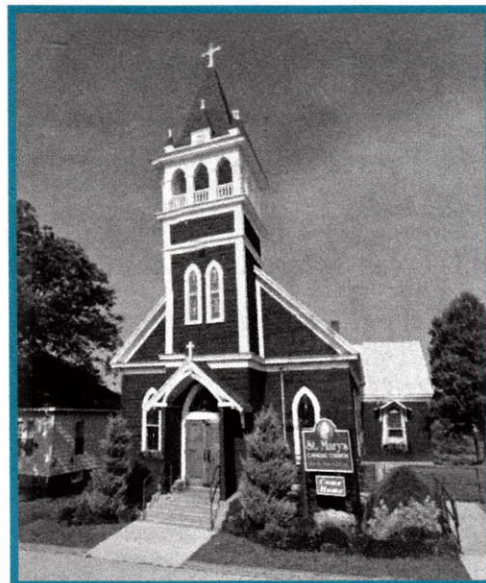


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First Church Dedicated and Incorporated, 1821
Present Church Dedicated 1866*



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*Land Deeded 1901, Incorporated 1890
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Pastoral Associates: Sr. Mary Ellen Brett, SSJ, Sr. Annunciata Collins, SSJ

Augustinian Academy: Mrs. Mary Ann Margrey, Principal

Sunday Mass Schedule **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday: 5:00 pm St. James (ant.) **Saturday: 3:30 pm – 4:30 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:

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May 12, 2019

MASS INTENTIONS

May 12, 2019

Fourth Sunday of Easter

SATURDAY, MAY 11

11:30SJ - Memorial Mass for Leslie Gyurko
5:00SJ(ant.) - Glenn Sweeney, 5th Anniversary by family

SUNDAY, MAY 12

8:00SM - Mary O'Rourke by Daphne Corbett
9:00SJ - *Divine Office /Rosary*
10:00SJ - For the People of the Parishes

MONDAY, MAY 13

5:30SJ - Grace Bell by Delana Schreck

TUESDAY, MAY 14

12:00SJ - Lyle Kohler by family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

9:00SM - Fran Hebert by Kathie Doolittle & family

THURSDAY, MAY 16

THERE IS NO MASS OR COMMUNION SERVICE TODAY

FRIDAY, MAY 17

5:30SJ - Rosary Crusade Mass for Lucy Reff by
The Carmelites and for the Intentions of the Rosary
Crusade participants - Followed by 17th Annual
Family Rosary Crusade - 6pm-1am

SATURDAY, MAY 18

5:00SJ(ant.) - For the People of the Parishes

SUNDAY, MAY 19

8:00SM - Thomas Sweredoski by Penny & Bill Tyner
9:00SJ - *Divine Office /Rosary*
10:00SJ - Emily Frezza by Ave Maria Circle

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 12 - Pancake Breakfast, 8:30am-noon (CR)
May 13 - Formation for Ministry Class, 6:30pm (CR)
May 16 - Stone Soup Supper, 5-7pm (CR)
May 16 - Women of Grace, 6:30-8pm (small CR)
May 17 - 17th Annual Family Rosary Crusade, 5:30pm (SJ) Mass
Followed by Exposition and 7 hours of praying the
Rosary
May 18 - SJ/SM Y/Group Gives Back, 9-12noon (SJ/Cemetery)
May 19 - Little Flowers Girls Club, 11am-12:30pm (CR)
May 21 - Church Cleaning, 9am (SJ)
May 23 - SJ Parish Vocation Committee Mtg, 7pm (Rectory)
May 29 - St. James Fair Meeting, 6:30pm (SJ Church)
May 30 - CAA Spring Concert, 6:30pm (CAA)

Women of Grace meetings - Starting Thursday, May 16, 2019, the Women of Grace will meet at 6:30-8:00pm. New members welcome. For more info please call Monica Olley at 315-771-4922

**Weekly Offerings
April 28, 2019**

<u>St. James</u>		<u>St. Mary's</u>	
Envelopes	\$4,573.50	Envelopes	\$783.00
Plate	\$911.00	Plate	\$268.50
TOTAL	\$5,484.50	TOTAL	\$1,051.50
Last Year	\$13,023.00	Last Year	\$1,052.50

Thank You!

Augustinian Academy School News

May 12, 2019



Northern New York
Community Foundation

We are very grateful to have received a grant from the Northern New York Community Foundation as part of their Safe Schools Endeavor. With this grant we are able to purchase curriculum from the Child Lures program for both our primary and middle school students. This program provides an age-appropriate, comprehensive curriculum that opens the avenue for discussion on many topics that our children are faced with. This curriculum engages students, parents and teachers in the topic of Child Safety. Many thanks to the Northern New York Community Foundation!

Congratulations to our May Saints: Savannah Kimball, Zoey Krabbe, Jovani Barnett, Carter Burr, Henry Blickhahn! Keep up the good work!

PreK 3 students were the Box Top Collector Champions for April. We have 4970 box tops with about one month to go to reach our goal! Keep clipping & sending those box tops in!

We will have May Crowning on May 15th at 12:30 at St. James. The students will pray the Rosary together as well as crown Mary. Madeline Walseman will be our May Queen! Come join us for this beautiful prayer to Our Mother!

Our first graders had a special visit from Froggy & James Pond last week! The students were so excited when they heard their names when they tuned into Froggy 97! What a wonderful surprise!

St. Mary's News - May 12th

Thanks to all for the successful Maple Run & Pancake Breakfast - Profit - \$1,500

Altar & Rosary Raffles

Baskets / Quilt -	\$580.00
50/50 -	86.50
Donation from winner	40.00
TOTAL	\$706.50

Raffle Winners:

Patrick Sullivan - Kid's Basket
Gail Alexander - Quilt
Sachmo Fleming - Local Food Basket
Lil Alexander - 50/50 Drawing - \$86.50

May 13th - St. Peter & Paul's Cemetery Meeting 6:30 pm

May 15th - Food Pantry - Wednesday - 4-6pm

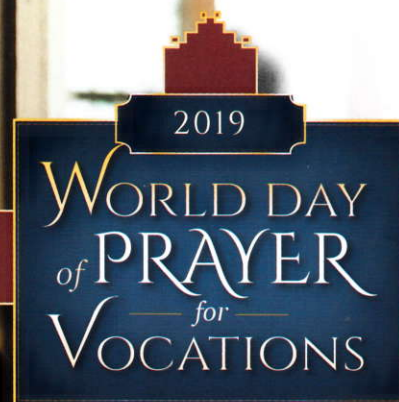
May 16th - Finance Council Meeting - 7:00pm -Members: Biff Green, Joe Godlewski, Lucille Shettleton, Shirley Bloss and Marcia Mundy.

June 5th - Altar & Rosary Meeting - 7:00pm following the Rosary

**Weekly Offerings
May 5, 2019**

<u>St. James</u>		<u>St. Mary's</u>	
Envelopes	\$6,563.00	Envelopes	\$840.00
Plate	\$1,338.25	Plate	\$267.50
TOTAL	\$7,901.25	TOTAL	\$1,107.50
Last Year	\$5,801.86	Last Year	\$1,002.50

THANK YOU!



“MY SHEEP HEAR MY VOICE; I KNOW THEM, AND THEY FOLLOW ME.” JN 10:27

How Hard Is It to Get into Seminary?

Given recent scandals and headlines, one might reasonably ask, “Who are they letting into seminary these days?!” It’s a good question—which thankfully has a good answer.

It is no exaggeration to say that today it is harder to become a Catholic priest than a Secret Service agent.

Gone are the days when a pastor could simply write a note to the seminary rector and say, “Jimmy is a good lad from a good family; he’ll make a fine priest one day.” Unfortunately, laxity in the past, coupled with suspect formation in some seminaries, led to the ordination of many men who never should have become priests.

Highly aware of this, today’s Vocation Directors are extremely selective when accepting seminarians. In fact, the majority of training for new Vocation Directors is devoted to screening candidates using extensive interviews, psychological testing, a battery of background checks, and much more. The process is exhaustive—and quite often exhausting for the young man himself.

One might think that the growing clergy shortage would tempt dioceses to accept sub-par candidates, but actually the opposite is true. “Quality not quantity” is a frequent mantra at the annual convention of Diocesan Vocation Directors (NCDVD). In a very real way, today’s Church is “looking for a few good men.”

On World Day of Prayer for Vocations, please pray both for our Vocation Directors and for the young men they are mentoring on their journey to the priesthood.



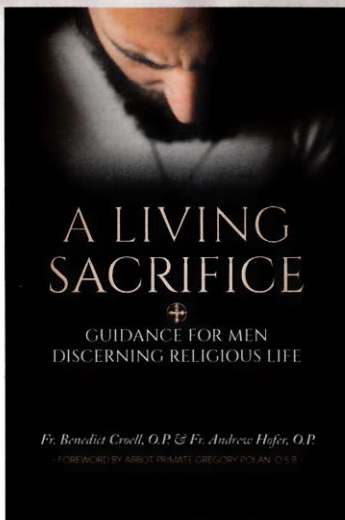
The Blessing of a Well-Trained Priest

Above: A brand-new priest prays a special blessing on the day of his ordination. To reach this point, most men have been in formation in seminary for six to eight years. They have taken dozens of graduate-level classes, completed pastoral training, prayed for literally thousands of hours, and have been closely evaluated the whole way. Seminary training has improved so dramatically in the last twenty-five years that many observers say it is the best it has ever been in this country.



MEN IN VOWS

It's no easy task for a guy to figure out whether God may be calling him to make vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. *A Living Sacrifice* offers a road map to help men find their way. The authors have real credibility: Fr. Benedict Croell worked with hundreds of men as a vocation director, over 100 of whom entered his community, while Fr. Andrew Hofer oversaw their formation for several years. It's an invaluable read, both as an introduction to religious life and a guide for finding a religious community that's a good fit for a man's gifts and personality.



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We're Better Together

When women are considering religious life, where do they turn for support? Increasingly, Catholic campus ministries are seeing the fruits of small "discernment groups." One new program called Avow has started about 40 groups nationwide based on the theory that when women learn together, pray together, and support each other, it's much easier to discern their vocations with clarity. Learn more at discernavow.com.



Global Rosary for Vocations

For the last three years, Catholics from at least a dozen countries have been praying the rosary for vocations—over the phone! Anyone is welcomed to join members of Serra International on the last Saturday of the month at 9:00 a.m. EST. Call 312-757-3119 or join online via serrainternational.org.



The joyful witness of priests and religious is the best way to foster vocations. Be sure to support them with your prayers and encouragement!

Relics Inspire Prayer for Vocations

By Fr. Brett Brannen, Savannah, GA

It all started when a boy from my parish school asked me, "Father, which saint's relics are in our altar?" Embarrassingly, I had to confess that I didn't know! Investigation at the diocesan archives didn't reveal any records, so not wanting to let the fellow down, I decided to find out.

Gathering a group of students around the church altar, we carefully pried out a square marble stone, revealing a small hollow with the relics enclosed. The inscription was for a man and a woman, "Sancti Benigni and Sanctae Benedictae," with an "M" denoting they were both martyrs. Once again, I had to humbly admit I was not familiar with these saints (though it's led to some interesting research).

Fortunately, I had brought my own relic—a sliver of the remains of St. John Vianney, the patron saint of priests—which I gently placed alongside the original relics. "Our parish has sent very few people to the seminary or the convent for the last hundred years," I told the students, "So from now on, every time we celebrate Mass at this altar, we will be interceding for many priestly and religious vocations from our own parish." Time will tell, but I am confident the Lord will answer our prayers!





From the Pastor:

This is a busy weekend here at St. James and St. Mary's. Today is Mother's Day and the annual Catholic Charities collection is always taken up this weekend. Every dollar you donate to Catholic Charities invests in the health and well-being of members of our community. Your support of Catholic Charities will feed the hungry, house the homeless, provide support for the sick and elderly, support individuals in times of financial and emotional crisis and assure the working poor that they are not going to "fall between the cracks" of support services. Last year Catholic Charities served over 18,000 people in all of its programs and services. Your financial gift touched the lives of your neighbors in all 8 counties of Northern NY. Please be as generous as you can this year.

We salute and honor all of our mothers today – living and deceased. When you arrive for Mass, you will find a Mother's Day prayer card in your pew (there is a picture of a tulip on it!). Please write down the names of your mother – living and deceased – and the cards will be collected AFTER the 2nd collection and they will be brought forward in the offertory procession and we will pray for all our mothers in a special way during the Eucharistic Prayer. After Mass we have a small gift to give to all our mothers.

Today is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please read the important insert in today's bulletin. And don't forget to pray each day for more vocations to the priesthood, religious life and diaconate, especially here in the Diocese of Ogdensburg.

Don't forget that the ROSARY CRUSADE begins on Friday evening with the celebration of Mass at 5:30pm. The rosary hours follow the Mass until benediction time at 1am. You know the routine better than I do. This is my fourth Rosary Crusade and I am so excited that I haven't been able to sleep for days. Thanks to Bob Renaud for once again organizing the Crusade so beautifully. We can't wait to see the 2019 painting.

You probably read in the news that Bishop LaValley has announced the new clergy assignments to take effect this Spring. It involved a number of priests from our area: Father Steven Murray will be transferred from Holy Family, Watertown, Father Robert Decker from St. Paul's, Black River and Father Martin Cline from St. Cecilia's, Adams. I was sweating bullets that I was going to get a phone call also. But I guess I am here for Year #5. However, the President apparently has heard about all the construction and renovations here at St. James and he has offered me a job to help build the WALL along our southern border. After much thought and reflection, I have decided to stay right here in Carthage and Copenhagen and not accept his offer!

K of C News - Attention Brother Knights: The Knights and the Men of Faith are scheduled for the midnight to 1AM hour for the 17th annual Rosary Crusade on May 17th; please join us in prayer!

Attention - 2nd Degree Brothers: Father John J Cosmic Council 291 will be holding a 3rd Degree exemplification on Saturday, June 8th here in Carthage. Deadline for reservations is Monday, June 3rd; please confirm by contacting me at jamesg73010@gmail.com. Thanks
Respectfully, James T(Jim) Gratch, Grand Knight

Bulletin Info Submission For Memorial Day Holiday

Weekend bulletin for Jun. 2 - info due to SJ by May. 23

May 2019

Dear Friends in Christ:

As faithful disciples of Christ and as a Church in action, we work together to respond to those in need and offer guidance through quality services designed to respect the dignity of each person. Catholic Charities, as an agency, strives each day to address the many needs of the poor and marginalized of our North Country.

Inspired by the Gospel, the many programs and services that are offered by Catholic Charities throughout our diocese, focus on building a just and compassionate society that embraces the gifts given to us by Christ. Through *providing* help...we *create* hope.

Together, we bring *hope* to the families who are struggling to put food on the table, *hope* to the migrants seeking a safer environment to call home, *hope* to the addicts fighting to stay sober, *hope* to the disabled who have become so isolated and *hope* to so many families struggling in crisis.

Catholic Charities depends on your financial support to continue reaching out to those who need us. Our programs and services express our Catholic Christian priorities. As your Bishop and chairperson of the Board of Trustees of Catholic Charities, I am graciously asking you to consider making a generous gift to this wonderful organization.

The *Mother's Day Annual Appeal* for Catholic Charities will take place in all our parishes on the weekend of May 12, 2019. Let us continue to **Give Help and Create Hope** for the many families of the North Country that we serve as we continue the work of Christ on earth.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

+ Terry R. LaValley

Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley
Bishop of Ogdensburg

17th Annual Family Rosary Crusade

Please join in praying, on Friday, May 17 at the 17th Annual Family Rosary Crusade at St. James Minor in Carthage, NY. The event begins with 5:30 Mass followed by seven hours of praying the Rosary in honor of OUR LADY's 7 Sorrows.

Come for one or more hours. For those who stay to pray the Rosary at ST. JAMES for at least 3 hours (in honor of Our Lord's Passion), they will receive a print of this year's painting: 'The Key - a tribute to Padre Pio'. However, for those who can't join the Crusade physically, please join your prayers spiritually from wherever you are.

(For more information you may wish to check out the parish website: catholicsofcarthagecopenhagen.org OR event organizer/artist Bob Renaud's site: bobrenaudart.com)

SJ/SM Youth Group - Spring is Here! Anyone in need of help weeding, planting flowers or just turning the soil around your loved ones head stones, please contact the rectory or Michelle at 315-484-3170 and leave a message.

Compliments of SJ/SM Youth Group

"The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." Does a life of joy in knowing you are following the Lord as a priest, deacon, or in the consecrated life inspire you? This is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Take this opportunity to talk to talk to Fr. Donald Robinson or Fr. Doug Lucia (315-386-2543) dlucia@rcdony.org

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