

# THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF SAINT MARY

## Parish Office

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## St. Mary's School

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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. \*\*\*



*26<sup>th</sup> Sunday*

IN ORDINARY TIME

Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.'" - Lk 16:31

## 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.

**September 29, 2019**

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### Pastor's Corner

"What did you get?" This question is often asked after Christmas and birthdays, but it should also be asked at church. What gift did the Lord give to you? As with any practical gift, it is surely something that the Giver wants us to use.



Good readers?—Lector. Warm personality?—Greet. Attentive eye for detail?—Cleaning crew (or Finance Council!). Here's a new one: Did God give you a **gift for working with kids**? Don't hesitate to reach out to a mom or dad who is struggling with a little one (especially if they are "out-numbered") and say, "Can I sit with you guys?" or "Can I be of some assistance?" If prompted by the Holy Spirit and said with a smile, great things will happen. Thanks for using your gifts!

What about the gift of hospitality and education? You'll see on the insert that we are rolling out a great new program on FORMED called "**Presence**." It's something that is ideally done in small groups. Is the Lord asking you to invite some fellow parishioners over to your house to explore it?

Fr. James Shurtleff has graciously offered to be with you next weekend as I'll be away for my baby **brother's wedding**. Please say a prayer for Mike, Qirsten, and the poor shmuck they asked to preach! (Fr. Justin Thomas will also be available for the First Saturday Mass—this month only back to 8:15 AM.)

I hope you all have a blessed couple weeks. -Fr. Bryan Stitt



### Bishop's Fund Appeal Update

Our parish's 2019 Bishop's Fund Appeal is coming to a close. We are grateful to the **48** families that have made a sacrificial gift to this year's Bishop's Fund Appeal. Our parish has raised **\$7,188.00** toward its goal of \$35,034.00. On behalf of Bishop La-Valley, thank you to all who have supported this year's Appeal. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please pray about your decision and make a pledge or one-time gift. Pledge envelopes are located at the back of the church. You also have the opportunity to make your gift and pledge payments online using a debit or credit card. Please visit :



[www.rcdony.org/bishop-s-fund-appeal](http://www.rcdony.org/bishop-s-fund-appeal)

and click on "Donate Now" (found in the tool bar on the left).



### Mass Attendance for Last Week

5:00 PM Saturday	115
9:00 AM Sunday	183
10:45 AM Sunday	87



### Becoming Catholic

### R.C.I.A. Tuesday PM

Please pray for the RCIA Class that will be starting this coming Tuesday. We have 3 great candidates that are starting the process with us. It's not too late to reach out if you or someone you know would like to explore what this is all about. We'll be meeting from 6:45-8:15 PM.

### Surviving Spouse

### Friendship and Support Group



meets the first Thursday of the month:

**October 3rd**

at **The Meadows Restaurant** at 9 am. Please join us!

For more information and for restaurant planning purposes, call: Lita 379-1650; Ivy 265-4959.

### Blessing of Roses for Little Flower



Generations of Catholics have admired young St. Therese of Lisieux, called the "Little Flower", and have found in her short life more inspiration for their own lives than in volumes by theologians.

Yet Therese died when she was 24, after having lived as cloistered Carmelite for less than ten years. She never went on missions, never founded a religious order, never performed great works. The only book of hers, published after her death, was a brief edited version of her journal called "Story of a Soul." (Collections of her letters and restored versions of her journals have been published more recently.) But within 28 years of her death, the public demand was so great that she was canonized.

Over the years, some modern Catholics have turned away from her because they associate her with over-sentimentalized piety, and yet the message she has for us is still as compelling and simple as it was almost a century ago. Her way of growing closer to the Lord through what she called "the little way." In her words: *"I will seek out a means of getting to Heaven by a little way—very short and very straight, a little way that is wholly new. We live in an age of inventions; nowadays the rich need not trouble to climb the stairs, they have lifts instead. Well, I mean to try and find a lift by which I may be raised unto God, for I am too tiny to climb the steep stairway of perfection. [...] Thine Arms, then, O Jesus, are the lift which must raise me up even unto Heaven. To get there I need not grow; on the contrary, I must remain little, I must become still less."*

We hope you are aware of **the local connection to St. Therese**. You've surely noticed the statue of her in the chapel—next to it is the full story of the apparition of St. Therese made on October 2, 1932 over at the convent down the street at 33 Court Street.

Every sister in the convent saw her appear as a child (very fitting in appearing to a community of sisters that dedicated their lives to educating children) and left a perfect rose for the Sisters.

**The feast of St. Therese of Lisieux is this Tuesday, Oct. 1st. We'll be having a special Mass at 5:10 PM with the blessing of the Roses. Please join us!**



### Thank you, PTO!

Thank you to all who participated in last Saturday's, Corn-Hole for a Cause at the Canton Sportsmen's Club. It was great fun... (even if Father was disappointed in his failure to win the championship!)

### Congratulations, Rory Phillip!

Last Sunday, Rory Phillip Parker became the newest member of the Church of Christ, entering the life death and resurrection of Jesus. Many blessings to our newest parishioner, his parents Josh and Alee Parker, and to his big brother Rhett.

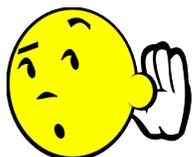


### For Peace, Reflection, and Vocations!

Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. These words from the Gospel encourage us to keep up the request. We need more people living lives of radical discipleship: We need priests as well as deacons, and religious, faithful married people, generous single people.

But how can we help? Join us any Tuesday afternoon from 4:00-5:00 PM for a Holy Hour for Vocations. There is Adoration, a Rosary or a Divine Mercy Chaplet, a reflection on the next Sunday's Gospel, and silent time to talk to the Lord, listen to Him, and simply rest in His presence.

Please join us asking, the Harvest Master to send Laborers into his harvest.



**What did he say?** There are hearing assistance devices available if you need them. Please see an usher or greeter if you would like to use one during Mass or find a headset on the shelf near the baptismal font.



### Pork BBQ Dinner

Plan to join us for a combined fundraiser for St. Mary's School and the Mtn. Warriors Sled Hockey Team at St. Mary's School gym on Oct. 20, 2019 from 9:30am-2:00pm.

Mullin's Restaurant in Gouverneur will be catering and the team and any families/students/parishioners are welcome to help.

The Mt. Warriors Team has generously offered to split the proceeds with us (60%-St. Mary's & 40% Mtn. Warriors) Thanks for your help.



### Hospital or Homebound

Do you know of someone who is heading into the hospital? Please call the rectory and let Father know. If there is a serious surgery planned, we want to offer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

If you know of anyone who is homebound—either for short time due to a recent surgery or who will be laid up for a long period—please let us know as well. We'd like to visit them, and hopefully add them to the list of communion calls on First Friday.



### Tri-Council Meeting

A lot was covered on Wednesday night. *(The rest of the bulletin has to go to print on Tuesday, but inserts can be worked on until the end of the week!)*



Stay tuned for the minutes as soon as our secretary, Maureen Howard has them typed up. A good amount of the meeting focused on the great things happening at our school including our new principal, Michele Lallier, our new Family Support Coordinator, and the work of the PTO.

We also spent time looking at some numbers for the beginning of this fiscal year which started in July. We'll have a better sense of where we stand come our next meeting: November 14th.

### This Sunday, October 29th, we celebrate Priesthood Sunday.



Thank you to Fr. Stitt and all of the priests of the Diocese of Ogdensburg for your selfless devotion and service to our parishes and our Diocese.

Thank you for your joyful witness and your devotion to the True Presence in the Blessed Sacrament.



# Presence™

THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST



### Week One — God is With Us

*God is With Us* examines God's saving presence with his people throughout salvation history, culminating in the Incarnation and his abiding real presence in the Eucharist. The question to ask is not only "What is the Eucharist?" but "Who is the Eucharist?"

This week, login to [formed.org](http://formed.org) and watch *Presence*, Episode 1.

This coming week

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## PRESENCE, The Mystery of the Eucharist

How to grow in your devotion to the Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament? Join us for our Parish-wide study of Presence. There are three ways to join:

1. Sign up in the back of Church, and plan to join us for Monday Evenings (Oct 4, 11, 18)\*
2. Join with family and friends in a small group
3. View the short videos online in the comfort of your own home and discuss them with others at your leisure.

\*If you sign up for the first option, study guides will be available. Otherwise, you can print your own at [FORMED.org](http://FORMED.org)



### Follow the Leaders

It's been a great month having Joy Leader with us. Sadly for us, but with great excitement for her, an opportunity has opened up for her back in Chicago. Her last day with us will be this week.

In the workings of Divine Providence, her sister, Grace Leader

(Yup, all the girls in the family have virtuous names!) became available and returned to the North Country this month. Grace has been hired to take over the work as Secretary, Teacher's Aid, and Assistant at Latchkey. Godspeed, Miss Joy! Welcome, Miss Grace!



### A Gift Presented!

Our former pastor, Bishop Lucia, was up in the area this week, and Father Stitt and Anna McKenna were able to present him with the beautiful Oil Stock that the parish bought him for his ordination. He was very appreciative, and he seems to be doing very well. Thank you all who contributed to this gift. As much as he liked the Oil Stock, he appreciates all the prayers even more. Let's all keep those going for him and all in Syracuse!



### Meet Your New Family Support Coordinator at St. Mary's School!

Hi! My name is Karley Wake and I was hired by the Diocese of Ogdensburg to be a family support coordinator at St. Mary's School in Canton! I am very excited about this position and was so

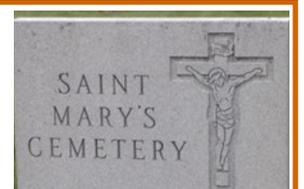
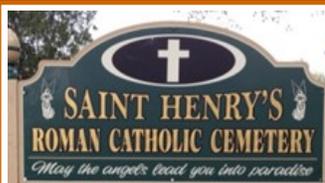
thankful for the opportunity to serve the families of our school, the parish and the community. The focus of my position will be to build and strengthen relationships between families, the school, the parish and the greater community by providing events and programs to address needs of families.

I look forward to this new adventure and am so thankful to have this opportunity!

### Cemetery Note

Fall is here and winter is not far behind. Please remove all decorations, urns, crosses, flags and flowers from the graves of your loved ones at St. Mary's Cemetery and St. Henry's Cemetery.

Thank You



## Campus Corner

### Weekly Newman Catholic Club Meetings

SLU— Fridays at Noon,  
Student Center Room 232  
SUNY Canton—Mondays at 1pm,  
Chaney Dining Hall



The Blessing of the Animals will be **October 4 at 5:00PM** in the SLU Quad.

If you would like to know more about our Newman Ministry, contact Amanda at [aconklin@stlawu.edu](mailto:aconklin@stlawu.edu) or [conklina@canton.edu](mailto:conklina@canton.edu)



## Employment Opportunity

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Ogdensburg is seeking a **Clerical Assistant for the Development Office and Secretary for the Office of Family Life and Moderator of Curia.**

The full-time position provides administrative support to the Development Office and serves as secretary for the Family Life and Moderator of the Curia offices. Applicants must possess strong secretarial and computer skills. Must be proficient in Microsoft Word and Excel and have the ability to learn new software including Raiser's Edge. Strong interpersonal skills and good oral and written communication skills are also required. High level of discretion and confidentiality is required. Submit letter of interest, resume and three professional references to: Human Resources Office, Diocese of Ogdensburg, P.O. Box 369, Ogdensburg, NY 13669 or e-mail to: [ksnover@rcdony.org](mailto:ksnover@rcdony.org).

## Volunteer to Feed the Hungry

St. Mary's is one of the church sponsors of Canton's Church and Community Program, which provides food and a source of inexpensive clothing to the neediest in our community. C&CP is looking for additional volunteers for its food pantry and thrift shop. If you would like to help out for a couple of hours a week, or for more information, call Connie at 315-386-3534.



## FILL THE DUMPSTER! Annual Bottle Drive

Help support St. Mary's School

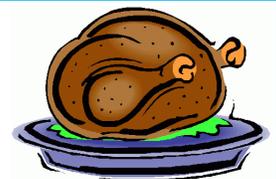
Bring your cans and bottles to the school and deposit them in the special dumpster at the Court St. driveway.

OR

Bring your cans and bottles to Bessette's on Gouverneur St.

## Turkey Dinner with Fr. Ray

One of our former pastors, Father Ray Moreau would like to invite all of you to his annual Harvest Dinner at St. Mary's Parish Center, 769 County Route 7, Brushton, NY (across from the Brushton-Moira Central School) on **Sunday, October 6th from 12 noon to 4:00 p.m.** Dinner includes Roast Turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, stuffing, squash, cabbage salad, cranberry sauce, rolls, and dessert. Adults: \$10.00; Seniors: \$9.00; 6-12: \$6.00; 5 and under free. Plan to take a Sunday ride to Brushton to visit with Fr. Ray and enjoy a good meal!



## St. Mary's School Pancake Breakfast October 27 Sunday

**All are invited!**

9:30 am to 12:30 pm

\$7/person—Children 3 and under FREE—Families \$20

Pancakes, including pumpkin and gluten free

Eggs, sausage, toast, fresh fruit & beverages

**Sponsored by the K of C**



## Quilt Raffle

This year's quilt is a beauty!  
Don't miss your chance to win!

Tickets are **\$1.00 each** or  
**6 tickets for \$5.00.**

The winner will be drawn  
at Pancake Breakfast on Oct 27

(need not be present to win).

Contact the School if you would like tickets. 315-386-3572



St. Mary's Thrift Shop would like to thank the volunteers who helped change over the shop from summer to winter clothes. They included a stalwart group of women who cleaned the shop and filled the racks with donated clothes, Jim White, John Bailey and residents of the North Country Freedom Home. This coordinated effort helps us to make sure that people in this area have warm clothes to wear. Donations of seasonal clothing are being accepted again inside the shop from 9-4 Mon-Fri.

## Substitute Teachers Needed

St. Mary's School is looking for substitute teachers for the 2019 -2020 school year. Interested individuals must be VIRTUS trained. Teacher certification is preferred but not required. Substitutes must be able to read and follow a lesson plan provided by the classroom teacher. If interested in applying please contact the School Office at 315-386-3572.



*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. Amen.*

Nolan Joe Redmond	Peggy Cashman	Natalie teRiele	Doni Peters
Sam Bisonette	Camille Brown	David Datush	J.J. Crooks
Arlene Maroney	Shirley Lamendola	Debbie Gainey	Carol Gainey
Fred Rycroft	Phyllis Cunningham	Sue Dean	Judy Ruddy
Katie Coakley Ba	Don Tracy	Leward & Betty Lucia	
	Abuse Victims & their families		

The next SMS Coffee with the Principal is **Tuesday, October 8 at 7:45am.**

# Schedule

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## September 28 and 29, 2019

### Sat. 5:00 pm

Lectors: Brad Mintener, Edd White  
 Altar Servers: Eleanor Bailey  
 Eucharist: Sandra Bartlett, Anne Ryan-Ruud,  
 Carol O'Horo, Cathleen O'Horo  
 Greeter: Mary Thivierge

### Sun. 9:00 am

Lectors: Frank Palumbo, Shelly Roiger  
 Altar Servers: Joseph and Zadok Roiger  
 Eucharist: Maureen Howard, Joan Hyde,  
 Jennifer Palumbo, Joseph Tebo  
 Greeter: Barbara and Brian Lee

## October 5 and 6, 2019

### Sat. 5:00 pm

Lectors: Brenda Sanderson, Edd White  
 Altar Servers: Eleanor Bailey  
 Eucharist: Juliette Guarino, Lisa Guccione,  
 Nancy Layhee, Bernard Proulx  
 Greeter: Mary and Phil Shatraw

### Sun. 9:00 am

Lectors: Virginia Burwell, Jordan Tanguay  
 Altar Servers: Gavin Thompson, Nicole White  
 Eucharist: Norma Jean Lapoint, Marion Larson,  
 Melissane Schrems, Barbara teRiele  
 Greeter: Maureen Howard

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



*The Church Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for*

**Nora and Burt Bessette**

**on the anniversary of their marriage and Nora's birthday  
 by Norene and Neil Sheridan**

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

## Parish Support

<u>Week of September 23</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
Envelopes	\$5,544.00	\$5,443.00
Plate	\$708.09	\$675.49
Match		\$50.00
Hurricane Relief		\$96.85
On-line Donations		\$482.00
Children's Envelopes	\$1.25	\$1.25
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,253.34</b>	<b>\$6,748.59</b>

*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!*

**Save the hassle of writing checks and using envelopes, set  
 up a direct deposit for your offering.  
 To set up online giving,**

## ***MASS & PARISH SCHEDULE***

<b>Saturday, Sept. 28:</b>	<b>Vigil: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
3:45-4:45 pm	Confessions
5:00 pm Mass	Harold and Myrtle Burke by Judy Wilson and Family
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<b>Sunday, Sept. 29:</b>	<b>Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9:00 am Mass	Mark Lee (Anniversary) by the Lee Family
10:00 am	Religious Education Classes
2:00 pm Mass	Blue Mass at the Cathedral <i>All are Welcome</i>
5:00 pm Mass	For all of the People of the Parish
6:00 pm	Confirmation I & II Classes
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<b>Monday, Sept. 30:</b>	<b>St Jerome, Priest &amp; Doctor of the Church</b>
8:15 am Mass	Francis "Coro" Malpica by Linda Peters and Family
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<b>Tuesday, Oct. 1:</b>	<b>Saint Thérèse of Lisieux</b>
4:00 pm	Holy Hour for Vocations
5:10 pm	<b>MASS &amp; BLESSING OF ROSES</b>
	Margaret Brown by Estate
5:40 pm+	Confessions
6:45 pm	First RCIA Class
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<b>Wednesday, Oct. 2:</b>	<b>The Holy Guardian Angels</b>
8:15 am Mass	Gail L. Green by Harry & Peggy Podgurski
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<b>Thursday, Oct. 3:</b>	<b>Weekday</b>
4:45 pm	Rosary for Life
5:10 pm Mass	Teresa Stitt by Anna McKenna and Family
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<b>Friday, Oct. 4:</b>	<b>Saint Francis of Assisi (FIRST FRIDAY)</b>
<del>8:15</del> am Mass	Christopher Fuller by the Faculty and Students of SMS
10:30 am	<b>(Maplewood)</b> Communion Service
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<b>Saturday, Oct. 5:</b>	<b>Weekday/ Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos (FIRST SATURDAY)</b>
8:15 am Mass with Fr. Justin Thomas	Bruce Thompson by his Family
3:45-4:45 pm	Confessions
	<b>Vigil: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
5:00 pm Mass	Don Wilson by Cindi and Dan Willmart and Family
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<b>Sunday, Oct. 6:</b>	<b>Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9:00 am Mass	For all of the People of the Parish
10:00 am	Religious Education Classes
5:00 pm Mass	Bernard Boyer by Gloria Spadaccini and Family
6:00 pm	Confirmation I & II Classes

### **Reading for September 29, 2019**

Am 6:1A, 4-7                      Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10  
1 Tm 6:11-16                      Lk 16:19-31

### **Reading for October 6, 2019**

Hab 1:2-3, 2:2-4                      Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9  
2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14                      Lk 17:5-10

