

March 1, 2009

St. Columba ~ St. Patrick Parish

198 North Street

Caledonia, New York 14423

A Member of 5 Saints West Pastoral Planning Group



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GENERAL INFORMATION

Parish Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Fri. - 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

Children's Liturgy of the Word available at the
10 a.m. Mass.

WEEKDAY MASSES (in Rectory Chapel)

See Mass schedule inside bulletin.

The Chapel in the rectory is open during parish
office hours if you wish to make a visit

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:15 p.m. or by appointment



**The Sanctuary Candle
at St. Columba
will burn this week
for
The People of the Parish**

Mass Intentions for this week

Saturday, February 28

5:00 p.m. - Judy Reed (her family)

Sunday, March 1 - First Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. - Ruby Didas (Don & Ruth Coyle)

10:00 a.m. - Betty Coyle (Janice & Pete Weis)

Monday, March 2

8:00 a.m. - Holy Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, March 3

8:00 a.m. - People of the Parish

Wednesday, March 4

8:00 a.m. - Thomas & Anna Keaveney

Thursday, March 5

8:00 a.m. - Deceased members of the Keaveney & Ryan Families

Friday, March 6

No Mass Today

Saturday, March 7

5:00 p.m. - Art Vokes (his family)

Lector: Tom Hendrickson

Communion Ministers: Anne Paluskiewicz & Judy Szczech

Altar Server: Rachael Lombino

Greeter: Gary Bubel

Sunday, March 8 - Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. - Alphonso & Mauguerite Monacelli (their family)

Lector: Barb Kelly

Communion Ministers: Jim & Vicki Dutton

Altar Server: Tom Snyder

Greeters: Helen Anderson & Eileen LaFave

10:00 a.m. - Kimberli Sullivan (The Sheer Family)

Lector: Kathleen Brown

Communion Ministers: Peter Lent, Tom & Loretta

Dintruff, Karen Polo

Altar Servers: Alyssa Connelie & Samantha Horr

Greeters: Nancy & Bill Skivington

New Ministers' schedule

The schedule for Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers & Greeters for the months of March, April & May is ready and can be picked up in the front foyer of the church. There will be sign-up sheets posted on the bulletin board for Holy Week & Easter liturgies next week.

This week in the parish

Sunday, March 1

Second collection - Black, Native American & Hispanic
10:00 a.m. - Faith Formation, grade 1; Children's Liturgy of the Word

7:00 p.m. - Holy Hour w/ Benediction

High School Youth Group meets

Monday, March 2

7:00 p.m. - Bible Study begins

Wednesday, March 4

6:30 p.m.- Faith Formation, grades K, 2 - 6; 1st Communion Parent meeting

7:30 p.m. - Choir practice

Friday, March 6

7:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 7

10 - Noon - St. Patrick Clothing Center open

Sunday, March 8

Daylight Savings Time begins

10:00 a.m. - Faith Formation, grade 1; Children's Liturgy of the Word; 1st Communion enrollment

Middle School Youth Group meets

Stewardship at Sts. C / P

For February 22

Attendance.....	353
Number of Sunday envelopes used.....	104
Sunday offering.....	\$2,894.26
Amount needed weekly to reach our budget....	3,816.00
Difference (under budget).....	(\$ 921.74)

SACRIFICIAL GIVING COUNTERS for March 2 -

Team #3 - Barry Bickford & Eileen LaFave

SACRISTAN for March - Donna MacWilliams

ST. PATRICK CLOTHING CENTER volunteers for

March 7 - Meg Geer & Charlene Sayers

CHILDRENS' LITURGY OF THE WORD volunteer

for March 8 - Donna Wing

Stewardship thought

Lent is a time to reflect on our relationship with God. We are called to focus on prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in our Lenten stewardship.

WANTED - Missing booklets

We're missing some of our copies of "Through Death To Life" funeral planning booklets. If you have one, please return it. It can be left on the pick-up shelf in the side entrance of the rectory. Thank you.

Little Black Books

Once again, the parish is offering the "Little Black Books" to use during this Lenten Season. The "Little Black Book" is a booklet of 6 minute daily meditations. They are available in the foyer of the church.

Catholic Ministries Appeal - update

Goal: \$21,691.00

Given to date: \$17,743.00 – 146 Donors - 81.80% of our goal

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m. in the church. This beautiful prayer service traces the last footsteps of Christ, it only takes 1/2 hour, and is a meaningful Lenten devotion. Why not make a Lenten sacrifice to “give up” 1/2 hour a week for Stations of the Cross.

Prison Reform and Re-Entry

In association with the 5 Saints West Parishes, the Social Ministry Committee will be a part of sponsoring a “Just Faith” program dealing with Prison Reform and Re-Entry.

The program will consist of six sessions. It was designed and written by Jens Soering, an inmate who has written extensively about prison reform. Soering introduces the Christian principle of restorative justice and points out the critical need for comprehensive reform. The critical need for effective re-entry programs will also be studied.

The program will focus on the power of prayer and the Christian messages of reconciliation and redemption. Using the tools of reading, dialogue, videos and the possibility of guest speakers, the participants will:

- engage the issues of prison reform from many angles
- Identify common myths and misconceptions concerning prisons and the corrections systems
- Explore the concepts of rehabilitation and restoration
- Study and discuss the critical importance of effective re-entry programs

To cover the expense of one book and other materials, there will be a fee of \$23.00 per participant.

This promises to be an important and stimulating study. If you would like to participate or have any questions, please call Jim Dollard at 538-2242 by this Sunday, March 1st.

We plan to have our first gathering on Monday, March 16th. Location and time will be announced.

From our neighbors across the street

You are cordially invited to St. Andrew's Kitchen, every Saturday from 5-7 PM. Soup, sandwiches, dessert and beverage. St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 175 North Street, Caledonia. Join us for Food and Fellowship. No charge. Offerings are welcome but not necessary.

St. Joseph's/St. Patrick's Celebration



Come join us on Saturday, March 14 at 6:00 PM, in the church hall, for a dish-to-pass dinner. We will be entertained with Irish music and learn/taste the customs of St. Joseph Table. Signup sheets are in the church.



Wednesday night supper

We'd like people to know that we serve dinner from 5-6 every Wednesday evening, in Fellowship Hall at the First Presbyterian Church, Caledonia, and all are welcome for a good meal and good fellowship. The meal is free to all, although we gladly accept donations to help defray costs. We appreciate knowing how many we might be serving each week, so "reservations" may be made by calling the Church office at 538-4555. Also, we're always looking for volunteers, so if anyone is interested, let us know.

Operation Rice Bowl

As part of our faith community's Lenten observance, we will participate in Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program, Operation Rice Bowl once again this year. Since 1975, Operation Rice Bowl has inspired Catholics in the United States to **pray, fast, learn** and **give** as we increase our understanding of our global community. We will connect this understanding with the principles of Catholic Social Teaching throughout our Lenten journey. We encourage you to participate in Operation Rice Bowl at home with your family and loved ones.

Building Peace with Justice

In the second reading today, St. Peter describes baptism as “an appeal to God for a clear conscience.” The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines conscience as “the interior voice of a human being, within whose heart the inner law of God is inscribed . . . it moves a person at the appropriate moment to do good and to avoid evil.” As we prepare to renew our baptismal vows on Easter, perhaps we can make an “examination of conscience” part of our Lenten practice. If we commit to spending a few moments every day in complete silence, setting aside the noisy world so that we can discern our “inner voice”, we will be better able to be a force for good in our families, communities and world.



Save the date
Tuesday, March 10
7:00 p.m.
Healing Mass at
St. Columba