



St. Francis & St. Clare Parish Weekly Bulletin

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

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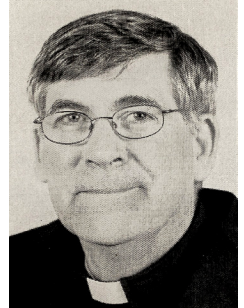
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Knights of Columbus: John Nesbit
Catholic Daughters: Patty Agnello
Music Ministry:
St. Patrick's - Jennifer Cornwell
St. Mary's 5pm - Kate Small
St. Mary's 9:30am - Bob Dinan



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
- 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



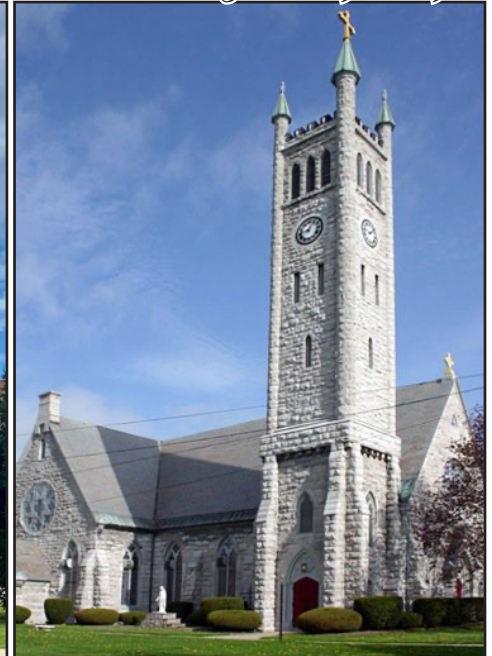
Rev. James D. Fennessy

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. Jan 27 (Heb 9 : 15, 24-28/Mk 3 : 22-30)
 5:30pm – (SM) Communion Service

Tues. Jan 28 (Heb 10: 1-10/Mk 3: 31-35)
 8:30am – (SM) Joe Armitage by Fred & Joanne Petrosino

Wed. Jan 29 (Heb 10: 11-18/Mk 4: 1-20)
 8:30am – (SM) Mary & Roscoe Bartran and Bob Symonds by Fred & MaryAnne Adams

Thurs Jan 30 (Heb 10: 19-25/Mk 4: 21-25)
 8:30am – (SP) Tim Kelsey by Rich & Nora Ricci

Fri. Jan 31 (Heb 10: 32-39/Mk 4: 26-34)
 8:30am – (SP) Vincent DiPasquale by Rita

Sat. Feb 1 (Heb 11: 1-2, 8-19/Mk 4: 35-41)
 8:30am – (SP) Tony Pavio by Patrice Giansante & Trina Myers
 5:00pm – (SM) Julie Rodger by Dave & Darlene Duprey

Sun. Feb 2 (Mal 3: 1-4/Heb 2: 14-18/Lk 2: 22-40)
 8:00am – (SP) Patrick Sandroni by Rich & Nora Ricci
 9:30am – (SM) Jean Eshenour by family
 11:00am – (SP) David Ratke by Vincent Lalli

ST. MARY’S

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR 2/1 & 2/2/25

LECTORS/COMMENTATORS

5:00 pm –Lector: S Scarpa, Commentator: L Nightingale
 9:30 am –Lector: M Grillone, Commentator: Vol.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5:00 pm – C Felber, T Rosata, D Wolfe
 9:30 am – C Smith, C Swarthout, C Struzik

ALTAR SERVERS

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

MONEY COUNTERS FOR 1/28

Team #2

PANCAKE BREAKFAST CREW FOR 1/28

N LeRoux K Finnerty
 D Maher T Vatter
 C Langan

CALENDAR

Monday Jan 27
 RCIA - Min Ctr 7:00pm

Tuesday Jan 28
 Free Pancake Breakfast – Min Ctr 8:30-10am
 Liturgy Mtg – Min Ctr 3:00pm

Wednesday Jan 29
 Eucharistic Adoration - SP Church 5-6:00pm
 Youth Group - SP Rectory Basement 6:15-7:45pm

Thursday Jan 30
 Eucharistic Adoration - SM Church 9:30am-4pm

Friday Jan 31

Saturday Feb 1

Sunday Feb 2
 RE - Min Ctr 10:30-noon
 Conf Yr 1 & 2 9:30Mass
 10:30 - class - Min Ctr
 Living Stations Rehearsal 12:20-2pm

Confession - 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.

Week of 1/25– 1/31/25

St. Mary's – SANCTUARY LAMP

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ALTAR BREAD & WINE

Offered by:

St. Patrick's – SANCTUARY LAMP

Offered by: family

ALTAR BREAD & WINE

Offered by:

ANGELUS BELLS

1/27	SM SP	Francis Brady's 90 th birthday
1/28	SM SP	Jen Sinicropi
1/29	SM SP	
1/30	SM SP	
1/31	SM SP	
2/1	SM SP	Linda Nicandri DeParde
2/2	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, 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 Starr, Mary Ann Dambrosia, Ellen Moon, Barb C, Bob B, Kathleen Talcott, Dolores Boeticker, Marie Ramson, Jonah Decory, Marcella Hill, Eleanor Jackson, Karen Jenkins, Jayden Moore, 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, Cory Steinbacker, Robin Ryan, Jarrod Ticconi, Cindy Schlegel, Emily ,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 prayer 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.

“He will either shield you from suffering or will give you unflinching strength to bear it. Be at peace and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations.” –Saint Francis de Sales

The Jubilee year, entitled “Pilgrims of Hope” began on Christmas Eve of 2025 and will conclude on the Feast of the Epiphany 2026. A pilgrimage infers a journey. On Nov 6, Pope Francis wrote a message about being on a journey of Faith and was entitled “ Faith is a Journey”, a commentary on the meaning of going on a journey. The following is an excerpt from that message:

When I was a priest in Buenos Aires, and I kept this habit even as a bishop in my hometown, I loved walking on foot through various neighborhoods to meet with fellow priests, visit a religious community, or speak with friends. Walking is good for us: it connects us with what is happening around us, helps us discover the sounds, smells, and noises of the reality that surrounds us—in other words, it brings us closer to the lives of others.

Walking means not staying still: to believe means having an inner restlessness that drives us towards something “more,” to take one more step forward towards a height to be reached today, knowing that tomorrow the path will take us higher—or deeper—in our relationship with God, which is exactly like the relationship with a beloved person in our life or between friends: it is never finished, never taken for granted, never fully satisfied, always searching, not yet sufficient. It is impossible to say with God: “All done; everything is in its place; that’s enough.”

On December 1, the pope published a book on the meaning of hope entitled “*Hope Is a Light In The Night*”, which focused on the meaning of hope. The following is a quote from that book:

“The Jubilee of 2025, a holy year that I wanted to dedicate to the theme “Pilgrims of Hope”, is a propitious occasion to reflect on this fundamental and decisive Christian virtue – especially in times like the ones we are living, in which the third world war being fought “piecemeal” that is unfolding before our eyes can lead us to assume attitudes of gloomy discouragement and ill-concealed cynicism.

Hope, on the other hand, is a gift and a task for every Christian. It is a gift because it is God who offers it to us. Hoping, in fact, is not a mere act of optimism, like when we sometimes hope to pass an exam at university (“Let’s hope we make it”) or when we hope for good weather for the trip out of town on a Sunday in the spring (“Let’s hope for good weather”). No, hoping is waiting for something that has already been given to us: salvation in God’s eternal and infinite love. That love, that salvation that gives flavour to our lives and that constitutes the hinge on which the world remains standing, despite all the wickedness and nefariousness caused by our sins as men and women. To hope, then, is to welcome this gift that God offers us every day. To hope is to savour the wonder of being loved, sought, desired by a God who has not shut Himself away in His impenetrable heavens but has made Himself flesh and blood, history and days, to share our lot.”

In this Jubilee year, may we continue to heed the words of Pope Francis.

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
EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II**

At the time he was betrayed and entered willingly into his Passion

When we think of the word sacrifice we often think of destruction or devastation and suffering. We often think of sacrifice as something we do for something or someone else. A Christian understanding of sacrifice goes even deeper and is explained as freely surrendering of oneself for the good of others. The executioners of Christ did not offer the sacrifice but Christ himself did the sacrificing. The sacrifice of Jesus was his life, something he did willingly even though it meant suffering. The new text brings this out more explicitly.

1. When has someone I've known given freely of themselves to help me? How did we feel about it?
2. When have I freely given of myself in order that others may benefit?

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

**January 26, 2025
3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time**

*“Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared...” -
NEHEMIAH 8:10*

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here's the hard part – to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

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 rrr@aol.com

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

FAMILY SPIRITUALITY WEEKLY TIP FOR:

1/26/25 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: Luke 1: 1-4; 4: 14-21

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

Adults: What do you believe that the anointing you received at Baptism requires you to do?

Children: What could you do this week for someone who has less than you?

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.

St. Francis & St. Clare Youth Group:

Dinner, Prayer and Play-

Come and join fellow teens as we kick off 2025!

Our next scheduled gathering is 1/29/25 starting at 6:15pm and going until 8:15pm at the rectory of St. Patrick's Church.

Chili bread and salad is on the menu.

Coffee and a snack cupboard is also available- bring your quarters.

Come with an idea of how we might do something for someone else and bring a friend!

For more information contact:

Pam Kane at the Ministry Center, 315-651-4351



There are numerous resources available to join in the Jubilee Year that Pope Francis has called for:
Pilgrims of Hope

The Diocese of Rochester-

Click on the green banner at <https://www.dor.org/>

Vatican Jubilee website <https://www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html>

Formed: Parish Subscription: [formed.org](https://www.formed.org)

identify you are a member of a parish, use zip code 13165, and it is all free!

The Sunday 8:00am Mass as well as daily Masses are live streamed on Facebook which is accessible on the website at sfscrc.org

Total number of people at all the Masses on Jan. 18 & 19 was approx. 493

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 <https://www.osvhub.com/sfscrcss/funds> God bless you for your support.

*The Mass, mail-in & online contributions for the week of **January 18 & 19, 2025** was \$8375.22
We thank you for your generosity!*

SFSC Catholic Ministries appeal update as of 1/20/25

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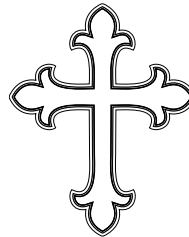
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