

March 21, 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, March 21

5:00 p.m. - Raymond J. Grant (The Grant Family)

Sunday, March 22 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. - Joseph Ferraro (The Crysler Family)

10:00 a.m. - Regina Ulatowski (her family)

Monday, March 23

8:00 a.m. - Deceased & living grandchildren of the J. M. White Family

Tuesday, March 24

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

Wednesday, March 25

8:00 a.m. - Michael McDonough (Paula Davison)

Thursday, March 26

8:00 a.m. - Intentions of Josephine Isganitis (M/M Donald Pullyblank)

Friday, March 27

No Mass Today

Saturday, March 28

5:00 p.m. - Frank & Josephine Cappotelli Sr. (their family)

Lector: Tim Anderson

Communion Ministers: Milly Romano & Bill McGinnis

Altar Server: Rachael Lombino

Greeter: Gary Bubel

Sunday, March 29 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. - Sam Andalora (his family)

Lector: Cindy Oltmann

Communion Ministers: Barb Kelly & Colleen Donegan

Altar Server: Tom Snyder

Greeters: Betty Minisce & Helen Anderson

10:00 a.m. - Nicholas Zajack

Lector: No Lector Needed

Communion Ministers: Aminta McNulty, Barb

Figenschel, John & Jill Formella

Altar Servers: Matthew Condame

Greeters: Tom & Barb Robinson

Stewardship thought

Stewardship is God's invitation to a way of life. It helps us to overcome our selfishness and love of things.

This week in the parish

Sunday, March 22

2nd Collection - Catholic Relief Services

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

6:00 p.m. - Living Stations of the Cross practice
No Youth Group

Monday, March 23

1 - 7 p.m. - Red Cross Blood Drive

7:00 p.m. - Bible Study

Wednesday, March 25

6:30 p.m.- Faith Formation, grades K, 2 - 6

7:30 p.m. - Choir practice

Thursday, March 26

7:30 p.m. - Knights of Columbus meet

Friday, March 27

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

Sunday, March 29

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

No Youth Group

Stewardship at Sts. C / P

For March 15

Attendance.....	284
Number of Sunday envelopes used.....	112
Sunday envelopes.....	\$2,191.00
Loose checks, bills & change.....	<u>353.00</u>
Total.....	\$2,544.00
Amount needed weekly to reach our budget....	<u>3,816.00</u>
Difference (under budget).....	(\$1,272.00)

SACRIFICIAL GIVING COUNTERS for March 23 -

Team #3 - Barry Bickford & Eileen LaFave substituting for Team #1, Sam & Anna Serio

SACRISTAN for March - Julie Molisoni

ST. PATRICK CLOTHING CENTER volunteer for April 4 - Lori Bickford

NO CHILDRENS' LITURGY OF THE WORD for March 29 - Children's Mass is scheduled

Holy Week & Easter sign-ups

There are sign-up sheets for Communion ministers, Lectors, altar servers & greeters posted on the bulletin board for Holy Week & Easter liturgies, as well as Washing of the Feet and Adoration on Holy Thursday. If you can help out, please let us know. Thank you.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross is 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.

Catholic Ministries Appeal - update

Goal: \$21,691.00

Given to date: \$17,793.00 – 146 Donors - 82.03% of our goal

Easter Flower donations



If you would like to donate toward the cost of the Easter flowers that will be used in the sanctuary area, in memory of a loved one, or for a special intention, please put your donation in an envelope marked "Flowers" and drop it in the weekend collection. Acknowledgements will be in the bulletin after Easter.

Wedding Jubilee Mass

Bishop Matthew Clark will preside at a Wedding Jubilee Mass to honor couples who have been married 25, 30, 40, 50 or more years on Sunday, May 17th at 2:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Rochester. A reception will follow the Mass.

To register, please go to the Diocesan website, [http://www.dor.org/dbpages/Wedding Mass](http://www.dor.org/dbpages/Wedding%20Mass), or send your name and address to Sylvia Mancuso at 1150 Buffalo Road, Rochester, NY 14624, call 328-3228 ext. 1295, or email smancuso@dor.org. Responses for the Mass need to be received by Friday, May 8th.

Comfort Care Home Q & A's

The Comfort Care Home Committee has prepared a Question and Answer sheet reviewing articles that have appeared in our bulletin. They contain information about the Comfort Care Home and a form to respond with questions. You can find these sheets posted on the bulletin board in the church foyer. There are extras on the table. Please take one home and if you have any questions for the committee, please fill out the appropriate sheet and send it to St. Mary of the Assumption, 99 Main Street, P. O. Box 23, Scottsville, NY 14546

Please pray for our sick & those who have asked for our prayers

Rose Wood, Pat Murray, Carol Samson, Linda Kyle, Terri Ferrara, Howard Raymond, Betty Aquino, Leonard Iannello



St. Columba Cemetery clean-up

St. Columba Cemetery will be opening April 15th. Families are asked to please remove all winter decorations and unsightly plastic flowers or ornaments from graves. Please do not leave them at the cemetery - take them home and dispose of them there. Your help in cleaning up the cemetery is greatly appreciated.

Operation Rice Bowl

Nicodemus and Jesus

In today's Gospel, the conversation between Jesus and Nicodemus reminds us during Lent that as we seek to put our spiritual lives in order, we cannot accomplish this task on our own. God has done for us what we cannot do for ourselves. We are reminded that we have been made able to see the kingdom of God; we have been given the gift of eternal life through the waters of baptism.

As we continue our Operation Rice Bowl journey, let us remember in **prayer** that we are called to be good stewards of what has been entrusted to us. Through protecting the environment in which we live, we respect the goodness of nature, a gift God has given. May our **fasting** keep us mindful of those who have no clean water to grow crops or to nourish their families. May our **almsgiving** assist Catholic Relief Services provide agriculture programs in Honduras.

Thanks for a successful celebration!

Thanks to all who helped make the St. Joseph's Table/St. Patrick's celebration such a success. Over 120 attended and every dish shared was scrumptious! Special thanks to the committee which included Karen Polo, Judy Ball, Millie Romano, Mary Ann Cappotelli, Paula Davison, Barb Caluorie, Anne Paluskiewicz and son, Chris, Carole & Jim O'Donoghue, Laurie & John Bickford, Pat and Sue Rountree and everyone who pitched in and helped clear tables etc. Thanks to Bev Trojanoski and Marjie Carpenter for the photos and information they provided about the St. Joseph's Table, which Karen Polo designed and setup. The Market Place donated all the oranges. Father Mickey arranged for the music, and John Ball performed his special rendition of "Galway Bay". Go raibh maith agaibh and Grazie!

P.S. - The strange words are Gaelic and Italian for "thank you".

Comfort Care Home: Logo Design Contest.

Anyone wishing to submit a color 8" x 11.5" drawing or logo of our name: **Patrick Place**

A Comfort Care Home

Final date that participants will have to send drawings will be the 20th of April 2009. There will be a prize of \$100 for the winner. The winner will be selected on May 4th. You may mail to:

Comfort Care Design Contest
c/o St. Mary of the Assumption
99 Main St P.O. Box 23
Scottsville, NY 14546

Or email:
sstmaryo@dor.org
Subject: Design Contest

5 Saints West Planning Council update

The members of the Planning Council met at St. Vincent DePaul Church on February 18th. Information was shared about recent events and projects underway. These are the Council highlights:

- Staffs of the 5 Saints West parishes met at St. Vincent de Paul for a "Spirit Alive" retreat January 26, 2009.
- Currently, St. Mary of the Assumption and St. Vincent de Paul are offering a joint Lenten Retreat on Monday evenings, with soup at 6:15; evening prayer at 7:00 pm; and a speaker at 7:30pm. See your parish bulletin boards for more information.
- Enthusiasm is building for the establishment of a comfort care home for the dying in St. Mary's rectory. The 5 Saints West Comfort Care Home Planning Committee has been gathering information from experts in all aspects of establishing such a facility. To enhance understanding of this venture, the committee is preparing a PowerPoint presentation for the Council, 5 Saints West Pastoral Councils, and parishioners. The committee plans a fundraising effort throughout our region, and a fundraising gala is being planned for September 2009. For more information, please visit the committee's website: www.geocities.com/comfortcarehomefivesaintswest/
- A retreat day of celebration and recognition for the Planning Council, 5 Saints West Pastoral Councils, Parish Staffs, and Finance Councils will be held on Saturday, October 3, 2009, at St. Christopher Church. The focus of the gathering will be: "Spirituality of Change: Doing More with Less." Father Joe Marcoux will facilitate a day filled with reflection, discussion, spiritual activities and, of course, food. Watch for more information as the date draws closer.
- Save the date! Saturday, July 25, 2009, will be our 5 Saints West Mass and picnic at Churchville Park's East-West Lodge.

Look for more updates on shared events and ministries in future bulletins. As always, we thank you all for your prayers, and we wish you a blessed Lent and Easter season.

Prison Reform and Re-Entry

This is a repeat of a previous bulletin article. We would like to have this program in our Five Saints West community. A starting time would be arranged to fit with interested individuals schedules.

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 April 1st.

More on Stewardship

The Stewardship Committee is continuing it's follow up from last November's Ministry Fair. Various groups have met and other individuals are being contacted at this time. Unfortunately there are not enough hours in the day to meet up with everyone in a timely fashion. For instance, there are liturgical ministries that have yet to be updated and people who need to be trained. We intend to do that soon, so please be patient.

Along these lines, we know that there are others who may not have had the chance to sign up for something, or others still who needed more time to reflect. So we will be holding another, though perhaps more scaled down, ministry fair on the weekend of March 28-29. There will be tables in the church hall with people there to answer questions and to offer handouts to all who are interested.

Remember that stewardship is understood as a way of life for Christians. It's a way of living the gospel in a spirit of thanksgiving to God for blessings received. In return for these blessings, we give back to God a portion (tithe) of our time and talents. Our prayer is that all will hear the call of God to give of themselves generously.

Visiting Ministry

Interested in visiting the homebound, hospitalized or those in nursing homes? Come to an information evening on Monday March 30th at 7:00PM in the Church Hall. If you can't come and have questions, please call the Parish office: 538-2126.

Rosary Society meeting

If you are interested in joining the newly reorganized Rosary Society, the next meeting will be Tuesday, March 31st at 6:45. It will be held at Lang's, 46 North Meadow, Caledonia. Any questions or for more information, call Teresa Lang 944-0836.