



St. Stephen's Parish

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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus calls us to take up our cross and follow him, to live in a way pleasing to God. Saint Paul challenges us to conform our lives not to this age, but to be transformed by our renewal of mind, that we may discern what is the will of God. He offers us His Body and Blood as food, to strengthen us for a life of love and service, seeking His will in all the actions of our lives.



Saturday, September 2 (5:00 pm)

Gerald, MaryAnn, & David Ritz by Bonnie Ritz

Sunday, September 3 (8:30 am)

Gabrielle Thomas (Birthday) by Bill & Monica Plantz

Monday, September 4 (No Mass)



Tuesday, September 5 (No Mass)

Wednesday, September 6 (8:15 am)

Kevin Boliver by Robert Kirschner

Thursday, September 7 (8:15 am)

Jean Golden by Dwight & Patty Kempney

Friday, September 8 (8:15 am)

Elmer Golden by Jim & Karen Hoch

Saturday, September 9 (5:00 pm)

Helen & Donald Glenn by Their Children

Sunday, September 10 (8:30 am)

Living & Deceased Members of the Ruth & David
Tabolt Family by The Family

Your Support for The Parish

Adult Envelopes:	\$ 3,390.07
Plate:	\$ 794.00

Pray for the Sick

Cindy Bush, Sandra (Steckly) Lyndaker, Joe Strife, Shayleigh Proulx, Bill Meyer, Stephen Brownell, Linda Bush, John Lashbrooks, and all ill at home, in the hospital, or nursing homes.

Sanctuary Candle



*The Sanctuary Candle is lit in memory of
Kathleen Noftsier*

*By
Ray & Karen Reape*

Religious Education

Classes will begin on Sunday, September 17th. Letters with more information will be mailed at the beginning of September. We are looking forward to a great year.

Students in VBS brought in their change. We have \$90.85 to use for future programming. Great job everyone!

Secular Franciscans

The next meeting will be September 8th at 9 am.

Genesis to Jesus Bible Study

Nothing to do Wednesday evenings? Join us for Bible study and fellowship. Our first session will be September 13th beginning at 6:30 pm. **Genesis to Jesus:** What is the Bible, where does it come from, and what is its purpose? How are Catholics supposed to read the Bible and what story does it tell? Join us as we spend fellowship time together digging into Sacred Scripture and getting better to know Jesus Christ!

Bishop's Fund Appeal

The 2023 Bishop's Fund Appeal will begin soon in our parish and throughout the Diocese of Ogdensburg. Our goal is to have **158** or more families participate in this important Appeal. If we do this, we will surely exceed our parish goal of **\$20,408.00**. Your gift to the 2023 Bishop's Fund Appeal will help continue the vital ministries, services, and programs that reach out to so many in need. Please consider making a pledge or one-time gift to this year's effort. In two weeks, we will have Commitment Weekend for the 2023 Bishop's Fund Appeal. Please pray about your decision and consider making a pledge or one-time gift to the Appeal. Any gifts received after the Appeal reaches its goal will be used to assist families in need.

Living Stones: Faith in Motion

Join us Thursday, September 21st for Mass at 5:30 at St. Anthony's Church in Watertown followed by dinner and concluding with a presentation. The presentation will feature Lori Hanno, Kathy Allen, and Christopher Lapointe, who will discuss how their parishes make people feel welcome and open to our call to become more involved. If attending the dinner, the cost is \$20 per person. Please register at www.recdony.org/clm-event.

And people should eat and drink and
enjoy the fruits of their labor, for these
are gifts from God

--Ecclesiastes 3:13

HAPPY LABOR DAY!

"It is Jesus in fact that you seek when you dream of happiness; he is waiting for you when nothing else you find satisfies you; he is the beauty in which you are so attracted; it is he who provokes you with that thirst for fullness that will not let you settle for compromise...It is Jesus who stirs in you the desire to do something great with you lives."

-Pope St. John Paul II

CHRIST IS HERE: COME ENCOUNTER HIM:

A workshop on how to see Christ in the world

All are welcome to attend this workshop. Join us as we view short video talks based on the book, *Mysterion*, by Father Harrison Ayre. He will unveil how to see Christ in the world and be Christ to the world through the Sacramental Worldview.

When: Saturday, September 16

Time: 9 AM - 3 PM

Where: St. Stephen's, Croghan

Lunch will be provided.

The cost to attend is \$20 when you register at www.recdony.org/christ.

Rosary Society

Rosary Society will be meeting on the 2nd Monday of the month. If interested in joining the group, please feel free to attend. Our next meeting is September 11th at 6:30 pm.

A Prayer for Healing



Gentle Jesus, Shepherd of Peace,
Join to your own suffering
The pain of all who have been hurt
In body, mind, and spirit
By those who betrayed the trust placed in them.

Hear the cries of our sisters and brothers
Who have been gravely harmed,
And the cries of those who love them.
Soothe their restless hearts with hope and
Steady their shaken spirits with faith.

Grant them justice enlightened by your truth.
Holy Spirit, heal your people's wounds.
Grant us the courage and wisdom to act with justice.
Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors.
Grant that all harmed by abuse may find peace.

Look kindly on the Church of Ogdensburg.
Touch our hearts with humble trust in
Your constant care and loving Providence.

We ask this through Christ our Risen Lord.
Amen.