

# St. Stephen's Parish

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**January 9, 2022**

Reconciliation (Penance): Saturday 4:15 -4:45 PM

Marriages: Six months' notice

Baptisms: By Appointment. Godparents must be confirmed and practicing Catholics.

## Mass Intentions This Week

Sat.	Jan.	8	5:00 PM	Ronald Bush by Marie Campeau
Sun.	Jan.	9	8:30 AM	The People of the Parish
Mon.	Jan.	10	8:15 AM	Laurie Monnat by Linda Hall
Tues.	Jan.	11	NO MASS	
Wed.	Jan.	12	8:15 AM	Bernard Bush, Donald Meyer, Donald LaChausse & Doug Herzig by Russ Houppert
Thur.	Jan.	13	8:15 AM	Frank Buell by Ethel Hoch & Family
Fri.	Jan.	14	8:15 AM	Jean Brownell by Jim & Arline Bush
Sat.	Jan.	15	5:00 PM	Lucas Anthony Knight by Mom, Dad, Dillion, Matthew & Emily
Sun.	Jan.	16	8:30 AM	George & Moon Meyer and Donald Meyer by The Meyer Family

*Sanctuary Candle lit in memory of Lucas Anthony Knight by Mom, Dad, Dillion, Matthew & Emily*

**Pray for the Sick:** Theresa (Brownell) McCane, Robert Peters, William (Bill) Davoy Jr., Bernard Ardison, Elizabeth Tabolt Jasinski, Jeff Bruckman, and all ill at home, in the hospital or nursing homes. (The sick that wish to be remembered in prayer will be included on this list only if they agree to have their names included or family members specifically request this). Please call to have a name included on this list.

## BAPTISM OF THE LORD

In the first reading, we hear Isaiah proclaim the "chosen one" will bring justice, establish a covenant and free the oppressed. When Jesus was baptized the Holy Spirit descended upon him as he heard the words "You are my beloved Son, with you I am well pleased".

Listening to the scriptures this Sunday, we marvel at how Jesus fulfilled Isaiah's prophecies. When we were baptized, we received the blessings of the Holy Spirit into our lives of faith enabling us to bring joy, justice and faith to our world in the same way as Jesus has done. We listen to God's Word and the invitation we are given to share our baptismal blessings with others.

The **Lewis County Right to Life and Knights of Columbus** would like to invite you to participate in their **annual March for Life Bus Trip to Washington D.C.** This year marks the **48<sup>th</sup> anniversary** of the Supreme Court decision *Roe V. Wade*, legalizing abortion in the United States. The bus will be leaving the evening of **January 20<sup>th</sup>** and traveling through the night to Washington D.C. for the March for Life on **January 21<sup>st</sup>**. The bus will be returning to Northern New York mid-morning on January 22". Everyone rides for **FREE!** For more information, please contact Paul Campeau (315) (486-7928) or Bob Kraeger (315) (348-4000)



2022



# A BLESSED PAST – A FAITHFUL FUTURE

## THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO OUR PARISH DEBT REDUCTION APPEAL.

We have continued to see the generosity of our parishioners in helping meet the quarterly loan and interest payments on money borrowed for the restoration/renovation project completed 5 years ago.

Our plan is to meet these quarterly payments as well as pay down our parish debt to the Diocese of Ogdensburg. This present campaign is designed to invite parishioners to a three or five year commitment in meeting our payments to the Dioceses.

**CONGRATULATIONS!!!** Present pledge and cash gifts from 142 parishioners have enabled us to meet our three year goal (\$300,000) and we are well on the way to meeting the five year goal of \$500,000. To date we have \$156,319. pledged or donated towards meeting the five year goal.

## A FINAL LETTER OF APPEAL WILL BE MAILED THIS WEEK TO PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE NOT RESPONDED TO THIS APPEAL.

**K of C Chicken Barbeque** on Superbowl Sunday, Feb. 13, 2022 is to benefit St. Stephen's Debt Reduction and Right-To-Life March. \$7 per Half or \$10 per Meal which includes Beans, Mac Salad and a Roll. Regular customers will be called after Jan. 17, by 7 members. Contact Bob Buholtz at 315-376-8876 for questions. Note meal availability if desired. **If anyone wants to help prepare the meals please call Nancy Widrick at 315-771-0557**

### **SUMMER CAMP GUGGENHEIM EMPLOYMENT:**

We are currently looking for a Summer Youth Camp Director, Assistant Director and counselors to live and work at Summer Camp Guggenheim during the 2022 summer season. Questions or inquiries contact Tom Semeraro, Director of Youth Ministry, Diocese of Ogdensburg at, [tsemeraro@rcdony.org](mailto:tsemeraro@rcdony.org) or 315-393-2920 ext. 1415

The **Secular Franciscans** will meet Friday, January 14<sup>th</sup> in the chapel at 9:00AM for morning prayer and gathering.

### **YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE PARISH**

Regular Collection 1/2/22 : \$ 4,438.00

Needed to meet Budget: \$ 4,476.00

Holy Day: \$ 1,229.00

Fuel: \$ 1,060.00

**Thank you for faithful support  
to St. Stephen's Parish**

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH MINISTRIES

**Altar Servers-** Fourth grade and older Any boy or girl wishing to become an Altar server, please contact Father Don. Training will be provided.

**Adult Servers** are also invited and encouraged participate.

**Readers, Eucharistic Ministers-** Please contact Father Don. Those wishing to bring Holy Communion to parishioners in their homes or in nursing homes are welcome to prepare for this ministry

**Sacristy Volunteers-** Clean and change altar linens and other tasks.

**Greeters, Ushers, Collectors-** anyone interested in participating?? See Father Don or call the rectory.

**Musicians** - always welcome. See any member of the Folk group or Deacon Peter.

### **Faith Formation**

**Confirmation Candidates** will meet Sunday evening, Jan. 9, 6:30-8:00 pm. This week's topic is "How does God help when it hurts?".