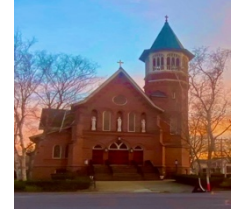




ST. MARY'S & ST. PATRICK'S
NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parish Family and Friends, both near and far,

Jubilee 2025, a Holy Year called for by Pope Francis Pope Francis has declared 2025 to be a Jubilee Year. In today's newsletter, and from time to time this year, I will give you some information to read and pray over to know more about the Jubilee Year and consider how you might participate in this celebration.

Continuing from our last newsletter, here are a few more things to know about Jubilee 2025:

--Called to be Pilgrims of Hope, Pope Francis invites people to be patient which he describes "as a virtue closely linked to hope." In our times, "the future may give rise to conflicting feelings, ranging from confident trust to apprehension, from serenity to anxiety, from firm conviction to hesitation and doubt. Some people feel nothing can bring them happiness. May the Jubilee be an opportunity to be renewed in hope. God's word helps us find reasons for hope."

--The Jubilee Year calls Christians to action. Pope Francis called for "signs of hope" in the Jubilee Year, including the desire for peace in the world, openness to life, responsible parenthood, and closeness to prisoners, the poor, the sick, the young, the elderly and migrants and people in difficult situations. The Pope has called on affluent countries and societies to forgive debts and be attentive to the condition of the Earth, "our common home."

--While there will be many events in Rome, please know there will be events marking the Jubilee 2025, a Year of Hope in the Albany Diocese. You may check the Diocesan website (<https://www.rcda.org>) for information on local events.

Two opportunities in January

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time, **Word of God Sunday**, celebrates the special place the Word has in our lives and in our Church. (He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. Luke 24:45). Next weekend, consider making a commitment to read the Bible at home and to listen deeply and attentively to the Word proclaimed at Mass each weekend. Lectors will receive a blessing and a commissioning for their service in 2025.

The International Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated January 18th –25th as an octave of prayer for visible Christian unity ("...that they all may be one." John 17:21 "You shall love the Lord your God and your neighbor as yourself." Luke 10:27). We pray for charity, mercy, justice and unity in ecumenical relationships.

Blessings, Fr. Joe O'Brien

Schedule

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| SUNDAY 1-19 | 7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also St. Mary's YouTube channel) |
| MONDAY 1-20 | <i>Parish offices closed: Martin Luther King Jr.</i> 8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's |
| TUESDAY 1-21 | 8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's 8:30 Weekday Mass at St. Patrick's, Rosary following Mass 11:00 Women's Bible Study at room 5 of St. Patrick's Parish Hall 5:30 Reconciliation at St. Mary's 6:00 Rosary at St. Mary's |
| WEDNESDAY 1-22 | 8:00 Weekday Mass at St. Mary's 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 6:30 Choir rehearsal at St. Patrick's |
| THURSDAY 1-23 | 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 1:00-2:00 St. Patrick's Men's Prayer Meeting 6:30 Choir rehearsal at St. Mary's |
| FRIDAY 1-24 | 8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's |
| SATURDAY 1-25 | 4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's |
| SUNDAY 1-26 | 7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also St. Mary's YouTube channel) |
| MONDAY 1-27 | 8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's |
| TUESDAY 1-28 | 8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's 8:30 Weekday Mass at St. Patrick's, Rosary following Mass 11:00 Women's Bible Study at room 5 of St. Patrick's Parish Hall 5:30 Reconciliation at St. Patrick's 6:30 Columbiettes meeting at room 4 of St. Patrick's Parish Hall 7:00 Pastoral Council meeting at room 5 of St. Patrick's Parish Hall |
| WEDNESDAY 1-29 | 8:00 Weekday Mass at St. Mary's 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 6:30 Choir rehearsal at St. Patrick's |
| THURSDAY 1-30 | 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 1:00-2:00 St. Patrick's Men's Prayer Meeting 6:30 Choir rehearsal at St. Mary's |
| FRIDAY 1-31 | 8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's |
| SATURDAY 2-1 | 4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's |
| SUNDAY 2-2 | 7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also St. Mary's YouTube channel) 2:00 St. Patrick's Lasagna Dinner Fundraiser (2-3 pm takeout, 3:30 pm sit down dinner) 6:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's |

If you have news of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please email your suggested article directly to Bill Halstead at weh058@mac.com The deadline for sending all news articles is the Monday, 6:00 pm, before the publishing of the newsletter Thank you.

Our snow policy: Our Network and Parish offices follow the local school districts. If the district has a two hour delay we open two hours later. If there is a school closure we are closed. If there is either a delay or closure, weekday morning Mass and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament are cancelled.



Sock Collection During January St. Mary's will collect socks (yes we will take hats, mittens, and even scarves) for men, women and children served by the Interfaith Partnership for the Homeless in Albany. Socks are the most requested item for those arriving at shelters. Socks may be placed in the basket in the back of the Church. Close to 1,500 pair of socks were collected last year. Thank you in advance for your generosity. ☺

Feed the Hungry! Prepare a Shelter Meal to feed 25 men who reside in an Albany shelter. The dates are: February 19th, March 19th and April 16th. If you would like to help others, or just make the meal in your home for delivery, please contact Christa at derobccr@gmail.com or 860-874-1481. It's rewarding to know that 25 men will be fed. Thanks for supporting this mission!

Thrift Shop at St. Patrick's

Mary Ann McCool | 518-756-9184

Come visit Thursdays from 1 – 3 pm or Saturday from 9 am – Noon. We are closed on holidays.

Food Pantry, Coxsackie

Lorraine Camurati | 917-572-3300

All donations to the Coxsackie Area Food Pantry are greatly appreciated. We are in particular need of coffee, tea bags and pet food (dog and cat). Just a reminder of the first Sunday of the month collection for the Coxsackie Food Pantry. There are baskets in the back of the church for your donations. Thank you for your generosity. Coxsackie's Food Pantry hours: Tuesday 1-2 pm, Thursday 7-8 pm, & Saturday 10-11 am. *Monetary donations are always welcome as your gift has much more buying power at the regional food bank.*

Food Pantry at St. Patrick's Ravena

Diane Hoffman | 518-330-6789

After providing meals at Thanksgiving and Christmas to more than 100 families, the cupboards are bare. Please help replenish our stock by providing the following items:

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| • Lunch box snacks | • Cake mix | • Toothpaste |
| • Cookies | • Ketchup | • Shampoo |
| • Crackers | • Canned peaches | • Bar Soap |
| • Canned spaghetti and meatballs | • Instant potatoes | • Deodorant |
| • Canned beef ravioli | • Canned pears | |
| • Spaghetti rings | • Mac and cheese | |
| • Mustard | | |

Long-time devoted parishioner, Jeanne Cary, has bequeathed a generous donation to St. Mary's Capital Campaign Fund. We remember Jeanne with love and are grateful to her and her family.

Mass Intentions

Week of January 18, 19, 2025

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Jan 18 4:30 Ravena Joseph Campoli by Gloria
Jackie Glennon by family
- Jan 19 7:30 Coxsackie Gina Donovan by Gina McGrath
9:30 Ravena Tracy Bullock by Mom
11:30 Coxsackie None at this time

Week of January 25, 26, 2025

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Jan 25 4:30 Ravena Thomas Piccarillo by Barbara Burrows
Anna Fitzgerald by Barbara Burrows
- Jan 26 7:30 Coxsackie Gina Donovan by Jeannene Albright
Jeanne Cary by the Columbiettes
9:30 Ravena & 11:30 Coxsackie None at this time
- Jan 29 8:00 Coxsackie Rose Capparello by her daughter

Week of February 1, 2, 2025

The Presentation of the Lord

- Jan 18 4:30 Ravena Dawn Murley by Bernie and Linda McCall
- Jan 19 7:30 Coxsackie The Heim family by Ann Heim
9:30 Ravena None at this time
11:30 Coxsackie Jeannene Cary by Alice and Michael Gatt

Tickets on sale at St. Patrick's Rectory

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH
EVENTS AND PARISH LIFE COMMITTEE
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PASTORAL COUNCIL
PRESENTS

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SUNDAY FEBRUARY 2, 2025
TAKE OUT: 2:00 - 3:00 PM ONLY
SIT DOWN DINNER: 3:30 PM

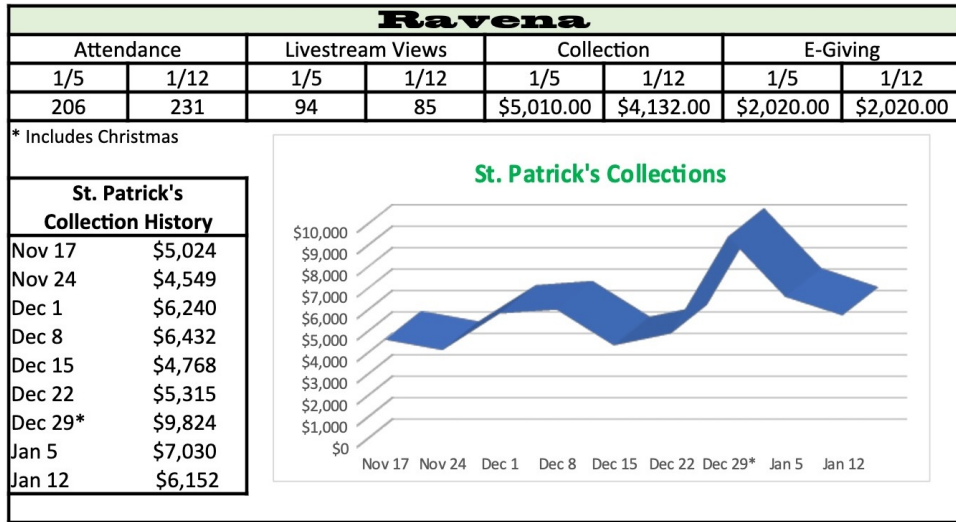
ALL MEALS ARE BY TICKET ONLY
SIT DOWN MEALS ARE LIMITED TO THE
FIRST 80 PEOPLE*TAKE OUT TICKETS
LIMITED TO THE FIRST 50 PEOPLE*

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH CENTER
21 MAIN STREET | RAVENA, NY 12143

Includes:
Lasagna (meat and
meatless option),
Caesar Salad, Bread,
Dessert

\$16.00 per meal

All proceeds to
benefit the 2025
Assunta Festival!

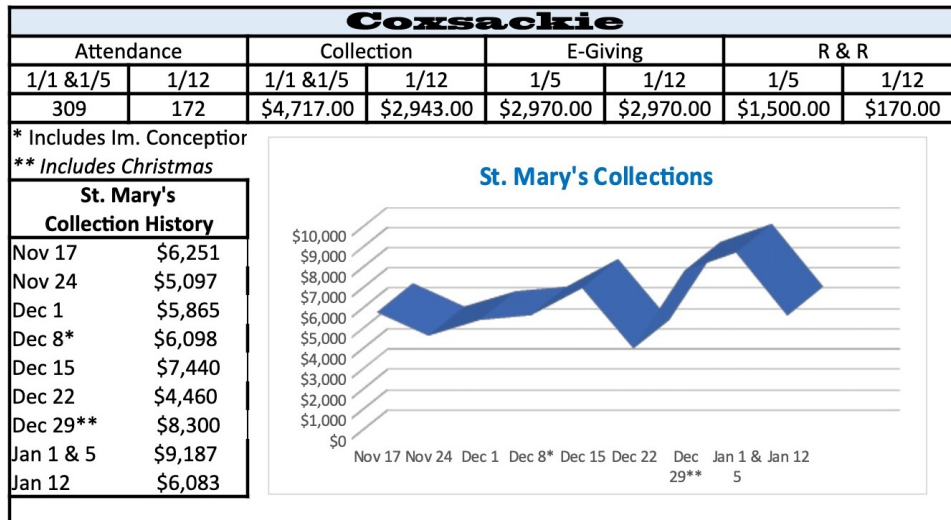


Collections & E-Giving

E-Mail Dawn Brownson parishbusinessmanager@gmail.com

ENVELOPES ARE GREAT, BUT E-GIVING HELPS YOUR PARISH MAKE BETTER FINANCIAL DECISIONS

*The Church is just like your family when it comes to managing our finances. We need to know what our income will be in order to budget and plan for on-going operational needs and building maintenance projects. E-giving provides a steady stream of income that we know we can depend on week after week. Many things can throw us off track in maintaining our commitment to weekly giving. Weather, illness, delays in envelope delivery and vacations to name a few. Plus, with the increased use of debit/credit cards, many of us don't carry cash. **You can cover both your regular weekly giving and any special collections with just one deduction.** Sign up once and leave the rest to us. The deduction will occur at the interval you choose from the bank account you provide. Enrollment forms are in the back of the church along with descriptions of the second and special collection. Please do not hesitate to call the office with any questions. **Try it risk free and change your mind at any time:** [Click Here](#)*



Connecting with the Parishes

Online | Phone | E-Mail

WEEKEND MASSES (ALL ARE WELCOME):

4:30 pm Saturday Mass at St. Patrick's

7:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Mary's

9:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Patrick's

9:30 am on **St. Patrick's YouTube** channel (also on-demand)

[Click here](#) and then please subscribe and on **Mid-Hudson Cable Channel 901** (live at 9:30 only)

11:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Mary's

11:30 am on **St. Mary's YouTube** channel [Click here](#) and then please subscribe

WEEKDAY MASS (Except for Holy Days & days of funeral at a parish): St. Patrick's Tuesday 8:30 am

St. Mary's Wednesday 8 am

HUDSON VALLEY VICARIATE WEST FAITH FORMATION Online hvwwff.org

FR. JAY'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL FOR HOMILIES AND MESSAGES: [Click here](#) and then please **SUBSCRIBE**

FR. JOE'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL FOR HOMILIES AND MESSAGES: [Click here](#) and then please **SUBSCRIBE**

FIND US ONLINE: [Click here](#) for St. Patrick's Parish Homepage [Click here](#) for St. Mary's Parish Homepage
Parish Facebook Pages (updated daily)

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MY PARISH APP (Two Parishes, One App): Text **APP** to **88202** to subscribe

INSTAGRAM (Two Parishes, One Instagram): [stmarys.stpatrick/s](https://www.instagram.com/stmarys.stpatrick/s)



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT First Sunday of the month 6:30-7:30 pm at St. Patrick's

Monday and Tuesday 8:00 am at St. Mary's

Wednesday and Thursday 8:30 am St. Patrick's

MORNING PRAYER (Following the Liturgy of the Hours format) Friday mornings at 8:00 at St. Mary's

WOMEN'S TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY 11 am - 12 pm on Tuesdays St. Patrick's School – Classroom 5

MEN'S PRAYER MEETING 1 – 2 pm on Thursdays St. Patrick's School – Classroom 5

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