# St. Alphonsus-Holy Name of Jesus Parish



Pastor:

**Reverend Douglas Decker** 

Deacons:

James Ellis, Gerald Savage

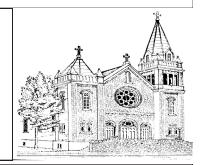
**Deacon James Ellis** 

Religious Education Office (K-10):

Jill Bujold

Parish Office:

Lisa Reed



**Reconciliation:** 

Saturday - St. Alphonsus 3:15-3:30pm; Sunday - Holy Name 8:00-8:10am

Baptism Preparation: Call parish office Wedding Preparation: Call parish office at least 6 months before desired date

Communion to the Sick: Call parish office

Pastor's residence:

114 Main St.

Parish Offices & Religious Education

40 Marion St.

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Secretary/Bookkeeper: Lisa Reed: email: office@tupperlakecatholics.org

Website: www.tupperlakecatholics.org

Masses this week	,			
Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	12/19 12/20 11/21 12/22 12/23	8:00am 8:00am 8:00am 8:00am	HGPC HGPC HGPC HGPC	Eileen Tobin (1st Anniversary) by her Sisters Jim LaFave by Eileen Carrow Perth & Savage families by James & Mary Ann Savage Charlie Abdallah by Jim Frenette No Mass
CHRISTMAS				
Saturday Sunday Sunday	12/24 12/25 12/25	4:00pm 7:00pm 9:00am	SA HN SA	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH PEOPLE OF THE PARISH PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

HN Sanctuary Candle In loving memory of Larry Keniston, Sr. by Dan & Cindy Santerre SA Sanctuary Candle in loving memory of Reta Reandeau by Leona Kavanagh

# From the Pastor...

Christmas is getting closer and closer. The Christmas Mass schedule is Saturday 4 PM St.Alphonsus. Saturday 7 PM Holy Name Church. 9AM Christmas Day St. Alphonus It is a great time of the year to bring the family to Christmas Mass. Thank you to all who helped make Our Lady of Guadalupe a special Day. It is a fun celebration for the students and their families. We always get a lot of compliments for the Mass. The last day of Los Posadas is 21 December at Dennis and Lisa Jones 18 Park St. at 6:30PM.

There is a Penance Service 19 December at St. Bernard's Church in Saranac Lake, several Priests will be there. All are welcome.

Fr. Doug

Parish happenings...

**HOLY HOUR** 

Tuesday, December 27, 6:00pm, St. Alphonsus Church

#### **PARISH WEBSITE!**

The parish has a brand new website! Check us out at www.tupperlakecatholics.org! New emails as well!

Fr. Doug: pastor@tupperlakecatholics.org Lisa: office@tupperlakecatholics.org Jill:Jillb@tupperlakecatholics.org

Deacon Savage:

DeaconSavage@tupperlakecatholics.org

Deacon Ellis:

DeaconEllis@tupperlakecatholics.org



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT IS 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. Joseph trusted God enough to take Mary into his

home and become the foster father and protector of Jesus. As we prepare for Christmas, can we do the same? Can we bring Mary and Jesus in our home, in our lives and protect them there? Can we see Christ in all those we meet, and be a guardian of Christ present in them? And can we, as Christ is borne in us, be the presence of Christ to one another. Have a blessed Christmas.

#### **VOCATIONS**

Fourth Sunday of Advent

"When Joseph awoke he did as the angel of the Lord directed him." Are you vigilant about discovering your vocation in life? If you are considering a vocation to religious life, diaconate or priesthood, talk to Fr. Doug Decker or Fr. Doug Lucia at (315) 386-2543/ dlucia@rcdony.org or Fr. Tom Higman at (518)594-3907/ thigman@rcdony.org or Cathy Russell, the Diocesan Vocation Coordinator at (315)393-2920, ext. 1450/crussell@rcdony.org. See us also on Facebook or at www.myvocation.net.

### **OFFICE CLOSED**

The parish office will be closed on Friday, December 23rd and Monday, December 26th.

Our weekly Tithe
Offering Envelopes: \$3,882.00
Children's Envelopes: \$4.00
Plate: \$555.00
Total: \$4,441.80
Last Year: \$4,451.90

Our bulletin brought to you by:

## Shaheen's Motel

314 Park St. 518-359-3384

### **CHRISTMAS COLLECTION**

The Diocese of Ogdensburg's Retirement Plan for Priests has long been supported by parish contributions from its annual Christmas Collection. Currently 38 retired priests, and 9 active priests age 70 and older, are expected to receive pension benefits of \$860,000 in 2016-17. Also 100% of the cost of health insurance premiums for retired priests is paid by the Plan. Your generous contribution not only supports current retirees but will also help provide for the retirement needs of priests who will retire in the future. Say thank you to your pastor and all priests of the diocese through a generous contribution to our Christmas Collection

## PLANNED GIVING: Benefits of Giving Wisely

Did you know there are creative ways to support our Parish? Ways in which our Parish, you and your loved ones all benefit at the same time? Such giving techniques are called "planned gifts," because with thoughtful planning, you create win-win solutions for you and the Parish. For further information, contact Scott Lalone, Executive Director of Development/Foundation at the Diocese of Ogdensburg at 315-393-2920 or slalone@rcdony.org.

New to the Parish? Please fill this out, clip and drop in the collection so we can add you to the parish registry!
Name
Address
Phone #
Email:
Would you like envelopes?
yesno
Would you like to volunteer for any parish ministry?yesno