

SUNDAY, JAN. 23, 2022



St. Mary of Mount Carmel Blessed Sacrament Parish

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ABOUT THE PARISH

Address: 648 Jay St., Utica, NY 13501.
Telephone: 315-735-1482; fax: 315-735-9806.
Office hours: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday.
Closed on Friday and national holidays.
Faith Formation and Scalabrini Center: 315-724-3950.
Email: stmaryutica@syrdio.org
Hearing impaired: Listening devices available in the sacristy.

MASS SCHEDULES

Weekend

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. (livestream on parish YouTube channel)
Sunday: 8 and 10:30 a.m.

Weekday

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30 a.m.
Rosary for the Unborn and Divine Mercy Chaplet: Thursday after Mass.

Holy Days

Consult the bulletin and website.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:45 p.m.

MARRIAGE

Couples must make arrangements six months in advance.

BAPTISM

Call the parish office to arrange. Parents must attend a preparation class prior to the baptism of their child.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

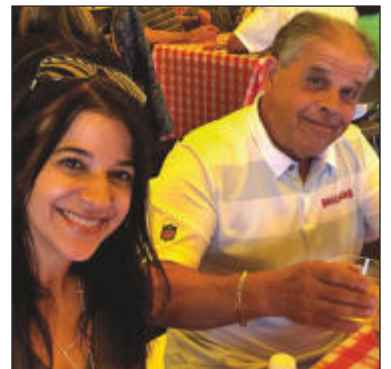
Adults or children, 7 or older who have never been baptized or confirmed or received the Eucharist, are invited to call the parish office for information about this process.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our parish family. We invite you to become an active participant of our parish community. Please be sure to register by calling the parish office.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Jim Cesta
In Residence: Rev. Luis Olguin
Trustees: Rocco Arcuri Sr. and Bill Thibault
Faith Formation K-6: Terri Piazza-Panuccio
Faith Formation 7-10: Anne Carlone-Elacqua
Buildings and grounds: Fran D'Ambrosio
Music director: Peter Elacqua
Website manager, bulletin, publicity: Fran Perritano



FATHER JIM'S WISE & OTHERWISE

What are you looking for when attending Mass?

Jim Smith went to church on Sunday morning. He heard the organist miss a note during the prelude, and he winced.

He saw a teenager talking when everybody was supposed to "bow in prayer." He felt like the usher was watching to see what he put in the offering plate and it made him boil.

He caught the preacher making a slip of the tongue five times in the sermon by actual count. As he slipped out through the side door during the closing hymn, he muttered to himself, "never again! What a bunch of clods and hypocrites!"



Ron Jones went to the same Mass on Sunday morning. He heard the organist play an arrangement of "A Mighty Fortress" and he thrilled to the majesty of it.

He heard a young girl take a moment in the service to speak her simple moving message of the difference her faith makes in her life. He was glad to see that his church was sharing in a special offering for the poor. He especially appreciated the sermon that Sunday — it answered a question that had bothered him for a long time.

He thought, as he walked out the doors of the church. "How can a person come here and not feel the presence of God?"

Both men went to the same church on the same Sunday morning. Each found what he was looking for.

What will you be looking for this Sunday?

And the otherwise ...

There were three men standing at the Pearly Gates. St. Peter came out to meet them and asked, "What would each of you like to hear your relatives or friends say at your funeral?"

The first man answered, "I am a renowned doctor, and I would love to hear someone say how I had been instrumental in saving people's lives and giving them a second chance."

The second man replied, "I am a family man and a schoolteacher. I would like to hear some say what a great husband and father I was and that I had made a difference in some person's life."

The third man replied, "Wow, guys, those are really great things, but I guess if I had my choice, I would rather hear someone say, "Look! He's moving!"

UPCOMING IN OUR PARISH

Please note: Junior High Formation resumes Sunday, Feb. 27.

Sunday, Jan. 23

- K-6 Faith Formation: 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.

Sunday, Jan. 30

- K-6 Faith Formation: 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.

Sunday, Feb. 6

- K-6 Faith Formation: 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.
- First Communion enrollment Mass: 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, Feb. 13

- K-6 Faith Formation: 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.

Sunday, Feb. 20

- K-6 Faith Formation: 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.



Sunday, Feb. 27

- K-6 Faith Formation: 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.
- Junior High Formation: 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 28

- Ninth- 10th-grade Faith Formation: 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.
- First Communion class, parents meeting: 6:30 to 7:35 p.m.

NEXT WEEKEND'S SCHEDULES

Lectors

SATURDAY, JAN. 29
4:30 p.m. Mass

Connie Watkins and Joe Martin (POF)

SUNDAY, JAN. 30
8 a.m. Mass

Terry Reale and Leigh D'Agostino (POF)

10:30 a.m. Mass
Mary Siniscarco and Fred Valentini (POF)

Eucharistic ministers

SATURDAY JAN. 29
4:30 p.m. Mass

Leo Callari, Jean Masercola and Maria Callari

SUNDAY, JAN. 30
8 a.m. Mass

Marie Bova, Larry Bova and Mar Ko

10:30 a.m.
Theresa Ianno, Ta Pi and Maria Centolella

PARISH WEBSITE

Visit www.mountcarmelblessedsacrament.com for the latest parish news and announcements. There's even a mobile version for your smart phone. Here's some of what you'll find on the site:

- Wedding Planning Guide.
- Funeral Service Planning Guide.
- Weekly prayers, reflections, photos, videos and more to enrich your faith.
- Photo galleries
- Bulletin
- Father Jim's "Wise and Otherwise"
- History of the parish
- Lector, minister schedules
- Mass schedules
- Parish news
- Ministries
- Event calendar
- Weekly reflection on Sunday's readings
- "More Good News" magazine
- Links to our social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube.

SEND US YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish has compiled a database of email addresses that is being used to contact parishioners in case of emergencies, important schedule changes or other pertinent information. We ask all parishioners to submit their email address to Fran Perritano at fperritano@syradio.org using the subject line PARISH EMAIL. You also can include a phone number, if you wish.

YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Jan. 15-16: \$5,286
Hope Appeal: \$25,930

If you're unable to attend Mass, you still can make your donation by mailing it to: Mount Carmel / Blessed Sacrament Parish, 648 Jay St., Utica, NY 13502. You also can contribute online on our website. Look for the DONATE button in the right column.

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PARISH NEWS

WANTED: ALTAR SERVERS



Through its 125-year history, our parish has been blessed with many dedicated altar servers. The last two years, however, our servers have declined in numbers. We ask parents to prayerfully consider letting your child be part of this important ministry. The child must be in third grade or above. We need servers for the 4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass, and the 8 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday Masses. Please send your child's name, your email address and Mass your child can serve to fperritano@syrdio.org. Once we have enough, training will be planned and a schedule produced.

We're closing in on Hope Appeal goal; please help

The 2021 Hope Appeal has been ongoing in our parish for more than four months

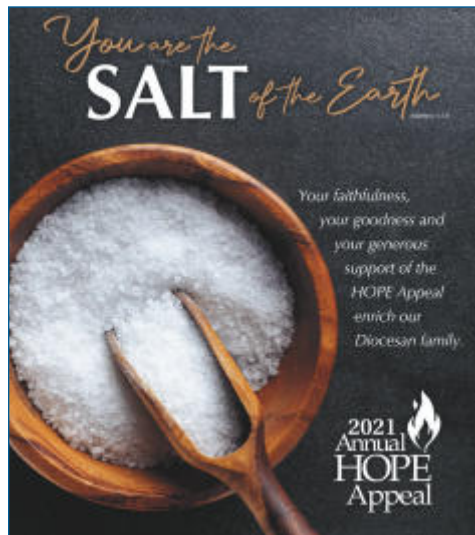
Our assessment is \$34,220. So far, \$25,930 has been pledged or donated, putting us about \$8,300 short.

Parishioners received information awhile back in the mail. If you didn't get one, donation material is available in church and in the parish office.

If you haven't made a contribution yet, we kindly ask that you give whatever you can.

The Hope Appeal is the annual giving campaign of the Diocese of Syracuse. Every year, the programs and services supported by the Hope Appeal touch countless lives in every city, town, and rural area in our diocese — including the Utica area.

Our parish community is filled with many generous people. We ask that you chip in to help others in need in our area and diocese.



2021 contributions for taxes

If you would like to receive a copy of your 2021 contributions for your taxes, please submit the following form to the parish office in person or 648 Jay St, Utica, NY 13502.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

ENVELOPE NUMBER: _____

PARISH MINISTRIES

Our parish has many ministries in which you can participate. We are presenting them a few at a time in our weekly bulletins. A full list is found on our website. If you are interested in any of the following ministries, call the parish office at 735-1482.

LITURGY

ALTAR CLEANING/DECORATING

This group of volunteers cares for the sanctuary by cleaning and decorating with emphasis on special occasions to include picking up flowers, hanging wreaths, etc.

ALTAR SERVERS

Altar servers assist the priest at Mass. The boys and girls are third through 12th-graders who have received their First Communion. They carry the cross, bear the book, and set the altar for consecration. Altar servers play an important role during special liturgical celebrations and are scheduled for the Mass of their choice.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Eucharistic ministers are commissioned by the pastor to distribute the body and blood of Christ at all liturgical celebrations. All ministers are trained prior to being commissioned.

FUNERAL ALTAR SERVERS

These volunteers are adults that assist at funeral services. They also serve as lectors and Eucharistic ministers. Commitment and scheduling for this group are flexible.

GREETERS AND USHERS

The ushers ensure that parishioners and visitors are assisted when necessary as they enter or exit the church. They notify the Eucharistic ministers if anyone needs assistance to receive Communion. The ushers also serve as collectors for the weekly offerings and clean the pews after Mass. Ushers are assigned to the Mass of their choice.

LECTORS

Lectors proclaim the Word of God during liturgical celebrations. Lectors are scheduled at the Mass of their choice.

LITURGICAL COMMITTEE

This committee meets on a monthly basis to plan all liturgical events of the parish, as well as providing assistance for the training and spiritual development for all lectors, Eucharistic ministers and altar servers.

LIVESTREAM OPERATORS

These individuals operate our livestream equipment at the 4:30 p.m. Saturday Mass and at funerals and weddings, when requested.

MUSIC MINISTRY

We welcome you to join our choir, maybe to be a cantor, or if you are an accomplished musician, join us as an instrumentalist.

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

LIVING

- Carmela Comisso on her 81st birthday—Rosemary and Bob
- Cornelius Deep—David Struz
- Children and Grandchildren—mom

DECEASED

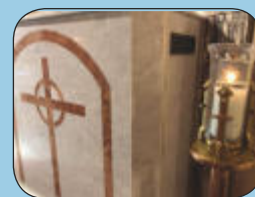
- Judith A. Burke—Grace Nassar
- Rose Cannistra—daughter Betty and grandchildren
- Robert A. Ciancaglini—Fay and family
- Achille Cimino—daughter Mary Teresa
- Dominick Plado Costante—Joe and JoAnn DeSimone and family
- William Crane—Cindy Carzo
- Tom DeSimone—Joe, JoAnn and family
- Carmen Bruno Filletti—Betty Arcuri
- Carmen Filletti—Gabe and Denise Timpano and family
- Steve Fontaine—wife, sons and granddaughters
- Grace and Joseph Greco—Furgol and Marchione family
- Mark Hazeltine—Anne Lowenhopf and family
- Elizabeth Lee—Vicki
- Ida and Josephine Manze—David Struz
- Ida M. and Josephine D. Manze and family—will
- Manze and Motto Families—will
- Delphine Marchese—children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren
- Charles Marchione—Charles and Marie Marchione and family
- Rose Paciello—the parish
- Salvatore Perritano Sr.—Fran, Kathy and family
- Salvatore Perritano Sr.—Vicki
- Joseph Putruele—Carol and Frank Putruele
- Janet Barone Raymer—Jean Masercola
- Janet Raymer—Fernald Family
- Janet A. Raymer—Lynarda Girmonde



Prayer Remembrance policy

Prayer Remembrances must be submitted two weeks in advance of the desired publication date. Those received this weekend will reach the parish office in time to be placed in the bulletin two weeks from now. You must use ONE envelope for each Mass intention. A minimum donation of \$5 per intention is requested. To ensure that all your intentions are listed as requested, please do not write multiple intentions on one envelope as oftentimes names are inadvertently omitted. If you have a prayer intention that you would like parishioners to pray for, please call Pattie Franco at 733-4210. She, along with members of our prayer line, will be glad to pray for you.

- George H. Reynolds—Rosanne George
- Donald Romanelli Sr.—sister Carol Ann Petronio and family
- Albert Salerno—great nephew Marc DelMonico and Padula/Clark Families
- Isabelle (Rubbicco) Sfinas—Gabe and Denise Timpano and family
- Isabella Shanley—Marie Mastro
- Merrill G. Spanfelner—Regina George
- Merrill Spanfelner—Rosanne George



Memorials

- The sanctuary lamps are lit in memory of **Steve Fontaine** by wife, sons and granddaughters; **Salvatore and Grace Villelo** by daughters.
- The St. Joseph candle is lit in memory of **Giuseppe Aceto** by daughter Nancy and family.

Memorial offerings

Please call the parish office at 315-735-1482 to schedule your intentions.

- Monthly donations toward altar bread and altar wine are \$75 each.
- Altar candles (two available each month) are \$15 each.
- The weekly sanctuary lamps (three available each week) gospel light, St. Joseph and St. Marianne Cope candles are all \$10 per week.

- Stan and Mary Struz—family
- Frank Suppa IV—Vicki
- Kathleen Marie Bifano Timpano—Dr. and Mrs. Fred Talarico
- Anthony R. and Erminia M. Trino—daughter Edye
- John Voce—Carol Voce
- Maria Sorce Vullo—Rocco and Lisa Grande and family
- Robert D. Willson—Brad and Joann Campbell

Mother Marianne's West Side Kitchen seeks dedicated volunteers

Mother Marianne's West Side Kitchen needs volunteers — people who care and are committed to giving their time and their love to the most precious clients we serve.

You could be working in the kitchen, preparing meals, serving our clients or assisting with maintenance and cleaning.

Or, you could be working in the boutique, helping to organize items or assisting a client to select clothes, toiletries or other necessities. You determine the days

and times.

We do need your promise that you will be present, except for unforeseen circumstances.

Please note: We follow all Department of Health Guidelines, including COVID regulations.

We try to ensure the health and safety of all our volunteers and clients.

To learn more about volunteering, register online at mmwsk.org/volunteer or call Rebecca at 315-272-8525.

Bishop Lucia's synod listening session at St. Anthony-St. Agnes March 28

The postponed listening session with Bishop Douglas Lucia at St. Anthony-St. Agnes Parish has been rescheduled for 6:30 p.m. Monday, March 28.

He also is conducting other listening sessions throughout the diocese. They begin at 6:30 p.m. Here are those in our area. (Be advised that COVID concerns might postpone some sessions).

- **Tuesday, Jan. 25:** St. Paul's Church, Rome.
- **Thursday, Feb. 3:** St. John the Evangelist Church, New
- **Wednesday, Feb. 9:** Holy Trinity Church, Utica, in the gym.



THIS WEEK'S MEDITATION, INTENTIONS

Prayer for Enlightenment

(If possible, pray this prayer with one hand on top of your bible and one hand on your heart.)

Word of God, may I always cherish you as a treasure.

Lead me to deeper faith

and more fervent love for the Church.

Inspire me to follow Christ more closely.

Form my thoughts, my desires and my actions

that I may be a sign of holiness, a harbinger of peace, a vessel of love. Amen.

Prayer of the Faithful

Response: Lord, hear your people's prayer.

- May the Church in every country work together as one. Tenderly and carefully, may we hand down our faith tradition to our young people, confident that they will shape the world with goodness.

We ask: Lord, hear your people's prayer.

- For a deeper awareness of those who struggle in any way. Open our minds, hearts

and hands to the poor, the challenged, the abused and the addicted; to those who suffer through immigration or violence; to those who live in fear or with the effects of this pandemic.

We ask: Lord, hear your people's prayer.

- For a profound sense of the presence of God's Spirit among us. May God's Word form our inner being, fill our hearts and guide our decisions. May we treasure God's Word to the point that it will always move us to tears.

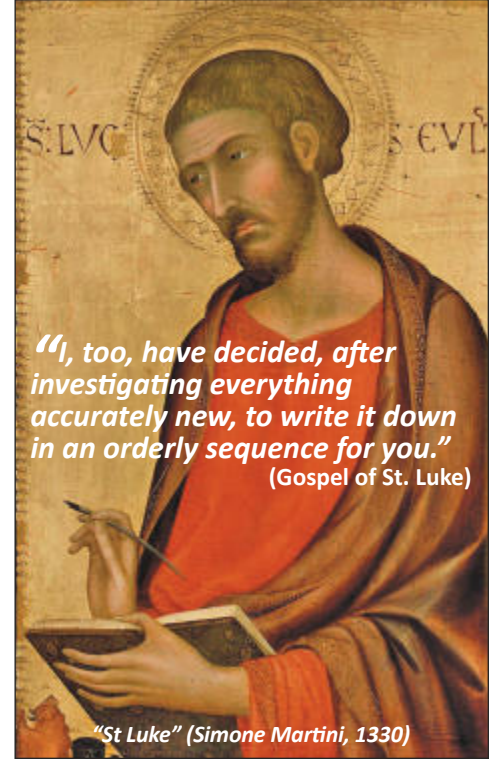
We ask: Lord, hear your people's prayer.

- For missionaries all over the world and the people they serve. For all who struggle to live with poverty, oppression and violence. May God's Word be a source of new life and fill all people with joy, forgiveness, direction and purpose.

We ask: Lord, hear your people's prayer.

- For the needs of our beloved sick, dying and grieving. For the needs of those who are abused and addicted. And for the personal needs we all have that we hold in silence ...

We ask: Lord, hear your people's prayer.



"I, too, have decided, after investigating everything accurately new, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you."
(Gospel of St. Luke)

"St Luke" (Simone Martini, 1330)

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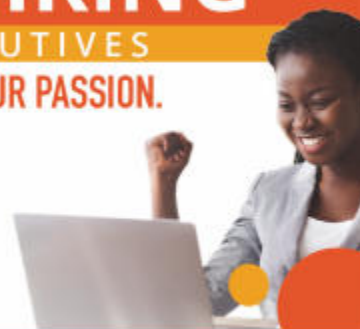


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