



St. Stephen's Parish

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

"Return to me with your whole heart"

Like the words of Jesus in today's Gospel, the journey of Lent challenges us. We desire to change, to live more faithfully to God's covenant - obedient to Christ, but sometimes we struggle. We may not know in our own lives what it truly means to live out God's law. As we enter the final weeks of Lent, let our mindfulness turn to God's enduring mercy and His divine grace. Let us listen not to the voices of the world, but to the saving words of our God creating in us a clean heart.



Saturday, March 16 (5:00 pm)

Uncle Henry Bush by Peter, Tracy & Cayden Duffer

Sunday, March 17 (8:30 am)

Wilfred Proulx by Marie Campeau

Monday, March 18 (8:15 am)

Scripture/Communion Service

Tuesday, March 19 (12 Noon)

FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH

Special Intention

Wednesday, March 20 (6:00 pm)

Jean Golden by Bill & Monica Plantz

Thursday, March 21 (No Mass)

CHRISM MASS AT ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL

Friday, March 22 (8:15 am)

Arthur Houppert by Yvonne Kirschner

Saturday, March 23 (5:00 pm)

Carl Schack (1st Anniversary) by Bob Buholtz

Sunday, March 25 (8:30 am)

PALM SUNDAY

Elmer Golden (1st Anniversary) by Bob Buholtz

Pray for the Sick

Marie Nortz, Bill Eades, Norma Monnat, Milton Monnat, Bernice Ardison, Tina Lavery, Bonnie Lehman, Millie Monnat, Evelyn Yousey, Mason Queary, Shayleigh Proulx, Linda Bush, John Lashbrooks, and all ill at home, in the hospital, or nursing homes.

Your Support for The Parish

Adult Envelopes:	\$3,407.00
Plate:	\$ 823.00
Holy Father/Catholic Relief	\$1,205.00
Services:	

Sanctuary Candle



*The Sanctuary Candle is lit in memory of
Zachary Zehr by
Mom & Ken*

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday,
March 22 at 6 pm.





The Chrism Mass is this Thursday, March 21st at 11 am at St. Mary's Cathedral in Ogdensburg. (No Mass here on Thursday at St. Stephen's) The priests of the Diocese gather with Bishop LaValley to celebrate the Mass of the Holy Oils and renew their priestly vows. The holy oils blessed at this Mass are used to anoint the sick, anoint those being baptized and confirmed and anoint the priests ordained for their service of ministry to God's people.

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO THIS MASS

Sacrament of Reconciliation



St. James Church in Carthage: March 19th at 7 pm
St. Stephen's in Croghan: March 26th from 11:00 am-12 Noon and 4:00-5:00 pm

Easter Cards

Easter cards were mailed to all "registered" parishioners of St. Stephen's last week. All parishioners should receive an Easter greeting from the parish. If you did not, that means your name is not on our parish list. Please call the rectory or drop us a note in the mail to ensure you will receive mailings from the parish.

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED IN OUR LENTEN MISSION THIS PAST WEEK.

We are most grateful to Tom Kalamas who began organizing the Mission over a year ago when he discovered the Religious Sisters of St Francis while attending an "online retreat" given by Sister Anna Rose (one of the Sisters who gave our mission retreat). This Mission was a very spiritual and inspirational time of grace for all of us.

Thanks to all members of the parish team, including Deacon Peter, Deb Hoppel, Nick & Lori Hanno, Brandy Cummings, Rosalie Ritz & Leo Tabolt. Thank You to our Confirmation candidates who acted as greeters and welcomed those coming to the Mission. Many thanks to all who provided snacks for the final evening and all who gave personal gifts to the Sisters. They returned home with lots of maple syrup!!!

Finally, thank you to all who attended the Mission and expressed appreciation and support for our efforts to better serve you as parishioners and friends of St Stephen's Parish.

**WE ARE MOST BLESSED WITH WONDERFUL
PARISHIONERS.**

Holy Week at St. Stephen's

Palm Sunday-Blessings and Procession of Palms

Saturday, March 23 at 5:00 pm

Sunday, March 24 at 8:30 am

Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper

Thursday, March 28 at 7:00 pm

(Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 9 pm)

Friday of the Passion of the Lord

March 29 at 12 noon

(Stations of the Cross at 7 pm)

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

March 30 at 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday Resurrection of the Lord

March 31 at 8:30 am

Easter Flowers

Special envelopes have been placed at the front entrance of the church for those wishing to make donations of flowers for Easter. Place these envelopes in the collection with names of those you wish to have remembered.

Knights of Columbus

Are you a practicing Catholic man who wants to do more for the Church? Please call or see these Knights for more information about joining Council 2175. Wayne Hoppel: 315-346-1587, Peter Meyer: 315-771-0426 or Tracy Pominville: 315-376-8165

SUMMER CAMP GUGGENHEIM REGISTRATION: Don't Wait - Sign Up Today!

Pick your week and sign up today for Summer Camp Guggenheim! THE BEST WEEK OF SUMMER! Returning and new campers are always welcome! The Registration Deadline: June 1st. Go to rcdony.org/youth/camp today!

See Deacon Peter or Father Don about scholarships!

"Biblical Walk-Through Christ's Passion"

Session #5 "The Seven Last Words" March 20th @ 6:45 PM right after Mass.