

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**"AS I HAVE DONE FOR YOU,
SO YOU SHOULD ALSO DO FOR OTHERS."**

In a society that esteems upward mobility, the readings this Sunday are especially challenging. The gospel passage shows how easy it is for people to become distracted from their true mission as the disciples ask Jesus to guarantee them the best seats in heaven. He reminds them that real upward mobility has more to do with service of others than any earthly power. As we reflect on God's Word, we pray we may be strengthened to show greater concern for the poor and needy.

Please Pray For All Our Sick

Alice Hazel, Joseph LaVarnway, Pearl Sullivan, Joseph Puente, Nancy Lalone, Marie Badger, George Skomsky, and Tim Kirkey.

Mass Intentions For The Week



Monday, October 19 - John de Brebeuf
12:05 Simone Fournier by Raymonde D'Arienzo
Tuesday, October 20 - Weekday
12:05 Marion Bourdon (ANN) by Her Husband,
Kenneth and Family

Wednesday, October 21 - Weekday
12:05 Harold White by Bobby & Nancy Brothers **and**
William Michaud by William Singleton
2:30 **SRNH** - Donald Smith by Bill & Mary Manfred

Thursday, October 22 - Weekday
12:05 Michael Hazelton (ANN) by The Family

Friday, October 23 - John of Capistrano
NO MASSES TODAY

2:00 **HNH** - Communion Prayer Service
Saturday, October 24 - Weekday
4:30 Paul LaRue by John & Patricia LaRue

Sunday, October 25 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 ***(SH)** Mona McDonald by Romeo & Linda Beaudoin
and For the People of the Parish
9:30 ***(SH)** Louis Anthony Pratti by Andy, Carol, & Alex
11:00 **** (SL)** Thomas Carroll by Carolyn & Giovanni Jermano
6:00 **Radio Broadcast** of 9:30 A.M. Mass
Courtesy of WMSA

***Mass at Sacred Heart **Mass at St. Lawrence Church**

MEMORIAL MASS FOR DECEASED OF PARISH

The Comfort in Sorrow Ministry invites the family and friends of this year's deceased parishioners to a **MEMORIAL MASS AT 4:30 PM, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31st.** There will be a traditional reading of names at Mass and reception at church will follow. Families are invited to place photos (size 5x7 to 8x10 inch) of their deceased on the table in Mary's alcove.

**REPORT ON MEETING OF PARISH COUNCILS
OF SACRED HEART AND ST. LAWRENCE PARISHES
OF OCTOBER 8TH**

After considerable discussion among the members in attendance from both parishes, the decision was reached to proceed with plans for merging the two parishes into one parish. This process will involve the selection of specific committees to begin planning for the future and creating a plan that will eventually be submitted to the Diocesan Planning Board and subsequently to the Bishop of the diocese (when a bishop is appointed).

Committees for future planning will include: Worship, Christian Formation and Outreach, Buildings and Grounds, and Financial. Members from each Parish Council will serve on these committees and will meet over the next several months to establish a plan for merging and consolidation.

SIGN OF PEACE AT MASS

With the cold/flu season upon us, parishioners are reminded to take the ordinary precautions of covering their mouths and noses when coughing or sneezing as well as washing hands with soap and hot water (plenty of both are available in our bathrooms).

There are alternative ways of exchanging the sign of peace other than shaking hands, eg nodding and smiling at those around us. All should respect how others choose to express this sign of peace.

**NO NOON MASS AT SACRED HEART THIS FRIDAY.
DAILY MASS WILL BE 8:15 am AT ST MARY'S CHURCH.**

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday
9:30 Children's Liturgy of the Word
10:30 Inquiry meets at the Rectory
Tuesday
7:30 K of C 1141 meets at K of C Hall
Wednesday
6:00 RCIC (children) meets in the Rectory
Thursday
3:30 Traditional Choir Rehearsal in Church

THE BISHOP'S FUND

Our parish's 2009 Bishop's Fund Appeal is coming to a close. We are grateful to the **189** families that have made a sacrificial gift to this year's Bishop's Fund Appeal. Our parish has raised **\$19,295.50** toward the effort. Thanks to all who have supported this year's Appeal. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please pray about your decision and make a pledge or one-time gift. Pledge envelopes are located in the church pews. You also have the opportunity to make your gift and pledge payments online using a credit card. Please visit www.dioogdensburg.org/development and click on "Donate Now" (found in the left-hand margin of the website.)

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) AND
INQUIRY ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH**

The Inquiry Process for anyone interested in becoming Catholic or desiring to complete their Sacraments are now in progress every Sunday at 10:30 in the Rectory. If you or someone you know is interested, please call the Rectory at 769-2469.

GOD'S PLAN — Sacrificial Giving

Sunday, October 11, 2009.....\$ 8,697.56
Last year, October 12, 2008.....\$10,760.39

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Sunday, October 18th

Faith Formation Classes

Grades 1-6 from 10:30-11:30 am at **Trinity School**

Jr. High from 6:30-7:30 pm at **St. Mary's Social Hall**

Confirmation from 6:30-7:30 pm at **Sacred Heart Rectory**

TRICK-OR-TREAT for ST. VINCENT'S

All children in Grs. 5-8 are invited to go house-to-house to collect nonperishable items for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry on Sunday, Oct. 25th from 1-3 pm. Ask a friend - dress up in a Halloween costume - bring empty grocery bags - put fun into this service project! Adults are needed to drive the children. All participants are to meet at St. Joseph's Parish Center at 12:45 to receive a route here in Massena. Questions?? Call Ann Borsellino at 250-5152.

Harvest Mass of Thanksgiving

Continuing an event celebrated annually in the North Country, our Diocesan Administrator, Father Terry R. LaValley extends his invitation to all North Country farmers and their co-workers to take part in the Harvest Mass of Thanksgiving. It will be celebrated at St. Celcilia's Church in Adams on Sunday, Nov. 1st at 1:00 pm. The Church in the North Country will give God thanks for His blessings manifested in the products of our farms, and pray for God's blessings on North Country farmers and their labors.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED....

Each year about this time we recruit new altar servers! Any girl or boy interested in becoming an altar server, please contact Father Don at Sacred Heart Rectory. We have a team of parishioners working with Father to prepare anyone interested. All children beginning with Grade Four are invited to become servers.

ADULT WOMEN AND MEN ARE ALSO WELCOME TO BECOME SERVERS...ESPECIALLY FOR NOON MASS AND FUNERALS ON SATURDAYS, SCHOOL HOLIDAYS OR SUMMERTIME....PLEASE CONTACT FATHER DON.

ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS

If you plan to leave for the winter months, please notify the rectory (769-2469) and your envelopes will be discontinued until you return in the spring. If you know the date you will return, please let us know.

Please consider continuing your support for Sacred Heart parish during your absence! Since your "home" parish has and will serve your spiritual needs, I ask you to continue your financial contributions during the winter months. I realize most people cannot support two parishes and for the most part, many southern parishes have larger incomes than ours here in Northern New York!

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

At our Baptism, each one of us became a missionary. We have been called by our Lord to share our faith with those around us – and to be part of the Church's mission to the world. Jesus Himself, before He returned to the Father, promised His followers the Presence of the Holy Spirit and charged them with being His "witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

That mission is now addressed to you and to me. We are to support, in prayer and sacrifice, the work of missionaries who bring the "Good News" of Jesus to faraway places – to Africa and Asia, to the Pacific Islands and to remote regions of Latin America.

On *World Mission Sunday*, celebrated this year on October 18, the Catholics of the world unite at Holy Eucharist to recommit ourselves to this Baptismal call to be missionaries. As we pray and respond here at home, we are replicating what is also taking place in every parish and chapel all over the world.

More than 1,150 young churches in the Developing World rely on our generous response this *World Mission Sunday*. In times of tragedy – natural disaster, war, and persecution – our mission family looks to the Church for help and hope. *World Mission Sunday* celebrates our unity as a human family and provides an opportunity to support the life-giving presence of local priests, Religious and lay catechists among the suffering and the poor of the Missions.

I pray that all the faithful of the Diocese of Ogdensburg may eagerly respond to our baptismal call to witness to the love of Jesus and generously support those who dedicate their lives to serving the Church as missionaries.

Wishing God's blessings to you and your loved ones, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Rev. Terry R. LaValley, J.C.L.

Diocesan Administrator

FAMILY HARVEST DINNER AND CASINO NIGHT

This Harvest Dinner and Casino Night is open to Sacred Heart/St. Lawrence Parishes. Come join us on Friday, November 6th at 6:00 pm till ?? Each guest/couple/family is asked to bring a dish to pass. Examples: casserole, vegetable, salad, meat dishes. ***Drinks, desserts and table settings will be provided.

CASINO - after dinner. Games of chance-raftles-fun

CHILDRENS' BINGO - children will win prizes!!!

Not a Gambler?? Then just come, have dinner and visit with friends and family before the SNOW falls!!

ATTENTION ALL CATHOLIC YOUTH OF MASSENA

The first meeting of the newly-formed CYO2 - Massena Catholic Youth - will take place on Wednesday, November 4th, 6:30-8:00 pm in St. Mary's Social Hall. This is open to everyone in Grades 6-12. Come, check it out!!