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First Church Dedicated and Incorporated, 1821
Present Church Dedicated 1866



St. Mary's NYS Rt. 12, Copenhagen Land Deeded 1901, Incorporated 1890 Present Church Dedicated 1902

We are two diverse communities of faith who are united in bringing the Gospel into the daily lives of all who worship with us. We stand together with all people, especially the poor and the alienated, as a sign of God's universal love for all people. We extend a warm welcome to all and hope that you will find the parishes of St. James and St. Mary's places where faith can be nourished.

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Todd E. Thibault

Pastoral Associate: Deacon Richard J. Staab

Pastoral Associate: Sr. Annunciata Collins, SSJ

Augustinian Academy: Sister Suanne Johnson, Principal

Sunday Mass Schedule Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00 pm St. James (ant.) Saturday: 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm St. James

Sunday: 8:00 am St. Mary's Sunday: 7:30 am St. Mary's

10:00 am St. James Sacrament of Marriage: Contact Pastor

Sacrament of Baptism: Contact Rectory

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:

Contact the Rectory anytime

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February 16, 2025 Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

4:00SJ(ant.) - For the people of St. James & St. Mary's

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

8:00SM - Living & Deceased members of AJ & Margaret Fleming family by Deacon Richard & Peg Staab

10:00SJ John & Helen Paragon by Joanne & Mike Sligar

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17

9:00SJ - Rosary/Miraculous Medal Novena

9:30SJ - Communion Service

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

9:00SJ - Rosary

9:30SJ - Jasmine Solomon by Judy Hill and family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

9:00SM - Thomas Sweredoski by Penny & Bill Tyner

2:40-3:00SJ - Rosary

3:00-6:00SJ - Eucharistic Adoration

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20

9:00SJ - Rosary

9:30SJ - Mary Holliday by Trust Fund

10:00-11:00SJ - Eucharistic Adoration

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

9:00SJ - Rosary

9:30SJ - Joseph Shambo Sr. by Peg & family

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22

4:00SJ(ant.) - Robert & Bonnie Haskins - 3rd Anniv. by Phil & Sue McHatton

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23

8:00SM - For the People of St. Mary's & St. James 10:00SJ - Jack, David, Julie and Sue by Kathy

Calendar of Events:

Mar. 5 - Ash Wed. Fish Fry, Elks

Mar. 11 - St. James Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:00pm (Rectory)

Mar. 15 - KofC St. Patrick's Dinner, 5:00pm (CR)

Mar. 20 - Stone Soup Supper, St. James

Mar. 25 - Buildings/Grounds Mtg., 6:00pm (Rectory)

Mar. 26 - Lenten Luncheon, 12 noon, Church of the Nazorean

<u>Baptism Classes</u> - To be offered by Deacon Staab, in Community Room, after 10am Masses, on 1st & 3rd Sundays. If you have a first child that needs to be Baptized, this class is for you. Please call the rectory to register, 315-493-3224.

		Offerings	
	Februar	y 9, 2025	
St. James		St. Mary's	
Envelopes	\$4,696.00	Envelopes	\$580.00
Plate	\$1,778.00	Plate	\$115.50
TOTAL	\$6,474.00	TOTAL	\$695.50
Weekly Need to Meet Budget	\$9,938.07	Weekly Need to Meet Budget	\$1,754.80
Last Year	\$5,979.75	Last Year	\$1,092.00
	THANI	K YOU!	



Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope

Pope Francis Jubilee 2025

Many wonder why 2025 is a Jubilee year for Catholics. Pope Francis called this Catholic Jubilee 2025 to celebrate hope and invite Catholics worldwide to deepen their faith. Because it marks the 1,700th anniversary of the First Council of Nicaea, Jubilee 2025 also celebrates the fundamental Christian truth of the Incarnation, that Jesus is *both* true God and true man, a teaching always believed in the early Church but dogmatically defined at the Council to combat the Arian heresy.

"May the light of Christian hope illumine every man and woman, as a message of God's love addressed to all!" —Pope Francis

Occasionally, a pope may declare an Extraordinary Jubilee, as Pope Francis did with the Jubilee of Mercy in 2015-2016. These are called to address specific themes or needs within the Church. Both types of Jubilees offer opportunities for pilgrimage, indulgences, and spiritual growth.................. www.catholic.com

Augustinian Academy - Thanks to a generous Safe Schools Endeavor of the Northern New York Community Foundation Grant, we can bring two programs to the students of Augustinian Academy. Our first program will be February 25th at 1:00 in the school gym. The Omegaman and Friends Program has a strong emphasis on character education, inspiration and hope for our students and staff. The assembly will inspire the students to BE A H.E.R.O. – Help Everyone to Respect Others. This is a fantastic opportunity to reinforce Augustinian Academy's commitment to create a positive and safe learning environment for everyone. We welcome you to join us for this funfilled and exciting presentation by Omegaman!

Religious Education - Joanne Lazore teaches St. James and St. Mary's Religious Education Program for 1st grade and up, from 6:00-7:15pm on Sunday evening at Augustinian Academy School. Classes began October 27, at 6:00pm, but it is not too late to register. Please complete a registration form and submit it to Augustinian Academy. Registration forms are available in the back of church, at the Rectory Office, or at the Augustinian Academy Office, and on the Academy Facebook page. Registration can also be completed on the first day of class.

Job Announcement - Guggenheim Camp Director

Spend your summer on beautiful Lower Saranac Lake! The Diocese of Ogdensburg is seeking a <u>Guggenheim Summer Camp Director</u> who will supervise the day-to-day operation of Camp Guggenheim during the SIX-week Summer Camp season, to include staff orientation week (June 28-July 4) and FIVE weeks of Summer Camp (July 6-Aug 8).

The ideal candidate will have a passion for the Catholic faith, experience working with young people, and a desire to lead and inspire staff and campers. The Director is expected to uphold the mission and philosophy of Camp Guggenheim while ensuring that all activities follow Camp policies and procedures, as well as Department of Health regulations.

Applicants must be a practicing Catholic and must either hold a bachelor's degree or be 25 years old by the start of the camp season, and have experience working in education or youth ministry. Leadership/supervisory experience in camping required. Submit letter of interest, resume, and three professional references to Patrick Looby at pload-line for application is February 15, 2025.

Parish office will be closed Monday, February 17 for Presidents' Day

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SPIRITUALITY

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Luke 6:23ab

R. Alleluia, alleluia. Rejoice and be glad; your reward will be great in heaven. R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

Luke 6:17, 20-26; L78C

Jesus came down with the
Twelve
and stood on a stretch of level
ground
with a great crowd of his
disciples

and a large number of the people

from all Judea and Jerusalem and the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon.

And raising his eyes toward his disciples he said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,

for the kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied.

Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh.

Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you,

and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man.

Rejoice and leap for joy on that day! Behold, your reward will be great in heaven.

For their ancestors treated the prophets in the same way.

But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

Woe to you who are filled now, for you will be hungry.

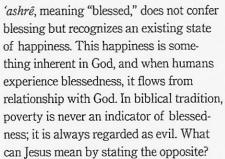
Woe to you who laugh now, for you will grieve and weep.

Woe to you when all speak well of you, for their ancestors treated the false prophets in this way."

Reflecting on the Gospel

About 1.4 billion people in the world live on \$1.25 or less per day. The majority of poor people worldwide are women. Their opportunities for education are fewer, and their earnings still lag far behind those of their male counterparts. Care of home and children go uncompensated. How can it be that Jesus would pronounce blessed those who struggle against such poverty?

Biblical scholars point out that the Greek word makarios, like the Hebrew



In the Gospel of Luke, references to the poor are very frequent. Scholars estimate that 25 percent of people in Roman Palestine were desperately poor. Two concrete individual characters put faces on this mass of struggling humanity: the ulcerridden beggar Lazarus, lying at the rich man's gate (16:19-31), and the widow who put "her whole livelihood," two small coins, into the temple treasury (21:1-4).

into the temple treasury (21:1-4). Whenever Jesus speaks about such people, however, he addresses his words to disciples who are not among the most destitute. They are the ones who have the means to be agents of divine blessing to those who are needy. His invitation to disciples is to embrace some form of being poor, but not destitution, as an essential aspect of their commitment to Jesus. Luke shows many options for how to respond to this call to embrace poverty. Some of the fishermen and a tax collector leave behind everything to follow Jesus (5:11, 28). Others, like Zacchaeus, give half their possessions to the poor (19:8). Many of the women put their monetary resources at the service of Jesus's mission (8:1-3). Some, like Mary, the mother of John Mark, opened their homes for the gatherings of the community (Acts 12:12). There was also the practice of pooling everyone's resources and then each taking according to their need (Acts 2:44; 4:32). The only thing that was not an option was to hoard for oneself, like the rich ruler (Luke 18:18-30), or to lie to the community about one's possessions, as the tragic story of Ananias and Sapphira shows (Acts 5:1-11).

The blessedness that Jesus holds up is the happiness of those who are being liberated from their desperate poverty already in the here and now, a foretaste of the final elimination of all want in the fullness of the reign of God. It is not a wish for future reward for an abstract, unknown group of "the poor" who suffer in the present, but a concrete possibility when the needs of real people are known and the resources are shared in community.

This could be a good time to renew our efforts at becoming agents of blessedness through our prayer for those who are in need, fasting in solidarity with those who are hungry not by choice, and almsgiving to those who are destitute.



Augustinian Academy

Augustinian Academy's Annual Gala: Retro Rewind: An 80's Night to Remember!

A picture is worth a thousand words! That is certainly the case with the collage below! Our Gala was a night to remember in the best of decades—the 80's! It was a time of great music, jumpsuits, big hair, leg warmers, mullets and lots of color! And as you can see, those that attended understood the assignment!

I will let the pictures do the talking, but I want echo Talitha's words of gratitude in this bulletin to all of you that helped or donated in any way. And especially to Talitha and Tom for the initiative, creativity and time in bringing this important fund-raiser for Augustinian Academy to fruition every year. With the loss of a major grant, the looming Diocesan lawsuits, and the never-ending repairs, your support means more now than ever. So many of you have stepped up to the plate and give all that you can. I thank God for all of you and the donations of your time, talent and especially prayers that continue to support our school. They say it takes a community to raise a child—and that is even more true when it comes to educating them. God bless all of you—

Sister Suanne



Augustinian Academy

Science Olympiad 2025



Science Olympiad 2025 is in the books! Winning second place overall, and every student winning several medals for a total of 23 medals! Congratulations to coach Shannon Margrey and to her assistants, Chuck Richards, Samantha Cimarello and all of our parents who pitched in to help in many ways. We are so proud of their achievement!

Omegaman to visit CAA!

We have an extremely exciting program we are bringing to the students of Augustinian Academy: Omegaman and Friends. This assembly will inspire our students to BE A H.E.R.O. (Helping Everyone Respect Others) and it will address key issues such as

- Bullying & peer pressure
- Positive choices & dream making
- Respect for authority & violence prevention

We are grateful to the **Safe Schools Endeavor of the Northern New York Community Foundation** for the grant to fund this exciting program!





Catholic Schools Week is this week—Feb. 10-14. We had so much fun celebrating our school, competing in races and volleyball, making Valentines Day cards for area shut-ins and even wearing our PJ's to school and so much more! Please join me in praying for not only our own school but for all of the Catholic Schools in our diocese.



St. Mary's News - February 16, 2025

Coffee Hour on March 2nd after 8 AM Mass will be sponsored by Kathy Doolittle, Sue Mattis and the Terry Flemings. Please join us for a little Irish music and treats.

Volunteers for cleaning and linens for

February = MJ Fleming;

March - Cleaning = Tara Cooper, Linens=Deb Green

Altar & Rosary Society will meet on Wednesday, April 2nd at 6:30PM in church.

New members always welcomed to join us.

KofC News: -The Knights of Columbus will be holding a St Patrick's Day Dinner on Saturday, March 15 at 5pm in the community room. Traditional Corned Beef and Cabbage, potatoes and carrots - \$25pp

RSVP - Tom Wojcikowski at 315-778-5065 NLT Mon, March Dinner is open to the public.

Serving families in Charity, Unity and Fraternity.

Tom Wojcikowski, Grand Knight

Ave Maria Circle - Upcoming Events:

3/4/25 Monthly Meeting @ 6:30 in CR

3/9/25 Pancake Breakfast

3/14/25 Ave's Stations of the Cross 3/28/25 Ave's Stations of the Cross 4/1/25 Monthly Meeting @ 6:30 in CR

4/4/25 Ave's Soup Supper

4/8/25 White Elephant Auction (all are invited!)

Ave's Stations of the Cross 4/11/25

Heidi Marshall, President

IGNITE - We are excited to announce that the IGNITE Catholic Men's Conference is back with a great lineup of speakers: Bear Woznick, Fr Chase Hilgenbrinck and Ben Steele. As always Bishop Lucia will start the day with Holy Mass. IG-NITE will return to Bishop Ludden Junior/Senior High School this year. Mark your calendar NOW and register early to save \$20. We are challenging everyone to not only register yourself but bring a family member or friend to share the day. Please go to the event website for the bio's of the speakers, schedule for the day and to register. Register online at www.ignitecatholicmen.org

WHITE ELEPHANT AUCTION TUESDAY 4/8/25 6PM

Save the date! The Ave Maria Circle will once again be having their White Elephant Auction fundraiser. You won't want to miss out on this evening! Come for a FREE MEAL consisting of baked ziti, garlic bread, tossed salad, antipasto, delicious homemade desserts & beverages. Please plan to come help support us! We will have a live auction as well as some silent auction items. Do you have some new or gently used items that you don't have a use for? We would gratefully accept your items to add to our auction. Please contact Heidi to RŜVP no later than 4/1 and for pickup of donated items: 315-414-1810.

Volunteers are needed - to clean the St. James Rectory, twice a month. General cleaning, dust and vacuum. Please call the Rectory - 315-493-3224

Church Contributions - If you would like a copy of your church contributions for the past year, please call the parish office and a copy will be mailed to you for tax purposes. 315-493-3224

Confessions - will be held in the Sacristy during the flu season.

A Heartfelt Thank You for a Successful 21st Annual Gala Event

As we reflect on the incredible fun and fellowship of last weekend's Gala, we want to express our deepest gratitude to the amazing business sponsors who made this event possible. Their unwavering support plays a vital role in helping us serve our community and raise funds for Augustinian Academy. We are truly blessed by their generosity. Please see below for a list of our incredible business sponsors.

A special thank you to Cross-Tracks Archery, the LaPlatney family, and the Kepler family for their generous donations of large raffle items. We also want to extend our heartfelt appreciation to all the businesses and individuals who donated gift cards, wine, and gift baskets. Your contributions mean more to us than words can express. Our silent auction and raffles not only provided fun during the event but also brought in vital funds for our fundraising efforts.

We are incredibly grateful to our Gala planning committee, who devoted countless hours to planning, organizing, and bringing this event to life. Your time, energy, and creativity truly made this event shine, and your dedication to the Academy is beyond measure. This event would not have been possible without your help - thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Lastly, to our parishioners, staff, and school families who attended - we hope you had a blast! Your presence made the event truly special, and we appreciate your support more than you know. Without you, this event wouldn't have been the same. The tracksuits, big hair, and even special one-day-only mullet haircuts brought plenty of smiles and laughter. Thank you for being part of our community and helping us make this event one to remember!

With gratitude and appreciation, Talitha Workman and Tom Wojcikowski Gala Coordinators

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EM Training - More Eucharistic Ministers are needed for the Saturday, 4pm Mass. If you are interested, Please call the Rectory 315-493-3224. Training date to be determined.

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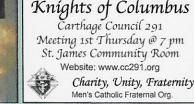


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