments. Please plan to join the clergy in pink—or more accurately "Rose".



Much gratitude to the anonymous donor who very generously contributed \$200 to defray some of the costs of operating the shut-in van for the 9am Sunday morning Mass.

Thank You!



Do you know someone who is a shut-in or may not have local family? St. Mary's will again be delivering ham dinners on Easter. If you would like a dinner or know of someone who would, please call the rectory at (315)386-2543

Joint Parish/Finance Council

Our next Council meeting will be a joint Parish and Finance Council meeting on Tuesday, March 26th. We'll meet at 6:45 PM in the School.



IGNITE 2019 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE: Syracuse, NY

The theme for the 11th Annual IGNITE Men's Conference is Exalt: O God be Merciful to me a Sinner. As usual there are three tremendous speakers that will challenge all who attend. You can be part of it on Saturday, March 30, 2019 at the SRC Arena & Event Center for an amazing day that will have a tremendous impact on you. You can register for the IGNITE 2019 Catholic Men's Conference online at www.ignitecatholicmen.org



All the Faithful of the Diocese of Ogdensburg are cordially invited to join The Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley, Bishop of Ogdensburg for the annual Renewal of Priestly Commitment, the Blessing of the Holy Oils, and the consecration of the Sacred Chrism for use in all the churches of the Diocese symbolizing that we are one family in Christ on Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 11:00am at St. Mary's Cathedral in Ogdensburg.

How about those Angels!? What a pleasure to have our angels back in the sanctuary after their repainting. Thanks once again to our generous and talented local artist doing all this work out of great love of the Lord and His Church.



Before



After

Rachel's Vineyard

The Spring Rachel's Vineyard after-abortion healing retreat will be held Friday, May 31-Sunday, June 2, 2019 at the Guggenheim Lodge in Saranac Lake. If you or someone you know is hurting after an abortion, consider attending this weekend retreat. Confidential registration form available at the Respect Life webpage rcdony.org/prolife. For more information call or text Colleen Miner 518-524-0774 or email cminer@rcdony.org. You're not alone. Help is available.



YOUTH RALLY 2019
A Day of Faith and Fun For 7th to 12th Grade Students

God has blessed each, and every one of us with the "Light", the gift that enables us to be the best that we can be. The time is now. It's time to RISE UP! Join us for a day filled with Fun, Praise, Food, Music and the Holy Spirit.

Date: April 6th, 2019

Time: 9:30am to 5:00pm

Rally location: Trinity Catholic School, Massena New York 188 Main Street

Registration for this one, day event is \$25, and lunch included.

To Register: www.rcdony.org/youthrally
REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS, MARCH 29TH

If you would like information, contact: Tom Semeraro, Director of Youth Ministry (315)393-2920 x1415 or tsemeraro@rcdony.org



Hello, I'm **Amanda Conklin** and this is my 7th year working for St. Mary's! As is often the case when working in ministry, I do a little bit of everything, but I mainly serve as the Campus Minister for SLU and SUNY Canton. I also organize the SMS Annual Fund and Donor Magazine. I have two joyful children, Emma and John, who attend St. Mary's School. I am also most often the face behind the church and school social media and graphics. My husband

Seth is currently helping with the parish RCIA program. Please feel free say hello and introduce or re-introduce yourself!

Help Needed

Volunteers are needed to help prepare Easter Dinners for our shut in friends at gam on holy Saturday.

Drivers are also needed to deliver the dinners on Easter Sunday at 11 am.

Please call Dan Sweeney at (315)854-4253 Thanks



Campus Corner

Newman Club

Updated Newman Meeting times for the semester:

Tuesdays-

6-7pm-SLU-Room 232 (Crandall Room) of the Student Center
7:15pm-8:15pm SUNY Canton-Fishbowl Room of the Library

Join other area Catholic college students for faith, fellowship, and fun at our annual Lenten retreat! Email Amanda at aconklin@stlawu.edu or conklina@canton.edu for more info.



We pray a communal rosary for the cause of Life each Thursday at 4:45 PM in the chapel.

Please come join us.

Cards with the prayers encouraged by Pope Francis at the conclusion of the Rosary are available at the Chapel door.

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.

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| Nolan Joe Redmond | Sue Dean | Natalie teRiele |
| Sam Bisonette | Camille Brown | |
| David Datush | Leward & Betty Lucia | |
| Arlene Maroney | Judy Ruddy | |
| Debbie Gainey | Katie Coakley Ba | |
| Fred Rycroft | Phyllis Cunningham | |
| Sue Dean | Doni Peters | |
| Shirley Lamendola | William Roman | |
| Patricia Bickford | Abuse Victims and their families | |



Principal's Corner

Mar. 24-PTO meeting 2pm **meeting**



April 15-19—Spring Break

Fish & Shrimp Fry
Every Friday, March 8 to April 19



St James School, Gouverneur
Call (315)287-0130 for information

We are continuing the North Country Catholic subscription campaign. If you have not yet subscribed to our diocesan newspaper I would ask you to do so today. Bishop La-Valley has asked that the diocesan newspaper be welcomed in every Catholic home in the diocese as a source of information, evangelization and unity. Envelopes are available in the church.



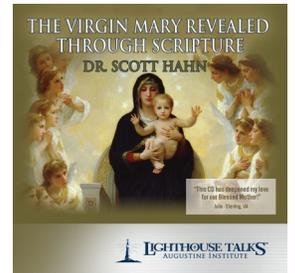
Please pick up a **weekly children's Bulletin** for your child.



Help them learn about the weekly gospel from a child's perspective. They are located in the bulletin holders.

CD of the Week:

Drawing on his roots as a Protestant minister, **Dr. Scott Hahn** responds to key misunderstandings about the Virgin Mary. This captivating presentation explains the biblical and historical basis for the Church's teachings that the Virgin Mary is the New Eve and the Queen of Heaven.



UPDATE

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN
DIOCESE OF OGDENSBURG
Supporting the mission of the Church here in the North Country.

Positive momentum continues to grow for the Capital Campaign. As of Mar. 14th, St. Mary's has raised **\$331,300.99** from **123** donors. To date we have reached **86%** of our goal! When we subtract the amount designated for our Bishop's Fund Appeal Goal of \$35,000 and the 25% designated to the Diocesan Projects (or our indirect needs – Camp Guggenheim, Priest Retirement, Education of Seminarians, St Mary's Cathedral extensive work), so far, the income coming back to St. Mary's, if all pledges are honored, is **\$222,225.07** for our needs (The school roof loan, brick repair on the church, the wheelchair ramp and on going religious education for every member of the parish). It is our hope that everyone will participate so that our very much needed parish projects will be able to get done. So if you have yet to make a donation or pledge we are really counting on all parishioners to make this happen.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

2019 Easter Candles

I would like a candle to burn during the Easter Octave (8 days) at St. Mary's for the following person or intention:



(Please Print Clearly)

Please indicate if person is living or deceased

_____ Living _____ Deceased

Name of Donor:

Please return this form and a \$15 offering to the Rectory by April 15. Thank you!

Schedule

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March 23 and 24, 2019

Sat. 5:00 pm

Lectors: Sarah Campbell, Lisa Guccione
Eucharist: Michael Christy, Bernie Proulx, Brenda Sanderson,
Freda Michaud
Altar Servers: Eleanor Bailey
Greeters: Mary Thivierge

Sun. 9:00 am

Lectors: Russ Backus, Maureen Howard
Eucharist: Joe Tebo, Joan Hyde, Barb teRiele, Virginia Burwell
Altar Servers: Nicole White, Gavin Thompson
Greeter: Barb Lee

March 30 and 31, 2019

Sat. 5:00 pm

Lectors: Carol O'Horo
Eucharist: Juliette Guarino, Anne Ryan-Ruud, Patricia Furgal,
Sandra Bartlett
Altar Servers: Christian Guarino
Greeters: Mary Evans

Sun. 9:00 am

Lectors: Frank Palumbo, Russel Backus
Eucharist: Helen Dominy, Jennifer Palumbo, Keith Zimmerman,
Norma Jean Lapoint
Altar Servers: Gavin Thompson, Nicole White
Greeter: Brian Lee

Parish Support

<u>Week of March 17</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Envelopes	\$4,887.00	\$3,998.00
Plate	\$632.00	\$667.95
North Country Catholic	\$27.00	\$568.00
St. Joseph's Home	\$55.00	
Catholic Relief Services	\$100.00	
Holy Land	\$10.00	
Adopt-a-Student	\$100.00	
Works of the Holy Father		\$10.00
Easter Flowers	\$922.00	\$265.00
Children's Envelope	25¢	
Easter Candle	\$225.00	
Total	\$6,958.25	\$5,598.95

*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!*

MASS & PARISH SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 24: **Third Sunday of Lent**
9:00 am Mass Chloe Ann O'Neill by Henry Sieg
5:00 pm Mass Edward Wilson by Judy Wilson & Family

Monday, March 25: **The Annunciation of the Lord**
8:15 am Mass For All The People of The Parish

Tuesday, March 26: **Lenten Weekday**
4:00 pm Holy Hour for Vocation
5:10 pm Mass Margaret Brown by Her Estate

Wednesday, March 27: **Lenten Weekday**
8:05 am Stations of the Cross
8:15 am Mass All Souls by The Parishioners

Thursday, March 28: **Lenten Weekday**
4:45 pm Rosary for Life
5:10 pm Mass Rosanne Collins by The Pinkertons
6:45 pm **The Mass** A weekly presentation by Bishop Barron (School Conference Room)

Friday, March 29: **Lenten Weekday**
8:15 am Mass Michele Scanlin by Cynthia Beattie
4:00 pm **The Mass** A weekly presentation by Bishop Barron Rectory (Alternate time)
5:15 pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 30: **Lenten Weekday**
No Morning Mass
Vigil: Fourth Sunday of Lent
3:45-4:45 pm Confession
5:00 pm Mass Pauline Proulx (Anniversary) by Bernie Proulx

Sunday, March 31: **Third Sunday in Lent**
9:00 am Mass For All the People of The Parish
5:00 pm Mass Don Wilson by Sandy & Bob Santamoor



The Church Sanctuary Lamp burns this week
For the intentions of the St. Germain Family

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

Reading for Sunday March 24:

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor
10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

Readings for the week of March 31:

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor
5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



Visit a family member, friend or neighbor who is alone and might be lonely, or perhaps someone you haven't reached out to in some time.