

St. Alphonsus-Holy Name of Jesus Parish



Pastor:
Reverend Douglas Decker
 Parochial Vicar:
Reverend Clement Rimonds
 Deacons:
James Ellis, Gerald Savage
 Religious Education Office (K-10):
Jill Bujold
 Parish Office:
Lisa Reed



Reconciliation:

Saturday - St. Alphonsus 3:15-3:30pm; Sunday - St. Alphonsus 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

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Masses this week

Monday	01/17	8:00am	HGC	Bill Dechene by Jim & Elaine Ellis
Tuesday	01/18	8:00am	HGC	Aline Decker by the Kimpflens
Wednesday	01/19	8:00am	HGC	Ernie Jessie by Irvin & Althea Kilburn
Thursday	01/20	8:00am	HGC	Richard "Dick" Eddy by Nancy & Wayne Foote
Friday	01/21	8:00am	HGC	NO MASS
Saturday	01/22	4:00pm	SA	Mrs. Kathleen Keeler (22nd Ann) by M/M Dean Lefebvre
Sunday	01/23	8:30am	SA	Raymond Martin by Ron & Nancy Snyder
Sunday	01/23	11:00am	SA	Chad Savage by Hubert Boudreau

Prayer for families...

We bless your name, O Lord, for sending your own incarnate Son, to become part of a family, that, as he lived its life, he would experience its worries and its joys.

We ask you, Lord, to protect and watch over this family, so that in the strength of your grace its members may enjoy prosperity, possess the priceless gift of your peace, and, as the Church alive in the home, bear witness in this world to your glory.

We ask this thought Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Parish happenings...

ROSARY WITH BENEDICTION

Every Monday, 7:00pm, Holy Ghost Chapel

From the Assistant Pastor...

His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." John 2:5

According to the Gospel of John, the changing of water into wine is the first public act of Jesus. Mary, the mother of Jesus notices the insufficiency of wine and directly reports the matter to Jesus, without any explicit request that he should do something about it. At the same time, her telling Jesus about it implies that she wants him to do something about it and that he is able to find a solution to solve the problem.

Jesus' reply "Woman, what do you want from me? My hour has not yet come" does not indicate any hostility or rudeness. John might have used this style in order to downplay the familial relationship between Jesus and Mary. Many did not respond to him directly and left him totally free to do something about it. Mary's words to the servants "Do whatever he tells you," clearly demonstrates her trust in Jesus' ability to address the need. She firmly believes that whatever he says will work. The disciples of Jesus believed in him after seeing the miracle, but Mary believed in the efficacy of Jesus' words even before the miracle.

The miracle at Cana symbolizes the fullness of life we have all received through the coming of Jesus and God's superabundant goodness. Jesus changed water into wine which is in fact a substantial change. Likewise, Jesus has the power to transform the life of human beings who believe in him. It is often our own unbelief that remains as a stumbling block in experiencing the change that Jesus wants to bring in our lives. There is no bad habit, addiction, sinful desire, character flaw, etc. which Jesus cannot change. Jesus is capable of transforming any person into a completely new being. But, if we think that Jesus' transforming power is going to work in everyone automatically, we are mistaken. It works in those who trust in His love and commit their lives to him and obey him. Am I ready to do that?

Fr. Clement

STATEMENTS

For those wishing a copy of your statement of 2021 parish contributions, please email the parish office at office@tupperlakecatholics.org or call Lisa at 518-359-3405 to get on the list. We will be sending those out in mid January. Anyone currently NOT receiving Offering Envelopes that would like to receive them may also call the office. Thank you for your faithful and generous contributions in 2021.

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ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP:

What's on your New Year Resolution list? Is one of them lowering your ecological footprint? Ecological footprint accounting measures the demand on and the supply of nature. It measures the ecological assets that a given population requires to produce the natural resources it consumes and to absorb its wastes, especially carbon emissions. To check out your "ecological footprint," see [Global Footprint Network](#).

PLANNED GIVING: Bequests

Through Wills this enables you to make contributions that might not be possible during your lifetime. When you make a bequest, your taxable estate is required by 100% deduction for the amount of a cash gift or by fair market value of appreciated assets

Christmas Collection

Thank you for your generous gift in our Christmas collection. Like every North Country parish we forward 75% of the collection to the diocese to fund pensions for retired priests. Pension needs for the future as well as obligations for the next year are being met. Thanks to your generous donation.

To Report Abuse

If you have a complaint of suspected misconduct involving diocesan clergy, religious, employees or volunteers, contact **Victims Assistance Coordinator**, Terri-
anne Yanulavich, Ph.D., LMHC,
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Phone: 518-651-2267 days; 518-
569-0612 evenings; or Father
Christopher Carrara, the Episcopal
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393-2920 ext. 1340. If you have a
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abuse or related misconduct by the
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