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Parish Office Hours (currently during Covid-19) are Monday and Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

BAPTISM - Please call the Parish Office for an appointment

MARRIAGE - Couples must contact the Parish Office at least six months prior to the celebration.

RECONCILIATION - Confessions will be held on First Fridays from 8:00am—8:45am at Our Lady of the Lake before First Friday Mass & Benediction; at St. Patrick Church, Aurora on the first Saturday of each month from 4:00pm —4:45pm and at: St. Patrick’s, Moravia, before the 8:30am Sunday Mass beginning at 8:00am.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND/ SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK - If a loved one is seriously ill or would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please call the Parish Office.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) - Non-Catholics interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith are invited to speak to any staff member or call the Parish Office.

NEW PARISHIONERS - Welcome! Please introduce yourselves to the Parish Staff. We want to get to know you.

REGISTRATION - Every family within the Parish should be registered. Please contact the office for a registration form. If you move to another parish, change your address or have additions or deletions to your family household, please notify the Parish Office. Forms are available at each worship site.

*Good Shepherd
Catholic Community
P.O. Box 296, Aurora, NY 13026
December 20, 2020*

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Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24th

5:00 p.m. St. Patrick, Moravia

6:30 p.m. Our Lady of the Lake, King Ferry

10:00 p.m. St. Patrick, Aurora

Christmas Day, Friday, December 25th

8:30 a.m. St.. Patrick, Moravia

10:30 a.m. St. Patrick Aurora



GSCC VISION STATEMENT - TO LIVE BY FAITH, TO BE KNOWN BY LOVE, TO BE A VOICE OF HOPE

ST. PATRICK'S
Aurora

ST. MICHAEL'S
Union Springs

ST. PATRICK'S
Moravia



OUR LADY OF THE LAKE
King Ferry



Readings for the week of December 20, 2020

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [2a]/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38

Monday: St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56

Wednesday: St. John of Kanty, Priest Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66

Thursday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]/Lk 1:67-79 **Christmas Eve Vigil:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 **Night:** Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14.

Friday: The Nativity of the Lord: Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20. **Day:** Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

Saturday: St. Stephen, the First Martyr Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17 [6]/Mt 10:17-22

Next Sunday: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1] / Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40

Mass Schedule for December 19 — Dec. 27, 2020

Sat. 12/19 Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mass: 5:00 pm at St. Patrick, Aurora

+ For Elizabeth Hickey & Marguerite Tierney by Mary Dunn

Sunday 12/20 The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mass: 8:30 am at St. Patrick Moravia

+ For Betty McGarry by Gus Maffetore

Mass: 10:30 am at Our Lady of the Lake, King Ferry

+ For Thomas Hull by Marge Callahan

Mon. 12/21 Mass 9:00 AM at St. Patrick, Aurora

+ For Sharon Jones by Pat Bianconi

Tue. 12/22 Mass 9:00 am at St. Patrick, Moravia

+ For Joe Bilinski by Lorraine Fitch

Wed. 12/23 Mass +For Living & Deceased Members of GSCC

Thurs. 12/24 Vigil of the Feast of the Nativity of the Lord

Mass 5:00 PM at St. Patrick, Moravia

+ For Albert & Hilda Vieira by Ruth Wood & family

Mass 6:30 pm at Our Lady of the Lake, King Ferry

+ For Louis Bianconi by his wife Pat Bianconi

Mass 10:00 pm at St. Patrick, Aurora

Fri. 12/25 Feast of the Nativity of the Lord

Mass at 8:30 am at St. Patrick, Moravia

+ For Living & Deceased Members of GSCC

Mass 10:30 am at St. Patrick, Aurora

+ For Fr. Michael F. Conboy by Pat Bianconi

Saturday 12/26 Vigil of the Feast of the Holy Family

Mass: 5:00 pm at St. Patrick, Aurora

+ For Living & Deceased Members of GSCC

Sunday 12/27 The Feast of the Holy Family

Mass: 8:30 am at St. Patrick Moravia

+ For Ruth Ann Wood by St. Patrick, Moravia A.R. Society

Mass: 10:30 am at Our Lady of the Lake, King Ferry

VITAL STATISTICS

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020—June 30, 2021

Dec. 5/6, 2020 (Weeks 23)

Thank you for your generosity each week !

Attendance	161
Weekly Budgeted Offering	\$ 4,966.13
Weekly Envelope Offering.	\$ 3,795.00
Loose offering	\$ 161.00
Electronic giving	\$ 1,482.00
Total weekly offering.....	\$ 5,438.00
YTD Actual Offering	\$ 108,799.00
YTD Budgeted Offering.	\$ 114,222.00

I thank you for your generous support of your parish. You can give your financial support either by mailing your contribution envelope to the parish office or by giving electronically through *WeShare*, that can be accessed on our parish website. www.thegoodshepherd.cc

Mary without hesitation accepted her earthly vocation as "Mother of God." Are we, as Christian stewards, through prayer and discernment, prepared to say "yes" to God's call?



**How do I bear witness to my faith?
How can the world see that the Lord is with me?**

Growing In Faith Together

Families with children should have received their new GIFT packets and resources in November. Corresponding grade level videos and other resources can be found at

www.GrowingInFaithTogether.org. Contact Dawn if you have any questions: dawn.burdick@dor.org or 607-288-2476. Up-

coming Dates:

- Monday, January 4, 5:30pm, GIFT Family In Person Mass and Gathering at St. Patrick, Aurora
 - Monday, January 11, 5:30pm, GIFT Family In Person Mass and Gathering at St. Patrick, Moravia
- Contact Dawn with any questions: dawn.burdick@dor.org or at 607-288-2476.

Confessions at St. Patrick, Aurora Dec.19 from 6:30—7:30pm

This week remember the following in your Masses and prayers on the Anniversary of their Deaths of those who died on the dates December 20—December 26: George Barnick 1972, Louis E. Connell 1998, Alice Klem 2014, Rev. Richard Shatzel, Infant Thomas Quinn 1972, William A. O'Brien 1997, Mary Scott 1992, Louis Bianconi 2004, Thomas Wiffen 2009, Anna Myskaw 1975, Alex Smith 1977, Solange Olive Louise Pypec 1990, John Poso 1883, Theresa Carrigan 1977, Charles Blaisdell 1979, Francis Tierney 1985, Lucille Cook 1992, Gladys Sullivan 1977, Ben Gavitt 2015, Charles M. Miles 1975, Violet Gernand 2005, Jerome Hass 2012, Marshall Bancroft 2017, Jane. E. Clare 2018

Fourth Sunday in Advent

As we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent, Christmas is just a few days. Thanks to all who took tags from the giving tree and donated Christmas gifts. A special thanks to all who donated to the Christmas flower fund. Thanks in advance to all the people who so beautifully decorate our churches, and all who helped to provided music for the Christmas Masses, especially Tom Collins and Rachael Tissot-Durgin who play music for us throughout the year. This certainly has been a stressful year as we have been dealing with the Covid-19 pandemic but I pray that the peace of the Christ Child will calm our fears and give us strength.

Thursday evening we will begin the celebration of Our Savior's Birth. As you know we have asked for people to register for the Christmas Masses this year to make sure that we are able to conform with the social distancing protocols. As of 10 December when I am writing this article none of the five Masses have hit the 75 person limit. We will make sure all those who have registered will have seats at the Masses. If we have worshipers come who have not registered we will assign them seats, if there is room, only after those who are registered are seated. The Christmas Day Masses so far have the fewest people registered. If people are concerned about being in a larger crowd because of Covid I would suggest they attend the Christmas Day Masses.

As we complete Advent and enter into the Christmas season, my prayer for you is that the Holy Spirit may continue to grow in your hearts to bring the healing grace of Jesus upon you and your families. Mary, the Mother of God, gave birth to Jesus through the power of the Holy Spirit. May the Spirit of God rest upon you to enable you to make Jesus present to others through your compassion, love, and mercy. May God's Spirit help you each day in your efforts to bring about the justice and peace of God's kingdom.

Merry Christmas, Father Bill



Please support your parish in the CMA

- ..Go to www.dor.org
- ..View the video
- ..See how the funds are distributed
- ..Make your gift

Catholic Ministry Appeal Update

As of December 10, 2020

GSCC # of Donors	\$ Pledged	% of goal	Parish Goal
82	\$26,450	70.19%	\$37,686

If you have not yet given this year to the CMA, please consider doing so today in support of our Diocesan Ministries.

As of this date 82 parishioners of GSCC have contributed to this year's **CMA**. We thank those who have given generously and ask all who have not yet given to prayerfully consider doing so. The CMA helps our Church and our parish in so many ways. Please consider all the ways that God has blessed you and your family, and think how Jesus has brought goodness into your lives. Join our appeal and give back what you can so that as church we remain strong and able to do God's great work!

For the Christmas Masses we are asking parishioners to register ahead of time in order to attend the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses. We are still limited as to how many people can safely gather in our churches while still practicing social distancing. So we are taking reservations for 75 persons for each of the five Masses that are listed above. If you will be attending Mass as a family when you register please indicate the number of family members you will be sitting with and their names. We will be assigning seats for these Masses so as to maximize seating capacity and still keep the proper space for social distancing. We have set up on our parish website a tool for signing-up for the Mass you want to attend. www.thegoodshepherd.cc **Please sign-up on-line at the parish website.** If you do not have the internet or an email address you can register by calling the Parish Office at 315-364-7197. **IF You Haven't Registered for Christmas Masses please do so today.**

The Christmas Mass at OLOL will be posted on-line at our parish website, www.thegoodshepherd.cc and on the parish Facebook page

For those who are unable to attend Public Masses we continue to post the **Sunday Mass on-line at our parish website, www.thegoodshepherd.cc** and on the parish Facebook page. The **weekly bulletin** can also be found at the parish website.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Hands of Christ Every year the Diocese of Rochester recognizes graduating seniors who have been the **Hands of Christ** in their homes, schools, and communities. Do you know of a practicing Catholic high school senior who demonstrates their Christian attitude in word and example, is actively involved in the parish as well as their school and community, and is a positive role model to their peers, younger children, and adults? If so, please let us know. Your nomination can be emailed to dawn.burdick@dor.org, or mailed to the parish, attention Dawn. Please include the young adult's name, address, school attending and the reason you would like to nominate them. Contact Dawn with questions: 607-288-2476

All nominations must be received by December 25.

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