

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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Pastor: Reverend James Fennessy Finance Director: Rebecca Pizzirusso Administrative Assistant: Anne Marie Adler Catechetical Leader: Pamela Kane Organists: Kate Small, Jennifer Cornwell Pastoral Council: Vincenta Porretta Baptism & Liturgy: Fr. Jim Fennessy Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Iennifer Cornwell Finance: Vince Sinicropi Social Ministry: Linda McCully Parish Life: Volunteer Needed Buildings & Grounds: George Strally Cemetery Manager: Pamela Jones 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
- 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

March 1 & 2, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. Mar 3 (Sir 17 : 20-24/Mk 10 : 17-27) 5:30pm – (SM) Communion Service Tues. Mar 4 (Sir 35: 1-12/Mk 10: 28-31) 8:30am – (SM) Rosemary Gillotti by Joe Wed. Mar 5 ASH WEDNESDAY (JI 2: 12-18/2Cor 5: 20-6:2/Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18) 8:30am - (SM) Mass & Ashes - For the people of the parish 12:10pm – (SP) Liturgy of the Word/Ashes 5:30pm – (SM) Liturgy of the Word/Ashes 7:00pm – (SP) Mass & Ashes - For the people of the parish Thurs Mar 6 (Dt 30: 15-20/Lk 9: 22-25) 8:30am – (SP) Joseph Avveduti by Rich & Nora Ricci Fri. Mar 7 (ls 58: 1-9a/Mt 9: 14-15) 8:30am – (SP) McDermott, Chapin & Ashley families by Dorothy Chapin Sat. Mar 8 (Is 58: 9b-14/Lk 5: 27-32) 8:30am - (SP) Janet Fulkerson by Patrice Giansante & Trina Myers 5:00pm – (SM) Joseph Brown by John & Janette Scholl Sun. Mar 9 (Dt 26: 4-10/Rom 10: 8-13/Lk 4: 1-13) 8:00am – (SP) Kelly Trickler by Kathy Moody 9:30am – (SM) Dan Skinner by family 11:00am - (SP) Angelo Esposito by Jane & children

ST. MARY'S <u>LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR 3/8 & 3/9/25</u>

LECTORS/COMMENTATORS

5:00 pm –Lector: J Bells, Commentator: T Smith
9:30 am –Lector: R Capozzi, Commentator: L Shipley
<u>EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>
5:00 pm – C Felber, E Hughes, S Scarpa
9:30 am – M Grillone, D Duprey, N. Dinan
<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>
5:00 pm – as per sign-up sheet

9:30 pm – as per sign-up sheet

MONEY COUNTERS FOR 3/4

Team #3

PANCAKE BREAKFAST CREW FOR 3/4

N Pluretti D Bender K Peters C Ralston R Costantino

COMMUNION SERVICE SCHEDULE FOR NURSING HOMES

March 6, 2025 - Huntington - 2pm Ellen (P) Janet, Neil, Ed

CALENDAR

Monday Mar 3	
Social Ministry Mtg - Min Ctr	4:15pm
Tuesday Mar 4	
Free Pancake Breakfast – Min Ctr	8:30-10am
Pastoral Council – SP Rectory	6:30pm
Wednesday Mar 5 ASH WEDNESDAY	
1 ST Eucharist Parent Mtg - Min Ctr	6:15pm
Thursday Mar 6	
Eucharistic Adoration - SM Church	9:30am-4pm
Friday Mar 7	
Stations of the Cross - SP Church	3:00pm
Saturday Mar 8	
Baptism Prep Class – Min Ctr	9:00am
1 st Eucharist Parent Mtg – Min Ctr	10:15pm
KofC Euchre Tournament – Min Ctr Gym	12:30-?
Sunday Mar 9	
RE - Min Ctr	10:30am - noon
Conf. Yr 1 & 2 Living Stations Rehearsal	4-5:30pm
Class	5:30-7pm

<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's Birthday is March 16th Fr. Roy Kiggins address:

Chapel Oaks Apt. 1111 1550 Portland Ave. Rochester, NY 14621

			ANGELUS BELLS
Week of 3/1/25– 3/7/25	3/3	SM SP	
St. Mary's – <u>SANCTUARY LAMP</u> Alice LeBrun Offered by: Catholic Daughters	3/4	SM SP	
ALTAR BREAD & WINE Alice LeBrun	3/5	SM SP	
Offered by: Catholic Daughters St. Patrick's – <u>SANCTUARY LAMP</u>	3/6	SM SP	
Offered by:	3/7	SM SP	
<u>ALTAR BREAD & WINE</u>	3/8	SM SP	
Offered by:	3/9	SM SP	Kelli Trickler Ann Sinicropi

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...Stephen Gillen, Myrna Manning Pollino, Deborah Barbieri, Jack Morabito, 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, 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, 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.

"Prayer is the place of refuge for every worry, a foundation for cheerfulness, a source of constant happiness, a protection against sadness." – St. John Chrysostom

The season of Lent start this Wednesday, March 5. The dates and times for Lenten activities is on a separate insert in this week's bulletin. While we normally have a Communion service on Mondays, this Lent we will be celebrating Mass at 5:30pm on that day. It will give those who work an opportunity to enhance their Lent by attending a daily Mass during the week. Lent is not just a liturgical season that we observe every year but a holy time to grow closer to the Lord. Please plan out your Lent carefully to find ways to become more open to the path of Jesus Christ.

Fast and Abstinence

Paul Turner

During Lent, Catholics in the United States abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of the season. They fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. They are encouraged to continue the fast on Holy Saturday as well, in union with those preparing for baptism. On a fast day, people eat only one full meal; they may also eat two partial meals and should not snack between any of them. The laws of fast and abstinence may vary from one country to another; however, they accomplish the same goals. They help us imitate the example of Jesus, who fasted 40 days to prepare for his ministry. They help us display our common repentance. More than declaring our personal desire for conversion of heart, they strengthen our community by expressing our corporate sorrow for social sin. They teach us a detachment from passions and turn our hearts more toward God and less toward food. They make us more disciplined and more charitable.

The purpose of fast and abstinence, then, is not to punish us but to make us more loving, more prayerful, more detached from whatever may keep us from God. Fasting becomes more spiritually effective when sustained by other practices such as prayer, charity, and almsgiving. The prayers at Mass during Lent presume that the community is supporting its prayer with fasting and its fasting with prayer. Everyone age 14 and older is bound by the law of abstinence. Younger children are to be educated in its significance. Other Catholics are expected to avoid meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent no matter how old they become.

However, fasting binds from after one's 18th birthday until after the 59th. Catholics younger and older than that need not fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Nonetheless, fasting is a praiseworthy penitential practice, even when it is not required. Throughout the year Catholics fast from food and drink one hour before sharing communion.

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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 **March**, we will be collecting the following items for the House of Concern and CAP: **canned meat or fish, soap.** Thank you so much for your continued support. Social Ministry Committee

Spirituality of the Prayers at Mass EUCHARISTIC PRAYER II

We offer you Lord, the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation

A true sacrifice is giving up something that is very meaningful to us, and is done for the good of others. From primitive times people offered valuable things to the gods. Animals were very important to the ancient people and hence became their sacrifice.

Today we offer up the best we have, ourselves. But the divine deserves more. Therefore the sacrifice we offer to God must be the perfect sacrifice. That perfect sacrifice is Jesus the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation.

1. What is the biggest sacrifice I have had to make in my life?

2.What is the biggest sacrifice that anyone has made for me? Why were either of these sacrifices made? Were they enough?

Dear Friends -

Happy New Year! We're excited to share with you the impact your clothing shed made over the last year -

-72,721 lbs. of clothing were donated -this was enough to clothe an estimated

13,396 people all over the world -based on this volume of clothing, your organization received \$2909

Thank you so much for everything you, your volunteers and your communities do to support the clothing shed program!

Sincerely, the team at St. Pauly Textile, Inc

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

March 2, 2025

8th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit." - LUKE 6:43

Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.

BLESSING BOX IS IN NEED OF THE FOLLOWING:

Cereal Soup Canned vegetables Paper Products (toilet paper, paper towels, napkins)

We thank you for your continued generosity!

FAMILY SPIRITUALITY WEEKLY TIP FOR:

3/2/25 8TH Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel: Luke 6: 39-45 After Mass, discuss these questions & brainstorm ideas & ways to implement them this week!

Adults: When have you most felt like a hypocrite? How did you overcome this feeling? Children: Is it good or bad to act differently from what you are really feeling? Explain.

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



2025 VBS Supply Wish List



Program. It will run sporadically in the bulletin and will also be posted to the

St. Francis & St. Clare Facebook page. You can also call the office for ideas as well. We are headed to Alaska this year!

5 Rolls different colored duct tape

5 Large diameter firm pool noodles

Adult Roman soldier costume

2 gray or brown bath towels

Gift Cards to Amazon or Walmart for decorating supplies

The above is just a sample of what we could use.

Registration for VBS 7/14-18 9:00am-12:30pm will open on 3/3 at 8am



https://vbspro.events/p/765dd7

Sacramental Preparation News:

First Eucharist- Parent Meetings: will be held on Ash Wednesday 3/5/25

At the Ministry Center, Waterloo after the 5:30pm Liturgy of the Word & Ashes at St. Mary's. It will be approximately 6:15pm

OR- Saturday 3/8/25 at 10:15am also at the Ministry Center Parents please plan to attend 1 of these meetings.

<u>Confirmation:</u> The Year 2 (those being confirmed this year) Retreat will be held on 3/16 8am-4pm at Notre Dame Retreat House. Please pray for our young people that they might have an experience that draws them closer to God, for their families they they will be inspired through their teens and for the retreat leaders so they bring the joy and love of God to the kids! Cofirmation will be held on May 1st 2025 at St. Mary's in Auburn.

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 February 22 & 23 was approx. 405

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 **February 22 & 23, 2025** was \$12,560.70 We thank you for your generosity!

SFSC Catholic Ministries appeal update as of 2/24/25

of donors-186 YTD Pledged-\$52,947 goal-\$82,000 % to goal-64.5%

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16	17	18	19	20 Huntington Mass	21	22
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
RE MinCtr 10:30-noon Conf Yr 1&2 see schedule	RCIA - 7pm SM	, , ,		Seneca Nursing Home		
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8am Mass SP	31		5:30-7:00pm MC	6:30-7:45 Min Ctr	7pm - St. Patrick's	
RE Min Ctr 10:30-noon	RCIA - 7pm SM	3pm - Min Ctr		Soup Supper 6-6:30pm		

LENT 2025 **XXXX Daily Mass** Monday 5:30 pm St. Mary's Tuesday 8:30am St. Mary's Wednesday 8:30am St. Mary's Thursday 8:30am St. Patrick's Friday 8:30am St. Patrick's Saturday 8:30am St. Patrick's Stations of the Cross Fridays 3:00pm St. Patrick's Confessions Saturdays 3:30-4:30 St. Mary's 1st Fridays 9:00am-10:00am St. Patrick's Day of Penance April 2 times TBD Ash Wednesday Mass/Ashes 8:30am St. Mary's March 5 Word/Ashes 12:10pm St. Patrick's Word/Ashes 5:30pm St. Mary's Mass/Ashes 7:00pm St. Patrick's Adoration Wednesdays 5-6pm St. Patrick's Thursdays 9-4pm St. Mary's Lenten Retreat Thursdays March 20, 27, April 3 at 6:30-7:45pm at the Ministry Center . "The Best Way to Pray" With a soup supper at 6:00pm Living Stations Friday March 28 7:00pm St. Patrick's of the Cross M

NEWS from Family Hope Center

Congratulations to our parish who donated \$9,378 to the annual Baby Bottle Campaign!

Family Hope Center (FHC) is a pregnancy care center whose main office is in Geneva with a new and part time office in Ovid. THEY NEED A MEDICAL DOCTOR who can sign off on ultrasounds. They have not been able to perform ultrasounds for some time because of this. IF YOU KNOW OF A PROLIFE MEDICAL DOCTOR, WHO WOULD BE WILLING TO DO THIS, please contact Doreen Teed, Director of FHC, at familyhopecenter@outlook.com/OR call 315-789-0708.

Quote from Doreen, "When FHC enters a new year, there are a few annual tasks that get done. One of these tasks is to purge and shred client files over 7 years old. Yesterday I sat with a pile of 2017 client folders on my lap and read through them. I was reminded what a blessing this ministry is in family lives! So many clients visits...files were up to 4 inches thick, equating to dozens of visits per client. Some of the names brought tears to my eyes, remembering the struggles they faced and may still face. Some files brought a smile to my heart, remembering the joy filled visits and the relationships created for a season. I found myself commenting out loud things like: "Oh, I remember this visit, that was tough" or "This was such a good visit" or "This girl has had a rough life, I think of her often and say a quick prayer".

DOREEN IS RETIRING IN 2025, but her faith and trust in God is strong, as she reports, "One thought, however, was in the back of my mind, as I was going through files. 2025 will be my last year, my last year working with clients. The last year I will review past client folders and be reminded of those precious visits. God has a plan for Family Hope Center. He knows who is best to lead us into the future. We need to pray together that His will be accomplished." PLEASE PARY FOR A NEW DIRECTOR! IF YOU OR ANYONE YOU MIGHT KNOW, MIGHT FEEL A CALLING, please contact Doreen.

Doreen states, "Abortion access has changed dramatically since 2019. The online sale of abortion pills was legalized and now accounts for over 60% of abortions performed each year. Girls no longer need to have a positive pregnancy test or know how far along they are to perform self-abortion at home. We see girls wanting to talk about pregnancy and decision-making process, rather than the pregnancy itself. Please pray that our website and social media presence will encourage more girls to come in and talk! NYS has made it difficult to be involved in prolife ministries, and we have had a difficult time finding a doctor to partner with ultrasounds."

SALEY Frozen Pies to help support St. Francis - St. Stephen School

PIES FOR

A VARITEY OF PIES TO CHOOSE FROM RANGING \$20-\$25

CANNOLI . CHOCOLATE PEANUT BUTTER, APPLE CRUMB, LEMON MERINGUE, CHOCOLATE CREAM, AND STRAWBERRY RHUBARB

PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OR PARISH OFFICE TO PLACE AN ORDER, BETWEEN FEBRUARY 13TH- MARCH 21ST, 2025

> Pick up is April 9th,2025 Cash or Check due at time of order

