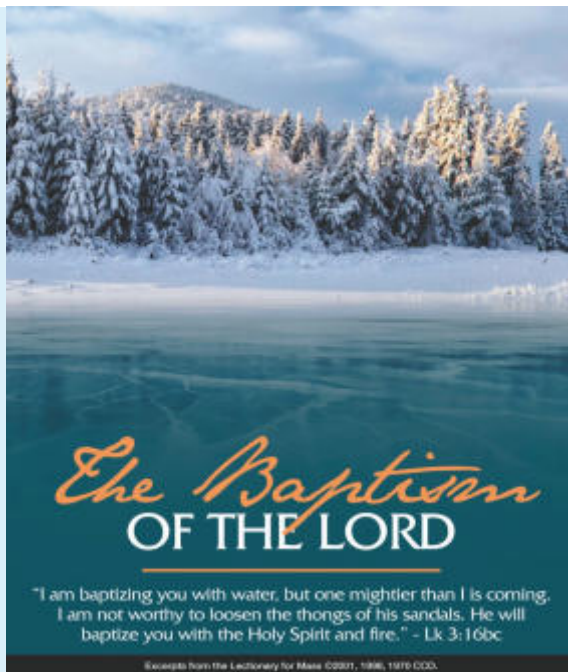


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Saturday, January 8, 2022 - Baptism of the Lord

4:00pm (St. Mary) Riley Basford by Bill & Faye Simmons

5:45pm (St. Patrick) People of Our Parishes

Sunday, January 9, 2022 - Baptism of the Lord

8:00am (St. Patrick) Annette Evans by Ken & Sue Wiklacz & Family & Lois Unz

9:30am (St. Mary) (Latin Mass - *Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*)

Thomas McGregor by Friends & Classmates

11:00am (St. Mary) Ginny Grant by Margie & Family

Monday, January 10, 2022 - Weekday

7:30am (St. Patrick) Renny Ann Regan by Aunts Pat Barbalich, Julie Regan & Colleen Regan

Tuesday, January 11, 2022 - Weekday

7:30am (St. Mary) Caroline Nicholson by Ann & Family

Wednesday, January 12, 2022 - Weekday

7:30am (St. Patrick) John Swift by Vivian Swift

Thursday, January 13, 2022 - St. Hilary

5:15pm (St. Mary) Mark Cutler by The Cutler Family

Friday, January 14, 2022 - Weekday

12:10pm (St. Mary's) Theresa Logan by Rita Manning & Family

12:40pm-6:00pm (St. Mary) Eucharistic Adoration

3:00pm (St. Mary) Holy Rosary

4:30-5:30pm (St. Mary) Confessions

5:30pm (St. Mary) Vespers & Benediction

Saturday, January 15, 2022 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00pm (St. Mary) People of Our Parishes

5:45pm (St. Patrick) Tim Hatch by John & Donna Collins

Sunday, January 16, 2022 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am (St. Patrick) Michael Long by Katherine Collins

9:30am (St. Mary) (Latin Mass) Robbie Todd by The Todd Family

11:00am (St. Mary) Living & Deceased Members of Potsdam Altar & Rosary

Confessions: *Friday: 4:30-5:30pm Saturday: 2:45-3:45pm* (St. Mary)
5:30pm (St. Patrick) until Mass

Sacramental Life

Baptism: Parents should contact the pastor.

Marriage: Please call the parish office at least six months in advance and before finalizing a date.

Anointing of the Sick: Please advise the parish office of the serious illness or hospitalization of a parishioner.

Weekday Mass - as published in the bulletin

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From Fr. Joe...

As I write this, I'm still very recovering from a bad winter bug—but hopefully, when you pick up this bulletin, I'll be nearly back to 100%. It started on the afternoon of December 26, after 3 very busy days: sore throat, runny nose, congestion, cough, fever, fatigue—whatever it was, it was nasty and really knocked me for a loop. (And because I know so many will ask: I tested twice for Covid, and both tests came back clearly negative.) I owe a huge debt of gratitude to Fr. Patrick Ratigan who stepped in to cover Masses, a funeral, and confessions for me for nearly a week. And thanks, too, to so many of you for your prayers, kind words of encouragement, and countless suggestions of home remedies “that will make you feel better for sure.” Stay healthy, friends!



St. Patrick's Sanctuary Light the week of January 9th in memory of Don Young by Connie & Family

31Club: Prayer for Religious Vocations

Jan. 3 Faye Simmons
Jan. 4 Bill & Mandy Sloan
Jan. 5 Elizabeth Tarbox
Jan. 6 Jen Balaban, Leo Simone
Jan. 7 Huguette Domingos
Jan. 8
Jan. 9



Gabriel Project meeting - Monday, January 10th, 7pm at St. Mary's rectory.

What's on your New Year Resolution list? Is one of them lowering your ecological footprint? Ecological footprint accounting measures the demand on and the supply of nature. It measures the ecological assets that a given population requires to produce the natural resources it consumes and to absorb its wastes, especially carbon emissions. To check out your “ecological footprint,” see Global Footprint Network. .

THE MARIAN BLUE WAVE

What is the Marian Blue Wave? A call to Catholics across America to pray a weekly Rosary with the specific intentions of ending all clinical, chemical, medical and surgical abortions and shutting down every Planned Parenthood facility in the United States. To join in the Marian Blue Wave, sign up online at MarianBlueWave.com/Rosary. To learn more visit MarianBlueWave.com.

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The Baptism of the Lord

“We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ.”

— Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

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For a donation of \$50.00 you may have flowers placed at the altar to commemorate a birthday, an anniversary or to honor a deceased loved one on your chosen weekend. All remembrances will be published in the bulletin. Call either parish office for more information.



A potluck supper follows the 5:15pm Mass each Thursday in the meeting room downstairs at St. Mary's Church. Bring something to share. All are welcome!



The Potsdam Knights of Columbus will be conducting another bottle/can drive during the month of January. Please drop them off at the entrance of the church, the basement of the church or at Griff's in the SeaComm Plaza; you must tell them that the returns are for the local

Knights of Columbus. Your donations will be sent to the local Knights of Columbus and the organization will decide where the funds may be used. In the past, funds were used for such things as church activities, the Bishop's special programs, Special Olympics and more. We thank you very much for your generosity in our previous drives.

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St. Mary's - \$2252.00 St. Patrick's - \$1631.00

January 1 & January 2

St. Mary's - \$4121.00 St. Patrick's - \$1776.00

BROWNBAG SERIES

Lunchtime Discussion via Zoom

The Office of New Evangelization will be running a new Brownbag Chat starting Wednesday, January 5 from noon-1pm via Zoom. We will use the Revive Parishes Series by Bishop Andrew Cozzens on **The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church**. We anticipate running the series in seven sessions. In each session, we will watch a video together via zoom and then have an informal discussion.

Description of the Series:

The Eucharist is indeed Jesus Christ, and as Catholics, a gift that requires our response. And what a gift it is! In this groundbreaking new course, Bishop Cozzens breaks open the new document published by the USCCB: "The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church."

This is the perfect companion resource!

If you would like to join us this series of lunch-time chat discussions, please sign up online at <https://www.rcdony.org/brownbag>. For more information, contact Marika Donders at mdonders@rcdony.org



By order of Governor Hochul, masks are required in all public indoor spaces in New York State—including churches—beginning December 13, 2021, for everyone over two years of age. Thank you for your cooperation.

Readings for the week of January 09, 2022

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

PRAYER FOR LIFE

Eternal Father, Source of life, open our hearts to see and desire the beauty of your plan for life and love. Fill us with your Holy Spirit so that our love will be generous and self-giving and we may be blessed with joy. Grant us great trust in your mercy. Forgive us for not receiving your gift of life and heal us from the effects of the culture of death. Instill in us and in all people a sense of the sacredness of every human life. Inspire our efforts to protect and care for the most vulnerable; especially women who are pregnant and their unborn children, the sick, and the elderly. Strengthen us in the hope that with you nothing is impossible. We ask this in the name of Jesus, who by his Cross makes all things new. Amen. Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mother of Life, pray for us. sistersoflife.org

THE CHOSEN SEASON 2: discussion

Join the Office of New Evangelization and the parishes of St. Mary of the Fort in Fort Covington/St. Mary in Waddington for a viewing and discussion of the second season of THE CHOSEN, either in-person or via zoom. It is highly recommended that participants have seen season 1 before participating in this second series of 8 episodes. We will watch the video via zoom. If you prefer, you can meet in person at either location St. Mary's Parish Center, Waddington or Fort Covington Adult Center in Fort Covington. Our first session will be January 4, 2022 from 6:30-8pm. Online Registration is required at www.rcdony.org/chosen.



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If you have a complaint of suspected misconduct involving diocesan clergy, religious, employees or volunteers, contact **Victims Assistance Coordinator**, Terri-ann Yanulavich, Ph.D., LMHC, 5050 Route 374, Merrill, NY 12955; terriannyanulavich@yahoo.com Phone: 518-651-2267 days; 518-569-0612 evenings; or Father Christopher Carrara, the Episcopal Vicar for Clergy; ccarrara@rcdony.org Phone: 315-393-2920 ext. 1340. If you have a complaint of suspected sexual abuse or related misconduct by the bishops, contact the **Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service** at 800-276-1562 or www.ReportBishopAbuse.org.

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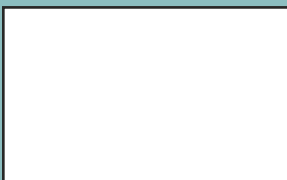
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