



St. Stephen's Parish

<http://www.ststephenscroghan.org/>

9748 Main Street/PO Box 38
Croghan, NY 13327
Email: fststephens@rcdony.org
Telephone: 315-346-6958
Fax: 315-346-1200

Rev. Donald J. Manfred (djmanfred4@gmail.com)
Deacon Peter Wooschlager (peterpiano61@gmail.com)
Faith Formation: Deb Hoppel (croghandre@rcdony.org)
Trustees: Susan Gydesen & Lindsay Nortz
Finance Council Chairperson: Robert Buholtz

November 19, 2023

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, the head of a household repeatedly invites others to share in his joy. Similarly, we are repeatedly invited to share God's joy, for God created the world and us, proclaiming it is all good. God entrusted the whole world to us, and invites us to share the world just as the master in the Gospel, entrusts his possessions to his faithful servants. Jesus entrusts us with talents and duties which will lead us to eternal life. Gathered to share in this Eucharistic Feast, let us share in God's joy!



Saturday, November 18 (5:00 pm)

Harold Boliver (35th Anniversary) by Children

Sunday, November 19 (8:30 am)

Earl & Marie Lashbrooks 65th Anniversary
By Family

Monday, November 20 (10:30 am)

Funeral Robert Hynes

Tuesday, November 21 (8:15 am)

Dana Halladay by Family

Wednesday, November 22 (10:00 am)

Funeral Jane Houppert

Thursday, November 23 (9:00 am)



Thanksgiving for All God's Blessings

Friday, November 24 (No Mass)

Saturday, November 25 (5:00 pm)

Thomas Duflo 10th Anniversary by The Family

Sunday, November 26 (8:30 am)

DiAnn Kloster by Julie Reape

Your Support for The Parish

Adult Envelopes:	\$ 3,175.00
Plate:	\$ 716.00

Pray for the Sick

Mike Houppert, Betty Pound, Cindy Bush, Shayleigh Proulx, Linda Bush, John Lashbrooks, and all ill at home, in the hospital, or nursing homes.

Confirmation

The next class will be held this Sunday, November 19.



This special day is about more than good food shared among family and friends- it's about singing the Lord's praises. He created everything we enjoy in this world, all good comes through His grace.

Thanksgiving Day Mass is at 9 am

Religious Education Advent Wreath Making



Parents are invited to join their child(ren) **THIS** Sunday, November 19th to make a family Advent wreath. We will be creating the wreaths during class time (beginning at 9:30 am after the 8:30 am Mass). We are excited that all families with children in religious education will have a wreath to use during the Advent season.

Candlelight Advent Service St. Vincent de Paul Oratory, Belfort

As we prepare ourselves this Advent Season, you are invited to a night of Scripture, Song & Prayer in a simple setting in candlelight with friends on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 7 pm.

This night 180 years after construction, the bell rings again calling us all to worship, singing and prayer in a simple 1843 country Church. May this remind all of us of the simplicity of life, family, friends, and neighbors during this Advent Season!

Maple and Mistletoe

Members of the Hospitality Group will once again provide chili, mac'n cheese, clam chowder, cookies, and beverages on Saturday, Nov. 25 from 11 AM until 3 PM in the Church Hall. Monies raised will be used for improvements to the kitchen area. If interested in providing cookies, please contact Dorrie Boliver at 315-778-6460.

Black and Indian Mission Sunday

Black and Indian Mission Collection (BIMC) exists to help diocesan communities build the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among African American, Native American, and Alaska Native People of God.

Recognizing a need to call the faithful to support missionary work among African and Native American Catholics, the U.S. Catholic bishops established this Catholic Charity for the Catholic Missions.

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Ogdensburg provides collection and distribution support for Black and Indian Mission Collection (BIMC) to help diocesan communities build up the Church and faith formation in African American, Native American, and Alaska native communities throughout the United States.



If you know of a family, child, or adult who would benefit from our Giving Tree program please contact the parish office.

Silver Maple Bowls

A number of these beautiful bowls hand crafted by Tracy Pominville will be for sale during the next few weeks. They are on display in the back of the church.

Lectors' Manuals for 2024

Lectors may find their lector handbooks in the Sacristy.

Piano Recital

Christopher Davis will be having two piano recitals featuring works by Rachmaninov, Mozart, Liszt, Messiaen, and Liebermann. Performances will be Monday, November 20 at 7:30 pm at Beaver River Central School Auditorium and Saturday, December 9 at 3:00 pm at Trinity Episcopal Church on Sheman Street in Watertown. Admission is free, but donations are appreciated.

Coffee Hours

Going forward, Parish Coffee Hours will be held on the first Sunday of the month. We are looking for groups to host these gatherings. Groups do not have to be formal organizations within in the parish. Please consider hosting as a group of extended family or friends. There will be a sign-up sheet located at the back of the church. Please contact Sue Gydesen at 315-771-7038 with any questions.

Season of Advent Begins Next Sunday



The Season of preparing for Christ's Birth begins with the First Sunday of Advent, December 3rd. The church is more simply decorated with the change of "green to bluish-purple colors," the absence of flowers and the Advent Wreath as the principal focus for this Liturgical Season.

Advent reflection booklets are available for those seeking personal aides to assist in daily Scripture/Prayer reflections. The Advent season this year is abbreviated to only three full weeks and one day. Our "blue books" take us from the first Sunday of Advent until the Baptism of the Lord.