

St. Francis & St. Clare Parish Weekly Bulletin

Welcome, Parishioners and Visitors. We are glad you attended Mass with us this week.

Parish Office Address: 35 Center Street Waterloo, NY 13165

> Hours: Monday - Thursday 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM Closed Friday

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The Mission of St. Francis &

St. Clare Parish

Through Baptism we are called by God, rooted in Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, to support and nurture a Catholic Christian Community:

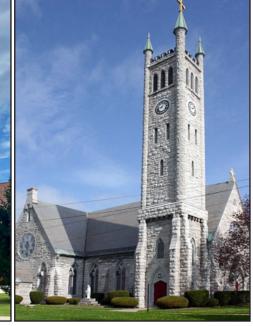


- To learn, to love and to share our faith
- Rev. James D. Fennessy To worship in word and sacrament centered in the Eucharistic celebration
- This calls us to social justice to service those in need and to work together for God and one another

St. Patrick's Church



95 West Bayard Street • Seneca Falls, NY 13148 Masses: Sunday 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM Thursday & Friday 8:30 AM



St. Mary's Church

33 Center Street • Waterloo, NY 13165 Masses: Saturday 5:00 PM • Sunday 9:30 AM Monday 5:30 PM • Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30 AM Confession: St. Mary's Sat. 3:30-4:30 PM or by Appt.

Seneca Falls & Waterloo, New York

January 18 & 19, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. Jan 20 (Heb 5 : 1-10/Mk 2 : 18-22) 5:30pm – (SM) Communion Service Tues. Jan 21 (Heb 6: 10-20/Mk 2: 23-28) 8:30am - (SM) Marilyn Rhodes by family Wed. Jan 22 (Heb 7: 1-3, 15-17/Mk 3: 1-6) 8:30am - (SM) Birthday blessings for Gemma Gabriella Teresa by Chyna Trible Thurs Jan 23 (Heb 7: 25-8: 6/Mk 3: 7-12) 8:30am – (SP) Ken Sheradin by Sylvia Fri. Jan 24 (Heb 8: 6-13/Mk 3: 13-19) 8:30am - (SP) Ron Sandroni by Dave & Terry LeBrun Sat. Jan 25 (Acts 22: 3-16/Mk 16: 15-18) 8:30am – (SP) Phillip L. Mitchell by children & grandchildren 5:00pm – (SM) Tony & Lena DiPronio by family Sun. Jan 26 (Neh 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1Cor 12: 12-30/Lk 1: 1-4, 4: 14-21) 8:00am – (SP) June Cafaro by Carol Scialdone 9:30am – (SM) Joan & Neil Anderson by Frank & Mary Joan Maleski 11:00am - (SP) RE MASS - for the RE students & their families

ST. MARY'S

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR 1/25 & 1/26/25 LECTORS/COMMENTATORS

5:00 pm –Lector: Vol., Commentator: T Smith 9:30 am –Lector: R Capozzi, Commentator: L Shipley EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS 5:00 pm – C Felber, S Scarpa, D Wolfe 9:30 am – C Smith, C Swarthout, Vol. ALTAR SERVERS

5:00 pm – as per sign-up sheet 9:30 pm – as per sign-up sheet

MONEY COUNTERS FOR 1/21

Team #1

PANCAKE BREAKFAST CREW FOR 1/21

C DiCesare		E Hughes	S Carb	S Carbone	
D Hay	S Smith	C Felbe	er F	Capozzi	

CALENDAR

Monday Jan 20 MLK HOLIDAY						
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED						
RCIA - Min Ctr	7:00pm					
Tuesday Jan 21						
Free Pancake Breakfast – Min Ctr	8:30-10am					
Wednesday Jan 22						
Eucharistic Adoration - SP Church	5-6:00pm					
Thursday Jan 23						
Eucharistic Adoration - SM Church	9:30am-4pm					
Seneca Nursing Home Mass	2:15pm					
Friday Jan 24						
Saturday Jan 25						
Sunday Jan 26						
RE FAMILY MASS - Led by 2 nd & 3 rd grade families						
, ,	30am Mass SM					
<u>Confession –</u> St. Mary's – Saturday – 3:30-4:30pm						

St. Patrick's - 1st Friday's - 9:00-10:00am or by appointment

Free Pancake & Eggs, Etc. Breakfast every Tuesday from 8:30-10:00 AM at St. Francis-St. Clare Parish's Ministry Center (former St. Mary's School), 35 Center Street in Waterloo. Parking is behind the church with the entrance to the breakfasts nearby. These breakfasts are held every Tuesday except for major holidays or a snow storm. For more information call 315-539-8006. ALL ARE WELCOME

Fr. Roy Kiggins address:

Chapel Oaks Apt. 1111 1550 Portland Ave. Rochester, NY 1462

The Social Ministry Committee is collecting new and gently used blankets, comforters and afghans thru the middle of February. These items will be given to the House of Concern and CAP for the needy in our communities. There are barrels at the doors of both churches. Thank you for your continued generosity.

		ANGELUS BELLS		
Week of 1/18– 1/24/25	1/20	SM SP		
St. Mary's – <u>SANCTUARY LAMP</u>	1/21	SM SP		
Offered by: <u>ALTAR BREAD & WINE</u>	1/22	SM		
Tony & Lena DiPronio Offered by: children	1/23	SP SM		
St. Patrick's – <u>SANCTUARY LAMP</u> Maureen Pysnack	1/24	SP SM	Tony & Lena DiPronio	
Offered by: family		SP	Tony & Lena DiFtonio	
ALTAR BREAD & WINE Joe & Olympia Ryck	1/25	SM SP	Vito J. Sinicropi	
Offered by: Anne & Randy Adler	1/26	SM SP		

The cost to have the Angelus bells rung in memory of a relative or an occasion is \$10. There are many dates available.

Pray for our sick & homebound...Deborah Barbieri, Frieda Miller, Ann Turkett, Jack Morabito, Lee Patchen, Elizabeth Martin, Thomas P. Callaghan, Paul F. Deal, Matthew Enger, Dave Russell, Edith Greene, Helen Boenigk, H.A.D., Mila Rae, Frank & Joyce Tedesche, Christopher Podgorny, Richard Daugenti, Doug & Rosemary Plank & family, Bob & Dolly Steinhouse, Barbara Crosby, Joanna Gould, Dr. Steven Ryan, Amy Marie Maloney Farr, Dan Hogen, Sr. Catherine Judge, Judy, Glenn Paul, April Lanphear, Hannah & her family, Tenley Gurreri, Jayden Jensen, Kendra, Christopher Jones, Doris Crawford Mitchell, Brian Oddi, Elizabeth Babiarz, Kay & family, Lisa, Anna Boise, Nancy Versteg, James Pokrzywa, Bonnie Jones, Bruce Gilbert, Pat Panek, Todd Gaglianese, Sandy Lopez, Bill O'Hora, Georgine Rosata, Vince & Bonnie Piscitelli, Timothy Youngs, Margaret Mitchell, Linda Arichiello, Randy Doty, Don, S.M., V.C, Mary Emilius, Tish Zepp, Michele V., Parker Fisher, Anna Wilkes, Jimmy Lamson, Scott Jones, Marsha Ryck, Terri M., AMM, LMM, JAM, Madeline DiManno, Betty Bellomo Levesque, Fran Barbieri, Kaydi Heins, Kathy Harper, Keith Stahl, Bob Sandroni, Marylou Murdock, Laura Worden, Anna Ellis, Holly Jones, Judy Ellis, Stacey Jansen, David Vacca, K.M., Patty Lewis, Cheryl DeMillo, Jeff Page, T.H., E.B.L., Joel Rivera, Kay Eighmey, Richard Schweitz Jr., Barb Twist, Megan Seneca, Jim Mooney, Gene Lopez, Dorothy Rizzo, Anne Cannuli, Keith Gibbs, Jeremy Andrews, Michele, Alexis Eldrige, Roxanne Starry, Mary Ann Dambrosia, Ellen Moon, Barb C, Bob B, Kathleen Talcott. Dolores Boeticker. Marie Ramson, Jonah Decorv. Marcella Hill, Eleanor Jackson, Karen Jenkins, Javden Moone, Loretta C. Dorothy & John Euchlund, R.C., Mary Jo Semler, Ron Barnhart, Joseph Lotto, William Cathy, Dale Trout Jr., Ellen Clark, Kathy Cole, LM, Jesse Alcott, Amber Moses, Eric Gelsomino, Felicia Strong, Asa Poorman, Marjorie Edmeston, William Johnson Jr., M. Claire M, Miranda Y, Colleen VanCamp, Cathy Woods, Tyler Sheldon, Marilyn, Amy Roepnack, Cindy Brown, Orion, John Gnell, Julia Kennedy, David Smith, Judy Walczak, Mary Harrin, Maria C. Norman, Judy Hoffman, Ann Passifione, Gianna, Ashley Stillwell, Lucille Cook, Mary Lou's Intentions, Kathy, Judy Bauer, Michael Cunningham, Judy Wheaton, Carol Eck, Mary Ebers, Rose Nehring, Margaret Nardi, Tim O'Mara, John Bennett, Kathleen Deal, Cory Steinbacker, Robin Ryan, Jarrod Ticconi, Cindy Schlegel, Émily, Venturelli, Wendy Goodman, Bonnie, Lauren, Maureen Jusko, Neal Wood, Robin Jock, Zachary M., Kelly, Jay Colin, Rebecca Carson, Rebecca Tuccio, Trevor Cauler, Judy, Patricia L., Gerald Goodman, Cheryl Lewis, Marilyn Dickinson, Lainie Forde, Seitz Family, Misty Clark, Kitty Allenza, Jesse Pardee, Pat Battley & all of our sick Please note: I am trying to keep the praver list updated - if you would like to be added to or **deleted from** the list, please call the parish office at 539-2944 or 651-4349.

"The Gospel of Life is for the whole of human society. To be actively pro-life is to contribute to the renewal of society through the promotion of the common good." (#101) quotes from 'Gospel of Life, St. John Paul II'

Right to Life March-Friday January 24 in Washington DC.

(from the National March for Life website)

The right to life is a human right. Our defense of that right is a joyful witness to the beauty and dignity of every human person.

The March for Life is an inspiring, peaceful, vibrant, and joy-filled rally of women, men, young people, and children from all across the country. Every year, tens of thousands of pro-lifers converge in Washington, D.C. and march on Capitol Hill on the anniversary of the Supreme Court's 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling which legalized abortion in all 50 states. It's the largest annual human rights demonstration in the world. But this is not just a protest... TOGETHER, WE GATHER TO CELEBRATE LIFE. We celebrate each and every life, from the moment of conception. We envision a world where every life is celebrated, valued, and protected. Why Will We Continue to March?

Even with the wonderful blessing of *Roe v. Wade* being overturned, which allows more freedom at the state level to enact pro-life laws, the necessary work to build a culture of life in the United States of America is not finished. Rather, it is focused differently. Sadly, the number of abortions annually is still well over 900,000 each year, and that number is expected to decrease only by roughly 200,000 each year in a post-*Roe* America. Many national legislative battles loom, including even keeping longstanding Hyde protections, which limit government funding for abortion on annual appropriation bills. The Hyde Amendment has saved over 2 million lives and is arguably the most impactful pro-life policy in our nation's history, but now cannot be taken for granted. Last, our most important work is changing hearts and minds. The goal of the national March for Life is to not only change laws at the state and federal level, but to change the culture to ultimately make abortion unthinkable.

With the role of the states being more important, we are also growing a strong state march for life initiative quickly, however, we will continue to march every January at the national level until a culture of life is restored in the United States of America.

Wednesday January 22 is the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. We will be celebrating that Mass on Tuesday at St. Mary's at the 8:30am Mass.

A Prayer for Those Affected by the California Wildfires

Gracious and loving God,

You are our refuge and our strength in times of trouble and crisis. We ask that your continued guidance, direction, and mercy be upon the people, the first responders, and those who have died from the devastating fires that continue to rage across the Los Angeles area.

Have mercy on the lands and the people where fires have destroyed the lives, lifestyles, and livelihoods of those in the eye of this storm. Protect those who have evacuated their homes and offer them your peace which surpasses all understanding. God of love, keep us from calling this horrific disaster, your justice, for we know and understand that your love and compassion are beyond human comprehension, and that you desire no retribution for your creation. We pray for the victims who have been killed in these wildfires, and for their families; we ask that you pour out your healing balm upon their surviving parents, siblings, relatives, and friends to offer them hope, strength and courage in these times of crisis.

God of love, we give you thanks for the fire fighters and the first responders who are working diligently for the betterment of humanity in California. Strengthen and rebuild the communities facing this devastation.

God of love, allow us to be hands and feet of Christ, even in some small way, for the victims of this tragedy.

Help us all, in good times and in distress, to trust in your mercy and to yield to your power. May we face the future with all of its challenges, difficulties, and crises, without fear. Amen

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION

St. Francis & St. Clare Parish will again be following a food collection schedule developed by several area churches. Each church will collect specific items for the House of Concern and CAP each month. Although we are given specific items to collect, we will graciously accept **any** food or personal hygiene items. For the month of **January**, we will be collecting the following items for the House of Concern and CAP: **pasta**, **rice**, **spaghetti sauce & feminine products**. Thank you so much for your continued support. Social Ministry Committee

Spirituality of the Prayers at Mass EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II

Like the dewfall.

The word "dewfall" is a more accurate translation of the Latin and brings to mind several Scriptural references; Hosea 14:5-6, Psalm 133:3 and Isaiah 45:8 where dew is a symbol of God's blessing descending upon the people, which brings new life. Dew doesn't actually fall, it condenses and appears silently and gently much like the Holy Spirit that can enter into our lives without us even being aware of its life giving presence.

so they may become for us the body and blood of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ

Why do we need the bread and wine to become the Body and Blood of Jesus? We encounter God fully when we encounter the human fully. To speak of God separate from human experience is an academic endeavor. To speak of God in relation to the human experience is sacramental. At Mass the divine and human meet. They do more than make contact. They encounter each other in a deep spiritual way that defies language and logic. The exchange is a mystery that goes beyond words, much like the love between man and woman; it cannot be wholly explained but can be fully experienced beyond description.

 How has my encounter with Christ changed over the years?
What other experiences have there been in my life that I cannot adequately put into words? Where was Christ in those moments?

Knights of Columbus Euchre Tournament

Saturday, February 8, 2025 LEARN TO PLAY TABLE AT EVERY TOURNAMENT Registration from 12:15-12:45pm Game begins at 1:00pm

St. Mary's Gym, 35 Center St. Waterloo Cost: \$10 buy-in and \$10 donation - total \$20

6 games played - cash payouts for 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th places

Concessions will be available for purchase Questions? - call John at 315-651-8698

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

January 19, 2025

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." - 1 CORINTHIANS 12:7 St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

Men's Retreats

Notre Dame Retreat House has announced four Men's Retreats for 2025:

Jan 31-Feb 2 Sept 12-14 Oct 24-26

The theme is "Walking in Friendship with God", which is in line with Pope Francis' 'theme' for this year of Jubilee 'Pilgrims of Hope'.

Although operated by a lay board, the Retreat Team this year is led by a veteran Redemptorist Priest. Volunteer Jesuits are expected in to assist on Retreat Weekends.

Register through the website at notreddameretreat.org/register or call 585-394-5700. For local assistance all/leave a message at 315-577-2282 or rrivet@ad.com

FAMILY SPIRITUALITY WEEKLY TIP FOR:

1/19/25 2ND Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: John 2: 1-11

After Mass, discuss these questions & brainstorm ideas & ways to implement them this week!

Adults: When have you stepped in, as Mary did at Cana, to try and make a difficult situation easier for someone?

Children: What can you do this week to help make someone's job a little easier?

LET'S LIVE THE GOSPEL!!!!!!!

TYBURN ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE

Tyburn Academy will be hosting an Open House for all interested families on Monday February 3rd, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Families can visit our website to register in advance. Walk-ins are welcome as well.

On Thursday February 6th we will also be hosting a student shadow day from 7:50 am - 2:45 pm. Families can register on our website for this as well.

A Reminder from the Faith Formation Office Sunday January 26th, 2025 9:30 Mass @ St. Mary's Church 10:30 Family Faith Day @ Ministry Center

Theme: PILGRIMS OF HOPE



I think we all might agree that these are tough times for children to grow up in. Daily reports of disasters, violence and sadly, hatred fill their lives. More and more parents find no need for the true source of LOVE, Jesus Christ. Even if they have not given up on faith, they are so very busy they can't imagine finding time for play let alone church. Do parents themselves know the love Christ has for them? What if their children could teach them? A method of helping

children to know all that is good true and beautiful in our faith is a way we can help the children learn just how to do this. In fact, one mother states that her son now eagerly pays attention during Mass and can explain what Father is doing. Check back next week for more information about Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and how this could be an opportunity for our parish! The Sunday 8:00am Mass as well as daily Masses are live streamed on Facebook which is accessible on the website at sfscrcc.org

Total number of people at all the Masses on Jan. 11 & 12 was approx. 475

The parish appreciates your attendance and support!!

Don't forget that we survive on the offerings of our parishioners. If you do not feel comfortable attending Mass, you can still send in your envelope or drop it off at the Ministry Center office. Online giving is also available now at <u>https://www.osvhub.com/sfscrss/funds</u> God bless you for your support.

The Mass, mail-in & online contributions for the week of **January 11 & 12, 2025** was \$9748.30 We thank you for your generosity!

SFSC Catholic Ministries appeal update as of 12/30/24

of donors-175 YTD Pledged-\$48,645 goal-\$82,000 % to goal-59%



