

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 9, 2018 † Second Sunday of Advent

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 week-end Mass until 10 minutes prior to Mass begins or contact pastor for an appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Patrick's, Chateaugay: 1st Fridays, 9AM-10AM
St. Mary's, Ft. Covington: Please consult inside parish bulletin for schedule.

Parish Office at Constable

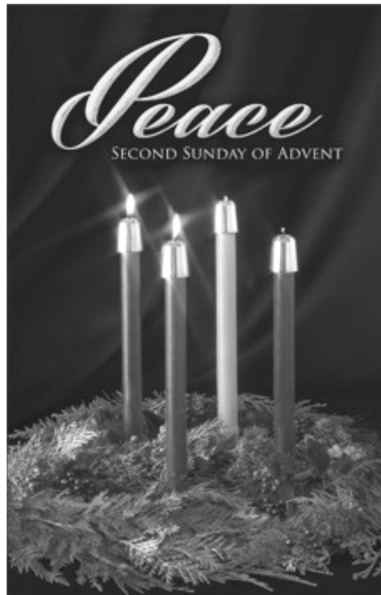
St. Francis of Assisi Church
5 Poplar St., P.O. Box 78, Constable, NY
Phone: 518-483-0486
Hours: Tues. 9AM-12:30PM, Fri.-TBD
Email: officecwtr@gmail.com
Website: cwtrcatholics.org

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 (Rector)
Rev. John Looby (Retired)
In residence: St. Francis Rector

Pastoral Associate

Deacon Brian Dwyer
P.O. Box 595
Chateaugay, NY 12920
Phone: 518-497-6673
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Permanent Deacon

Garry Burnell
Phone: 518-483-1878
Email: gararl111@gmail.com

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

Parish Office at Fort Covington

St. Mary's of the Fort Church
3 Burns Holden Rd., P.O. Box 499, Fort Covington, NY
Phone: 518-358-2500
Hours: Mon. & Thurs. 8:00AM - 4:00PM,
Tue. 1:00PM - 4:00PM
Wed. Closed for bookkeeping
Fri. Time varies by office needs
Email: smsjoffice@gmail.com
Website: smsjatholics.com

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 for 12/2/18

	CWTR	SM	SJ
Envelopes	\$ 1,799.00	\$ 1,586.00	\$ 938.00
Childs env.			
Plate	418.00	74.75	46.00
Fuel	562.50	392.00	181.00
Votives	7.00		116.01
Assumption			7.00
Thrift Store		551.00	
Totals	\$ 2,786.50	\$ 2,604.75	\$ 1,288.01
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 Bill Harvey by the Family

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

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

From Fr. Tom

I would like to thank everyone for your prayers and support during my sickness and recovery. I have been touched by your many cards and the outpouring of support. Be assured of my prayers for you.

Homemade Pie Raffle!

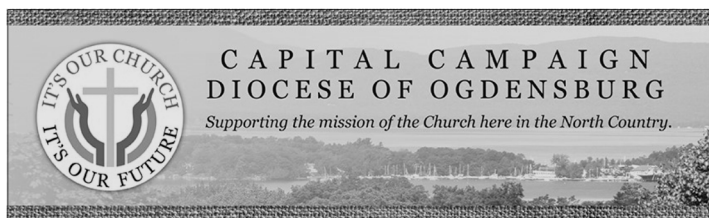
Raffle tickets will be sold before the 11AM Mass at St. Mary's of the Fort and are 2 tickets for \$5.00. Winners will be drawn at the end of Mass!

Sign up sheet for bakers are in the back of the church.
Last Pie Raffle brought in \$123.00 !

News from the K of C, Council 9991

Knights of Columbus are asking for your help to bring Christmas Dinners to those less fortunate. Last year \$2,800 was spent buying gift certificates to Aldi's. This allows the families to buy what they like. Please give your donations to a Knight or drop into the Sunday Collection Basket and mark it K of C Christmas Fund. We already have a list of more then 30 children.

Thanks in advance, and Merry Christmas.
Rod Lauzon, Grand Knight



Church	Goal	Received so far	Donors
CWTR	\$121,721	\$ 64,356	28
St. Mary's	\$ 96,342	\$ 72,300	33
St. Joseph's	\$ 77,451	\$ 18,760	14

Vocations: We Are Called

Are you following the instruction of St. Paul and seeking "knowledge and every kind of perception discern" your vocation in Christ as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Talk to Fr. Doug Lucia at 315-386-2543, dlucia@rcdony.org or Cathy Russell, Diocesan Vocation Coordinator at 315-393-2920 ext. 1450, or email: crussell@rcdony.org See us also on Facebook or at www.myvocation.net

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 website at: hfsmalone.org for all the latest HFS news.

Sunday, Dec. 9, 2018 Second Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9 / Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 / Lk 3:1-6

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. This is the call of John the Baptist to the people of his own time and to us. Prepare the way: Jesus won't force himself on us. We must open our heart and homes to him. Sometimes we put up roadblocks to his coming, without even being aware that we are keeping Jesus at arm's length. We live in a noisy world with a lot of distractions and long to-do lists, especially this time of year. Can you schedule fifteen minutes a day to focus on preparing for Christ's coming? Perhaps just spend a few minutes a day in silence to read the Gospel of the day and inviting Jesus to enter your daily life. He is our salvation.

Christmas Mass Choirs - CWTR

Anyone who would like to come up and sing with the Choir during the Christmas Masses. No matter how young or old you are, we would love having you!

"Shout to the Lord, all you earth, burst into jubilant song and music" -Psalms

K of C Council 9991 Meeting: Constable

The next Knights of Columbus meeting will be December 11, 2018, 6:30PM at St. Francis Church Hall. All Knights are invited, Knights from other Councils and former Knights are invited also. Any one wishing to join please come. This is open to the whole community. Any questions call 518-483-3772.

Christmas Collection for Support of the Priests Retirement Plan

The Diocese of Ogdensburg's Retirement Plan for Priests has long been supported by parish contributions from its annual Christmas Collection. Currently 37 retired priests, and 9 active priests age 70 and older, are expected to receive pension benefits of \$872,000 in 2018-19. 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.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve 4:00PM - St. Patrick's
4:30PM - St. Mary's of Fort
6:30PM - St. Francis of Assisi
Dec. 25 - Christmas Day 9:00AM - St. Francis of Assisi

Regional Christmas Mass Schedule

Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve 4:00PM - Notre Dame, Malone
6:00PM - Notre Dame, Malone
7:00PM - St. Helen's, Chasm Fall
10:00PM - Notre Dame, Malone
Dec. 25 - Christmas Day 9:30AM - Notre Dame, Malone

Holy Family Silent Auction Gala: Malone

Holy Family School, 12 Homestead Park, Malone, NY

December 8th, 6:00PM-9:00PM

Hall of Fame Awards, Live Auction, Hors d'oeuvres
Wine Cork Pull, Cash Drawing for \$2,000 and \$500.
Hundreds of items

Cash Bar

Featuring a Township 7 Brewery's top beers
Admission: \$10 per person. Open to adults (18+)



Altar Rosary Christmas Celebration

Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 5:30PM
at St. Francis Parish Hall, Constable

Stuffed Chicken Breast & Stuffed Pork Loin
with all the trimmings for \$14.00

Members kindly send your RSVP with number
attending, and payment by December 2, 2018 to:
Peggy Lester, 1329 State Route 122, Constable NY 12926

Early Submission Dates for the Bulletin

The early submission dates for December for the bulletin.

The bulletin for Dec. 16 will be sent out on Dec. 10
The bulletin for Dec. 23 will be sent out on Dec. 14
The bulletin for Dec. 30 will be sent out on Dec. 21
The bulletin for Jan. 6 will be sent out on Dec. 28

If you have announcements, please submit early in order to
allow publication for the respective dates above. Thanks!

Please keep in mind that with early submissions of the bul-
letin and Fr. Tom recuperating, weekday mass may be
cancelled if coverage is not available.

Please continue to keep Fr. Tom in your prayers.

Religious Education - Children's Book Drive

The Children's Book Drive will run from **November 4th through December 9th**. We are asking parishioners for donations of new and gently used children's books suitable for all reading levels and ages from infants (board books) all the way to teenagers (novels). Gently used books include books that have not been written in and show no signs of visible or water damage. If you happen to have some children's books you would like to donate, please drop them in the baskets in the back of both St. Mary's and St. Joseph's Churches.

Retirement Fund for Religious

Aging religious need your help. Senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests ministered for years for little to no pay. Their sacrifices now leave their religious communities without adequate retirement savings. Your gift to today's second collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. Please be generous to this weekends collection.

Free Christmas Movies - Ft. Covington Adult Ctr.

Three Nations Planning Group is sponsoring a Free Christmas movie event at the **Fort Covington Adult Center** on December 8th. The first movie is running from 2-4 pm, Miracle on 34th Street (1947). The second movie is The Grinch (2000) which will be playing from 6-8 pm. Concession stand with snacks and drinks will be available with fresh popcorn and fried dough. We wish you health and happiness for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and hope to see you there!

New Evangelization Summit 2019: Ottawa, May 4th

The Annual New Evangelization Summit will take place in Ottawa on May 4, 2019. Full details of speakers are not yet available, and registration will not open until February 2019, but past speakers have been excellent. In a change from previous year, this year the New Evangelization Summit will be a one-day event and will be FREE. The Office of the New Evangelization of the Diocese of Ogdensburg is hoping to reserve a block of seats for participants from our diocese. If you are at all interested in attending this one-day summit, please contact Marika Donders, Director of the New Evangelization at mdonders@rcdony.org or 315-393-2920 so we can keep you updated.

The Steadfast Love of God by Bishop Robert Barron

Everything in nature, culture, and the cosmos is passing away. Nothing here below finally lasts. Though certainly sobering, this is not, ultimately, bad news, for it orients us toward the one power that does last: the steadfast love of God. In the Gospel for today, the Word of God comes not to the mighty and powerful of the world, but to John who is living a life of renunciation and prayer in the desert. How important this message is for the setting of our priorities.

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 families affected by disasters in our country and elsewhere in the world.

The following items will be put in gallon size Ziploc bags:

Hand towel	Washcloth
Hand soap	Shampoo
Toothbrush	Toothpaste
Deodorant	Comb
Chapstick	Hand sanitizer

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

Upcoming Events

- Dec. 9: St. Mary's/St. Joseph's Rel. Ed., 9AM-10:45AM.
Dec. 11: Altar Rosary Christmas Celebration, 5:30PM at St. Francis Parish Hall.
Dec. 11: K of C Council meeting at 6:30PM at St. Francis Parish Hall.
Dec. 16: St. Mary's/St. Joseph's Rel. Ed., 9AM-10:45AM.
Dec. 16: St. Francis Rel. Ed., 10AM-11:45AM.

Reproductive Health Act Fact Sheet: Codifying Roe V Wade Myth

The NYS Catholic Conference has provided a fact sheet explaining why the proposed Reproductive Health Act is not merely codifying Roe V Wade. RHA must be examined not only for what it would newly enact into law, but also for what it would repeal from current law. Please contact your representative soon. The Senate plans to pass it quickly in 2019.

For more information see: www.nyscatholic.org/2018/01/abortionexpansion and www.redonny.org/pro-life.html

Environment Stewardship

As you prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ who is the Light of the world, consider ways that YOU might bring the light of His love to others. In the words of Pope Francis, "Creation is a gift, it is a wonderful gift that God has given us, so that we care for it and we use it for the benefit of all always with great respect and gratitude." Suggestion: In gratitude for the gift of light, purchase LED lights for your decorations and around your home. This will be a "drawdown" on your electric bill and benefit all of life on the planet by reducing your carbon output.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

- Saturday Dec. 15, 2018 4:00PM St. Joseph's**
Lector: Mary LaPointe
Chalice: Kent Bigness, Donna Brosseau
- Saturday Dec. 15, 2018 5:30PM Our Lady of Fatima**
Lector: Brenda Chatland
Chalice: Karen & Bruce Welch
- Sunday Dec. 16, 2018 9:00AM St. Francis**
Lector: Shirley Therrien
Chalice: Lori Tulip, Debi Fleury
- Sunday Dec. 16, 2018 11:00AM St. Mary's of Fort**
Lector: Phillis Walrath
Chalice: Rita Savage, Chris Smith

The Light is ON for You.

- Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation
Tuesday, December 18 at Notre Dame, Malone
* Confessions available 6:00AM - 10:00PM *
* Eucharistic Adoration ongoing throughout the day. *

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



All Councils Members

St. Francis & Our Lady of Fatima

- Trustee's: Jack Fleury Rod Lauzon
Parish: Ernest Daoust Brian Cartier
Lori Tulip Dick Onufer
Mike Shea
- Finance: Deb Fleury (also Parish) Peg Lester
Shirley Kelly (also Parish)
- K of C: Rod Lauzon, Grand Knight, 483-3772
A & R: Shirley Therrien, President 518-358-2659
Cemetery: Bruce Welch, 483-0236
Brian Cartier, 358-4411

St. Mary's of the Fort

- Trustee: Mark Peets Kathleen Lauzon
Parish: Danielle French Shilo Leduc
Kay Spinner Cindy Healy

St. Joseph's, Bombay

- Trustee: Jennifer Reardon Christopher Jock
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 Requirement

Contact the parish office for hall availability.
Visit TULIP website: www.onebeaconentertainment.com
Under TULIP-Event Insurance, click on Purchase or Quote.
Enter facility ID code: Contact the parish office for ID code.
Complete the first three steps of the form to obtain a quote.
When ready to purchase, complete form and payment. For assistance, contact OneBeacon Entertainment TULIP help desk at 800-507-8414.

Constable Food Pantry Schedule

The next Constable Food Pantry scheduled date will appear in next weeks bulletin.

Regional Eucharistic Adoration

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

St. Mary's, Ft. Covington: Please consult the bulletin.
Notre Dame, Malone: Tuesdays following 6:45AM Mass until 1:00PM

Notre Dame, Malone: Thursdays, 7PM-8PM w/confessions
St. Patrick's, Chateaugay: 1st Fridays, 9AM-10AM with confessions.

Responsorial Psalm

*"The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy."*

THIS WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday - December 8, 2018

Anticipated - Second Sunday of Advent

- (SJ) 4:00PM Rod & Shirley Ellsworth by the Family
(SG) 4:00PM Donald Mangan by Gerard & Kathy Yandow
(OLF) 5:30PM For the People of Our Parishes

Sunday - December 9, 2018 - Second Sunday of Advent

- (SF) 9:00AM Mary Jane Lamica by Scott & Wendy Miller
(SM) 11:00AM Dale McMahon by Lee & Donna Smith
(SP) 11:00AM David Vondell by Linda Ryan

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: December 10, 2018

- (SP) 8:30AM Communion Service

Tuesday: December 11, 2018

- (SP) 8:30AM Communion Service
(SM) 8:30AM Charlie LaFountain by Eleanor Latulippe

Wednes.: December 12, 2018

- (OLF) 8:30AM Herb Lester by Ray & Caroline Durant
(SP) 8:30AM Communion Service

Thurs.: December 13, 2018

- (SM) 8:30AM Communion Service
(SP) 8:30AM Jeanne Lanctot by Linda Ryan

Friday: December 14, 2018

- (SJ) 8:30AM Anniv.-Margaret Varin by the Family
(SP) 8:30AM Robert Dupree by Dave & Edith Baker

NEXT WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday - December 15, 2018

Anticipated - Third Sunday of Advent

- (SJ) 4:00PM Anniv-Barbara Lantry by Sharon
(SG) 4:00PM Donald Mangan by Walter Brockway
(OLF) 5:30PM Odena Chatland by the Family

Sunday - December 16, 2018 - Third Sunday of Advent

- (SF) 9:00AM Eileen LaChance by the Fleury Family
(SM) 11:00AM For the People of Our Parishes
(SP) 11:00AM Bill Boyea by Arthur & Evelyn McCormick

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

If Salmon River or Malone Central School, is closed or on a two hour delay due to weather then daily mass will be canceled, office will be closed and all parish activities will also be canceled.



Mary's Place Thrift Store - New Hours

St. Mary's Center, Ft. Covington

Come browse our selection of
gently used & religious items!

Thurs.: 11am-4pm, Fri.: 11am-4pm Sat.: 9am-2pm

For information/contact: 518-521-9349

(Closed when SRCS is closed due to weather.)

Special Hours: Mary's Place at 3 Burns Rd., Fort Covington, will be open from 9am-Noon on Mondays, Dec. 10 and Dec. 17 for your holiday shopping convenience.

Gift certificates are available.