

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vigil Mass will be returning to 5:00 PM and Confessions to 4:00 PM next Saturday, April 4th.

Holy Father's Intentions for April

General Intention: That the Lord may bless farmers with abundant harvests and bring to the attention of richer populations the plight of hunger in the world.

Mission Intention: That Christians who work in areas where the conditions of the poor, the weak, women and children are most tragic, may be signs of hope, thanks to their courageous testimony to the Gospel of solidarity and love.

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

A holy hour of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament concluding with Benediction will be held on **Thursday, April 2nd** at 7:00 PM. Come and adore the Lord Jesus bodily present in the Eucharist. *If you have never been to Eucharistic Adoration, why not try going Just On(c)e?*

Palm Sunday Procession

At each of the Masses on Palm Sunday, after the celebrant has blessed the palms, we ask that the parishioners in the first four pews of the center section join in the procession by following the altar servers.



Lectors: Holy Week Assignments

The Palm Sunday/Holy Week schedule and instructions have been mailed. If you have not received your copy, please call the rectory at 732-8521 or Jerry at 797-7822.

Baptisms (March)

We welcome the following new members to our Christian community: (Parents' names are in parentheses).

Samantha Dawne LaPaglia (Vincent & Dawne)
Skylar Marie DesMarais (Shaun & Amanda)
JoLee Sierra McCraith (Chad & Jamie)



Food Collection Sunday

Our collection for St. John's Outreach at St. Francis de Sales Food Pantry will be held the weekend of April 4/5. Your continued support is beneficial to helping the needy of our area. Thank you.

First Saturday - The rosary will be prayed after the 8:00 AM Mass on Saturday, April 4th.

Living Stations of the Cross

On Friday, April 3rd, at 7:00 PM, St. John the Evangelist Youth Group will perform the "Living Stations of the Cross". Members of our Youth Ministry will be portraying various individuals who were a part of Jesus' last day. This is a very moving experience for all in attendance. *If you have never been to Living Stations of the Cross, why not try going Just On(c)e?*

Easter Flowers

If you would like to contribute toward the flowers this Easter, please use the envelope provided in your packet, or send a donation along with your request to the rectory. Names of persons in whose honor or memory they are given will be listed in the bulletin.

Easter Sign up Sheets

Eucharistic Minister sign up sheets for the Easter Masses are in the rectory hallway. Please sign up for whichever Mass you plan on attending.

Morning Rosary – The rosary is recited every morning immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass. *If you have never joined the rosary group after the 9:00 AM Mass, why not try Just On(c)e?*

Lenten Penance Service

Our Combined Lenten Penance Service with Sacred Heart/St. Mary's, New York Mills, St. Mary's, Clinton and St. John the Evangelist, New Hartford, will be held on Sunday, March 29, 2009 at 4:00 PM at Sacred Heart/St. Mary's Church in New York Mills. Many area priests will be in attendance to hear confession. *If you have never been to a penance service, why not try Just One?*

Prayer Group - Meets on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM in Church. *If you have never joined the prayer group, why not try Just On(c)e?*

Finance Committee Openings

Due to the expiring terms of three (3) members of the Finance Committee, we will have those seats available for four (4) year terms beginning July 1, 2009. If you are interested and feel you can assist the work of this committee, please call the rectory for an application, or call John Grygiel for information. *If you have never been a member of any parish committee, why not try Just One?*

MASS INTENTIONS: MARCH 28 – APRIL 5

Saturday, March 28 – (Vigil) 5th Sunday of Lent
5:00 Confirmation

Sunday, March 29 – 5th Sunday of Lent

7:30 Monica Martyniak - Friend
9:00 Gabriel Pecci - Son Robert
9:00 Joan Ostanek – Madelin Ostrom
9:00 Catherine Doyle – Pitarresi Family
10:30 Robert Trevisani – Venezia & Nicoletti
Families
10:30 Daniel Callan - Family
10:30 Paul J. Shaffer – Janet Cannistra & Rose
Rescigno

Monday, March 30 – Lenten Weekday

6:45 In Honor of St. Jude
6:45 Marguerite Maloy Bankert - Family
9:00 Phillip Pelletter – Dr. Cynthia Parlato & Joseph
Parlato

Tuesday, March 31 – Lenten Weekday

6:45 Special Intention
9:00 Elizabeth & John Petschauer - Family
9:00 Bernard Bach – Daughter Doris
9:00 Mrs. Harry W. Liddle – James L. Rehm

Wednesday, April 1 – Lenten Weekday

6:45 Stella M. Grygiel - Family
9:00 William Fonda – St. John’s Parish

Thursday, April 2 – St. Francis of Paola

6:45 The People of St. John’s
9:00 Anne Kenny – Hank & Marie McCann
9:00 Francis Duffy & Daughter Susan – Robert
Toukatly

Friday, April 3 - Lenten Weekday

6:45 George “Sonny” Barkett – Louis Giffune
9:00 Harold Greer – St. John’s Parish
9:00 Ronald Jones – Don & Shirley Savercool

Saturday, April 4 – St. Isidore

8:00 Andrew Mierzwa – M/M Gene Zagorski

Saturday, April 4 – (Vigil) Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion (Vigil Mass returns to 5:00 PM)

5:00 M/M J. Altongy – Margaret Millett & Family
5:00 Monica Martyniak – Ed Ezick
5:00 Edward & Mary Zaik – Daughter, Son-in-law
& Grandchildren

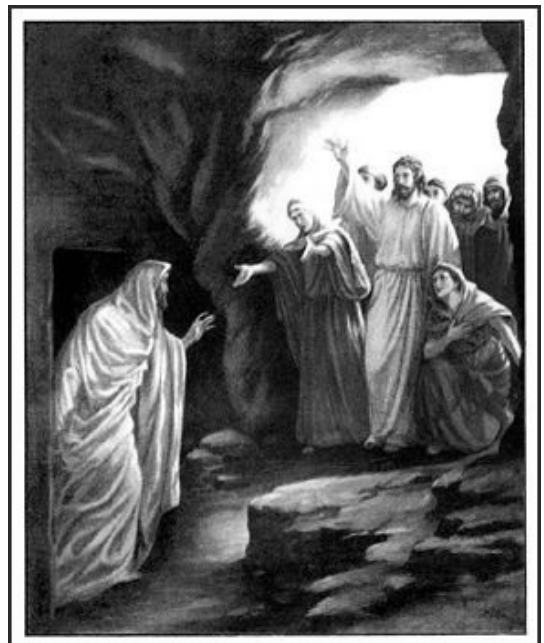
Sunday, April 5 – Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion

7:30 Harold W. Greer – M/M Robert Wheeler
7:30 Joseph Zebda – St. John’s Parish
9:00 Palma Pecci - Son Robert
9:00 Adelaide Sapp – Family
9:00 Gladys Coffey – Brodt Family
10:30 Maurice Putrelo – Rich & Julie Venezia
10:30 Joseph Hamlin – Mary Hamlin & Children
10:30 Bernard Freytag, Sr. - Family

NEXT SUNDAY’S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Isaiah 50:4-7; Philemon 2:6-11; Mark 14:1-15:47

“Lazarus, come out!”



Gospel question of the week for April 5th

Adult: Am I a follower of Jesus into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday as well as at the foot of the Cross? How?

Child: What do I do when a classmate or friend is going through a rough time? Do I stay with them or do I leave them alone?

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ADULT DINING CENTER

Monday, March 30 – Yoga, Watercolor, Knitting & Crocheting, Aerobics, Senior Theater League

Tuesday, March 31 – Bridge, Entertainment

Wednesday, April 1 – BINGO, Yoga, Chair Yoga

Thursday, April 2 – Pinochle, Ballroom Dancing, Computer, Income Tax Assistance

Friday, April 3 – Bridge, Aerobics, Blood Pressure Clinic

Free Income Tax Assistance

On Thursday, April 2nd from 9:00 AM – Noon, income tax assistance is available to Seniors. Please bring a copy of last year's taxes, copy of property tax, city, village, town and county and your STAR rebate amount. Please call 724-8966 to make an appointment.

Spanish Classes are back!

Cam Edwards will be coming back to the Senior Center on Mondays beginning April 6th to teach Spanish! Basic Spanish is from 9:30 – 10:30 AM, and Advanced Spanish from 10:30 – 11:30 AM.

Smart Shopper Books

“Smart Shopper Books”, “Entertainment” and “Enjoy the City” books are on sale at the Senior Center.

FINANCES

Collection –	Week Ending:	March 22, 2009
Regular Collection		\$ 8,000.00
Loose Cash		\$ 492.00
Total		\$ 8,492.00
Catholic Relief Services		\$ 1,102.00

Thank You

Charitable Trust Donations

In response to inquiries, St. John's is making available to interested parishioners who desire to leave an estate gift to St. John's, the opportunity to make a tax deductible lump sum gift now and also receive an annual guaranteed income from that gift for as long as they live.

We ask that you contact your Financial Advisor or attorney to set up your plan, or call John Grygiel at the rectory (732-8521) who can guide you in this process.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education classes are at the usual times this week.

On **Holy Thursday**, we will have the annual Eucharistic procession at the end of Mass. We would like the **altar servers and other children** to be a part of this procession. Please call the rectory or the Religious Ed office and let us know if you can be part of this procession.

First Communion Rehearsal for Parent and Child, will take place on Thursday, April 30th at 3:45 PM for the 11:00 AM group and 6:15 PM for the 1:00 PM group in the Church.

Child Church takes place during the 10:30 Mass. Children are welcome.

Faith-in-Action

Jennifer Williams' 6th grade is currently collecting items for the Stevens-Swan Humane Society. Dog and cat food, cat litter, old towels, etc are welcome.

Kristi Zbytniewski's 8th grade is collecting paper products and other necessities that cannot be purchased with food stamps. Paper towels, toilet paper, laundry soap, etc are welcome.

Leanne Whittaker's 2nd grade is collecting books suitable for kindergarten through 5th grade. New or used books in good condition are welcome. Utica College students will use the books for the children at Kernan School.

Youth Ministry - Sr. Lynn Abdelnour

Youth Ministry will be meeting this Sunday at 4:00 PM for practice. All 6 - 12 graders are welcome to join us in prayerfully presenting the Stations of the Cross on April 3rd at 7:00 PM.

Raffle for a Lamb Cake/Baskets

Parishioner Gladys Kudrewicz has donated a Lamb Cake to the Youth Ministry to raffle off. If you would like to buy a chance for this delicious delicacy, the tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. The cake will arrive here at St. John's early on Palm Sunday and the winner will be selected after the 10:30 Mass. Tickets will be sold after the Masses until Palm Sunday.

Raffle tickets are still available for the Easter Baskets.



CONFIRMATION CLASS OF 2009

We are pleased to welcome Bishop Costello who is visiting our parish to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation. Congratulations to all of the following young men and women who are being confirmed this Saturday, March 28th at the 5:00 PM Mass.

Michelle Marianne Abbass
Taylor Kendra Achin
Briana Abigail Ambrose
Nicole Gloria Betro
Ethan Anthony Brennan
Andrew Michael Bushey
Shelby Joan Byrd
Katherine Elizabeth Cadieux
John Adolpho Capecelatro
Joseph Octavio Carcone
Jenna Nicolette Carl
Shelby Rose Carl
Anthony Patrick Cittadino
Katherine Marie Clements
Kristen Nicole Clements
Nicholas Jonathan Cognetto
Kayla Catherine Cook
Amber Antonia Corigliano
William Peter Cougan
Michael David Critelli
Brandon Anthony Crowe
Andrew David Crumrine
Fredrick Damian Delgenio, Jr.
Brandon Martino DelMonte
Sarah Bridgit Derrane
Samantha Victoria DiPietro
Sara Nicoletta Dreimiller
Marykate Mary Edmunds
Kelsey Gabriella Evans
Alessandra Rose Falange
Alison Marie Fontana
John Nicholas Fornino
Tyler Christopher Gardinier
Jordan Anthony Gentile
Lawrence Didymus Gilroy
Shriver Nicholas Gilroy

Phillip Nicodemus Gonyea
Dalton Patrick Grisham
Jeremy Joseph Groah
Dennis Alphonse Halpin
Brian John Hamlin
Lauren Genevieve Harper
Katherine Mary Hartmann
Dylan Maurice Hoffman
Samantha Isabella Jadhon
Erin Marilyn Jeck
Valerie Marie Kane
Kayla Seraphina Kwiecinski
Raechele Chantale Leone
Erin Anne Loughlin
Christopher Thomas Luker
Michael Lynch
Aisling MacIsaac
Matthew Salvator Maggio
Martina Rose Maio
Thomas Anthony Nitti
Christina Michele Papaleo
Jaclyn Angela Perra
Victoria Claire Perretta
Nicole Maria Rahn
Brittany Ann Reynolds
Jessica Marie Rys
Tina Samia Singe
Amy Catherine Sleeper
John Thomas Stratton
Ryan Francis Stratton
Anne Theresa Talarico
Brianna Bella Teti
Alexandria Gloria Tizzano
Lauren Rose Tomaino
Nolan Thomas Walker
Mackenzie Maria Weber

Timothy Nicholas Whalen