



St. Mary's Cathedral Parish

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Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

February 8, 2009

Mass intentions for this week

Monday, February 9 - Weekday

10:50 (SJ) Elizabeth Payne by George Looney
7:15 *Novena Prayers*

7:30 Emery Perkins by Gina and Janice

Tuesday, February 10 - Scholastica, virgin

10:50 (SJ) Sarah Francher by Friends from the Wednesday Card Club

12:00 Rev. Msgr. William J. Argy, 4th Anniv., by M/M Gary L. Bouchard and family

Wednesday, February 11 - Weekday

10:50 (SJ) Ellen Neal by Louisa

12:00 Yvonne Powers by Gert and Barb Wood

Thursday, February 12 - Weekday

10:50 (SJ) *Notre Dame Church*

12:00 Robert Garvey by Sharon and family

Friday, February 13 - Weekday

10:50 (SJ) Maude Lynch, 26th Anniv., by her daughter

12:00 Alfred and Doris Bowen by their family

Saturday, February 14 - Cyril, monk, and Methodius, bishop

4:00 PM (Antic.) Anne Rapin by the Alden Rapin Family

Sunday, February 15 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM - For the People of the Parish

11:00 AM - Jennie E. Keyes by her estate

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46,
1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1, Mark 1:40-45.

Why Do People Go To Church?

We hear many complaints about why people don't go to Church, but what are the reasons people do attend worship?

First and foremost, they are seeking God. Evidences of God can be found anywhere and everywhere, but He has promised His presence in a special way in what we call "Church". The God we meet, in nature, often needs a lot of interpretation. The God we meet in Jesus Christ helps us to understand nature better. We must feel for those people who have excluded God from their lives, who wake up refreshed with a healthy body and mind, and have no one to thank. We pity those who carry deep sorrows, heavy burdens, and have no source of comfort and strength. People need God. People come to worship seeking God. We always hope they can meet Him. That is the truest and greatest test of our worship.

Sanctuary Candles - In Memory

Week of February 8

Main Cathedral - Jim Dowd by his sister, Nancy Thomas

Winter Chapel - Theresa Lalone by Ronnie and Cindy Johnson

Why Catholic?

We are beginning Year III of *Why Catholic?* with a focus on "Life in Christ: Walking with God." This Wednesday, February 11, we will discuss the Beatitudes. The word, "beatitude" means "blessed." Jesus preached about the Beatitudes and promised His followers who embraced His teaching that they would be blessed or happy. The Beatitudes look to the arrival of the Kingdom of God and the fulfillment of salvation. The built-in paradoxes force us to rethink and redefine suffering within the global context of the Father's plan of salvation.

Perhaps you can make this Lent a grace-filled time for yourself by participating in all or some of the six sessions. We will meet Wednesday evenings in the Bishop Brzana Memorial Hall from 6:30 - 8:00 PM, except on March 11 when we will meet from 7:00 - 8:30 PM. Topics for each week will be as follows:

February 11 - *The Beatitudes*

February 18 - *Freedom and Responsibility of Human Acts*

February 25 - *Conscience*

March 11 - *Virtues*

March 18 - *Sin, Mercy, and Moral Solidarity*

March 25 - *Moral Law, Grace, and the Church*

Sign-up and distribution of books for these sessions will take place after Masses this weekend in the altar servers' sacristy.

Viva Vivaldi!

If you are reading this on Saturday, February 7, you won't want to miss The Orchestra of Northern New York, under the direction of Kenneth Andrews, at 7:30 PM this evening. The concert will feature great concertos and sinfonias for two trumpets, two violins, flute, bassoon, two guitars, and strings. Don't let this opportunity pass you by! Tickets will be available at the doors of the Cathedral this evening.

God has two dwellings: one in heaven and the other in a meek and thankful heart.

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK...

He will be greatly missed. As you know, our dear friend, Deacon Adam Crowe, died suddenly on January 27th at his seminary, St. Charles Borromeo in Philadelphia, PA. Deacon Adam was only a few short months away from his ordination to the priesthood. The St. Mary's Cathedral parish family extends our heartfelt condolences to Deacon Adam's mother and father, Theresa and Larry Crowe, and his sister and brothers. Adam was a faithful altar server for me at St. Raphael's, a wonderful co-worker for a couple of summers here at St. Mary's, and a dear friend. We pray that God will bless him, abundantly, in the heavenly realm.

I want to thank the parish staff and all those parishioners and friends who have offered assistance and prayers during these past few days. One realizes just how much this Cathedral parish is truly a family of faith when tragedies such as this occur, and we all support one another so lovingly. Let us continue to remember Deacon Adam's family in our prayers as they mourn the loss of their son. May he rest in peace. AMEN

Food Sense

Food Sense is a program for the distribution of surplus food. It is operated through the Food Bank of Central New York and Feeding America. Each month features a standard package of food for \$15.50. Specials are available at additional charge.

How does it work? Once a month food is delivered to the First Presbyterian Church in Ogdensburg. Orders are picked up on a Thursday afternoon between 12:00 and 1:30 PM. If a group orders together, one person can pick up all the food for that group.

Who can participate? Food Sense is open to anyone, regardless of income. In fact, there is a minimum of 30 standard orders per month for the program to continue.

How to order. Orders can be placed at the Presbyterian Church during the first two weeks of the month, Tuesday - Thursday, from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Payment is due at the time of ordering. The ordering deadline for this month is February 12. For more information, please contact Lin Griffin at 393-5202.

Tax Time

Before you file your tax return away for the year, you might want to take a minute to determine what percentage of your income you are giving away. Your tax return tells you, not only how much income God entrusted to you last year, but also what portion you gave away. Are you pleased with that number? If not, make plans to improve your giving in 2009.

Are you receiving a tax refund this year? Have you considered giving a percentage of it back to your parish? Even if you are not yet able to give a full 5% or 10% to the parish on a regular basis, many Catholics find that an unexpected income is a great first step to experiencing the joy and contentment that come when we really do give as God has asked us to give. Try it yourself and feel the joy.

Light a candle

Is someone close to you in need of your prayers? Are you praying for a special intention? Remember, for a small donation of \$2.00, you can light a candle in the Chapel or at the Sacred Heart altar in the main Cathedral.

Vocation message

"Everyone is searching for You." If your search for the Lord is leading you to a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, talk to Father Terry, or visit www.myvocation.net to contact Father Doug Lucia or Father Bryan Stitt.

Pray that our new President may be strengthened in his daily responsibilities by the example of the great presidents of the past and by the teachings of Christ.

Pilgrimage to Ireland

Bishop Robert Cunningham and Father Douglas Lucia will lead a pilgrimage to Catholic sites in Ireland from September 21-30, 2009. The group will visit the Cliffs of Galway, Connemara, the Knock Shrine, Dublin, Waterford, Kerry, and more. In his invitation to join the pilgrimage, Bishop Cunningham, said, "We will celebrate Mass together in grand Irish cathedrals and charming village churches and at the Knock Shrine, where the Virgin Mary appeared to 15 people in the village in 1879. Together, we will explore ancient church sites and castles, spectacular scenery, and modern Irish cities. The pilgrimage promises to be a time of prayer and growth in our faith as we explore the treasures of the Catholic Church in Ireland. I look forward to sharing this wonderful opportunity with people from throughout the Diocese of Ogdensburg." The cost for the pilgrimage is \$2,999 from Newark, with connecting flights available from Buffalo, Syracuse, Albany, and Burlington. To receive a brochure or obtain more information, please call the North Country Catholic at 393-2540, or email mkilian@diogodensburg.org.



Outreach to the Homebound

Do you know of someone within our parish community who is unable to come to Church for Mass because of ill health? We ask that you please notify us with their names by calling the rectory at 393-3930. It is our desire to minister to all our parishioners.

Prayer Line

Do you know of someone needing prayers? Please call Tishe LaRose, team leader of our parish Prayer Line, at 393-6569 or 323-8841.

Gift bearers

This weekend, our gift bearer at the 4 PM Mass will be second-grader, Jordan Sweeney, a First Communion student. The gifts of bread and wine at the 11 AM Mass will be presented by Alex Barrett, a second-grade First Communion student. Please continue to pray for all of our youngsters preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation.

Ordinary Time

The first section of Ordinary Time lasts six to nine weeks depending on the date of Easter. It begins with the baptism of Jesus by John in the Jordan and so the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. It's a time to catch our breath after Christmas and get reacquainted with our daily lives. And, like the people whom Jesus taught during his ministry, we are treated to readings during this time that show us what an extraordinary teacher Jesus was.

Remember in Prayer

We pray for loved ones who are ill:

Davalene Layng, Bobby Gemmill, Leward Lucia, Ann Losurdo, Joan Cutway, Jean Seeley, Dennis Moore, Wanda Taylor, Randy Livingston, Phyllis Ritchie, Dr. Ben Handelsman, Adam Wells, Ronald Smithers, John Kiechle, Mary Kiechle, Virginia Downs, and Norbert Markert.

We also request your prayers for:

Those who care for the sick and all our military men, women, and their families.

This Week at a Glance

Sunday, February 8

- Coffee and donuts following the 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM Masses.
- Adult choir rehearsal at 10:00 AM in the choir loft.
- Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 11 AM Mass.
- Religion classes for all grades.

Monday, February 9

- St. Vincent de Paul meeting at 9 AM in the rectory.
- No RCIA.

Wednesday, February 11

- Legion of Mary meeting at 3:30 PM in the rectory.
- *Why Catholic?* 6:30-8:00 PM in the Bishop Brzana Memorial Hall.

Thursday, February 12

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Deacon Winter Chapel after the 12 noon Mass until 5 PM.

Sunday, February 15

- Adult choir rehearsal at 10:00 AM in the choir loft.
- No Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 11 AM Mass.
- No religion classes.

Capital Campaign Phase I goal.....	\$1,200,000.00
Capital Campaign Phase II goal.....	\$ 400,000.00
Cash received.....	\$ 716,380.66
Outstanding pledges.....	\$ 657,730.49
Total cash and pledges as of February 3.....	\$1,374,111.15

God's plan for giving - tithing

January 31 - February 1, 2009

Envelopes.....	\$ 8,172.00
<i>Number of envelope users: 232</i>	
Plate.....	\$ 558.00
Children's Envelopes.....	\$ 6.30
Miscellaneous/Donations.....	\$ 255.00
Total.....	\$ 8,991.30
Envelopes last year.....	\$ 7,995.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Music and Singing



According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, "The musical tradition of the universal Church is a treasure of inestimable value, greater even than that of any other art. The main reason for this pre-eminence is that, as a combination of sacred words and music, it forms a necessary and integral part of the solemn liturgy." Have you thought of using your musical talents to please God by joining our music ministry here at the Cathedral?

Staff

Bishop

Most Rev. Robert J. Cunningham, D.D., J.C.L.

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Rev. Terry R. LaValley, J.C.L.

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1115 Ford Street 393-6579
 Store Hours: 1:30 - 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday
 12:30 - 3:00 p.m. Saturday
 Store is closed during July and August

Weekend Liturgies

Saturday 4:00 p.m. anticipated
 Sunday 8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45 p.m.
 Sunday 10:15 - 10:45 a.m.
 or by contacting Father Terry

Nocturnal Adoration

Thursday before the First Friday of each month in Deacon Winter Chapel beginning with Holy Hour for Vocations at 8:00 p.m. and concluding at 7:00 a.m. on First Friday.

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday and Thursdays (except the Thursday before the First Friday of the month) in Deacon Winter Chapel beginning after the noon Mass until 5:00 p.m.

Daily Liturgies/Holy Days

As listed in the bulletin.

Baptism

First Sunday of the month at 11:45 a.m. Sponsors are to be at least 16 years of age, have received Holy Communion and Confirmation, and practice their Catholic faith. A baptized person who belongs to a non-Catholic ecclesial community may be admitted in the company of a Catholic sponsor, serving as a Christian Witness.

Marriage

As arranged with the parish staff.

Project Rachel

Alternatives to Abortion: 393-2255 or 393-2660

PLEASE BE AWARE OF FALLING ICE AND SNOW FROM THE CATHEDRAL ROOF. THANK YOU!

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