

Dear Sisters and Brothers in

I am writing to tell you about the upcoming 2023 collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. This annual appeal assists nearly 25,000 elderly sisters, brothers and religious order priests nationwide. I am grateful for the significant influence that women and men religious, both past and present, have had on my own spiritual journey. I deeply appreciate their invaluable contributions to our diocese and the wider community. Perhaps you too have been touched by the kindness and guidance of a religious who made a positive difference in your life.

Since the founding of our Diocese, many consecrated women and men have served the people of God in the North Country. Dominican Sisters of Hope, Ursuline Sisters, Sisters of St. Joseph, Atonement Sisters, Sisters of the Precious Blood Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, Atonement Friars, to mention just a few.

We are called to recognize that many of our senior vowed religious have dedicated their lives to service, usually receiving little pay in return. Consequently, their religious communities face a shortage of retirement savings. Compounding this challenge are rising health-care costs and decreased income. Religious communities find it increasingly difficult to meet the day-to-day needs of aging members, including their medical expenses, nursing assistance and other necessities.

Your generous donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious provide vital financial support, enabling religious communities to care for their aging members. I know you are frequently asked to support many worthy causes. I invite you to contribute whatever you can toward this year's collection.

In addition to your financial contribution, please keep all our women and men religious in your prayers. May God's abundant blessings be upon you and your loved ones.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley Bishop of Ogdensburg

Theme Baskets needed for the Christmas Festival. Share your own Christmas gift ideas in a gift basket. Bring to the parish office for our December 10th event.

Our choir rehearsal schedule in Holy Angels chapel will be as follow:

November 30 - 6:00-7:00 December 7 - 6:00-7:00

December 14 - 6:00-7:00

December 17 - 8:45-9:45

December 21 - 6:00-7:00

First Sunday of Advent 2023

December 2-3, 2023

Sat 4:PM (SA)
Sun 8AM (SA)
Sun 10AM (HA)
+Leon LaMere by Roger and Yvonne LaValley
+Roger Sample by Sally Sample and Family
+Curtis Boyea by Michael and Amy Gardner

December 4-8, 2023

Mon. 8:00AM (SA) +Clayton Forkey by Eldmour and Gladys Manor Tues. 8:00AM (HA) + Donald Woodley by Gloria LaFountain Wed. No Mass

Thurs 8:00AM (SA) +Linda Duprey by Raymond Duprey
Thurs 6:00PM (SA)vigil +Larry Gadway by Annabelle LaForest
Fri. 8:00AM (HA) +Lillian Alger by Dorothy Pelkey
Solemnity

December 9-10, 2023

Sat. 4:00PM (SA) +Jane Boulrice by Knights of Columbus Sun 8:00AM(SA) +Pat Bracy by Therese Snide Sun. 10:00AM (HA) +Curtis Boyea by John and Shelly Tohill

Giving Report

Regular

St. Ann's: \$2,528.37 Holy Angels: \$1636.00

Sanctuary Candles:

(SA) (SA)

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The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is Friday December 8th. This is a Holy day of obligation for all Catholics. Masses are offered on Thursday December 7th at 6PM at Saint Ann's and Friday December 8th at Holy Angels.

Ladies of St. Ann will hold their next meeting on December 5th at 6:30 PM at the Mooers Free Library, 25 school st., Mooers

Position available: Parish Secretary beginning December 4th, 2023, hours are Monday thru Wednesday 9AM to 1PM, experience with Microsoft programs needed, candidates will have no responsibilities for Parish finances. Call parish office for details.





WHEN
December 9, 2023

WHERE

St. Alexander's Church
1 Church Street, Morrisonville
TIME

9:00AM Thru 3:00PM

Featuring the works of local vendors
Selling:

Jewelry, Quilts, Flomemade Holiday Crafts, Wood Crafts Candles, Adirondack Items, and MUCH MORE!

Lunch Available At Padre's Café Bake Shoppe

Come Join Us! Unique Gifts For Christmas!

