

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

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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
NOT BE OFFERED FOR NOW**

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.



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

March 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.

WHEN OUR OWN HOUR COMES

We parents know that it's tricky, tackling the topic of fear with our kids. We want them to know that it's okay to be scared, that it's something we all feel from time to time. We want them to understand that bravery isn't the absence of fear, but the choices we make in persevering despite that feeling.

Most of all, we want to model the right kind of behavior for our kids. Whatever our scary situation is — illness, a job loss, life changes — we want them to see us make a choice to face that fear head-on.

Jesus seems to be the parent who is gently broaching the topic of fear with his children. A great sense of foreboding hangs over these readings. Jesus knew what was coming. He knew it was going to be hard, both for him and for his followers, who did not have his courage. Even he admits to being "troubled" and he speaks of "the time of judgment." There is the dramatic raising of Lazarus, the talk of how a grain of wheat must die in order to bear fruit, the depiction of Christ as an obedient student of his own suffering.

"Yet what should I say?" he asks them. "Father, save me from this hour?" But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour."

This week, Christ gives us a very parental gift: He shows us his fear, and he shows us how to conquer it. He challenges us to embrace the purpose for which we came to this hour — whatever that hour may hold.
— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Please pray for Krystyna Dembski 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, Rick Karwoski, Elizabeth (Liz) Kennedy, Linda Kennedy, Rev. Joseph Manerowski, Julia Madonna-Morris, Jonathan Palmer, Thomas E. Seymour and Gabrielle Vaughan.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Any good teacher or parent will tell you that once a lesson is really learned it doesn't need to be taught again. When we internalize things we have learned, they become a part of who we are and influence how we perceive and interact with our world. The same is true for the law God has written upon our hearts. Once humanity learns this lesson, we will simply know it to be true and act accordingly. Sometimes, it is hard to get people to learn the lessons they need to learn. They are often distracted, disinterested, conflicted, misdirected, or just too stubborn and unable or unwilling to see what is right before their eyes. Understanding that God is in a loving and committed relationship with those fashioned and formed in God's own image, seems like such a simple lesson to learn. But history and experience has proven that it is not.

We struggle with faith, especially when that faith asks us to learn something very particular about ourselves. We must, like a grain of wheat, fall to the ground and die. Because God's DNA is at the very core of who we are, there are specific pearls of wisdom that must be acquired before we can live a full life. One very powerful lesson is that it is not the task of the world to tell us who we are and what has meaning, but God. For many, death is not an opportunity for greater life but a permanent ending to the life they have known. Jesus knew every dimension to what it means to be fully human because he was! He knows the joys, limitations, sorrows, frustrations, wonders, suffering, opportunities, and joys of the human experience. Jesus can teach us a wealth of knowledge and life's lessons from his example, especially obedience.

When we accept the law God has placed in our hearts and gain wisdom from it, then when we suffer we learn to listen more attentively to the Voice behind that law. We naturally flee to our Creator for inspiration, consolation, hope, direction, and comfort as we navigate through this time of darkness. We will not need to run from it, subdue it, fight it, or be overcome by it because we will know, having internalized this profound lesson before, that God will bring new life. God's law is love and love never fails. Even in the moments of Jesus' deepest despair, he glorified the name of his Father. What he learned allowed him to put everything in perspective and be obedient to the tender, loving Voice that echoed within. As Lent quickly winds down, may we learn the same! Then, may we gain the fortitude and wisdom to help others see what is right before their eyes.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



2021 **HOLY** Week SCHEDULE

Church of St. Mary/St. Paul, Hudson Falls and
St. Joseph's Church, Fort Edward

PASSION/PALM SUNDAY: (March 27 & 28)

- 5:30PM - Saturday Mass in the Church
- 8:30AM - Sunday Mass in the Church

(Blessed Palms will be distributed only by Usher's at mass)

HOLY THURSDAY: (April 1)

- 6:30PM - Mass of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at
St. Joseph's Church, Fort Edward
(There will be NO Washing of the Feet, Adoration or
Open House at Father Tom's rectory this year due to
COVID)

GOOD FRIDAY: (April 2)

- 6:30PM - Celebration of the Lord's Passion will be celebrated at
St. Mary's/St. Paul's Church, Hudson Falls
(There will be NO Veneration of the Cross this year due
to COVID)

HOLY SATURDAY: (April 3)

- 5:00PM - Easter Vigil Mass will be celebrated at
St. Joseph's Church, Fort Edward

EASTER SUNDAY: (April 4)

- 8:30AM - Mass at **St. Mary's/St. Paul's Church, Hudson Falls**

WHY DO WE DO THAT? – CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: What is spiritual communion, and do you need to be in a state of grace to receive it?

Answer: The practice of making a "spiritual communion" dates back several centuries and St. Thomas Aquinas described it as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him." Traditionally, a prayer of spiritual communion has been used by those who are unable to receive sacramental communion because of health, inability to attend Mass, or who cannot receive communion because of grave sin. This practice has been encouraged by many saints and spiritual writers and most recently Pope Francis encouraged the practice when the realities of the COVID-19 pandemic prevented so many Catholics from taking part in the Mass or receiving sacramental communion.

Although the graces offered in spiritual communion are not the same as those offered in the sacramental communion of the Mass, this practice is still a powerful opportunity to express our desire for union with the Lord and to be united with Christ and the Church, even in an imperfect way.

FRIDAY: (March 26)
Stations of the Cross in the Church

6:30PM

LIVE THE LITURGY – INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

How do we convince people that God's law is written upon their hearts? God is wedded to God's people. This is a simple and fundamental fact of life. Yet, many ignore this truth and carry on as if they, or humanity as a whole, are the center of the universe. As a grain of wheat has to fall to the ground and die in order to become what it really is, we too must die to our secular images and ideas of ourselves so that we can become who God really made us to be. If all of us kept our focus on God's deep bonded love with human beings, indeed with our very self, then there would be no need to teach others this fundamental life lesson. They would simply know this truth, as Jeremiah tells us. Somehow, perhaps through original and personal sin, we have lost sight of this reality. We have lost our way and our axis. It is time to find our way back, to learn the virtue of obedience, to pay attention to what God is saying and become aware of the Divine Love that is the reason for all creation. Then, even in our darkest hour when all may seem to be lost, we can say as did Jesus, the model of obedience, "Father, glorify your name," by this perseverance, people can come to know the Lord and what God has done.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- St. Michael's Church (80 Saratoga Avenue, South Glens Falls) every **Tuesday for the month of March** from 5:30-6:30PM in the Church
- St. Mary's Church (62 Warren Street, Glens Falls) every **Saturday** from 2:30-3:30PM in the Church

SPECIAL CALENDAR DATES

Sunday, March 21, is World Poetry Day

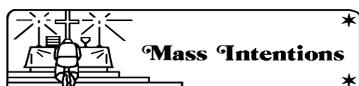
Monday, March 22, is Goof Off Day

Tuesday, March 23, is Chip and Dip Day

Sunday, March 28, is Something on a Stick Day



MARCH 21, 2021



SATURDAY: (MARCH 20)

5:15PM **DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE BREEYEAR
AND SINGER FAMILY** by: Family

SUNDAY: (MARCH 21)

8:30AM **CHRISTOPHER MCCAFFREY (B-DAY)**
by: The Hogan Family
VIOLA PENDERS (B-DAY) by: The Hogan Family
LEO J. ALTIZIO, SR. (2ND ANNIV.) by: Family
NORMA A. POTVIN by: Karen McLaughlin
LOUISE M. MCGUIRK
by: Adirondack Association of Catechetical Leaders
SHIRLEY HOULE
by: Husband - Richard and Children
KRYSTYNA DEMBSKI by: Family

FRIDAY: (MARCH 26)

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

NEXT SATURDAY: (MARCH 27)

5:15PM **KATELYN CLARA FITZGERALD**
by: Mom, Dad and Family
ROBERT O. HUGHES (20TH ANNIV.)
by: Hogan Nieces and Nephews
**IN THANKSGIVING TO ST. ANTHONY FOR
PRAYERS ANSWERD** by: A Parishioner
ROB NEWELL (B-DAY)
by: Mom, Brothers and Families

NEXT SUNDAY: (MARCH 28) (PALM SUNDAY)

8:30AM **ROBERT J. AND ELIZABETH A. DICKINSON**
by: Family
NORMA A. POTVIN by: Mary Horrigan
MICHAEL L. MONAHAN by: Donna Monahan
SHIRLEY HOULE
by: Husband - Richard and Children
BARBARA MAYOTTE (6TH ANNIV.)
by: Linda Mayotte



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).

You are also welcome to drop off your 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.



“Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself.” - Jn 12:24, 31-32

Readings for the week of March 21, 2021

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| Sunday: | Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/ Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33 or Ez 37:12-14/ Rom 8:8-11/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/ Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45 |
| Monday: | Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/ Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [4ab]/Jn 8:1-11 |
| Tuesday: | Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21 [2]/ Jn 8:21-30 |
| Wednesday: | Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/Jn 8:31-42 |
| Thursday: | Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 11 [8a, 9a]/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38 |
| Friday: | Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/ Jn 10:31-42 |
| Saturday: | Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/ Jn 11:45-56 |
| Next Sunday: | Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1— 15:47 or 15:1-39 |

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading:

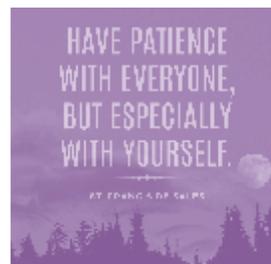
Around 600 BC, Jeremiah prophesied that God would establish a new, unbreakable covenant with his people, one written “upon their hearts.” In what ways is your faith heart-felt?

Second Reading:

The author of Hebrews teaches us that Jesus learned “obedience” from his suffering. What have been some fruits from the suffering in your life?

Gospel:

We hear today of Jesus’ own struggle with his impending death. During this Lenten season, what has been a struggle for you?



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