

Roman Catholic Community of Hudson Falls / Kingsbury St. Mary's / St. Paul's

11 Wall Street Hudson Falls, New York 12839-1364



MISSION STATEMENT

"We the Roman Catholic Church of St. Mary's/St. Paul's located in Hudson Falls recognize our Baptismal call to holiness and to participate in the mission of Christ. Though different as individuals, we are one as a parish family - each member vitally important. We accept ownership of our parish and pledge, as the people of God with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, to work collaboratively with one another, sharing our time, talents and treasure to help build the Kingdom of God." [Revised: October 2001]

LITURGIES

Weekend

Saturday Evening Vigil - 5:15PM

Sunday Morning - 8:30AM

Livestreaming Mass – Sundays - 10:00AM

www.rcda.org/livemass

Go onto the site and scroll down on the right side to find St. Joseph's Church in Fort Edward.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD WILL
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CEMETERIES

If you need to schedule burials or purchase cemetery plots for St. Mary's or St. Paul's cemeteries please call Patty Fitzgerald at the rectory.

Inquiries for St. Mary's Cemetery,
Burgoyne Avenue, Fort Edward –
email – cemetery.on.burgoyne@gmail.com

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays – 8:30AM to Noon
1:00 to 4:30PM

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism - Parents who wish to have their children baptized should call Patty Fitzgerald.

Reconciliation – Please call 518-747-4823 to schedule for an appointment.

Marriage - Couples should meet with the Pastor at least six months prior to their anticipated marriage date.

HOMEBOUND

If you become homebound or are aware of someone who is, please call Patty Fitzgerald.

NEW PARISHIONERS

WELCOME! Please complete a Parish Census Form which may be found in the Church or obtained in the Parish Office.

“LITTLE BLACK BOOKS” FOR LENT

Our “Little Black Books” are available in baskets at each of the church side entrances. Help yourself to a copy and start your 6 minutes of quiet time every day during Lent.

CRS RICE BOWLS

Cardboard Rice Bowls are available in baskets at each of the church side entrances. Please be sure to take one home for your family’s Lenten experience.

	<p>Daylight Savings Time begins next weekend, March 14, at 2:00AM. Don’t forget to set your clocks ahead one hour prior to retiring to bed on Saturday night.</p>
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**LIVE THE LITURGY –
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

With our world in such constant turmoil and conflict, it makes such good sense to return to the simple directives given in the Ten Commandments. God’s unassuming guidelines provide the perfect recipe for ordering our relationships with God, others, and even ourselves. But yet, we are so quick to glance beyond them and even remove them from public view because we foolishly believe we can create something better. Arrogance runs far deeper in the members of our society than we can ever imagine. Lent is a perfect time to call ourselves back to our foundations and the basic relationships that comprise our lives. It is also a time to remember that Jesus is the true sign of God’s presence. Everything he says and does, including his suffering and death, is a sign of the God who sent him. The anger we witness when Jesus exhorts those in the temple to stop making his Father’s house a marketplace can equally be seen in his anger and frustration over humanity’s constant mission to turn God’s creation into a secular world. We have a lot of work to do for sure.

 **Special Collection**

There will be a Second Collection **next weekend (March 13-14)**, for the Catholic Relief Services. This Collection supports six Catholic agencies that work to serve our suffering brothers and sisters around the world. The funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ’s love and respect to all people. Through humanitarian aid, resettling displaced individuals and families, and advocating on behalf of victims, the Catholic Relief Services Collection allows us to see every encounter with a suffering person as an opportunity to help Jesus in disguise. Your donation makes a difference. Please give generously to this Collection.

Contribution envelopes and offerings may be placed in the wooden receptacle containers before or after mass. These containers are located inside at each of the 2 side door entrances of the church. There is a container located in front of Mary’s Chapel (Wall Street side entrance) and in front of St. Joseph’s Chapel (McManus Hall side entrance).

You are also welcome to drop off your church contribution envelopes at the rectory at any time by placing them in the mail slot that is located on the inside door of the rectory or you may mail them to the rectory.



Please pray for Olivia Granger and all who have recently passed away. Please keep in your prayers all who are ill, in the hospital or recuperating: Kathy Allen, Karen Anderson, Mark and Kay Babson, Natalie Bazinet, Stephen Davis, Brian DeMell, Mark and Venita Duffany, Grace Fallacaro, Patty Fitzgerald, Elizabeth (Liz) Kennedy, Linda Kennedy, Rev. Joseph Manerowski, Julia Madonna-Morris, Jonathan Palmer, Thomas E. Seymour and Gabrielle Vaughan.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Many prefer a “create as you go” approach to life where laws and protocols primarily exist to secure and protect liberties rather than dictate and outline proper and right behavior. There are no real benchmarks for acceptable ethical and moral behavior, with a “you can’t tell me what to do” attitude prevailing. Parents are even limited in what they can request of their children, and dealing with threatening behaviors, especially from adults, are challenges as well. Acceptable and expected conduct seems to amount to safeguarding each other’s space rather than increasing awareness of necessary relationships that require a more refined and higher response.

We have lost our axis to the world of “anything goes” and no longer see the Ten Commandments as practical and wise guideposts to effective living. We live on “relativism island” where only a possible suggestion to “love and do not harm” may be the only standard able to be preached. While Jesus most certainly emphasized love above anything else, it was never about warm fuzzy feelings or halfhearted humanitarian efforts. The love of which Jesus spoke establishes an intimate connection with God, neighbor, self, and creation. Because this love, who is God Himself, is at the foundational core of our lives, it demands actions and attitudes that serve to build up, increase, and free up those relationships. Love requires proper conduct. Preserving and enhancing these love centered relationships is at the heart of the Ten Commandments (and the Beatitudes) and the reason for Jesus’ display of anger in the temple.

The Ten Commandments can save the world from turmoil and conflict by instilling basic moral and relational principles within us. They also hold a healthy sense of sin in balance and always remind us of our relationship with God and the freedom God offers. Our faith preserves these jewels of truth that we often look beyond, dismiss altogether, or seek to remove from public view. Human beings can be so arrogant at times. Our Lenten journey, especially when embarked upon with sincerity and resolve, can restore all of our essential relationships. When we get absorbed in life’s preoccupations and demands, things can quickly get distorted and we can find ourselves way off track. In short, we find ourselves in sin. Humanity is losing a sense of both grace and sin. We need both to understand what is real and true. Until we do, the oppressive systems and ideologies that hurt so many will never change. We will never change. We are grateful for those courageous souls who willingly embrace the conversion and hard work Lent demands and stand against antiquated systems and ideologies. They give us hope that all is not lost.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



**St. Mary's/St. Paul's Church, Hudson Falls
Friday Evenings – 6:30PM**

March 12, 19 & 26

**St. Joseph's Church, Fort Edward
Friday Evenings – 6:30PM
(Stations of the Cross will only be held by Livestreamed)**

LIVESTREAMING MASS

Mass at St. Joseph's Church in Fort Edward is Livestreamed every Sunday at 10:00AM. If you wish to check it out, follow these directions: On the internet, go to the Diocese's website www.rcda.org/livemass
Scroll down on the right side and click on St. Joseph's Church, Fort Edward

2020 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

If you would like a copy of your 2020 contribution statement, please call Patty at 747-4823.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? – CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: What's the difference between priests and brothers, friars, etc.?

Answer: The distinctions titles and categories used for priests and the male members of religious communities can be confusing, especially since the categories can sometimes be intertwined as a man can be both a priest and a monk, or a brother and a friar. So, to help to piece the puzzle together, it's important to begin by noting some basic distinctions: The distinction between priests (who are ordained for sacramental ministry) and brothers (who are non-ordained members of religious communities who are committed to lives of prayer and service.)

Priests: A priest is a man who has been ordained for sacramental ministry and these fall into two categories: A) Diocesan (or Secular) Priests can either be attached to a diocese and who serve under a bishop. Their ministry is usually oriented toward pastoral service. B) Religious Priests are members of religious communities (like the Franciscans, Jesuits, Salvatorians, or Carmelites) and their lives are guided by the special mission and charism of their community. While both kinds of priest practice sacramental ministry, their spirituality and how they live out their priesthood can be very different.

Brothers: Brothers are non-ordained members of religious communities (such as those mentioned above) who live lives committed to prayer and service. Religious priests and brothers serve together in their communities and their ministries include much more than the care of parishes.

Monks, Friars, and Canons: These are broad categories that include religious priests and brothers, and each of these is connected to specific ways of life and spiritualities.



FRIDAY: (March 12)

Stations of the Cross in the Church

6:30PM

NEXT SATURDAY: (March 13)

Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services at all Masses

Set your clocks ahead for Daylight Savings Time

NEXT SUNDAY: (March 14)

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PARENTS JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND

Anybody remember the old rap song by the Fresh Prince, aka Will Smith, "Parents Just Don't Understand?" As we grow up, it is sometimes a struggle for us to imagine that our parents understand us. It can seem impossible that Mom and Dad remember the stress of exam week or peer pressure. We never saw them as children; we never saw their disappointed faces when they weren't invited to a party, or their dashed hopes at a bad test grade. We never saw them homesick their first week of college or nervous to ask their crush to Homecoming.

We're often the same way about God. We gripe about what He asks of us. "He doesn't understand sin — he's all-good," we think. "He doesn't understand temptation — He is perfect."

In Scripture, God can be very much a father, telling us what we can and cannot do. And yet, in His divine genius, He is sometimes simply a man at a well, asking for a drink.

For me, it turns out I didn't need to tell my parents anything about what I was going through as a kid — they knew already. What I needed was for them to tell me what to do, and how to do it.

Similarly, we don't need to tell God about human nature. We need God to tell us about His nature. He's good enough to ask us for a drink, to enter into our humanity. But we have to remember, for our own sakes, to have the humility to ask Him for something, too — the water that will quench our eternal thirst.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

SPECIAL CALENDAR DATES

Sunday, March 7, is Cereal Day

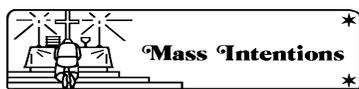
Monday, March 8, is International Women's Day

Wednesday, March 10, is Day of Awesomeness

Sunday, March 14, is Potato Chip Day and Albert Einstein's Birthday



MARCH 7, 2021



SATURDAY: (MARCH 6)

5:15PM **THOMAS AND CAROL MAILLE AND THOMAS
"TR" REMSEN** by: Remsen and Maille Family
NORMA A. POTVIN
by: Janice Niemer and Pat Purner

SUNDAY: (MARCH 7)

8:30AM **DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MADONNA
FAMILY AND MR. AND MRS. SAM FRIOLO**
by: Tresa Madonna
SHIRLEY HOULE
by: Husband - Richard and Children
DOMINIC FALLACARO (B-DAY)
by: Fallacaro Family

FRIDAY: (MARCH 12)

6:30PM **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

NEXT SATURDAY: (MARCH 13)

5:15PM **FRANCIS J. HOGAN (21ST ANNIV.)** by: Children
HEATHER DALY by: Nicholson Family
CINDY FRENCH by: Nicholson Family
BEVERLY BRENNAN by: Sister - Joyce Massiano
DONALD SUPRENANT (6TH ANNIV.) by: Family
**IN THANKSGIVING TO ST. ANTHONY FOR
SOME FAVORS GRANTED** by: A Parishioner
**IN THANKSGIVING TO THE HOLY SPIRIT
AND GUARDIAN ANGEL** by: A Parishioner

NEXT SUNDAY: (MARCH 14)

8:30AM **REV. CARL URBAN** by: A Parishioner
NORMA A. POTVIN by: Ed LaPoint
**DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MONAHAN
FAMILY** by: Patrick and Joan Monahan
FRANK C. BATTISTE by: Wife and Children
MABEL CLEAR by: Mary Ann Rourke
SHIRLEY HOULE
by: Husband - Richard and Children



EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPES

Please use the special envelope in your monthly envelope packet to make your donation toward our Easter Flower Fund. You may also place your gift in a plain envelope. Please include the names of your loved ones to be remembered and your name on the envelope. Please mark your intentions clearly so they may be printed in our bulletin. **The deadline for names to be placed in our bulletin will be Monday, April 5.**

Flower envelopes may be placed in the wooden receptacle containers before or after mass. These containers are located inside at each of the 2 side door entrances of the church. There is a container located in front of Mary's Chapel (Wall Street side entrance) and in front of St. Joseph's Chapel (McManus Hall side entrance).

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And to those who sold doves he said, “Take these out of here, and stop making my Father’s house a marketplace.” His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, “*Zeal for your house will consume me.*” - Jn 2:16-17

Readings for the week of March 7, 2021

Sunday:	Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/ Jn 2:13-25 or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
Monday:	2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf 42:3]/ Lk 4:24-30
Tuesday:	Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday:	Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20]/ Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Lk 11:14-23
Friday:	Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34
Saturday:	Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14
Next Sunday:	2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/ Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading:

In God’s revelation to Moses of His “10 Commandments,” seven of the 10 Commandments regulate how we are to relate to each other. Which of these seven Commandments challenges you most?

Second Reading:

Paul speaks of Jesus as both the “power of God and the wisdom of God.” How could you prove Paul’s assertion to a non-believer?

Gospel:

John connects Jesus’ cleansing of the Temple in Jerusalem to Jesus’ bodily resurrection from the dead with a quote from Psalm 69: “Zeal for your house will consume me.” During this season of Lent, how passionate is your faith?

A LENTEN EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

An examination of conscience is a reflection on how we are living out our Christian life. Lent is a good time to take a long, hard look at how well we have responded to God’s grace both in the short term and in the long term. What habits have we fallen into that are keeping us from being truly open to God; how does our life style show forth our commitment to Jesus; how well do we share our talents and gifts with others; are we closer to God now than we were five years ago?

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