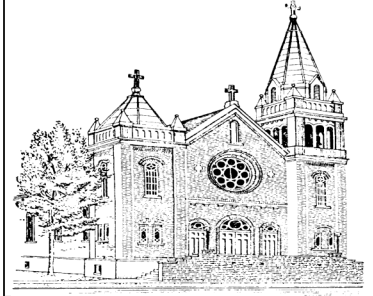


# St. Alphonsus-Holy Name of Jesus Parish



Pastor:  
**Reverend Douglas Decker**  
 Deacons:  
**James Ellis, Gerald Savage**  
**Deacon James Ellis**  
 Religious Education Office (K-10):  
**Jill Bujold**  
 Parish Office:



## Reconciliation:

Saturday - St. Alphonsus 3:15-3:30pm; Sunday - Holy Name 8:00-8:10am

**Baptism Preparation:** Call parish office **Wedding Preparation:** Call parish office at least 6 months before desired date

**Communion to the Sick:** Call parish office

## **Pastor's residence:**

114 Main St.

## **Parish Offices & Religious Education**

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## Masses this week

Monday	12/12	8:00am	HGPC	Emily Auclair by the Lavigne family
Tuesday	12/13	8:00am	HGPC	Ray Amell (32nd Anniversary) by his family
Wednesday	11/14	8:00am	HGPC	Deceased members of the Salmay family by Maggie
Thursday	12/15	8:00am	HGPC	Jack Dewyea, Sr. (35th Anniversary) by his family
Friday	12/16			No Mass
Saturday	12/17	4:00pm	SA	Christopher Edwards (22nd Anniversary) by his family
Sunday	12/18	8:30am	HN	Pvt. 1st Class Adam Vaillancourt (19th Anniversary) by Mom, Dad & family
Sunday	12/18	11:00am	SA	Babe Chiasson by Loyce

HN Sanctuary Candle In loving memory of Larry Keniston, Sr. by Dian & Cal Connor

SA Sanctuary Candle in loving memory of John Blanton by Pat, Darlene & family

## *From the Pastor...*

The elementary students are practicing for Christmas each Tuesday afternoon at the Parish Center. All our students are welcomed to come. Las Posadas will be at the home of Matt and Amy Arsenault this week 13 December. We continue to find homes for Mary and Joseph on their way to Bethlehem.

There is a Penance Service 19 December at St. Bernard's Church in Saranac Lake, several Priests will be there. All are welcome.

*Parish happenings...*

**HOLY HOUR**

Tuesday, December 27, 6:00pm, St. Alphonsus Church

**PARISH WEBSITE!**

The parish has a brand new website! Check us out at [www.tupperlakecatholics.org](http://www.tupperlakecatholics.org)! New emails as well!

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**Third Sunday of Advent**

“What ought we to do?” the crowds ask John, and he sends them to fulfill their calling. Doing the ordinary extraordinarily well is a step toward welcoming Jesus. If you are considering a vocation to religious life, diaconate or priesthood, talk to [Insert pastor’s name here] or Fr. Doug Lucia at (315) 386-2543/

[dlucia@rcdony.org](mailto:dlucia@rcdony.org) or Fr. Tom Higman at (518) 594-3907/[thigman@rcdony.org](mailto:thigman@rcdony.org) or Cathy Russell, the Diocesan Vocation Coordinator at (315)393-2920, ext. 1450/[crussell@rcdony.org](mailto:crussell@rcdony.org). See us also on Facebook or at [www.myvocation.net](http://www.myvocation.net).

**ADVENT GIVING TREES**



As we begin the Advent Season, it is a good time for our families to think about those less fortunate. A great way to help out those families in need and our elderly residents at Mercy Living Center is to participate in the parish giving trees. The trees will be up in both church entrances this weekend.

Please take a tag, purchase the gift listed, wrap your gift and **put the tag from the tree on the gift**. It is important that you use the same tag as this is how we know where the gift goes, and place the gifts under the trees. We ask that all gifts be brought to one of the churches **BEFORE DECEMBER 15TH**, so the gifts may be distributed. If you have any questions, please call Patty Reandeu at 359-9167.

Our weekly Tithe  
Offering Envelopes: \$3,820.00  
Plate: \$681.80  
Total: \$4,501.80  
Last Year: \$5,339.30

**CHRISTMAS COLLECTION**

The Diocese of Ogdensburg’s Retirement Plan for Priests has long been supported by parish contributions from its annual Christmas Collection. Currently 38 retired priests, and 9 active priests age 70 and older, are expected to receive pension benefits of \$860,000 in 2016-17. 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

**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS**

Our aging religious need your help. Thousands of senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests in the U.S. spent years working in Catholic schools, religious education, colleges, hospitals and social services agencies – often for little compensation. Their sacrifices leave their religious communities without adequate savings for retirement and eldercare. Many of these religious worked in our own Diocese. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide nursing care and more to our retired religious sisters and brothers. A second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious will be taken up on the weekend of December 10th and 11th. Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

**PLANNED GIVING: Benefits of Giving Wisely**

Did you know there are creative ways to support our Parish? Ways in which our Parish, you and your loved ones all benefit at the same time? Such giving techniques are called “planned gifts,” because with thoughtful planning, you create win-win solutions for you and the Parish. For further information, contact

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