

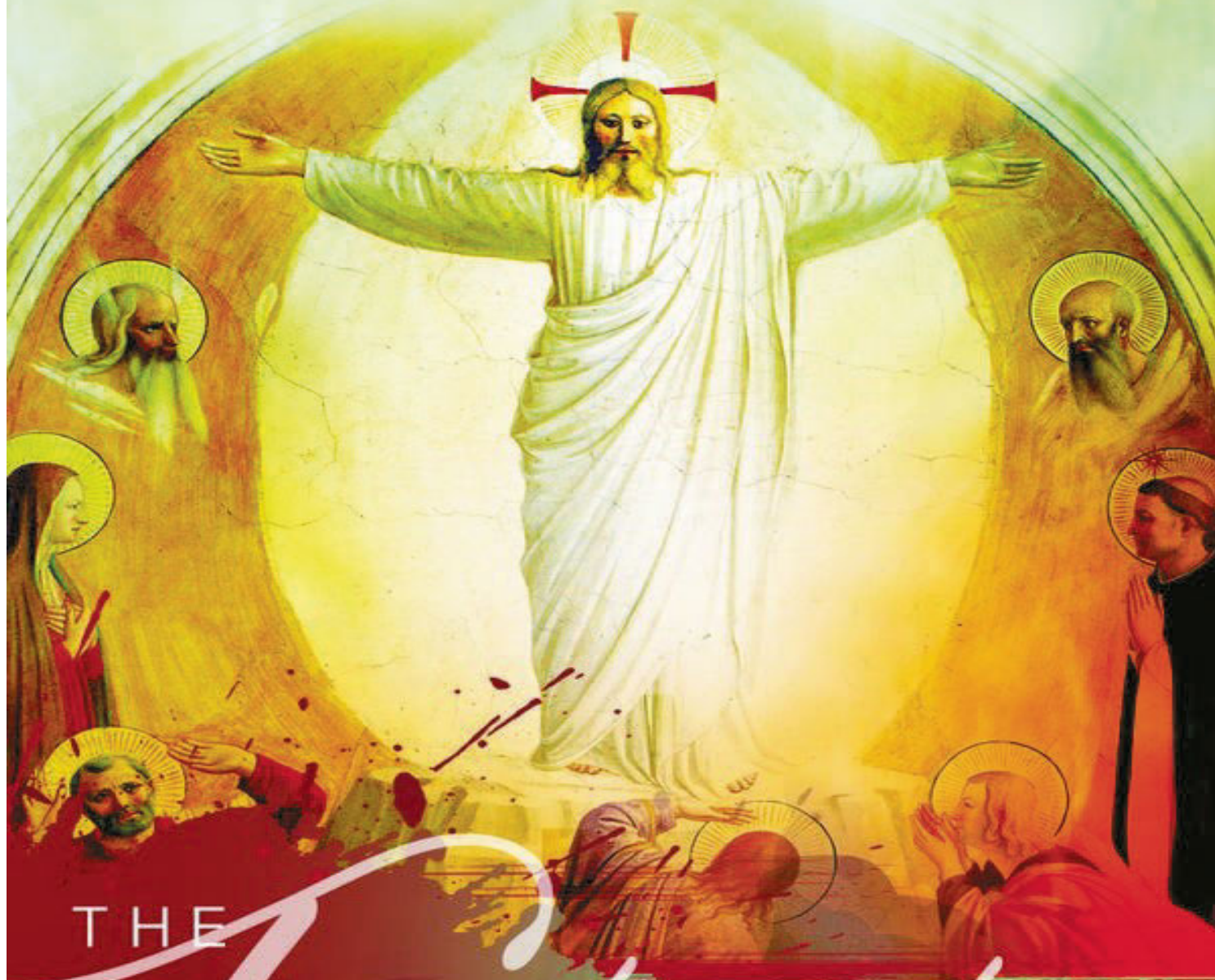


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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



THE

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OF CHRIST

February 25, 2024



Weekly Offering

St Matthew's NEEDS* \$ 8,700
February 18 **Not available at print**

St Mary NEEDS* \$ 4,650
February 18 **Not available at print**

St Francis NEEDS* \$ 3,300
February 18 **Not available at print**

Needed each week to balance the books and pay our bills. Any shortfall must be made up with fundraising.

WINE & CHEESE FELLOWSHIP



*St Matthew's Parlor
After 4:30pm Mass*

*Saturday, March 2
ALL are welcome*



DONATION WEEKEND March 2 / 3

OUR FOOD PANTRIES will be collecting non-perishable food on the 1st Sunday of every month. Drop your donations at all weekend masses. Volunteers for the food pantries are always needed.



**BREAKFAST with the
EASTER BUNNY**
(all proceeds to benefit Altamont
Veterans Program)

Sunday, March 3, 2024
@ St Mary Parish Center
8:30am to 12:30pm

Adults	\$ 12
Kids 7-12	\$ 7
Under 6	FREE

Sponsored by the Confirmation Class
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Stations of the Cross Fridays in Lent

12 Noon @
St. Matthew's and St. Mary's

2nd SUNDAY OF LENT



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"Win big and support Catholic education! Bishop Grimes is having a sweepstakes fundraiser to support student financial assistance. There will be a total of 23 cash prizes for 23 winners! The top prize is \$50,000. Tickets cost \$100 and only 2,000 will be sold. For more info, contact Gracie at GraceThorpe@syrdiocese.org or 315-314-7157 x4."



Saint Baldomerus

Feast Day: February 27

Saint WHO ??

Baldomerus (whose name has many variations, including Galmier, Baudemir and Waldimer) was a locksmith from Lyons. He lived simply, dressed plainly and was assiduous in prayer and attentive to the needs of the poor. He is said to have been attached to the devotion of the "arrow prayer," a short, one-line that aims to bring one quickly into God's presence: *In nomine Domini gratias semper*, "In the name of God, let us give thanks always."

One day Viventius, the abbot of the monastery of Saint-Just, happened upon Baldomerus. When their conversation turned to the things of God, Baldomerus spoke with such ador and so clear a knowledge of the Scriptures that Viventius invited him to join the monastery. Baldomerus accepted ordination as a subdeacon.

Baldomerus became known for his prayer, which always was directed toward the good of the people of the city as well as the welfare of the abbot. At mealtimes, he was known to feed wild birds right out of his hands, exhorting them to "take your refreshment and always bless the Lord of heaven." Upon his death, Baldomerus was buried at Saint-Just and his tomb became a place of miracles. His relics were venerated until they were scattered by Huguenots in the 16th century.

Saint Vs. Blessed

What is the difference between a "Saint" and a "Blessed"?

The process of proclaiming someone as a saint in the Catholic Church has evolved over the course of many centuries. In the beginning, those honored as saints were almost exclusively biblical figures or martyrs. However, after the legalization of Christianity in the fourth century, new holy women and men came to be honored as saints, and this was often done by popular acclaim or by the local bishop or abbot.

It was Pope Gregory IX (who was pope from 1227 to 1241) who officially proclaimed that only the pope had the authority to add someone to the official list (the "canon") of saints. This is the meaning of the word "canonization."

Today, the saint-making process includes several steps, including detailed studies of the person's life and a recognition that they died as a martyr or lived a life of "heroic virtue." Once someone is recognized as a martyr or if a miracle is attributed to their intercession, they will be beatified and honored as "Blessed." This means that they can be celebrated by Catholics in a particular country or region or by the members of certain religious community. If another miracle occurs and is approved, then the "Blessed" is canonized and honored with the title "Saint," meaning that they are now officially recognized as a universal model of holiness and an intercessor.

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The St. Francis Bingo program will be starting back up on April 4th and it runs every Thursday from 6pm-9:30pm.

The program is always looking for new Volunteers. If you are considering to become a Bingo volunteer, there are a variety of tasks that need to be done to continue the success of the program. Time commitment can be anywhere from one hour once every 5 weeks to more if you are willing. Tasks can be: Kitchen - prep, cook or serve items; Floor workers - call back number to verify cards, bring prize \$ to winners, wipe down tables at the end; Card Sales - sell game cards to participants; Pull Tab sales - sell game cards to participants; etc. If you are already a Bingo volunteer, Thank You! We can't do it without your help. Your acts of kindness may look small, but their impact on our Parish finances is enormous - the 2023 Bingo program raised OVER \$45,671.00 dollars! Volunteering will not make you a millionaire financially, but it will make you a billionaire in terms of God's blessings. Please see or call Patti Koch (315) 575-5391, or Dave Stevens (315) 264-5764 if you would like to offer some of your time to help out.



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2024 Lenten Corporal Works of Mercy

The Tri-Parish Women's Scripture Group will be collecting items on the weekends of
February 17/18 and February 24/25



***St Matthew's Food Pantry,
Heaven's Pantry @ Minoa Methodist Church and
Bridgeport Food Pantry @ St Francis Church***

Which provides food to those in need in our community
My Father's Kitchen

Collection dates: March 2/3 and March 9/10

Their Mission is to feed people's spirit, soul, and body by using food distribution and supplying material necessities to break down barriers, build relationships, and bring hope to those who feel invisible. They offer a hand up - not a handout, help foster positive change, and educate the community to promote a culture of dignity and respect.

and Sarah's Guest House during Lent

Collection dates: March 16/17 and March 23/24

Sarah's Guest House provides lodging, transportation, meals, and comfort to patients and families of patients receiving medical care in Central New York.

Lists of needed items are at all churches.

Minoa, Bridgeport & Kirkville Churches Welcomes Everyone to our Annual SOUP & SCRIPTURE LENTEN SUPPERS

Featuring SOUPS, LENTEN DEVOTION & FRIENDS

Feb 28
Mar 6
Mar 13
Mar 20
Mar 27

St Mary / St Francis / St Matthew's @ St Mary Parish Center in Minoa
North Manlius United Church
Kirkville Community Church
Bridgeport United Methodist Church
ALIVE Wesleyan Church



All Lenten Suppers begin at 5:15pm

All donations received are equally divided & given to 3 local food pantries

Bridgeport Food Pantry @ St Francis Church

Heaven's Pantry @ Minoa Methodist Church

Fyler Community Food Pantry @ Fyler Community Church



Helen Berger, Karolyn Samora Bogdan, Margie Bowhall, Frank & Sandy Bryant, Dee Buell, Nancy Cassella, Michelle Cayea, Joanne Colosi, Maryanne Cook, Kathy Dailey, Chuck & Nancy Davidson, James & Pat Dygert, Teddy Emch-Paone, Frances Funke, Chuck Gaspe, Enrico Geremia, Bob Kelty, Lori Koegel, John & Rosemary Luke, Sam Magari, Anne McCarthy, Josie Mills, Andrew Paulus, Pat Piwinski, Mary Rovall, Pat & Chuck Samora, Richard Spagnolo, Helen Timmins, Sandy & Dennis Van Auken, Chet Waskiewicz



MEMORY CANDLE

*Would you like a candle lit
for the week in memory of
a loved one?*

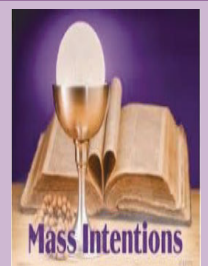
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If you would like to request specific dates for Mass intentions (i.e. anniversary, birthday), please call or send your request at least **3-6 months** in advance. If preferred Mass dates and times are unavailable, the **next available** Mass time will be scheduled.



Please pray for the souls of the people for whom
Mass will be offered this coming week

Monday, February 26 @ St Francis
9am Jerome Cooley

Wednesday, February 28 @ St Mary
9am Pro Populo

Friday March 1 @ St Matthew's
9am Bill Mechlenburg ~ MaryLou & Ed Ryfun

STATIONS of the CROSS ~ Fridays
12pm at St Mary Church
12pm at St Matthew's Church



Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday March 2 @ St Matthew's
4:30pm Francis Flynn ~ Anniversary / Family
Bernice J Mahr ~ Keeler Family
Clara & Joseph Rogers ~ Family

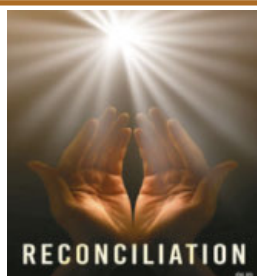
Sunday, March 3 @ St. Matthew's
8am Peggy & Frank Hahn ~ Family
Sonny Jude Becotte ~ Family
Carl Zaepfel ~
12th Anniversary / Daughters

Sunday, March 3 @ St Francis
9:30am Donald Conley ~ Helen & Ed Timmins
Beryl Donnelly ~ Agape Kitchen Group

Sunday, March 3 @ St Mary
11am Benny Pantoliano ~
Katherine & Donald Sears
Jeannie Bryant ~ Chuck Greiner
Angelo DiNatale ~ Joe Falcone

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)

Saturdays @ St Matthew's
3:30-4:15pm
Sundays @ St Mary
after 11am mass



MASS Intentions

WHEN DAILY MASS IS REPLACED BY A FUNERAL
The intentions from the DAILY MASS will be
moved to the next daily mass time. That way
your loved ones will be prayed for on a day close
to when you expected instead of being resched-
uled possibly months later.
EXAMPLE: If a funeral cancels a Mass on Monday
at St Francis, the deceased will be prayed for on
Wednesday at St Mary's Mass.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Traci Lambrych

A candle has been lit at
St Mary's for
William Adams
(Jennie & Family)



A candle has been lit at
St. Matthew's for
Rudy DeJulio
Anniversary
(Family)



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St Mary's CEMETERY OFFICE HOURS

@ St. Mary's Parish Center

MONDAY EVENINGS

6pm~ 7pm or by appointment

Laura Cavanaugh @ 315-345-8007



PARISH OFFICE HOURS
 Monday ~ Thursday 9am ~ 4pm
 OR by appointment —

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HELP OUR



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Bridgeport Food Pantry
 at St Francis Church
 3rd Wednesday of the month
 9:30-11:30am & 4-5:30pm
 FRESH FOOD GIVEAWAY
 4th Wednesday of the month @3pm

HEAVEN'S PANTRY

at Minoa United Methodist Church

3rd Wednesday of month

10-11am & 6-7pm



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PANTRY HOURS:

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2nd TIME AROUND STORE HOURS

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Please call the parish office regarding any of the following:

BAPTISM: arrangements made 2 months prior and parents required to attend baptism class for the 1st child prior to Baptism.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements made at least 6 months in advance.

HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS: Please notify the rectory when a family member is admitted to a hospital or nursing home so the clergy can provide for their spiritual needs.

COMMUNION: to sick/shut-in at anytime.

REGISTRATION/NEW MEMBERS: Please call the office.

ST MATTHEW

Jean Sajna

Mike Riley

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Kathleen Lanphear

ST FRANCIS

Mike Stocker

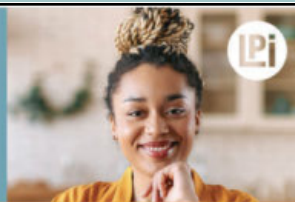
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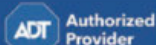
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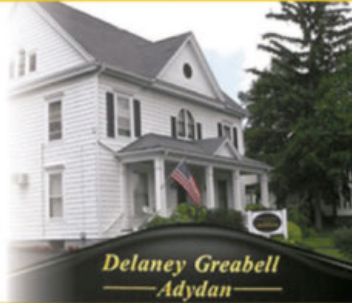
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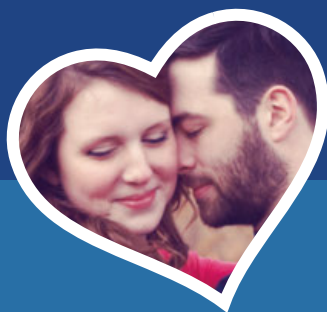
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