

The Catholic Communities of

St. Mary's of the Fort & St. Joseph Churches
St. Francis of Assisi & Our Lady of Fatima Churches
St. George & St. Patrick Churches

December 17 2017 † Third Sunday of Advent

Parish Office at Constable

St. Francis of Assisi Church
5 Poplar St., P.O. Box 78
Constable, NY 12926
Hours: Tues. 9AM-12:30PM, Fri.-TBD
Phone: 518-483-0486
Email: officecwtr@gmail.com
Website: cwtrcatholics.org

Parish Office at Fort Covington

St. Mary's of the Fort Church
3 Burns Holden Rd., P.O. Box 499
Fort Covington, NY 12937
Hours: Mon. 7:30AM - 3:30PM
Tue. 1:00PM - 3:30PM
Wed. CLOSED for bookkeeping
Thur. 7:30AM - 3:30PM
Fri. Time varies by both office needs
Phone: 518-358-2500
Email: smsjoffice@gmail.com
Website: smsjcatholics.com

Parish Office at Chateaugay

St. Patrick's Church
132 W. Main St., P.O. Box 908
Chateaugay, NY 12920-0908
Hours: Mon.-Thurs., 8AM-2:15PM
Phone: 518-497-6673/Fax: 518-497-6165
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& Chateaugay

Bulletin: To place announcements for the bulletin, please submit by 2PM on Mondays.

Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation: Adults - please contact the Pastor. Youths - register for Christian Formation classes.

Sacrament of Marriage: Six months minimum notice is expected. Pre-Cana preparation required.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: Ask for "Priest-on-Call" at the hospital or Nursing Home. Call the Pastor for home visits.

Home Visits for Holy Communion: To receive Sacraments at home, please contact the Pastor or Parish Office.



Parish Pastor

Rev. Thomas Kornmeyer
Phone: 518-483-2775 (Rectory)

Rev. John Looby (Retired)
In residence at St. Francis Rectory

Pastoral Associate

Deacon Brian Dwyer
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Permanent Deacon

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Sunday Mass Schedule

Anticipated (Saturday)

4:00PM St. Joseph's, Bombay
4:00PM St. George's, Burke
5:30PM Our Lady of Fatima in
Westville

Sunday Masses

9:00AM St. Francis, Constable
11:00AM St. Mary's of the Fort
11:00AM St. Patrick's, Chateaugay

Sacrament of Penance

Thirty minutes before each weekend Mass until 10 minutes prior to Mass begins or contact pastor for an appointment.

No Matter What...

*Your present status is in the Catholic Church,
No matter what your current family or marital situation is,
No matter what your past or present religious affiliation,
No matter what your own personal history,
No matter what your age, background, race or color,
No matter what your own self-image or lack thereof,
You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at
St. Mary's, St. Joseph's, St. Francis & Our Lady of Fatima.*

Weekly Stewardship of 12/10/17

	CWTR	SM	SJ
Envelopes	\$ 1,976.00	\$ 2,374.15	\$ 824.00
Child. Envs.		2.25	
Plate	307.50	51.55	75.00
Fuel	120.00	75.00	45.00
Votives	10.00	65.00	83.70
Human Dev.		10.00	
Imm. Concept.	219.00	97.00	135.00
Rel. Retire.	603.75	487.45	351.00

Totals	\$ 3,236.25	\$ 3,162.40	\$ 1,513.70
Budget needs:	\$ 2,580.92	\$ 2,359.44	\$ 1,743.19

Our Lord blesses us a hundredfold for our Stewardship Sacrifices. Thank you for your support of your parish.



Sanctuary Candles In Memory/Honor of

St. Mary's of the Fort Church
For the Families of the Parish

St. Joseph's Church
For the Families of the Parish

St. Francis & Our Lady of Fatima Churches
For the Families of the Parishes



St. Mary's & St. Joseph's Parishes

UPDATE: Parish & Finance Council Meeting

The Dec. 20th meeting has been rescheduled due to an unforeseen conflict and will now meet on Tuesday, Jan. 9th at 6:00PM at St. Mary's Parish Center, Ft. Covington.

UPDATE: Parish Office Closed

The parish office at Fort Covington will be closed from Dec. 18th to Dec. 26th now due to my summons for trial jury duty. In order to use up vacation time before the end of the year, vacation time has been rescheduled to Dec. 26th to 29th. In the event that jury duty is cancelled, my vacation time will go back as planned to the week of Dec. 18th.

UPDATE: Early Submission Dates for the Bulletin

There will be early submission dates for the bulletins so if an announcement needs to be placed, please submit early:

For Dec. 31st bulletin - send information by Dec. 18th.

Christmas Fund Drive K of C Council 9991, Constable

The Knight's of Columbus are still in need of donations. We now have 56 children. Please put your donations in the collection basket and mark the envelope K of C Christmas Donation. You can also call 483-3772, 483-2278 or 483-2739. Thank you.

St. Mary's & St. Joseph Parishes New Email Address

Please note that there is a new email address for St. Mary's & St. Joseph's: smsjoffice@gmail.com

Environmental Stewardship

When planning your Christmas decorations, it is best to use LED bulbs, rather than ones that have filament, as the LED decorations use substantially less electrical energy.

Vocations: We Are Called

"The One who calls you is faithful." Will you be faithful to His call? If God may be inviting you to be a priest, deacon or consecrated religious, talk to Fr. Tom or Fr. Doug Lucia at 315-386-2543, dlucia@rcdony.org or Fr. Tom Higman at 518-594-3907, thigman@rcdony.org or Cathy Russell, Diocesan Vocation Coordinator at 315-393-2920 ext. 1450, or email: crussell@rcdony.org



Holy Family School

12 Homestead Park, Malone, NY

For more information, call the school at 518-483-4443 or email Principal, Mrs. Marianne Jadlos at: hfsprincipal@hfsmalone.org. visit our new and improved website at: hfsmalone.org for all the latest HFS news.

December 17: Third Sunday of Advent

Rejoice always, St. Paul exhorts us in today's second reading. This is not some artificial joy, a grin or bear it type of sentiment. Despite all the suffering and sorrow, the hardships and the struggles of life, we are called to be a joy-filled people. Our joy comes because we trust the word of the Lord. Like the prophet Isaiah and John the Baptist, we trust that the Lord will come. We rejoice because we know that the Almighty has done great things for us. And while we wait for his return, we are encouraged by the Holy Spirit to share this joy and bring glad tidings to the poor. Let us be bearers of light by sharing our faith, by inviting others who may lack hope or who are lonely, and by reaching out.



Hospice of the North Country Needs Volunteers

While Hospice does not promote itself as a faith HOSPICE based organization, there is still the undeniable link to the spiritual aspect in every area of services that we provide to our patients. There is no denying that this time in our patients' lives causes deep reflection and often thoughts turn to their eternal spiritual state. It is helpful to have volunteers that understand this aspect of life. If you would like to become a volunteer or have questions, please contact Julie Rowe, Director of Volunteer Services, at 518-483-3200.

Religious Retirement Collection

Religious give thanks. A religious sister writes, "When we see the generous response of so many thousands of persons in order to help us, religious men and women, we are left speechless." Senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests across the country send heartfelt thanks and prayers for your donation to last week's Retirement Fund for Religious collection.

Priesthood Discernment Retreat

The NYS Vocation Directors announce the annual priesthood discernment retreat to be held January 2-4th at Christ The King Retreat House in Syracuse.

For more information or to register, contact the Vocations Office at crussell@rcdony.org, your pastor or Fr. Doug Lucia at dlucia@rcdony.org

Thank You All!

Thank you to St. Nick and all who volunteered and donated to the first ever St. Nick Breakfast fundraiser. The event was a success! A total of 79 people were served in support of the event!

Breakfast meals & donations:	\$ 820.00
Advent Wreaths:	\$ 56.00
Prize Raffle:	\$ 230.00
50/50 Raffle:	\$ 135.00
Total income	\$1,241.00

Expenses	\$ 152.35
50/50 Prize	\$ 55.00
Starting Banks	\$ 225.00
Total expense	\$ 432.35
Total profit	\$ 808.65

Raffle Winners

50/50 Raffle winner - Sonja Mitchel \$55.00
Wreath - Faylene Chapman
Centerpiece - Angie Bashaw
Cupcake gift cert. - Carol Pulsifer
Gift Basket - Victor Latrielle
Gift Basket - Kayla Stark
Mug Centerpiece - Hannah Oliver
Tea Basket - Korinn Mainville

Thank you to all who donated and supported the Raffles for this event!

St. Mary's Decorating for Christmas

Decorating for Christmas at St. Mary's will follow Sunday Mass on December 17th. Everyone is welcomed...."many hands make light work"!



St. Francis Church Decorating for Christmas

Decorating for Christmas at St. Francis will be on Sunday December 17th at 1:00PM. Everyone is welcomed...."many hands make light work"!



Ziploc Outreach Project

Again this year during the Advent and Christmas seasons, our parishes will be collecting health/hygiene products for donation to the

North Country Mission of Hope based in Plattsburgh, NY for distribution to the poor in Nicaragua. The following items will be put in gallon size Ziploc bags:

Hand towel	Washcloth	Hand soap
Shampoo	Toothbrush	Toothpaste
Deodorant	Comb	Chap Stick
Hand Sanitizer		

Your donation of one item or a Ziploc bag fully packed will be greatly appreciated. Boxes will be placed in each of the church's lobbies for your donations.

Thank You For Your Generosity!

The Winter Coat Drive, spearheaded by St. Mary's and St. Joseph's 3rd and 4th graders, was an overwhelming success, with a total of 233 coats collected. Through the generosity of parishioners, the class more than doubled its goal of collecting 100 coats. In addition to the coats, 8 pairs of ski pants, one pair of boots, 26 hats, 14 scarves and 2 pairs of mittens were donated, as well as a gift of \$100. Thank you to everyone who so generously gave. The items will be distributed locally by Catholic Charities.

From Deacon Burnell

Whom do we admire? Is it the President of the United States or a movie star or a billionaire? These are people whom the world exalts as great. Like the Pharisees in the Gospels, they have places of honor wherever they go. Would you like to follow in their footsteps?

The scriptures offer different examples for us to follow. Jesus tells us that the greatest among us are the servants. These are the people we are to honor and imitate. We are called to be like Paul, who worked hard to serve the needs of his communities, and Jesus, who gave his life in service to the world.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Please note: There are 2 Mass obligations that weekend.

Christmas Vigil - Dec. 24	Christmas Day - Dec. 25
4:00PM - St. Patrick's	9:00AM - St. Joseph, Bombay
4:00PM - St. Francis'	10:30AM - Our Lady of Fatima
6:00PM - St. Mary's	11:00AM - St. George's, Burke

Regional Mass Schedule - Christmas

Christmas Vigil - Dec. 24	Christmas Day - Dec. 25
4:00PM - Notre Dame, Malone	9:30AM - St. John Bosco
4:00PM - St. Joseph's, Malone	
7:00PM - St. Helen's, Chasm Falls	
10:00PM - Notre Dame, Malone	



CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

The Diocese of Ogdensburg's Retirement Plan for Priests has long been supported by parish contributions from its annual Christmas Collection. Currently 40 retired priests, and 8 active priests age 70 and older, are expected to receive pension benefits of \$892,000 in 2017-18. Also 100% of the cost of health insurance premiums for retired priests is paid by the Plan. Your generous contribution not only supports current retirees but will also help provide for the retirement needs of priests who will retire in the future. Say thank you to your pastor and all priests of the diocese through a generous contribution to our Christmas Collection.



The Fort Covington Adult Center Winter Band/Chorus Concert

The Fort Covington Adult Center will be having a Winter Band/Chorus Concert on Thursday, December 21st at 10:30 a.m. presented by the 5th grade from Salmon River Central School. All are welcome to attend!

Upcoming Events

Dec. 17: St. Mary's/St. Joseph's Rel. Ed., 9AM-10:45AM.
Dec. 17: St. Mary's Church decorating after 11AM Mass.
Dec. 17: St. Francis Rel. Ed., 10AM-11:45AM.
Dec. 17: St. Francis Church decorating at 1:00PM.

"To Heal the Brokenhearted" -Bishop Robert Barron

Our first reading for this Sunday is an especially sacred one in the Christian tradition, for it was precisely this passage from Isaiah that Jesus chose to comment upon when he first rose to speak at the beginning of his public ministry. Using Isaiah's imagery, Jesus spells out for us the meaning and purpose of his work: to heal the brokenhearted, to declare liberty to captives, to announce a year of favor from the Lord.

Surviving Divorce: 12 Week Program

The Diocesan Family Life Office is pleased to announce an exciting new ministry that will bring hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. Surviving Divorce features twelve video presentations that cover topics such as shock and grief, anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, and annulment and remarriage. This program is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. It will help them find answers to their questions, restore their hope, and begin authentic healing.

The twelve-week program begins on January 25th from 6:30 to 8:30pm at St. Mary's Church in Canton and will meet weekly in the sacristy. The cost of the program for participants includes the Surviving Divorce Personal Guide and all program materials is \$25. For more information or to register, please call Steve Tartaglia at 315-393-2920 or go to <http://www.rcdony.org/family-life/surviving-divorce-support-group.html>

NAVE FESTIVAL OF LESSONS & CAROLS Plattsburgh & Lake Placid

Northern Adirondack Vocal Ensemble (NAVE) will present two performances of A Festival of Lessons and Carols Saturday, December 16th at 7:30p.m. at St. Peter's Church in Plattsburgh and Sunday, December 17th at 4:00p.m. at St. Agnes Church in Lake Placid. Anthems, carols, and hymns illuminate the Christmas story with community readers and congregational singing. Drew Benware, music director; Benjamin Stone, organ. For more information, please contact Drew Benware at drew.benware@gmail.com.

All Councils Members

St. Francis & Our Lady of Fatima

Trustee's: Jack Fleury Rod Lauzon
Parish: Myron Brady Brian Cartier
Ernest Daoust Dick Onufer
Mike Shea Lori Tulip
Finance: Deb Fleury (also Parish) Peg Lester
Shirley Kelly (also Parish)
K of C: Mike Shea, Grand Knight, 483-2739
A & R: Susan Ryan, President 518-651-9095
Cemetery: Bruce Welch, 483-0236
Brian Cartier, 358-4411

St. Mary's of the Fort

Trustee: Faylene Chapman Cindy Healy
Parish: Danielle French Shilo Leduc
Kay Spinner

St. Joseph's, Bombay

Trustee: Ray Brosseau Patricia Niles
Parish: Alison Benedict Shirley Therrien

Finance Council

(Along with Trustee's of St. Mary's & St. Joseph's)
Jerry Mahoney, Jerry Rufa, Chris Smith

Ministries

Prayer Line: To offer or receive intentions, call Betty Clary at 518-358-2184 or Jean Robinson at 518-483-3128.

Alcoholics Anonymous: Open meeting 7:00-8:00PM each Thursday at St. Francis Church.

Cemeteries

St. Francis & St. Bridget's Cemeteries: Contacts: Bruce Welch 518-483-0236 for burial lots; Brian Cartier 518-932-8125 regarding maintenance.

St. Mary's & St. Joseph's Cemeteries: Contact Jay Brockway at 315-705-5330.

Parish Hall Rental

Please visit the Diocesan TULIP Insurance website to obtain insurance at: <https://eventus.ajgrms.com> prior to booking the parish hall for private use.

Constable Food Pantry Schedule

The next Constable Food Pantry will be Friday, Jan. 5th & Jan. 26th from 1:00PM to 4:00PM. Please bring your own containers.

Eucharistic Adoration

Could you not watch with me for one hour? (Mk 13:47)

St. Joseph's, Malone: Tuesdays following 6:45AM Mass until 1:00PM

St. Mary's, Ft. Covington: 6PM-7PM, please consult parish bulletin for date.

Notre Dame, Malone: Thursdays, 7PM-8PM w/confessions

St. Patrick's, Chateaugay: 1st Fridays, 9AM-10AM

St. Anne's, St. Regis Falls: 1st Saturday following the 4:30PM anticipated Mass.



*Where the spirit of
the Lord is,
there is freedom.*

THIS WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday - December 16, 2017

Anticipated for 3rd Sunday of Advent

- (SJ) 4:00PM Anniv.-Barbara Lantry by Sharon Lantry
(SG) 4:00PM Leonard & Vilda Dora by the Family
(OLF) 5:30PM Marsha Cunningham by Eric & Rhonda Poirier

Sunday - December 17, 2017 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

- (SF) 9:00AM Ernest & Ann Premo by Jim & Sandy
(SM) 11:00AM Anniv.-Jerome Brockway Sr. by the Family
(SP) 11:00AM For the People of the Parishes

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday December 18, 2017

- (SP) 8:30AM Communion Service

Tuesday December 19, 2017

- (SP) 8:30AM Communion Service
(SM) 8:30AM Mildred Horton by M/M Dean Yadow

Wednesday December 20, 2017

- (OLF) 8:30AM Tim & Rick Burnell by Mom, Dad & Family
(SP) 8:30AM Annette Trombley by M/M Lionel Barcomb

Thursday December 21, 2017

- (SP) 8:30AM Betty & Donna Bushey by Bushey Family

Friday December 22, 2017

- (SJ) 8:30AM Shirley & Roderick Ellsworth by the Family
(SP) 8:30AM Dorthy LaBelle by Carol Leary

NEXT WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday - December 23, 2017

Anticipated for 4th Sunday of Advent

- (SM) 4:00PM Bill Brockway by Margaret Snyder
(SP) 4:00PM People of the Parishes

Sunday - December 24, 2017 - 4th Sunday of Advent

- (SF) 9:00AM Anniv.-Corleen Premo by the Ernie Premo Family

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - December 24, 2017 Christmas Vigil

- (SF) 4:00PM Bonnie Law by Richard & Mary Bell
(SP) 4:00PM Roger Cayea by his Family
(SM) 6:00PM Bill Harvey by the Family

Monday - December 25, 2017 Christmas Day

- (SJ) 9:00AM Warren Garrow by Carol Ann Guinn & Mark McCabe
(OLF) 10:30AM Watson & Marion Fleury by Jim & Sandy
(SG) 11:00AM Francis P. Erno by his Family

(SJ) **Bombay** (SG) **Burke** (SF) **Constable**
(SM) **Ft. Covington** (SP) **Chateaugay** (OLF) **Westville**

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