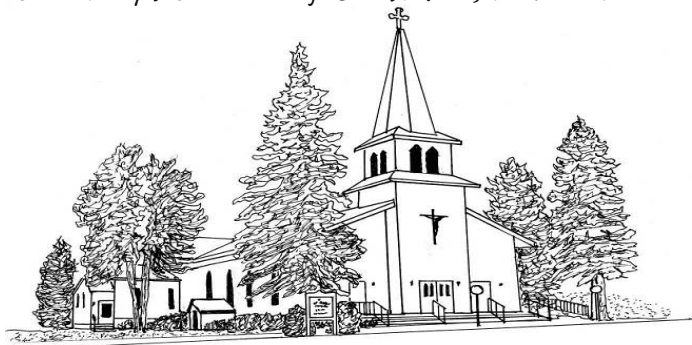


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MONDAY APRIL 17 WITHIN OCTAVE OF EASTER

9:00 AM SM: Bernard Jock by Phyllis Jock

TUESDAY APRIL 18 WITHIN OCTAVE OF EASTER

9:00 AM SA: James Benware by Bob LaVoie

WEDNESDAY APRIL 19 WITHIN OCTAVE OF EASTER

9:00 AM SM: Sandra Malette by John & Charlotte Gokey

THURSDAY APRIL 20 WITHIN OCTAVE OF EASTER

9:00 AM SA: Rev. Edward Papp by Joan Whipple

SAT. APRIL 22 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY VIGIL

4:00 PM SA: Brent McElwain by Mom & Day

5:30 PM SM: Ron Deon by Marty & Nancy Al

SUNDAY APRIL 23 DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

9:00 AM SA: People of the Parish

11:00 AM SM: Robert E. Savage by Janice, Alton, Sue, Dianne & Don



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Sacrament of Baptism: Infants: contact the parish office before or soon after birth. Adults: inquire about the RCIA
Sacrament of Penance: Saturdays 2:45-3:00 p.m. St. Mary's; 3:30-3:45 St. Augustine. You may also contact Fr. Ray
Sacrament of the Sick: Contact Fr. Ray in advance of surgery or as soon as possible when serious illness occurs
Sacrament of Marriage: Contact the parish office at least 6 months prior to the proposed wedding date to begin prep

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FROM FR. RAY...

Happy Easter! What a great day for me to express my sincere and deepest gratitude for all of the love, support, prayers and encouragement that you have given to me as your pastor. I am particularly grateful to all of you who have journeyed with me during the Season of Lent by participating in our Lenten Mission, by attending weekday Mass, and by being a part of our Tuesday evening Soup & Sandwich / Catholicism series. The greatest joy of my life is being a priest and I truly thank God for sending me to this faith-filled community of St. Augustine/St. Mary. Your Alleluia is constantly expressed in so many ways!!!

At the Easter Vigil throughout the world, new members have joined our faith in the process called RCIA, the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*. These new members have completed study of our faith and the gospel over the past 6 months. The parish communities of St. Augustine/St. Mary wish to welcome and congratulate Maryanne Daily, Troy Deno, Heather Eldridge and Nicole McCaffrey in receiving at the Easter Vigil the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation. May they be strengthened through our prayers and encouragement as they continue to live the Gospel message.

I wish to extend a very special welcome to all visitors, especially former parishioners, out of town relatives and family members, college students, as well as all new parishioners who may be worshipping with us for the first time. If you have been seeking a Parish community in which to learn, to pray, to join in social activity, and to be of service to others--our doors and hearts are open. We are thankful that God has sent you to us this Easter, and we welcome you to our Parish Family of Faith.

With the recent death of my mom I wish to also express my thanks and appreciation to all of you who surrounded me with your love and care, your calls, visits, prayers and words of encouragement. Your acts of kindness made my burden more bearable and I thank you from the depth of my heart.

May our Risen Lord abundantly bless all of you this Easter Season with His many graces!

Lastly, this week I will be making my annual retreat in the Buffalo, NY area. A retreat is not only expected of a priest but is required by Canon Law. It is so important to take a bit of time away to get things in order, to "rest a while," and to spend some quality time with the Lord. I will be leaving after the weekend Masses and will be returning on Friday night April 21. Fr. Lamica has graciously offered his assistance during my absence and will be celebrating the weekday Masses throughout the week. He will also be available for any emergencies or funerals that may arise. Should an emergency arise contact the parish office between 9 a.m. to 12 noon Monday through Thursday at 483-6674. At all other times call Fr. Lamica at 518-354-3812. Please pray for me during the week and I will certainly pray for all of you!



COLLECTION: April 15/16

**DUE TO THE EARLY BULLETIN THIS
INFORMATION WILL BE POSTED NEXT WEEK**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 (42) or Mt 28:1-10 (41) or, at an afternoon or evening Mass, Lk 24:13-35

Happy Easter! He is Risen! He is Risen indeed! In today's account of the resurrection from John there are so many wonderful details which can serve as food for our meditation. While it was still dark, Mary Magdalene discovered that Christ had been raised. Can you feel her excitement, her joy? She cannot keep it to herself. She *runs* to tell others. Do we? Today, on this Easter Sunday, can you share in her joy at the Resurrection? And rejoicing, can you share this good news with others: that we have been raised with Christ?

Readings for the Week of April 16, 2017

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/

Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or

Mt 28:1-10 or Lk 24:13-35

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11/

Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22/Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-4, 6-9/Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab, 5-9/Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27a/Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-21/

Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/

1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMP

Fun, Faith and Teens at Work

Catholic Heart Workcamp (CHWC) has announced that it will be coming to Plattsburg this summer, from June 25 to June 30. This week-long service camp, being housed at Seton Catholic Central, is open to high school (entering 9th grade in Fall 2017) and college students. For information about the Plattsburgh camp or to register, please contact managers Jocelyn Kelly and Samantha Poulin at chwc.ogdensburg@gmail.com or call Jocelyn at 518-651-0786. Additional information about CHWC can be found at www.heartworkcamp.com

PLANNED GIVING

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FROM OUR BISHOP...

Easter 2017

ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!!

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

These days, the human family appears to be in a struggle for inner peace and contentment as various worries often latch onto our minds and into our hearts. In a world darkened by sin, steeped in uncertainty, and saturated with suffering, it can be difficult for many of us to experience Easter joy.

The Easter Vigil liturgy begins with the faithful gathered in darkness. Into this darkness, a spark ignites the Easter fire, the source of light for the Paschal candle that will be held high as the procession enters the Church. In the face of this light, "Christ, our Light", darkness has no option but to retreat.

The Gospel of John in its opening verses announces that in the Word "life came to be...and this life was the light of the human race" (1:4-5). The evangelist then continues that this "light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it" (1:5). The blessing of the new fire at Easter challenges you and me to be the spark that forces the darkness we encounter in our lives to retreat.

At this moment, it might seem like nothing's changed in our world, but hopefully our Lenten pilgrimage has changed us. We have journeyed, sometimes faithfully, other times not so, in our resolve to follow Jesus more closely. It is His light, shining through us, that brings a newness to those we meet. Our love of God is evidenced in our earnest attempts to love our neighbor in more concrete ways, both the neighbor next door and the neighbor who lives at a distance.

"...for if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection" (6:5). Here, in his letter to the Romans that we hear at the Easter Vigil, Paul writes of our mission on this earth and tells of the fruits of such a journey of faith: union with Jesus on earth leads to union with Him in heaven...ah...there's the hope, the source of our joy every day—Christ has risen! It's that simple. It's that difficult!

Christ-led, Christ-fed, and hope-filled, let each of us resolve to be the spark that lights the candle instead of cursing the darkness as we await a new Pentecost when fresh tongues of fire are loosed in the world. May the light of Christ, illuminating our lives, dispel the darkness. A very happy and Blessed Easter to you and your loved ones!

Faithfully yours in Christ,
+ **Terry R. LaValley**
Bishop of Ogdensburg

DIocese OF OGDENSBURG VOCATION SOCIETY

Did you know our diocese has a group called D.O.V.S (Diocese of Ogdensburg Vocation Society). It is a group of dedicated people who pray for and work to promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life in our diocese. They meet most months, plan events to thank our priests and religious, and annually take a pilgrimage. Please consider joining! Call Connic at 315-265-2762, or the Vocations Office at 315-393-2920 to join, to ask questions.

Divine Mercy Sunday Activities – April 23rd

On April 30, 2000 Pope John Paul II stated that henceforth in the Universal Church the 2nd Sunday of Easter will be called Divine Mercy Sunday!

The 11:00 a.m. Mass at Notre Dame Church (St. André's Parish), Malone, will open the celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday.

From 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m. the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for individual adoration. Confessions will be heard beginning at 1:00 p.m. and continue up until 2:50 p.m.

At 3:00 p.m. Devotions for Divine Mercy Sunday will begin. The Chaplet of the Divine Mercy will be sung and there will be Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

All are welcome to join in any or all of the above times of prayer and praise as your schedule permits.

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PARK CLEANING IN BRUSHTON


Kevin Pentalow, the mayor of Brushton, has asked that the following be printed in our bulletin: On April 22, we will be cleaning our park and we need your help. The more help we have the more that can be done. Right now we are in the early stages of planning and are looking for low cost suggestions of ways to make the dam a better park. We are looking for anyone with a love for the area and the dam to help. Here are some of the things we are thinking about and hoping to do:

- Painting the big rock,
- Painting the fence and basketball poles.
- pick up leaves and branches.
- rake and weed-eat.
- we are looking into welding the backboards up so they won't come down.

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