

ST. ANDRÉ'S PARISH

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Saint André Bessette Roman Catholic Parish, Malone, New York • Established July 1, 2014

December 18, 2016
Fourth Sunday of Advent



St. André Bessette, pray for us!

Father Joseph W. Giroux
Pastor

Father Scott Belina
Parochial Vicar

Deacon Bryan J. Bashaw
Permanent Deacon

Ms. Catherine Suprenant
Director of Christian Formation

Ms. Marie-Claire D'Arcy
Music Coordinator

Mr. Andrew Duso
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Our Mission at St. André's: With Jesus Christ as our center, and the Holy Spirit as our guide, we are called to be a community of saints making saints – encountering the Lord in Word and Sacrament, and opening doors for our neighbors to experience the loving mercy of God.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Thursday

7:00–8:00 P.M. at Notre Dame

Saturday

12:00–12:45 P.M. at Notre Dame

3:00–3:45 P.M. at St. Joseph

First Sunday of the Month

Before the 9:30 A.M. Mass
at Saint Helen

SUNDAY MASS

Anticipated (Saturday)

4:00 P.M.

January–March at Notre Dame

April–December at Saint Joseph

Sunday

8:00 A.M. at Saint John Bosco

9:30 A.M. at Saint Helen

11:00 A.M. at Notre Dame

ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday

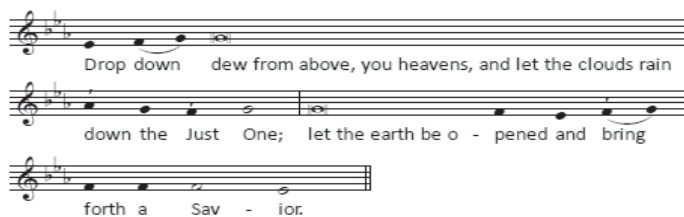
Following the 6:45 A.M. Mass
until 1:00 P.M. at St. Joseph

Thursday

7:00–8:00 P.M. at Notre Dame

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON FOR THIS SUNDAY

Advent IV

**WELCOME TO ST. ANDRÉ'S PARISH!**

No matter who you are, where you've come from, or what brings you here, we're so glad to have you with us. St. André Bessette (1845-1937) spent much of his life serving as the doorkeeper of his religious community; like him, we strive to open doors for our neighbors to experience the loving mercy of God. May Jesus fill your heart with his grace and peace!

From Fr. Joe...

It's not too early to start thinking of New Year's resolutions, is it? Here are a couple to ponder...

Our first **Hearts on Fire** went very well earlier this month, with about 40 people taking in part in the praise and worship Holy Hour, and then gathering for hot cocoa and warm company around the bonfire afterward. The goal is to make this a regular part of our parish schedule on the First Friday of every month. The next Hearts on Fire is scheduled for January 6 (which just so happens to be the feast day of St. André). We're expecting the 2016 Camp Guggenheim Staff to be joining us that evening. Please note that Hearts on Fire is not just a "youth thing," but a beautiful time of prayer that brings together folks of all ages. *Why not make Hearts on Fire part of your plan for 2017?*

2017 will mark the 100th anniversary of the appearance of Our Lady at Fatima. Following the apparitions, the Virgin Mary expressed to one of the visionaries her desire that people make a special observance of **Five First Saturdays** in a row to console her Immaculate Heart, to offer reparation for the blasphemies and ingratitude of unrepentant sinners, and for peace in the world. The First Saturday observance includes: (1) confession, (2) Holy Communion, (3) recitation of the Holy Rosary, and (4) 15 minutes of meditation on one or more of the mysteries of the Rosary. To those who keep the Five First Saturdays, Our Lady has promised "to assist [them] at the hour of death with the graces necessary for [their] salvation." We will be offering a daily Mass at 8:00am on the Five First Saturdays of 2017 (January-May), preceded by the recitation of the Rosary at 7:40am. *Why not resolve to start the New Year with Mary?*

Please take note of the Christmas Mass schedule, which is different than our usual Sunday Mass schedule. Please also notice that, with Christmas on a Sunday this year, there will be two collections taken: the first for the needs of the parish, and the second for the Priests Retirement Fund. As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Visit Fr. Joe's blog: <http://fromemptyhands.blogspot.com/>

CHRISTMAS MASSES***St. André Bessette Parish******Saturday, December 24-Christmas Eve***

4:00pm St. Joseph's, Malone (with pageant)

4:00pm Notre Dame, Malone

7:00pm St. Helen's, Chasm Falls

10:00pm Notre Dame, Malone

Sunday, December 25-Christmas Day

9:30am St. John Bosco, Malone

Other Area Masses***Saturday, December 24-Christmas Eve***

4:00pm St. Patrick's, Chateaugay

4:00pm St. Mary's, Brushton

5:00pm St. Francis, Constable

6:30pm St. Mary's, Ft. Covington

8:00pm St. Augustine, North Bangor

Midnight St. Augustine, North Bangor

Sunday, December 25-Christmas Day

9:00am St. Joseph's, Bombay

9:00am St. George's, Burke

10:30am Our Lady Fatima, Westville

11:00am St. Mary's, Brushton

**OPEN COMMENT PERIOD
ON THE PROPOSED PASTORAL PLAN**

The Pastoral Council is accepting written questions, comments, and concerns from parishioners about the Pastoral Plan for St. André's until Sunday, January 15, 2017 (the day before it's next meeting). We kindly ask that these written statements include your name, and we are particularly interested in your response to these questions: *Are there needs in our parish or community that are not expressed in the proposed Pastoral Plan but which you believe St. André's ought to meet? Are there things that you have seen or heard about in other parishes that you would like to see here at St. André's? What are you looking for from our parish life besides Sunday Mass and the Sacraments? What are your greatest concerns about the proposed Pastoral Plan for St. André's Parish?* Please don't assume that something has already been said—and, even if it has been, it's helpful for us to know that it's on the minds of a number of folks. And, of course, supportive comments are just as welcome as critical ones. Your written statements can be dropped in the collection basket, given to a Pastoral Council member, or delivered to the parish office.

**Parish Novena to St. André Bessette
December 29 - January 6**

Again this year, in preparation for the feast day of our parish's holy patron (January 6), you are encouraged to unite in a novena of prayer with your fellow parishioners. Pamphlets containing the novena prayers can be found near the entrances of our churches. Please help yourself!

This Weekend – Fourth Sunday of Advent**Saturday, Dec 17 (Gn 49-2, 8-10/Nt 1:1-17)**

4:00pm (SJ) Sauvageau & Nichols Family by the Nichols Family

Sunday, Dec 18 (Is 7:10-14/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24)

8:00am (SJB) For the People of SAB

9:30am (SH) Earl (13th Anniv) & Annette Livernois
By the Family

11:00am (ND) Rita Gonyea (7th Anniv) by the Children

Weekday Masses**Monday, Dec 19 (Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Lk 1:5-25)**12:05pm (ND) John & Glenn Yando by Wife, Shirley
And Family**Tuesday, Dec 20 (Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38)**

6:45am (SJ) LaBuff & Williams Families by the Estate

Wednesday, Dec 21 (Zep 3:14-18a/Lk1:39-45)6:45am (SJ) Eugene & Gary Dumas & Blanche & Leo
Tavernier by the Estate

12:05pm (ND) Howard & Eunice Monette by Their Family

Thursday, Dec 22 (1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56)

6:45am (SJ) Hilda Kelley by Cory & Kimberly Tavernia

Friday, Dec 23 (Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66)6:45am (SJ) Freeda Fayette by the Estate
12:05pm (ND) Gordy Stalter by the Family**Next Weekend – The Nativity of the Lord****Saturday, Dec 24 (2 Sm 7:1-5m 8b-12m 14a, 16
Lk 1:67-79)**

4:00pm - St. Joseph's With Pageant

4:00pm - Notre Dame

7:00pm - St. Helen's

10:00pm - Notre Dame

Sunday, Dec 25 (Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18)

9:30am - St. John Bosco

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

As part of their Religious formation, the faculty, staff and students will be preparing for the birth of Jesus. Each classroom will focus on reaching out to those in need, preparing for pageants, praying for those in our book of intentions, Christmas caroling at nursing homes, making gifts for shut-ins, and having a baby shower for Jesus.

Mark Your Calendars

December 20 - Voices of Christmas presented by 8th Grade Class At 12:30pm.

Holy Family Year-Round BINGO!

Saturday Nights - Doors open at 5:30PM

Early Bird - Progressive Bingo

Pull Tabs - Concession

GIVING TREE THANKS

Heartfelt thanks to all who took a tag and returned a gift. Your generosity was greatly appreciated by residents of Valehaven and The Alice Center (*Notre Dame tree*); our homebound parishioners (*St. John Bosco tree*); local children (*St. Joseph's tree*); and patrons of Catholic Charities' food pantry (*St. Helen's tree*). Your kindness reflects the true spirit of Christmas and is a beautiful witness to your faith. **Thank you one and all!**

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.

**Christmas Pageant**

Rehearsal for our children's Christmas pageant will take place on Tuesday, December 13, and Tuesday, December 20, at 4:00pm in St. Joseph's Church. The pageant itself will be at the beginning of the 4:00pm Mass at St. Joseph's on Christmas Eve. We have parts for as many children as would like to be involved! For more information, to let us know you're coming, or if your child would like to participate but can't make one rehearsal or the other, please call the parish office.

Worship Sites of St. André's

Notre Dame Church (ND), 11 Church Place, Malone
St. Helen's Church (SH), 755 Co. Highway 41, Chasm Falls
St. John Bosco Church (SJB), 57 Rennie Street, Malone
St. Joseph's Church (SJ), 306 West Main Street, Malone

Tuesday Nursing Home Mass

The Alice Center (TAC), 45 Sixth Street, Malone
Held in the 2nd floor West Dining Room

COMMUNITY EVENTSMalone Adult Center - Holiday Dinner

At the Malone Adult Center on December 20th at 12:00pm. Roast Turkey w/gravy, stuffing, winter squash and pumpkin pie. Call for reservations 483-6611. Old Timers Band will be playing from 1:00-3:00. Come on in and dance and have some fun!

Festival of Lessons and Carols

"Northern Adirondack Vocal Ensemble (NAVE) will present two performances of A Festival of Lessons and Carols Saturday, December 17th at 7:30p.m. at St. Peter's Church in Plattsburgh and Sunday, December 18th 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."

SOCIETIES AND PARISHES' EVENT(S)Bingo - Knights of Columbus

Every Tuesday, early bird starts at 7:00pm. Elm Street. Progressive Bingo - Pull Tabs - Concession

ST. ANDRÉ'S PARISH FUNDRAISERSBingo - St. John Bosco

Join us for Bingo at St. John Bosco every THURSDAY. It starts at 7:00pm. Bring a friend or two! Workers Dec. 22nd, for Bingo Team 4. **NOTE: Bingo now starts at 7:00pm.**

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

Did you know that all volunteers and staff who work with children at St. André's Parish have had background checks and taken safe environment training? This training is also available to anyone who would like to know more about the danger signs of abuse. Protecting our children is a priority in our parish, and it's everyone's responsibility. **To report abuse:** If you have a complaint of suspected misconduct involving Catholic clergy, religious, employees, or volunteers, contact Terriane Yanulavich, diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator (518-483-3261 or terrianeyanulavich@yahoo.com or Fr. Jay Seymour, Vicar for Pastoral Personnel (315-393-2920 ext. 1340). Making a report to the Diocese of Ogdensburg in no way means that you should not make a report to police or child protective agencies.

If you'd like to contribute to St. André's Parish electronically—**weekly, one time only or monthly**, either from your checking account or credit card—you can now do so directly from the parish website: standres.org.

REGIONAL 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

Notre Dame, Malone - Thursdays, 7:00- 8:00pm
w/confessions

St. Patrick's, Chateaugay - 1st Fridays from
9-10 am

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



2016 BISHOP'S FUND APPEAL
—*Mercy in Motion*—

Diocesan Goal: \$1,280,000

St. André's Parish Goal: \$39,892.00

Raised So Far: \$ 36,105.00 (90.51%)

Gifts Received: 295



Inspiring and informative video programs, talks, movies, and eBooks, by America's best Catholic teachers, are now available to you online 24/7. Just go to FORMED.org and enter our parish code: 17a76e.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS COLLECTION

Religious give thanks. "We cannot begin to repay all who contribute," writes a Catholic sister. "So we pray to God, who is never outdone in generosity, to reward you." Heartfelt thanks for your donation to last week's collection for the Retirement Fund

CHRISTMAS LESSONS AND CAROLS

Saint André Bessette parish will present a "Christmas Lessons and Carols" on Sunday, January 8 at 4:00 p.m. at Notre Dame Church. A lessons and carols service consists of readings from the Old and New Testaments concerning the promise and the coming of the Messiah. There are choral reflections after each reading, as well as the assembly participating in the singing of well-known hymns and carols. The service is about one hour in length. Join us as we end the joyful season of Christmas with a flourish!



Sunday, January 8th
11:00am Mass

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents who wish to have a child baptized should contact Rev. Joseph Giroux to make arrangements for the date and for a program of preparation. Parents are highly encouraged to make arrangements at least three months before the child is born, as the Catholic Church encourages Baptism for infants as soon as possible after birth. Adults and older children (seven years or older) interested in Baptism or entering into full communion with the Catholic Church should inquire about the program of preparation (R.C.I.A.: the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

A Catholic wishing to be married in one of our churches should contact one of the priests at least six months prior to the desired date in order to begin making arrangements. A program of preparation is required. The parish should be contacted before any other plans are made—for example, the wedding reception.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

For those preparing for surgery, nursing home residents, or the homebound, contact one of the parish priests to make arrangements to be anointed. For those in the hospital (especially in the event of an emergency), ask the hospital staff to contact the priest on call.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

	12/11/16	12/13/15	12/14/14
Envelopes	\$ 7,732.00	\$ 8,572.00	\$ 9,027.00
Plate	\$ 844.36	\$ 1,111.46	\$ 905.65
Online Gifts	\$ 240.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 0.00
TOTAL	\$ 8,816.36	\$ 9,793.96	\$ 9,932.65

Envelopes Used	260	310	327
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	12/11/16	12/13/15	12/14/14
Special Collection			
Religious Retirement	\$ 3,086.35	\$ 4,019.50	\$ 4,089.31

Special Collection	12/08/16		
Immaculate Conception	\$ 1,849.30		

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