

December 6, 2009

**St. Joseph's Special Collections**

- 12/6 - Parish Improvement
- 12/13 - Religious Retirement
- 12/20 - Fuel
- 12/25 - Christmas
- 12/27 - St. Mary's Academy (CCD)

**FR. CLYDE A. LEWIS, PASTOR**

**St. Patrick's Church**

**Trustee:** Mary Racicot ~ 297-6138  
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**St. Joseph's Church**

**Trustee:** Edward Bechard ~ 297-2115  
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**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

<b>St. Patrick's</b>		<b>St. Joseph's</b>	
<b>Last year</b>	\$3410	<b>Last year</b>	\$494
<b>Last week</b>	\$3105 (Envelopes \$2720, Plate \$385)	<b>Last week</b>	\$477 (Envelopes \$389, Plate \$88)

**PRAYER LIST**

*(These names will be listed for two months and then removed, unless we hear otherwise. If a name was removed and needs to be placed on the list again, please call the Rectory.)*

Bea St. Pierre, Barbara Sterling, Norman Duquette, Gertrude Trombley, Fr. Gerald Cerank, Evelyn Hatcher, Aline Terry  
 Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Robert Marks and Eva Nolan. Also please pray for all those listed in our Community Intention Book and all the sick of our area.

**LECTOR/ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE**

**December 5 / 6**

- 4:00PM Matt Boire  
*Celine Houle, Ashley Boire*
- 7:30PM Eleanor Reynolds
- 8:00AM Douglas DiSabito  
*Brianna Sterling, Stephen Grace*
- 10:00AM Joey Proulx  
*Joel Herzog, Julia Herzog*

**December 12 / 13**

- 4:00PM Carole Lefebvre  
*Kyler Guay*
- 7:30PM Brenda Jolicoeur
- 8:00AM David FitzGerald  
*Karen Duffy, Stephen Grace*
- 10:00AM Arsene Letourneau  
*Alyssa Menard*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**December**

- Sat. 5 **(Anticipated) Second Sunday of Advent**  
4:00PM Elaine Garrow by Owen & Lori Garrow  
7:30PM **(St. Joseph's)** Leo P. Major by his wife Frances
- Sun. 6 **Second Sunday of Advent**  
8:00AM Frances & Joseph DiDomenico by the Mastracchio Families  
10:00AM Harold Thomas by Gail & Richard Weierstall
- Mon. 7 **St. Ambrose**  
8:00AM Communion Service  
**(St. Joseph's) (Anticipated) Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin**
- Mary  
7:30PM 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Melissa Lloyd Merchant by Ted Favro
- Tue. 8 **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
9:00AM Special Intention by a Parishioner  
5:30PM Eva Favro by Ted Favro
- Wed. 9 **Advent Weekday**  
8:00AM Communion Service
- Thur. 10 **Advent Weekday**  
9:00AM Wanda Bechard by David & Eileen Bosley
- Fri. 11 **Advent Weekday**  
8:00AM No Mass
- Sat. 12 **(Anticipated) Third Sunday of Advent**  
4:00PM Eleanor LaBombard by Rita Bechard  
7:30PM **(St. Joseph's)** Armand, Paul, Theresa & Anita by Betty & Richard
- Sun. 13 **Third Sunday of Advent**  
8:00AM Harold & Bette Mero by their Family  
10:00AM 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Noel J. Favro by Sherry Favro

**ST. PATRICK'S SANCTUARY LAMP**

Parishioners of St. Patrick's

**ADVENT CANDLES**

Ruth Duffina by the Duffina Family  
 Christmas Blessings for Millie & Perry Sample by Pat & Kelley Bracey

**LECTORS:** Your Workbook for Year C which began last weekend is available in the Sacristy. Please be sure to get your copy.

**Notes from the Pastor's Desk**

**WELCOME ...** once again to Fr. Norman Cote who will be celebrating our Masses at St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's on Saturday.

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ...** Please note that Tuesday, December 8 is a Holy Day of Obligation. We will have an anticipated Mass at St. Joseph's at 7:30PM on Monday and two Masses at St. Patrick's at 9:00AM and 5:30PM on Tuesday.

**2010 CALENDARS ...** Once again, we have calendars for both St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's. They are available for pick up in the respective church lobbies. Parishioners are encouraged to take a copy. Many thanks to Border Press for the nice job.

**COLLECTION FOR RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS NEXT WEEKEND ...** "As expenses continue to increase and economic difficulties tighten our income, we appreciate more the help of the Retirement Fund," notes a woman religious. Your tax-deductible donation supports the care of elderly and frail religious and helps to provide such basic necessities as prescription drugs and medical services. The contributions from the collection for 2008 were distributed by the Diocese to thirty-three congregations who are presently ministering within our Diocese or have ministered to us in the past. The religious of the Diocese of Ogdensburg recognize the economic difficulties that the people of the North Country are experiencing as a result of the present economic downturn. We are grateful for any contribution that you make for the care

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES** ... Christian Formation classes resume this weekend for Grades 1 to 8. Confirmation Classes will be held at 7:00PM in the Parish Center.

**REMINDER TO FIRST, SECOND, EIGHTH AND NINTH GRADE STUDENTS** ... Don't forget to sign up on Sundays and Holy Days! Sign-up sheets are in the upstairs church lobby.

**"ANGEL TREE"** ... There is still time to pick up an angel from our "Angel Tree". After you have chosen an angel, please sign your name on the sign-up sheet next to the number which corresponds to the number on the angel so that we can keep track of all the angels. **Remember that the items listed on the angel are only a wish list so please purchase what you feel comfortable giving.** Gifts should be left unwrapped with the angel attached to them and brought to St. Patrick's Rectory or Sacristy. Thank you for your generosity.

**ST. PATRICK'S FOOD SHELF** ... Many thanks to all who have made donations as this comes at a time of the year when the need seems to be the greatest. At the same time, we are asking that you please check the expiration dates on the food that is donated as we must try to ensure that the food being given out is not outdated. Many thanks for your cooperation. **Please note that a box has been set up at St. Joseph's for donations as well.**

**HOURS: Sunday, December 6 & 20, 11:30AM to 1:00PM**  
If you have a need, other than on the Sundays listed, please call 297-6208 or 297-8060 for an appointment.

**CHRISTMAS MAILING** ... Parishioners from both parishes will have now received their Christmas mailing. The mailing includes the schedule for Christmas and New Year's services and envelopes for Christmas and Christmas flowers. As in the past, we are accepting donations towards the Christmas flowers which will decorate both our churches. You may use the envelope that has come in your Christmas mailing. If you wish to make the donation in memory of your loved ones, please include their names on the envelopes.

**10<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY...** We are still accepting donations of new hats, mittens, socks or gently-used children's coats to hand out to the children at our annual Christmas party. All items can be brought to the church or rectory. **Please note that a box has been set up at St. Joseph's for donations as well.** If you have any questions, please call Sharon at 297-6208. Many, many thanks to those who have already made donations!

**2009 BISHOP'S FUND APPEAL** ... There is still time to make a gift or pledge. Donations may be dropped in the collection basket or mailed directly to the Bishop's Fund Office. **Totals as of 12/2/09:** St. Patrick's ~ \$10095 (Goal \$11398.50); St. Joseph's ~ \$1081 (Goal \$1401.92). Many thanks!.

**MEMORY TREE LIGHTING & ORNAMENT PLACING** ... sponsored by our Local Teen Girl Scouts, Friday, December 18, 7:00PM, Village of Rouses Point, next to the Gazebo. An ornament may be placed in honor of someone in the military or in memory of a loved one. You may make your own ornament or one will be provided. Please contact Kim McGoldrick at 570-8114 or [bnk@primelink1.net](mailto:bnk@primelink1.net) for more information.

**ROSARY ALTAR MEETING** ... Monday, December 7, 1:00PM in the Rectory Meeting Room.

**MOOERS GOOD FELLOWSHIP CLUB** ... Christmas Dinner, December 6 at Noon, St. Ann's Church Hall. Beef and Ham will be served. All are welcome. Remember to bring an item for the food pantry.

**ANNUAL SETON CHRISTMAS DINNER** ... Sunday, December 6, 12:00-5:00PM, Seton Catholic Central. Menu includes: Turkey with all the trimmings, apple crisp and pumpkin pie. Adults \$9, Seniors \$8, Children 5-12 \$5, Under 5 Free. Take-outs \$9.

**REMINDER FOR 2010 MASS SCHEDULE** ... Beginning on Saturday, January 2, 2010, the Mass Schedule will be as follows:

Saturday: St. Patrick's 4:00PM, St. Mary's 5:30PM, St. Joseph's 7:30PM  
Sunday: St. Mary's 8:00AM, St. Patrick's 10:00AM

Envelope users need not be concerned as your envelopes will be forwarded to the appropriate church no matter which church you attend. Many thanks for your cooperation and understanding.

**10th ANNUAL ST. PATRICK'S CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**  
**Sunday, December 13, 2009**  
**1:00 to 3:00PM**  
**St. Patrick's Parish Hall**  
**Come and see Santa and Mrs. Claus!!**  
**SURPRISES FOR THE FIRST 200 CHILDREN**  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

<b>2009 CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE</b>		
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CONFESSIONS</b></p> <p><b>St. Patrick's, December 14:</b> 7:00 PM (Communal Penitential Service - Priests available until 9:00PM)</p> <p><b>St. Patrick's, December 17:</b> 7:15 - 8:00 PM</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES</b></p> <p><b>St. Patrick's, 4:00 PM</b> (Children's Mass with Adult Choir) <b>St. Patrick's, 6:00 PM</b> (Mero Family Musicians) <b>St. Joseph's, 8:00 PM</b> (Christmas Carols)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHRISTMAS DAY MASS</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">St. Joseph's, 4:00 PM (Anticipated)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">St. Patrick's, 9:00 AM</p>

St. Patrick's, 9:00 AM

**LET US KEEP THESE MEN AND WOMEN AND ALL OTHER MILITARY PERSONNEL  
AND THEIR FAMILIES IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

*Teddy Voitazek, Mandy McCammon, Chad McCammon, Michael Garrand Jr., Paul Langley, Mike Casey,  
Patrick Rosenberg, Colleen Kelly, Jarred Hayes, Ben Brassard, Craig Jackson, James Gonyo II, Justin R. Moore*