

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 19, 2017

Jesus tells us that we must return good for evil and love for hate. We must go the extra mile and love our enemies. We must strive to be perfect, just as God is perfect. This will prove that we belong to the Father.

MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

4:00PM +(St. Pat's) Silva Mary Marnes by St. Patrick's Pastoral Council

5:30PM + (St. Mary's) M/M Orville Palmer by Roy & Julia Girdich

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

8:00AM + (St. Mary's) Donna Clark Castine by the Castine Family

10:00AM + (St. Pat's) Maynard Houle by Angeline Houle

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20

9:00AM + (St. Mary's) Mary Delbel by George Schnob

9:00AM + (St. Pat's) Fr. Gilbert Boisvert by Donald & Barbara LaBombard

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

9:00AM (St. Mary's) Florence Gaboriau by Linda Gaboriau

9:00AM + (St. Pat's) Victor West by his Estate

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

9:00AM (St. Pat's) Intention to be provided by Fr. Sitt

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

9:00AM + (St. Mary's) Elsie Mayo by Andy & Diane Morrelli

9:00AM + (St. Pat's) 14th Anniversary of Leo Maggy by Betty Weightman

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

9:00AM + (St. Mary's) Arthur Castine by Bea Castine

9:00AM + (St. Pat's) Richard Ancil by Rodney & Wendy Vice

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

4:00PM +(St. Pat's) Mary Proulx by Theresa & Francis LeBlanc

5:30PM + (St. Mary's) 5th Anniversary of Jean Paul Tetreault by Gloria & Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

8:00AM + (St. Mary's) Monroe & Elsie West by Bruce & Jane West

10:00AM + (St. Pat's) Emile & Adele Proulx by their Family

PRAYER REQUESTS: Andrea Hayward, Patrick Leibach, Jane Sample.

Please note: In order to keep our prayer list current, names are kept on for a maximum of 3 weeks and then REMOVED unless we receive a request for continuation. Thank you for supporting those in need with your prayers.

Nursing Homes - Gerald Mayo, Ruby Tetreault, Shirley Morrison, Doris Deso, Gerry Hayes.

Military: Reese Tucker, Avery Trombley, Shawn LaFontaine, Tyler Bursey.

SANCTUARY LAMP - FEB. 18 - 25

In memory of Fr. Gilbert Boisvert by Linda & Paul Seymour

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

FEBRUARY 12	2017	2016
# of Envelopes	(63)	(79)
Envelopes	\$1,996	\$2,513
Plate	100	187
Kids		
Total	\$2,096	\$2,700

EASTERN EUROPE COLLECTION

On Ash Wednesday, March 1, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in over 20 countries, many of which are still struggling to recover in the aftermath of Soviet rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/ccee.

BISHOP LAVALLEY'S STATEMENT ON REFUGEES:

Bishop LaValley has released a statement on the current refugee and immigration crisis. Copies are available on the radiator covers.

PASCHAL CANDLE

Every year at the Easter Vigil, the Easter (Paschal) Candle is blessed and dedicated as a symbol of the risen Christ. The Candle is always part of the Sacrament of Baptism and every funeral Mass. This year the Candle will be donated by Bruce & Jane West and the Easter weekend bulletin will list who it will be in memory of. Thank you both for your generosity!

ST. MARY'S TWENTY-WEEK CLUB FUND RAISER ...

We are down to **75 unsold tickets with ONLY 2 weeks to sell!!!!** Tickets will be available before and after Masses in the back of the church this weekend. We are asking all our families to consider purchasing a ticket. The cost is only \$20 per ticket with drawings beginning on March 3rd and continuing each week through July 14th. There are **eighteen \$50 prizes, one \$100 prize and two \$500 prizes.** Tickets are also available at the Rectory. We would also appreciate it if anyone is willing to take a few tickets and sell them as well. Thank you for your support!

NEWLY BAPTIZED

Congratulations to the newly baptized: *Renee Jeannine LaFontaine, child of Shawn and Emily (Clark) LaFontaine.*

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASS...this class offers adults over the age of 18 the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Initiation into the Catholic Church. Anyone interested, who has been Baptized, made their First Communion can join. The starting date for classes will be March 7th at 6:30pm at St. Mary's Rectory with Fr. Lewis.

Parish Office closed Monday, February 20 in observance of Presidents' Day!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE, PLATTSBURGH: Begins Ash Wednesday

From March 1 through April 9, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 66 Brinkerhoff St, Plattsburgh, NY, daily 7 am-7pm, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. If you'd like more information – and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact: Nancy Belzile 518-593-6024 <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/plattsburgh/>

LENTE DAY OF RECOLLECTION: Attention All Diocesan Parishioners

Lenten Day of Recollection and sponsored by the Ogdensburg Cursillo Movement

Church of the Visitation Parish Center, Norfolk, NY
Saturday, March 04, 2017 - 10:00AM to 5:00PM

Join Bishop Terry LaValley, Fr. Jack Downs and Fr. Tim Canaan, Fr. Pat Mundy and Fr. Al Hauser for a day of talks, prayer, personal witness, recollection and opportunity for Sacrament of Reconciliation. A children's program may also be available. Please inquire early if interested. Lunch will be provided. Anticipated Sunday Mass will be celebrated by Bishop LaValley at 4:00PM at St. Andrew's Church in Norwood, NY. Pre-registration is requested to assure seating and food. A donation of \$10 adult is suggested upon arrival to help defray expenses.

Please register by mail, email or phone no later than Feb. 25, 2017

Mail Email Phone: Ken and Kathy Racette (kracette1a@gmail.com) 518-578-3056 or kathyracette@gmail.com 518-314-1505), 679 Cumberland Head Road, Plattsburgh, NY 12901

PALMS

Palms will be collected through **February 26 ONLY.** Place palms in basket at the entrance to church, as they will be burned as ashes to be used on Ash Wednesday.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THIS YEAR'S 50TH BAZAAR!!
MAY 28

PARADE GRAND MARSHALL: Most Rev. Terry R. Lavalley, Bishop of Ogdensburg. Help get your organization/group/club to consider entering a float in the parade for which monetary prizes along with trophies will be awarded. Contact Molly Ryan 593-3762 to enter or mfryan01@gmail.com or contact the parish office.

NEW this year: Garden tractor pull - contact Jerrad LaValley @ 645-6072 or email: jerrad.lavalley@yahoo.com

Amusements - will feature a variety of bounce houses provided by Taylor Rental. Fun for ALL ages.

Pig Roast - includes pork, potatoes, coleslaw, roll and beverage.

Country Store - to feature a contest for pickles, cakes and other booked good categories. Prizes will be awarded. Also looking for craft items to sell.

LENT 2017...Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 1st. It is not too early to think about your Lenten spiritual plan. Please think about participating in some Lenten activities that will take place throughout the Lenten season....

LENTE PROGRAM IN CHAMPLAIN

Father Stitt will be hosting a video series on Sundays of Lent. The videos are from Bishop Barron's new program, CATHOLICISM: The Pivotal Players, a multi-part film series that illumines a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of civilization. Bishop Barron was the keynote speaker at the Lake Placid event last fall, and is now on a new journey to unlock the truth behind the Catholic Church's most influential people, including St. Francis of Assisi, Michelangelo, and St. Catherine of Siena. Please consider joining us at the Champlain Catholic Men's Club (the former Kof C Hall) on 3 Oak Street each Sunday at 1:00pm from March 5 to April 9. Each session will last 1.5 hours. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome.

UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE! ... If you would like to have a deeper relationship with God and a better understanding of your faith, then join us for *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible*. You will not only benefit personally from being part of this study; you will also help to bring about a profound renewal in our parish as we grow closer to Christ. St. Patrick's will begin Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible on Thursday, March 2 at 6:30PM in the Parish Center and continues each Thursday through Lent (plus two sessions after Easter) The study consists of eight informative and engaging half-hour videos presented by Jeff Cavins. Each video will be followed by a lively group discussion. The length of each session will be 75 minutes. Registration forms can be found at the church entrances. The cost per person is \$20. For more information, contact Fr. Bryan Stitt at 518-297-7361 or stittamd@gmail.com. Registration is required.

AREA HAPPENINGS

....**Pancake Breakfast:** West Chazy,..St. Joseph's Men's Club. All-You-Can-Eat Sunday, February 19, from 8:30 a.m. until Noon in the Parish Center. Menu includes: pancakes with real North Country maple syrup, ham, scrambled eggs, sausage, home fries and beverages. Cost is \$8.50 per adult, Children 6-10 \$3.00 and children 5 and under free.

....**Chicken & Biscuit Dinner** on Saturday, Feb. 25 from 5 - 7:30pm at the American Legion Post 912, Rouses Pt. Adult: \$8; under 12: free, under 5: free.

....**BREAKFAST** ... Sunday, February 26, 8:00AM to Noon, American Legion Post 912, 29 Pratt Street, Rouses Point. Menu includes: Scrambled Eggs & Eggs Cooked to Order, Sausage, Ham, Home Fries, Toast, Baked Beans. Hosted by Sons of the American Legion to benefit various charities.

....**Sacred Heart Chazy, Fish Fry** - on Friday, March 24 from 4:40 pm - 7:30 pm at the Parish Center.. Menu will be fried perch, homemade macaroni and cheese, French fries, cole slaw, rolls, beverage and dessert. Adults \$10, Children 6-12 \$5. All take outs are \$10.

WEB SITES: Looking for mass times? Remember our website: www.stmaryschamplain.org Keep current with parish events and happenings.

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