

OUR LADY OF GRACE PARISH

ST. PETER'S CHURCH – HAMMOND

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH – ROSSIE

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH – MORRISTOWN

P.O. Box 216 • Morristown, NY 13664

Rev. Christopher Carrara, Pastor E-Mail ccarrara@rcdony.org

Deacon David Demers E-Mail deacondavedemers@gmail.com

Deacon Patrick Lyons, Ret.

Parish Office Phone: (315) 375-6571

parish e-mail: morristownpa@rcdony.org

website: stjohnpeterpatrick.com

Office hours: Tuesday and Thursday 9 to 3:30 Office_Assistant: Kathleen Connor

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 4, 2026

Sat	January 3	5:30 pm	M	Patricia Murphy by Murphy family
Sun	January 4	8:00 am	R	Linda Gardner by the family
		9:30 am	H	Jeff and Lisa Crysler by Gene and Mary Kleinhans
		11:00 am	M	For the People of the Parish
Mon	January 5			NO MASS
Tues	January 6			NO MASS
Wed	January 7			NO MASS
Thurs	January 8			NO MASS
Friday	January 9			NO MASS
Sat	January 10	5:30 pm	M	For the People of the Parish
Sun	January 11	8:00 am	R	McCullough, Campbell and Fleming families
		9:30 am	H	Simone Ayotte by George Ayotte
		11:00 am	M	Eugene Ellis by Scott and Pat Kingsley

The Saturday 5:30pm Mass in Morristown is livestreamed on YouTube - Search "Our Lady of Grace, Morristown, N.Y".

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Saturday – 4:45 pm to 5:15 pm at Morristown and

1/2 hour before Sunday Masses at Rossie and Hammond & upon request

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Please contact our Parish Priest

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Please contact our Parish Priest at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Envelopes \$5,776.00 Plate \$248.00 Flowers \$20.00 Priests Retirement \$2,630.00
Religious Retirement \$80.00 Total \$8,754.00 Counting for January 11 Team 1



Gospel Reflection: Jesus is the ruler expected from the line of King David, whose greatness is to reach to the ends of the earth. Jesus is found with His mother, as David's son, Solomon, was enthroned. The magi came to pay Him tribute, as once kings and queens came to Solomon. His coming evokes promises that extend back to Israel's beginnings. Centuries before, an evil king seeking to destroy Moses and the Israelites had summoned Balaam, who came from the East with two servants. But Balaam refused to curse Israel, and instead prophesied that a star and royal staff would arise out of Israel and be exalted above

all the nations. This is the star the three magi follow. And like Balaam, they too refuse to be tangled in an evil king's scheme. Their pilgrimage is a sign—that the prophecies in today's First Reading and Psalm are being fulfilled. They come from afar, guided by God's light, bearing the wealth of nations, to praise Israel's God. We celebrate today our own entrance into the family of God, and the fulfillment of God's plan that all nations be united with Israel as co-heirs to His Fatherly blessings, as Paul reveals in today's Epistle.

JANUARY SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

- Parish Maintenance Projects
- Fuel and Heat
- Respect Life

ENVELOPES FOR 2026

Please pick up your 2026 envelopes at your church site. We thank you for your faithful contributions in support of our parish.

RESPECT LIFE SECOND COLLECTION: January 24/25, 2026

The Diocese of Ogdensburg Respect Life Second Collection will be held in our parishes the weekend of January 24/25. The collection supports efforts that affirm & promote the respect of human life from fertilization to natural death. Last year, grants helped 5 Gabriel Projects, Birthright, Plattsburgh Pregnancy Center, Heart Well Homestead Maternity Home, Malone Catholic Charities, Liferight of Watertown, Light of Truth Educational Programing and Fourth Coast Companions Eldercare. Thank you for your generosity.

JANUARY MASS SCHEDULE

Please note that Father Carrara will be away on vacation from January 5 through January 20, 2026. We welcome **Rev. Father Don Robinson** of LaFargeville who will celebrate our weekend Masses at St. John, St. Patrick, and St. Peter's.

There will be no weekday masses during this time.

IN JANUARY: THE CHOSEN, SEASON 5

WHEN: Starts Tuesday January 13, 2026, 6 to 8:30 pm for 8 weeks

WHERE: Bishop Brzana Hall at St. Mary's Cathedral, Ogdensburg

WHAT: View and discussion, refreshments provided

Contact: Deacon Bill O'Brien to sign up with your name, phone number and email. Text 315-528-0461 or email billob315@gmail.com

DISCERNMENT RETREAT

The New York State Vocation Directors are sponsoring a NYS Discernment Retreat to be held **January 8-10th** at the Good News Center in **Utica NY**. This event is an opportunity for those who are discerning God's call to gather as Vocation Directors and seminarians will share their stories of faith and offer guidance for discernment. The retreat also includes time for personal prayer and social fellowship.

Registration deadline is January 1st.

To Register e-mail vocations@syrdio.org.

Take this next step to listen to God's call in your life!