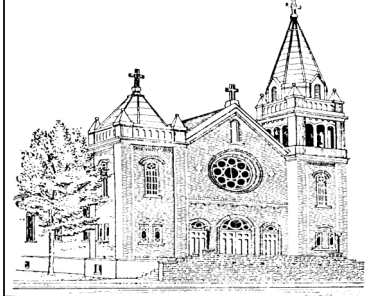


St. Alphonsus-Holy Name of Jesus Parish



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



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:

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40 Marion St.

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Trustees: Donna Hachey & Robert Guiney

Masses this week

Monday	12/18	8:00am	HGPC	Intentions of Dr. Charles Metzler family
Tuesday	12/19	8:00am	HGPC	Eileen Tobin (2nd Anniversary) by her Sisters
Wednesday	12/20	8:00am	HGPC	Adrien Girouard by Jim & Elaine Ellis
Thursday	12/21	8:00am	HGPC	Robert Manning by Dan & Neva Santerre
Friday	12/22			No Mass
Saturday	12/23	4:00pm	SA	Ronald Godin (17th Anniversary) by Shirley & family
Sunday	12/24	8:30am	HN	Pvt. 1st Class Adam Vaillancourt (20th Anniversary) by Mom, Dad & family

Christmas Mass Schedule

Sunday	12/24	4:00pm	SA	People of the Parish
Sunday	12/24	7:30pm	HN	People of the Parish
Monday	12/25	9:00am	SA	People of the Parish

SA Sanctuary Candle in loving memory of Christopher Edwards (23rd Anniversary) by family

From the Pastor...

It was in the wilderness that God's saving presence was proclaimed by John the Baptist, and there that God's salvation was seen...Prepare the way of the Lord: the way is the preaching of the Gospel, the new message of consolation, ready to bring to all mankind the knowledge of God's saving power.

- Eusebius of Caesarea

Parish happenings...

HOLY HOUR

Tuesday, December 26, 6:00pm, St. Alphonsus Church

MEN OF THE CHURCH

Monday, January 1, 7:00pm, Holy Ghost Parish Center

Our bulletin brought to you by:

Shaheen's Adirondack Inn

314 Park St.

518-359-3384

Open year round

Christmas Mass Schedule

Children's Mass

4:00pm, December 24th

St. Alphonsus

Evening Mass

7:30pm, December 24th

Holy Name

9:00am, December 25th

St. Alphonsus Church

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Rejoice always, St. Paul exhorts us in today's second reading. This is not some artificial joy, a grin and 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.

Our weekly Tithe
Offering Envelopes: \$3,229.00
Children's Envelopes: \$2.00
Plate: \$615.50
Fuel: \$88.00
Total: \$3,934.50
Last Year: \$4,441.80

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.

VOCATIONS

"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. Decker or Fr. Doug Lucia at (315) 386-2543/ dlucaia@rcdony.org or Cathy Russell, the Diocesan Vocation Coordinator at (315)393-2920, ext. 1450/crussell@rcdony.org. See us also on Facebook or at www.myvocation.net.

Benefits of Giving Wisely

Did you know there are creative ways to support our Parish? Ways in which our Parish, you and your love 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 Scott Lalone, Executive Director of Development/Foundation at the Diocese of Ogdensburg at 315-393-2920 or slalone@rcdony.org.

New to the Parish? Please fill this out, clip and drop in the collection so we can add you to the parish registry!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Email: _____

Would you like envelopes?

____yes ____no

Would you like to volunteer for any parish ministry?

____yes ____no