# St. Stephen's Parish

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# September 24, 2023 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Lord's ways are mysterious but kind and full of compassion. Let us not be envious because God is generous toward others; let us be grateful that he has shown us his mercy. Let us come to this table to receive the good things he gives us at Mass: His Sacred Word and the Body and Blood of his son.



# Saturday, September 23 (5:00 pm)

People of the Parish

# Sunday, September 24 (8:30 am)

Janice Kampnich (Birthday) by Paul, John, & Tim Kampnich

#### Monday, September 25 (8:15 am)

Nancy Jackson by Cindy & Family

## Tuesday, September 26 (8:15 am)

Linda Gerow by Bob Buholtz

# Wednesday, September 27 (6 pm at St. Vincent De Paul)

Bruce LaChausse by "Stump" Proulx Family

## Thursday, September 28 (8:15 am)

Ann Lee by Aunt Lucille & Family

## Friday, September 29 (8:15 am)

Kenneth Updegraft by Floie & Family

# Saturday, September 30 (5:00 pm)

Tim Monnat (Birthday) by Norma Monnat

# Sunday, October 1 (8:30 am)

People of the Parish

# Your Support for The Parish

Adult Envelopes: \$3,696.54 Plate: \$621.00

# Pray for the Sick

Ruth Meyer, Betty Pound, Wilfred "Stump" Proulx, Joe Strife, Cindy Bush, Joe Strife, Shayleigh Proulx, Bill Meyer, Linda Bush, John Lashbrooks, and all ill at home, in the hospital, or nursing homes.

## **Knights of Columbus**

Attention Knight of Columbus Members-Sign up to receive text notifications of K of C events by texting the message @a32fah to 81010. Contact Bob Bulhotz or Gil Monnat if you have questions.

# Annual Mass: St. Vincent De Paul Church

The annual Mass at St. Vincent De Paul Church in Belfort will be this Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm. Wednesday is the Feast of St. Vincent De Paul. All are welcome to attend this Mass and bring family members and friends.

"The **Last** will be first, And the **First** shall be last" Matthew 20:16

# Genesis to Jesus Bible Study

Join us Wednesday evening in the church hall for our Bible Study program: "Genesis to Jesus." Please feel free to bring a friend.

#### Confirmation

Confirmation candidates will meet this Sunday evening, September 24 at 6:30 in the church hall. Please keep them in your prayers.

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

We will be offering <u>Eucharistic Adoration</u> Friday, October 6, 6:30 - 7:30 pm. Please try to carve out an hour or even a few minutes to spend with Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. Time with Jesus in Adoration is time well spent!

#### Deacon Peter on Retreat

I will be attending the Diocesan Deacon Retreat this week at Wadhams Hall, Ogdensburg. It will be time spent in quiet reflection, prayer, and fellowship as we "recharge" our spiritual lives. Please pray for me as I will be praying daily for the parishes of St. Stephen's and St. Francis Solanus.

In Christ's Peace, Deacon Peter

# Priesthood Sunday Sunday, September 24, 2023

Celebrate Priesthood Sunday, September 29, 2023 by praying for and thanking your pastor and priests in your parish for their daily prayer and service shared with you each day and week. You are their parish family upon whom they minister in a variety of ways. The greatest gift your priest gives to his people is the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. They visit homes, especially to those that are homebound, in hospitals, and nursing homes bringing the presence of Christ in the sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick, Penance, and Holy Communion. Let your pastor and priests know of your prayer, encouragement, and gratitude for their and generous ministry.

#### Christian Formation

Christian Formation for students in grades K-9 continues on Sunday mornings beginning with Mass at 8:30 am. Parents are asked to bring their children to Mass and participate in the presentation to the children before they go to their classrooms.

# Bishop's Fund Appeal

Our parish's Bishop's Fund Appeal activity is coming to a close. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please pray about your decision, and make a pledge or one-time gift. Pledge envelopes are located in the back of the Church. It is our hope to have every family participating in the Bishop's Fund Appeal. Please remember every gift counts. Any gifts received after the Appeal reaches its goal will be sued to further supplement the Bishop's Good Samaritan Fund which assists families in need in our community and throughout the Diocese. Online giving is also available at <a href="https://www.rcondy.org/giving/donate-now-bishop-s-fund">www.rcondy.org/giving/donate-now-bishop-s-fund</a>. Thank you once again for your generosity and support. To everyone who has made a gift or pledge, on behalf of Bishop LaValley, thank you for making a difference in the lives of thousands of people across our Diocese.

# **Prayer for Vocations**

The Diocese of Ogdensburg Vocation Society (DOCS) is having a time of prayer for vocations at the Our Lady of the Adirondacks House of Prayer, Ellenburg. Neighboring parishioners are invited to join us in prayer October 18<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 until 2:30. There will be Mass and holy hour as well as lunch. For lunch a donation to the House of Prayer is appreciated. All are welcome! Please call Connie at 315-783-0574 or email her at connierandall47@yahoo.com if you plan to attend.

#### **Eucharistic Congress**

Excitement has been building for the NYS Eucharistic Congress taking place over 40 hours on October 20-22<sup>nd</sup> at the Shrine of the Martyrs in Auriesville, NY. Come for the entire 40 hours or just part of it! **Registration is required and is free!** Information about the schedule, the speakers, and to register either as individuals or a group, please go to <a href="https://nyseucharisticcongress.org/">https://nyseucharisticcongress.org/</a>. Questions may also be sent to: Asoltero@rcdony.org.

# **Rosary Society**

The Rosary Society will meet on October 16<sup>th</sup>. Rosary will be at 5:45 with Mass at 6 pm. A potluck dinner will follow.

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To all priests, we thank you for inspiring us to be the Face of Christ to the People of God. Your ministry is appreciated!