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Four Churches – One Mission

Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe that I have been here for three weeks already! I want to begin by thanking you once again for the warmth of your welcome, your kindness and your prayers. I am gradually finding my feet, learning my way around, and, most importantly, getting to know the people who make up our four parish communities.

A number of people have asked me what my plans are. The simple answer is that, before making too many plans, I need to listen and learn. Over these first weeks I have been meeting our staff, clergy, parish trustees, finance committees and pastoral councils, as well as trying to understand the many practical challenges facing our parishes. There is a great deal to be grateful for, but also much that needs attention. Some things can be addressed quite quickly; others will require careful thought, consultation and time.

Important as they are, I am particularly keen that we do not become so absorbed in maintaining our buildings and managing our finances that we forget why the Church exists in the first place. Our mission is to proclaim Jesus Christ, to help people grow as his disciples and to reach out to those who are no longer part of our worshipping communities. Everything else must serve that mission.

As I write this on 22 October, the Church celebrates the feast of St John Paul II. At the beginning of his pontificate in 1978, he gave the world that wonderful invitation: “Do not be afraid! Open wide the doors to Christ!” Those words seem particularly appropriate as we begin this new chapter together. We need not be afraid of change, provided that Christ remains at the centre of all we do.

Bishop Mark's recent document on parish sustainability will provide an important framework for our discussions and planning in the new year. It challenges us to look realistically at our circumstances and to make decisions that will enable our parishes not merely to survive, but to flourish. I want this to be a process in which all four communities have a voice and in which we look to the future with faith and hope.

In the meantime, I ask for your patience. I cannot do everything at once, and there will inevitably be things that take longer than any of us would like. Please continue to support our parishes through your prayers, your generosity and your willingness to serve. Above all, please help us to build communities in which newcomers feel welcome and everyone can discover the joy of belonging to Christ.

We have four churches, each with its own history and identity, but we share one mission. I am looking forward to discovering together where the Lord is leading us.

With my prayers and best wishes,
Fr Stephen








*New Reconciliation Schedule

St. Patrick's in Ravena
Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday after 9 AM Mass

St. Patrick's in Catskill
Tuesday & Wednesday after 8:30 AM Mass
2nd, 4th & 5th Saturday 3:15 – 3:45 PM

St. Mary's in Coxsackie
Thursday & Friday after 9 AM Mass

St. Patrick's in Athens
Thursday & Friday after 8:30 AM Mass
1st & 3rd Saturday 3:15 – 3:45 PM

Church	Weekend Mass Times	*New Weekday Mass Times
St. Patrick's 66 Williams Street Catskill, NY 12414	Sunday 8:45 AM 2nd 4th & 5th Saturday 4 PM	Tuesday 8:30 AM Wednesday 8:30 AM
St. Patrick's 24 N. Washington Street Athens, NY 12015	Sunday 10:45 AM 1st & 3rd Saturday 4 PM	Thursday 8:30 AM Friday 8:30 AM
St. Mary's 80 Mansion Street Coxsackie, NY 12051	Sunday 7:30 AM Sunday 11:30 AM	Thursday 9:00 AM Friday 9:00 AM
St. Patrick's 21 Main Street Ravena, NY 12143	Saturday 4:30 PM Sunday 9:30 AM	Monday 9:00 AM Tuesday 9:00 AM Wednesday 9:00 AM

*New Eucharistic Adoration Schedule

There will be an hour of Adoration before each weekday Mass.

St. Patrick's in Catskill
Tuesday, 7:30 AM (followed by Mass)
Wednesday, 7:30 AM (followed by Mass)
1st Friday of month 5:00 PM

St. Mary's in Coxsackie
Monday, 8:00 AM
Tuesday, 5:30 PM (followed by Rosary)
Thursday, 8:00 AM (followed by Mass)
Friday, 8:00 AM (followed by Mass)

St. Patrick's in Athens
Thursday, 7:30 AM (followed by Mass)
Friday, 7:30 AM (followed by Mass)

St. Patrick's Ravena
Monday, 8:00 AM (followed by Mass)
Tuesday, 8:00 AM (followed by Mass)
Wednesday, 8:00 AM (followed by Mass)
1st Sunday of month 6:30 PM

Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer – Wednesday 8:00 AM at St. Mary's in Coxsackie

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 24	
Catskill 4:00 pm Deceased members of the DeLuca & Cornelius families by William DeLuca Jr. Mary Byrne & Mary Carpenter by family	**Ravena 4:30 pm** Angelina & Frank Visconti by family Marge Sumner by family
Sunday, October 25	
Coxsackie 7:30 am Uncle Carl by Anita Hynes Rita Cole by Tom & Joan Burke	**Athens 10:45 am** George Baker by Theresa Baker
Catskill 8:45 am Angela & Joseph Pelegrino by Anthony Luvera & family Maureen Kelly by Maggie Rafferty Evelyn & Francis Lubera by family	**Coxsackie 11:30 am** Tony Gatt by the Gatt Family Lavissiere Family by Christine and Michelle
Ravena 9:30 am Deceased members of our parish	
Tuesday, October 27	
Catskill 8:30 am Fr. Clement Okoro by a friend	
Wednesday, October 28	
Catskill 8:30 am William Deluca Sr. by Bill DeLuca Jr.	
Thursday, October 29	
Coxsackie 9:00 am Kevin Rose by Patrick Rose	
Saturday, October 31	
Catskill 4:00 pm Gerald Byrne Jr. & Pamela Byrne by Family	**Ravena 4:30 pm** Rita Gager by family Nancy Tracey by Pat & Fran Farrell
Sunday, November 1	
Coxsackie 7:30 am Sam Coniglio by his daughter, Anita The Heim Family by Anne Heim	**Athens 10:45 am** Scott Nezich by Randy Finley
Catskill 8:45 am Adeline & Herbert Blasewitz by Maxine Blasewitz & Family	**Ravena 9:30 am** Gilbert Molello by Tom & Lois Williams
Coxsackie 11:30 am Marlene Carroll by Arlene Matthews	

Remember In Your Prayers

Joanne Blasewitz ~ Lawrence Cox ~ Dave Darling ~ Bishop Pierre Dumas ~ The Residents of the Elliot ~ Patrick Emery ~ MaryAnn Gabriele ~ Ron Gabriele ~ Mitsy Gonzalez ~ The Residents of Greene Meadows ~ Mary Harchick ~ Cathy Jessup ~ MaryAnn Kordich ~ Carleen Lewis ~ Michael McNeany ~ Peter Monteleone ~ Anthony Multari ~ Domenica Multari ~ Frank A. Multari ~ Joan Pepia ~ The Residents of The Pines of Catskill ~ Tammy Proper ~ Tom Reischer ~ Wendy Rex ~ Nicholas Scalera ~ Fr. Rick Shaw ~ Cecelia Sydlo ~ Nancy Turek ~ Laura Van Valkenburg ~ Linda Yannone

Finances

Weekend of October 3/4

Location	Attendance	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Catskill	104	$2,393	$353	$2,746
Athens	126	$1,738	$389	$2,127
Coxsackie	155	$2,147	$1,853	$4,000
Ravena	202	$3,224	$2,020	$5,244

Weekend of October 10/11

Location	Attendance	Collection	E-Giving	Total
Catskill	197	$2,291	$353	$2,644
Athens	73	$1,606	$389	$1,995
Coxsackie	234	$2,881	$1,853	$4,734
Ravena	215	$1,964	$2,020	$3,984

To set up eGiving, use the QR code or text Assist to the GivePlus Number

Athens

GivePlus:
(833) 612-6907

Catskill

GivePlus:
(833) 977-2609

Diocesan Appeal

The Holy Spirit inspires each of us to find a deeper sense of our individual missions and then to help one another to discover them to serve each other. Our diocesan family lifts us together in these responsibilities, aided through ministries funded through the Diocesan Appeal.

Be an active investor – join your fellow Catholics around the Diocese through generous support of your parish offertory AND the Diocesan Appeal at a level reflective of the role your faith has in your lives and your legacies!

2026/2027 Assessments & Progress

Location	Assessment	Raised	Remaining
Catskill	$7,753	$9,690	***Congratulations!***
Athens	$10,747	$5,008	$5,739
Coxsackie	$32,553	$7,472	$25,081
Ravena	$34,724	$15,181	$19,540

Thank you – with patience and your support, a brighter future is near!

Payments can be made online by going to thediocesanappeal.org

World Mission Month:
The Mission is Far from Over!

Jesus told us, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations," and for 2,000 years the Church has been at work in this task. Prior to 1908, the United States was considered missionary territory. Now, many years later, it's our turn to pay that generosity forward, as we care for the needs of our brothers and sisters across the globe. We are grateful for your support this October - and we invite you to continue the journey. To find out more about how to do so, please visit www.pontificalmissions.org.

Confirmation Mass This Weekend

Please come out to support our young people! All are invited to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany on Sunday, October 25 at 2pm, where the Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on our 2025-2026 class.

Spaghetti Dinner – Drive Thru Take Out

St. Patrick's Ravena's annual spaghetti dinner is this Sunday, October 25, from 1-5pm, at Frese's Bakery (11 Clifford Street, Ravena).

Tickets available at the door while supplies last.
$15 Adults • $7 Ages 5-12 • 4 & under free

Cornhole at St. Patrick's Athens

Join us on Wednesday nights for an evening of cornhole, laughs, and a little friendly competition.

==> Never played before?
Come from 5–6pm and we'll teach you everything you need to know – FREE!

==> Already a cornhole player?
Come at 6pm and put your skills to the test! Enjoy some friendly, light competition against other players. **There is a $10 entry fee.** Everyone is welcome!

All Hallows Eve Party & Potluck Dinner

Our next community dinner will be this Friday, October 30 at St. Mary's Coxsackie. All are welcome – bring a friend! Party starts at 6pm. Kids are encouraged to come in family-friendly costumes. Face painting available for free.

Everyone who wishes to contribute may bring an appetizer or party food to share.

All Souls Day



During November, we are called in a special way "to remember our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest."

We will have two All Souls Day Masses:

- Monday, November 2 @ 6pm in Athens
- Monday, November 2 @ 6pm in Ravena

In Athens and Catskill, we continue our tradition of displaying framed pictures of our deceased loved ones in the church sanctuary for the month of November.

In Coxsackie and Ravena, we continue our tradition of the Table of Remembrance for the month of November. All are invited to bring photos of deceased loved ones to place on the table. Please include your name on the back so it doesn't get lost.

Installation Masses for Father Stephen



Please join us as Bishop Mark installs Father Stephen as Pastor of the Community of Saint Patrick Athens/Catskill on **Thursday, November 12 at 6pm at St. Patrick's in Catskill**.

Please join us as Bishop Mark installs Father Stephen as Pastor of the parishes of St. Mary's and the Church of St. Patrick in Ravena on **Tuesday, November 24 at 6pm at St. Mary's in Coxsackie**.

Faith Formation

Our Faith Formation programs provide a fun, engaging faith education for children and youth in Pre-K through 12th grade.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Grades PreK-1 are invited to participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word during Mass. Visitors welcome!

- 9:30am St. Patrick's (Ravena)
- 11:30am St. Mary's (Coxsackie)

Faith Formation Classes:

- PreK-8th grade at St. Mary's meets Sundays 10:30-11:15 AM
- PreK-6th grade at St. Patrick's Ravena meets after 9:30 AM Sunday Mass
- 7th - 8th grade at St. Patrick's Ravena meets Sundays at 7 PM
- 9th - 12th grade for all parishes meets at St. Mary's Sundays at 6 PM

Questions/Registration

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