

Roman Catholic Diocese of Syracuse
Eastern Pastoral Care Area 4
St. Joan of Arc, St. Bernard, St. Mary, St. Joseph
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 17, 2021

Masses this Week:

- Sat., Jan. 16, 4 PM, Vigil – St. Joan’s**
Thelma Belitz by Francis X. Belitz
6 PM, Vigil – St. Joseph’s
For the People of our Parishes
- Sun., Jan. 17, 9 AM – St. Bernard’s**
Pauline and Kenneth Barnes by Pauline Barnes
11 AM – St. Mary’s
Bill Gallik by Diane Needham
- Mon., Jan. 18, 9 AM – St. Bernard’s**
Holy Souls by the Tower Family
- Tues., Jan. 19, 8 AM – St. Mary’s**
Bonnie Will by St. Mary’s ARS
- Wed., Jan. 20, 8 AM – St. Bernard’s**
For the People of our Parishes and
Tim Burbach’s successful surgery
- Thurs., Jan. 21, 8 AM – St. Mary’s**
Bill Nolan by St. Mary’s Parish Family
- Sat., Jan. 23, 4 PM, Vigil – St. Joan’s**
Jean Stone by Donna Kelly and Karen White
6 PM, Vigil – St. Joseph’s
For the People of our Parishes
- Sun., Jan. 24, 9 AM – St. Bernard’s**
Michael DeCicco by Family
11 AM – St. Mary’s
Rosemarie Dee Stillitano by the Family

This Week’s Events

- Sat., Jan. 16, 7am** – St. Bernard’s morning Rosary Group,
St. Bernard’s, Waterville
- Sat., Jan. 16, 3:30pm** – St. Joan’s afternoon Rosary Group,
St. Joan’s, Morrisville
- Sat., Jan. 16, 5pm** – Confessions with Fr. Kelly,
St. Joseph’s, Oriskany Falls
- Sun., Jan. 17, 11am** – Livestream Mass
- Mon., Jan. 18, 6:30-8pm** – Genesis Group, Zoom
- Tues., Jan. 19, 5:30pm** – PCA Holy Hour w/Confessions
St. Mary’s, Hamilton
- Sat., Jan. 23, 7am** – St. Bernard’s morning Rosary Group,
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FROM THE DESK OF FATHER HAGE

This week we pray in a special way for the unity of all Christians throughout the world. The theme for this year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is "Abide in my love...you shall bear much fruit," which is from John 15. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has a history of over 100 years, in which Christians around the world have taken part in an octave of prayer for visible Christian unity. By annually observing the WPCU, Christians move toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper "that they all may be one." (cf John 17-21). Ecumenism, from the Greek word "oikoumene," meaning "the whole inhabited world," is the promotion of cooperation and unity among Christians. The Ecumenical movement today has been brought about by the conviction that a divided Christianity is a scandal to the world. Underlying the Catholic Church's pursuit of ecumenism is its recognition that elements of sanctification and truth are found in other churches (Second Vatican Council, Lumen Gentium 8). It can be said that the Ecumenicity of the Church is another way of expressing her radical catholicity or universality (See Guidelines for Lutheran-Roman Catholic Dialogue 1967). Since the 1960s, following Vatican II, breakthrough agreements have been reached between Catholics and other communions including statements on Baptism, Eucharist, and Ministry. It is my sincerest desire that we continue efforts to strengthen our unity with our Christian brothers and sisters in our local community. St. Joan of Arc, St. Bernard, St. Mary, and St. Joseph, pray for us!

The Celebration of First Holy Communion at St. Bernard’s

Cillian and Raelyn McNamara will receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion during the 9am Mass at St. Bernard's on Sunday, January 17.

Daily Mass Update

Mass on MLK Day will take place at 9AM at St. Bernard's instead of 8AM, as is typical on all civic holidays. We will also pray the Rosary immediately following the 9AM Mass. All offices in the PCA will be closed on MLK Day as well.

Ministers for Liturgy

4 PM (1/16) – St. Joan’s

Lectors: Lisa Rusch – First Reading
Mike Bischoff - Second Reading
Altar Servers: Levi Doroshenko, Heather Doroshenko

9 AM (1/17) – St. Bernard’s

Hospitality: Mary Beth and John Sigmund
Usher: Laurie Toussaint
Eucharistic Minister: Katrina Townsend
Lectors: Diane Bootie – First Reading
Lurena McNamara – Second Reading
Altar Servers: Connor Stanton, Rylan Stanton,
Tom Fallon

11 AM (1/17) – St. Mary’s

Lectors: Sue Lehmann – First Reading
David Dudrick – Second Reading
Altar Servers: John Dudrick, Ciara Sparber
Live-Stream: Emily Delaney

St. Joseph’s Giving Tree

Dear Parishioners, The Oriskany Falls Community Christmas Committee would like to thank you for the support you gave the Giving Tree this year. Through your generosity and with the help of other local Churches, Organizations and individuals; we were able to give fifty-eight area families a joyous Christmas. Thanks once again for your faithful service.

“Definition of St. Joseph’s Parishioner: Whether rich or poor, we choose to be generous, no matter our income or abilities we give something. We do something. Those who give, those who do something are happier. They experience a type of Joy that makes no sense to those who have never felt it.” My Daily Visitor
Happy New Year to All!!
Oriskany Falls Community Christmas Program

Attn. Contribution Envelope Recipients

Please be advised that you may be experiencing delays in receiving your Cathedral envelopes. This is due to the challenges being faced by the USPS. Cathedral Corp is in no way responsible for these delays. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

Christmas Gift Idea for Homebound in our PCA

Deacon Mark Shiner is heading up a unique giving project for our PCA. He would like to facilitate the donation of Amazon Fire Tablets to all parishioners in our PCA who do not have access to the internet. A free hotspot will be provided to each of these persons along with the tablet. That way, our sick and homebound who do not have access to the internet can join our parishes for livestream Masses, classes, programs, etc. This will be a great gift to our sick and homebound because it will allow them to stay more connected to our parish communities during this time of pandemic, and hopefully provide them a little relief. Please reach out to Deacon Mark at MShiner@colgate.edu if you are interested in helping with this project or would like to donate to this initiative.

Please Offer Prayers:

For those who are ill, especially: Louise MacDonnell, Michael K. Dugan, John Moore, Amber Buell, Brenda Thieben, David Lemery, Alex LaBrague, Nancy Cocker, Dick Cocker, Phyllis Harris, Jacob Lamb, Mike Harry, Mary Lou Sacco Crouch, James Marcellus, Mandy McCracken, Gertrude Federici, Helen Bonhotal, Nicholas Respecki, Bethany Merenda, Jim Jackson, Jim Eiholzer, Catherine Jones, Catherine Albrecht Hanson, Theresa Blass, Mary Messere, Kaitlin Nagle, Richard Foligno, Eddie Kunze, Valorie Gunther, Michelle Atkinson, Diane Needham, Anthony Somma, Toni and Larry Barns, Alyssa Hinkis, Carol Benzoni, Bobby D’Angelo, Hannah Karlson, Mike & Sarah Periard, Dana Camp, Emily Carroll, Malcolm Pownall, Roy Rolle, Roy Roher, Mark Losee, John Monahan, Christine Webb, Patti VanVoorhis, Carolyn Depta, Margaret Peer, Marsha Roberts, Michael Bartlett, Dorothy Lynch, Esther Davis, Shane Gallup, Robin Maciag, Mary Golley, Maria Braun, Katherine Peck, John Bellan, Gladys Graham, Gerald Hayes, Dan Koehl, Jaye Parsons, Larry Winters, Jennifer Follett, Beverly Thorp, Sharon Woodcock, Teresa Lemery, Tom Barnes, Irene Lew, Marie Carroll, Dan Rauscher, Caleb Blair, David Blair, Vicki Hires, Tom Barnes (son of Phill and Vera Barnes) and all those on our prayer lines.

For all in the Military, especially: SPC Ryan Fowler; 2LT Shelly Respecki; SGT Wade Curtis; PO Dan Molloy, USN; SGT Ian Witchley; LT Andrew Stopchick, USN; GySgt Greg Palmere, USMC; and Corp. Wayne Lyrek, USMC; Cameron Fisher, Staff Sgt., Father Lukasz Kozlowski, Staff Sergeant Andrew Steward.

For all Medical Professionals, especially: Kerri Taylor, Jennifer Meyers, Ellen Larson, Ray Meeks, Annemarie Glouse, Stefanie Zombek, Stanley Zombek, Sean Fadale, Jen Mansfield, Donna Pisiak-Relf, Jonathan Eastman, Stephen Jackowski, Emma VanVoorhis, Chelly Crouch, Esther Hooftallen and all others on the front lines of this pandemic.

PCA Update on Holy Hours

This week’s PCA Holy Hour will take place at St. Mary’s in Hamilton at 5:30pm on Tuesday, January 19. These PCA Holy Hours involve Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Evening Prayer, *the opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation*, and Solemn Benediction. These Holy Hours take place every Tuesday at 5:30pm on a rotating basis: 1st Tuesday will be at St. Joan’s; 2nd Tuesday will be at St. Bernard’s; 3rd Tuesday will be at St. Mary’s; 4th Tuesday will be at St. Joseph’s.

PCA Update on Weekly Confessions

Father Hage will be hearing confessions this Tuesday, January 19 from 5:30pm until 6:30pm at St. Mary’s in Hamilton. The opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place every Tuesday from 5:30pm until 6:30pm on a rotating basis: 1st Tuesday will be at St. Joan’s; 2nd Tuesday will be at St. Bernard’s; 3rd Tuesday will be at St. Mary’s; 4th Tuesday will be at St. Joseph’s. All four campuses have equal opportunity to celebrate this great sacrament of mercy.

E-PCA 4 Faith Formation Update

While the Catechetical Leaders from our four parishes prepare for a new curriculum approach to Pre-K through Grade 8 beginning in February, Confirmation Prep for Grades 9 & 10 will continue to follow the schedule which was provided to families at the beginning of classes, as students explore the history and traditions of their Catholic Faith through games, the analysis of biblical stories and timelines, videos, and reflection questions, etc. This past Sunday, students met via Zoom with Mary Dinski, YM and Judith Kemp-Barnes, CL to explore how God reveals Himself in the Old & New Testament.

The Future of Faith Formation: A Family Affair!

The Catechetical Leaders (CLs) of EPCA-4 are excited to share the future of Faith Formation! The activation of our PCA following on the heels of a pandemic has provided a unique opportunity for us to come together to combine our talents, strategies, and perspectives in order to transition from a classroom-based approach towards faith formation to one which empowers our families to embrace their Catholic Faith and embark on a journey of discovery together, with guidance and support from our staff and lessons designed specifically for Family Catechesis!

This shift will take place gradually and will begin in February with each family receiving a themed packet containing: a scripture passage to read, a Saint's life to learn about, a Catholic Prayer to memorize, and a variety of activities for all ages that reinforce the featured theme! Zoom meetings, organized by each church's CL will take place once a month so that families may share what they've learned, Show & Tell featured crafts/activities, give feedback on suggested outings (ex. attend Stations of the Cross), and ask questions. Each month, beginning in February and continuing through May, families will continue to receive monthly themed packets and take-part in the monthly Zoom meeting. A Faith Formation Calendar with dates and times for these meetings will be included in the February packet.

Preparation for the Sacraments of Confirmation, First Reconciliation & First Communion will involve their own unique focus. Confirmation Prep will continue through Zoom meetings until social distancing is no longer a requirement. At that time these meetings will resume in-person. Families with students in 2nd grade will receive packets every other week with prayers, activities and information that will help parents/caregivers prepare their children for these sacraments. CLs will facilitate Zoom meetings on alternate weeks to provide support and guidance to families, answer questions, and provide an opportunity for families to journey together in their sacramental prep. At least one parent/caregiver will be required to participate in each Zoom meeting with their 2nd grader.

CLs from each of the four churches within our PCA are ready and willing to answer questions as they arise and provide support and encouragement throughout this period of transition and into the future as we believe that Faith Formation is lifelong and ongoing!

Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion:

Second grade students will begin preparation for the Sacrament of First Reconciliation in the next couple of weeks, using the same new format as the Faith Formation Program. Families will receive packets of material pertaining to the Sacrament of Reconciliation to assist parents in teaching their children at home. Catechetical Leaders will meet with families via Zoom every other week to further assist with the learning process. Families can expect a packet at the end of January, with additional information packets arriving to families the weeks of Feb 8, Feb 22, March 8. (Dates and times for Zoom meetings will be available in the first packet). The Sacrament of First Reconciliation for the PCA will be celebrated at St. Bernard's, Waterville, on Sunday, March 21 at 2:00 PM. Preparation for the Sacrament of First Communion will follow the same format, and will begin the week of March 21. Please know the Catechetical Leaders we will assist families with the learning process as much as possible and parents are welcome to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Mass Intention Requests for St. Joseph's

Change in Procedure - Please complete the information requested on the new Mass request stipend envelope, along with your payment. Your Mass request will be recorded upon receipt of this envelope. Please also include your phone number. Envelopes are in the vestibule.

Newly Formed Finance Councils for St. Bernard's and St. Joseph's!

Father Hage is pleased to announce the newly formed Finance Council for St. Bernard's in Waterville: David Upcraft as Finance Chair; Paul Gallagher as Consultant; Dick Martin as Trustee; and Bob Pletl as Trustee. Father Hage is also pleased to announce the newly formed Finance Council for St. Joseph's in Oriskany Falls: Gary Anderson as Finance Chair; Annie Wilmot as Consultant; Corey Eastman as Trustee; and Ben Stuttard as Trustee.

St. Mary's ARS Epiphany Party 2021

In this most difficult year, we are trying to do something fun in lieu of the Epiphany Party! Of course, we must socially distance, so the "Secret Angel" exchange has begun. Here's how it works: Everyone who wants to participate should email or call Kathleen (315-825-5858/kathmcstahl@gmail.com) or Denise (315-430-8913/denisedinski@gmail.com). Once we have all the participants in place, we will assign each person a "pickup" number and a different number to put on your gift. Gifts should be left in the church basement kitchen by 10 am on Sunday, January 17, clearly marked with the number you were given. The gifts can then be picked up after 12:30. You will pick up the gift corresponding to your assigned pickup number. I know it's not baked potatoes and sundaes but here's to next year! Please spread the word, and if you can't pickup or dropoff or if you have any questions, contact Denise or Kathleen.

New Beginnings

If you have ever considered joining the Catholic Church or being confirmed in the Faith, now is a good time to start the exploration to see if it is right for you. We are just beginning our RCIA process for this year, so contact Deacon Paul at dcpaullehmann@gmail.com or call him at (315) 794-1393.

St. Bernard's Saturday Morning Rosary Group

All parishioners in our PCA are welcome to join the St. Bernard's Saturday Morning Prayer Group for the recitation of the Rosary and simple Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Saturday morning at 7am in the church. For more information, please reach out to Mike Tower at 315-525-9803 or towerm95@gmail.com.

St. Joan of Arc Saturday Afternoon Rosary Group

All parishioners in our PCA are welcome to join the St. Joan of Arc Saturday Hour of Mercy Prayer Group for the recitation of the Rosary and simple Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Saturday afternoon at 3:30pm in the church before their 4pm Vigil Mass. For more information, please reach out to Katie Rowland at katiger12@yahoo.com.

New PCA Facebook Page!

Check out our new PCA Facebook page for all up-to-date news on upcoming events in the four parishes in our PCA. The 11am Sunday morning Mass will be livestreamed for the whole PCA on this platform as well. Please like us @Route20Catholic.

11 AM Sunday Morning Mass Live-streamed!

Please join the entire PCA Parish Family for Sunday Mass online in real time every Sunday at 9am and 11am! You can access the livestream by visiting: <https://www.facebook.com/Route20Catholic>

New PCA Website!!!

Please check out our new PCA website at www.Route20Catholic.org that now includes all four parishes on one online platform! We are so excited to finally launch this collaborative online initiative. This will hopefully streamline the release of information to all four parishes, and now all parishioners across the PCA can access one platform for the most up-to-date information on what is happening locally in our region.

Consolation Ministers – January

St. Joan's – Lona Dahlem (495-6478), Chuck Molloy (684-9398) & Paula Curtis (684-9058)

St. Mary's – Bonnie Will (315-691-3168) and Nancy Roberts (315-824-3097)

E – PCA 4 Financial Reports

St. Joan's Financial Support – 01-10

Weekly Ordinary	\$1,153.00
Christmas	25.00
Fuel	500.00

HOPE Appeal Goal - \$6,218.44

HOPE Appeal Amount Received **\$8,520.00**
as of 1/10/21

Percent of Goal – 137% (+\$2,301.56!)

St. Joan of Arc Mailing Address

The mailing address for St. Joan of Arc is P.O. Box 1087, Morrisville, NY 13408. Mail offertory here.

For a copy of your 2020 donations for tax purposes, please call the parish office at 315-684-9551, drop a note in the collection or email us. Thank you for your support.

St. Bernard's Financial Support – 01-10

Weekly Ordinary	\$1,544.00
Holy Day	45.00

HOPE Appeal Goal \$15,453.84

HOPE Appeal Amount Received **\$17,100.00**
as of 01/13/21

Percent of Goal – 110% (+1,646.16!)

St. Mary's Financial Support – 01-10

Weekly Ordinary	\$1,933.00
Christmas	100.00
Monthly Ordinary	675.00
Fuel	130.00
Tohatchi	45.00
Immaculate Conception	100.00
Solemnity of Mary	95.00
Cathedralium	50.00
Youth Group	10.00

HOPE Appeal Goal - \$15,545.63

HOPE Appeal Amount Received **\$14,558.00**
as of 01/13/21

Percent of Goal – 93.7%

*The Sanctuary light at St. Mary's is lit in memory of
Rocky Faraone by Betty Faraone.*

St. Joseph's Financial Support – 01-10

Weekly Ordinary	\$527.00
Holy Day	35.00

HOPE Appeal Goal \$6,657.83

HOPE Appeal Amount Received **\$3,615.00**
as of 01/13/21

Percent of Goal – 54.3%