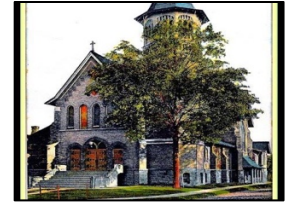




ST. MARY'S & ST. PATRICK'S NEWSLETTER

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A Word (or Two) From Fr. Joe

Dear Parish Family, both near and far away,

Please welcome Fr. Jay Atherton

Folks, this weekend, Fr. Jay Atherton is with us to preside at our Masses at St. Mary's and St. Patrick's. Fr. Jay is our pastor, the pastor of our ten parish local Parish Network encompassing St. Patrick's in Ravenna and all nine of the Greene County parishes. Fr. Kyle Eads, Fr. Mike Melason and I all collaborate with him in sacramental and pastoral ministry.

This is Fr. Jay's first visit to our parishes as our pastor and he will be with us for weekend Masses and meetings from time to time in the future. He wants to know the people and parishes of our region. Please give him the same warm greeting you gave me when I first came here in September '21. When he is here, I will be presiding at Eucharist in other parishes in Greene County. I will see you next week at our Masses for All Saints Day and All Souls' Day!

Special November Days of Prayer

Tuesday, November 1st is All Saints Day, a holy day of obligation. Wednesday, November 2nd is All Souls' Day. Both of these days hold a special place in our hearts. The Saints and the Souls of our deceased family members, neighbors and friends... all those saints, whether canonized or not... mean a great deal to us and we almost reflexively respond to the invitation to come and pray... with them and for them. And we seek the prayer of the Communion of Saints to pray for us and interceded on our behalf.

We gather this week... for All Saints Day on Tuesday (the 1st) at St. Mary's at 6 pm and for All Souls' Day on Wednesday (the 2nd) at St. Patrick's at 6 pm. All Souls' Day is also the day members of our parish family gather to remember recently deceased members of their families and friends and neighbors as well. Please come and pray as our parish family on Tuesday and Wednesday night this week.

Please bring a framed picture of a deceased loved one for our Altar of Remembrance. At both St. Mary's and St. Patrick's, we will pray for our sacred dead all through the month of November. See Deacon Mike, Deacon Steve, your greeter or me and we will help you place your picture of your loved one among the pictures of the many people we will remember in prayer this month.

The Diocesan Appeal

We've begun our participation in the Diocesan Appeal and, to date, St. Mary's has raised gifts and pledges totaling \$10,346 and St. Patrick's has raised gifts and pledges of \$8,434! Each parish has raised at least 20% of their goal! Thank you for your generosity!

If you did not receive an information mailing from the diocese, please take an Appeal envelope home. They are available by the entrance of our churches. Please have a family conversation about how we can support our seminarians and the many service ministries of our Diocese!

Donating Food at St. Mary's

On the first Sunday of the month please bring non-perishable food items to church to support our local food pantry.

Blessings for you and your family, Fr. Joe

Schedule

SUNDAY 10/30	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 10:30 Adult Faith Sharing in Classroom 5 at St. Patrick's 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also St. Mary's YouTube channel)
MONDAY 10/31	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary's By Noon New Prayer Service for small groups posted on parish homepages
TUESDAY 11/1	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary's 8:30 Weekday Mass at St. Patrick's, Rosary following Mass 11:00 Women's Bible Study St. Patrick's – Classroom 5 5:30 Reconciliation, St. Mary's 6:00 All Saints Day Mass at St. Mary's
WEDNESDAY 11/2	8:00 Weekday Mass at St. Mary's 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Patrick's 6:00 All Souls Day Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901)
THURSDAY 11/3	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Patrick's 7:00 Choir rehearsal at St. Mary's
FRIDAY 11/4	8:00 Morning Prayer (St. Mary's)
SATURDAY 11/5	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's
SUNDAY 11/6	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 10:30 Adult Faith Sharing in Classroom 5 at St. Patrick's 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also St. Mary's YouTube channel) 6:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Patrick's
MONDAY 11/7	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary's By Noon New Prayer Service for small groups posted on parish homepages
TUESDAY 11/8	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary's 8:30 Weekday Mass at St. Patrick's, Rosary following Mass 11:00 Women's Bible Study at St. Patrick's in Classroom 5 5:30 Reconciliation at St. Patrick's 6:30 Rosary, St. Mary's
WEDNESDAY 11/9	8:00 NO Weekday Mass at St. Mary's <i>today</i> 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Patrick's 6:30 Choir rehearsal at St. Patrick's
THURSDAY 11/10	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Patrick's 1:00-2:00 St. Patrick's Men's Prayer Meeting – Classroom 5 7:00 Choir rehearsal at St. Mary's

FRIDAY 11/11	8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's
SATURDAY 11/12	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's
SUNDAY 11/13	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)

Please save the date:

MASSES TO CELEBRATE ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS:

All Saints November 1st, 6:00 pm at St. Mary's. All Souls November 2nd, 6:00 pm at St. Patrick's. The All Souls Mass on November 2nd will be livestreamed on the St. Patrick's You Tube Channel.

Saint Patrick's and Saint Mary's Table of Remembrance:

November is the month both parishes remember our deceased loved ones. Parishioners may bring in photos of deceased loved ones beginning the weekend of Oct 22/23 for our Table of Remembrance displayed during the month of November. Please put your name and telephone number on the back of the frame so your photos may be returned to you at the end of November.

Food Pantry, Coxsackie

Lorraine Camurati | 917-572-3300

Coxsackie's Food Pantry hours are Tuesday afternoons 1 - 2 pm, Thursday nights, 7 - 8 pm and Saturday mornings 10 - 11 am. The food pantry is located in the D.M. Hamilton Steamer #2 Fire Station. Donations can be left in the basket in the back of St. Mary's on the first Sunday of the month. The Coxsackie Community Food Pantry gratefully accepts all donations. We are in special need of peanut butter and cold breakfast cereal (Corn Flakes or Cheerios)

Food Pantry at St. Patrick's Ravena

Diane Hoffman | 518-330-6789

The Pantry is in need of: bathroom tissue, bar soap, shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, chicken noodle soup, cookies, snack crackers, peanut butter, beef stew, instant potatoes, cereal and lunch box snacks. Thank you to all that support the Food Pantry with your food and monetary donations! **The Pantry is open:** Tuesdays & Fridays 10–11 am and Wednesdays 6–7 pm.

St. Patrick's Food Pantry was the recipient of a generous \$440 donation from the Ravena Coeymans Selkirk Association of Churches. The donation was made possible through funds raised during the 2022 Crop Walk. Thank you to everyone who contributed or walked. Your hard work assists families in need in our community.

Thrift Shop at St. Patrick's

Mary Ann McCool | 518-756-9184

Come visit Thursdays from 1:00 – 3:00 pm or Saturday mornings from 9:00 – Noon. Could you volunteer on Saturdays from 9:00 – Noon? We could use your help.

Faith Formation Registration at St. Mary's and St. Patrick's

Faith Formation is underway. St. Mary's families can contact Bob Desrosiers at stmaryffo@aol.com or 518-731-9268, ext. 4; St. Patrick's families can contact Christa Desrosiers at derobccr@gmail.com or 518-756-3145. If you'd like to register online, please contact Bob or Christa to receive the online link.

Both Parishes: Box of Joy project has begun! Empty boxes were passed out over the last 2 weeks. Please fill them with goodies - as listed in the handout in each box - and return to church (either church is OK) - not later than Nov. 6th! If you didn't get a chance to pick one up - there are a few left in the back of each church. Any questions, please call Christa or Bob! Our goal is to fill 200 boxes with both of our parishes! Help us give 200 children the ONLY GIFT THEY WILL GET this Christmas, while sharing the love of Jesus!

St. Mary's Faith Formation News:

Your Box of Joy may be returned next week at the FF Session or you may put them in Maria Hall or upstairs in Church anytime up to November 6. The church is open daily from 8am to dusk.

World Youth Day Mass (with Confirmation Rite of Entrance) will be celebrated on Sunday November 6 at the 11:30am Mass. Please join us in celebrating our youth! There will be a short reception in Maria Hall following Mass during Coffee Hour.

Our Second Grade Sacramental Group will celebrate the Jesus Festival for 1st Reconciliation on Saturday November 19 from 10am to Noon. This event will complete the preparation process that included in class sessions and a take home program. Please pray for our kids as they complete their preparation. The group will celebrate 1st Reconciliation on Saturday December 3 from Noon to 2pm in the Church.

MyParish APP for both parishes:

It's a new Faith Formation year! Do you have trouble keeping the schedules straight while on the run? Try downloading the MyParish App on your device and the schedules will be at your fingertips wherever you are! Once you download the App, choose 'St. Patrick and St. Mary' as your default parish and you will be able to get all kinds of information and updates! Please let Christa or Bob Desrosiers know if you have any questions about the App! <https://myparishapp.com/>

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Perhaps you are married to a Catholic.....or you have friends who are Catholic.....you are interested in the teachings of the Church. Perhaps you have a desire to experience the sacraments of the Church. Would you want to know Jesus Christ more fully and are seeking God? There are many ways that God calls a person into a relationship with Jesus and we are happy to help you in this journey.

The RCIA is a process through which you gradually deepen your personal relationship with Jesus Christ and live out your faith in the Catholic community. The RCIA process emphasizes personal conversion and a commitment to the Catholic way of life. You may be wondering.....is the RCIA process for me?

RCIA is for three groups of people: - Those who are not baptized - Those who were baptized in another Christian denomination and want to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church - Baptized Catholics who have not completed the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

To find out if this is right for you contact Bob Desrosiers at St. Mary's 518-731-8800 or Christa Herting Desrosiers at St. Patrick's.518-756-3145.

Stewardship and a Call for Volunteers Please consider actively participating in the life of your Church and joining one of the ministries seeking volunteers. Both St. Mary's and St. Patrick's are always looking for lectors, greeters, ushers, altar servers, altar cleaners, catechists, choir members, coffee hour team members, people to take communion to the homebound, people to staff Mission Central and handy men and women to perform a variety of tasks. Have another talent to share not listed here in the newsletter? Give the office a call and we'd be happy to discuss.

Personal Amplifying Devices Available at St. Patrick's Church: Personal amplifying devices are available to assist the hearing impaired to fully participate in our celebrations of the Eucharist. Units can be obtained from and returned to John Vasto. The units are really easy to use...plug your headphones in and then turn the dial on the top up to the desired volume level. It is suggested you bring your own headphones but a limited supply of disposable headsets are available.

Are you looking for a faith-based education for your child? St. Thomas the Apostle School in Delmar is having an open house November 3 from 6pm-8pm. St. Thomas has been ensuring academic and spiritual excellence for its students for the past 65 years, providing each student with a well-rounded education where Christ is the center of everything. Our school offers a wide range of classes with over 20 extracurricular activities. Financial aid and transportation are available. Come join us and see what makes our community special! Call (518) 439-5573 with any questions.

The Question Box A wooden box marked "Ask Fr. Joe and the Parish Staff" with a form to use to write your question can be found by the main entrances of both St. Mary's and St. Patrick's Churches. We would like to write a response to one question per newsletter. Please include your contact information so we can contact you to be sure we're answering your question. We look forward to hearing from you!

Unleashing Love Women's Retreat Awakening *our hearts to share God's love.*

When: Saturday, December 10, 2022

Time: Check-in and Continental Breakfast at 8:30 AM; Event runs from 9 AM to 4 PM

Location: St. Pius X Church, 23 Crumitie Rd., Loudonville, NY

Keynote Speakers: Sisters of Life. Retreat will include: Presentations, Reconciliation, Adoration, Rosary, and Mass with Bishop Scharfenberger, box lunch, and beverages.

Register Here: <https://www.rcda.org/UnleashingLove>

Note: Credit/debit card users - ignore PayPal and use the black button bar to pay via credit/debit card. Please contact Tom Cronin with any questions at thomas.cronin@rcda.org

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) is a federally funded program that can help eligible New Yorkers heat and cool their homes. If you are eligible, you may receive one regular HEAP benefit per program year and could also be eligible for emergency HEAP benefits if you are in danger of running out of fuel or having your utility service shut off. Enrollments begins November 1, 2022.

Questions regarding the HEAP program can be directed to:

(Cornell Cooperative Extension)

Rt 9W, Faith Plaza Ravena 12143

Phone: 518-756-8650

Greene County Department of Social Services

411 Main Street, Suite 238 Catskill 12414

Phone: 518-719-3700 Fax: 518-719-3748

For more information including eligibility details go to: <https://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/>

Mass Intentions

Week of October 29, 30, 2022

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct 29	4:30	Ravena	Frank and Angie Visconti by the family
Oct 30	7:30	Coxsackie	St. Mary's Memorial Society
			Olive Baker by Robert A. Baker
	9:30	Ravena	Rita Gager by the family
			Charles Brooks by Marcia Bottachiari
	11:30	Coxsackie	Georgene Alcuri Montana by Aunt Barbara Votta

Week of November 5, 6, 9 2022

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nov 5	4:30	Ravena	Robert Hagen by Mom
			Marco Mazariego by Mom
Nov 6	7:30	Coxsackie	St. Mary's Memorial Society
			Leo Synakowski – 6 th Anniversary by his wife
			Georgene Montano by Nancy Belycia
	9:30	Ravena	Jane Hampshire by Rita Ablett
	11:30	Coxsackie	Georgene Montano by Joan & Tom Burke
Nov 9	8:00	Coxsackie	Howard Hulbert – 9 th Anniversary by his wife, Roberta

Week of November 12, 13, 2022

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nov 12	4:30	Ravena	Guy Anatriello by Rose
			James & Eugene Winters by Carol & John Bruno
Nov 13	7:30	Coxsackie	Georgene Montano by Catherine Frank
			Timothy S. McDonald by Gene & Jeannene (Alix) Albright
	9:30	Ravena	Daniel Duffy by Rita, Jake and John Ablett
			Kay Kilmer by Sue Battige
	11:30	Coxsackie	Margaret White by Gina McGrath
			Francis Porter by Gina McGrath

Ravena							
Attendance		Livestream Views		Collection		E-Giving	
10/16	10/23	10/16	10/23	10/16	10/23	10/16	10/23
187	202	106	129	\$2,011.00	\$2,425.00	\$2,020.00	\$2,020.00

St. Patrick's Collection History	
Aug 28	\$4,451
Sept 4	\$5,635
Sept 11	\$3,983
Sept 18	\$4,845
Sept 25	\$4,755
Oct 2	\$6,809
Oct 9	\$6,535
Oct 16	\$4,031
Oct 23	\$4,445

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](#)

Coxsackie							
Attendance		Collection		E-Giving		R & R	
10/16	10/23	10/16	10/23	10/16	10/23	10/16	10/23
162	157	\$1,478.00	\$2,196.00	\$2,970.00	\$2,970.00	\$0.00	\$60.00

St. Mary's Collection History	
Aug 28	\$4,920
Sept 4	\$4,566
Sept 11	\$6,645
Sept 18	\$5,491
Sept 25	\$6,112
Oct 2	\$6,541
Oct 9	\$5,945
Oct 16	\$4,448
Oct 23	\$5,226

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)

St. Patrick's Tuesday 8:30 am

St. Mary's Wednesday 8 am

FR. JOE'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL FOR HOMILIES AND MESSAGES:

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Text **APP** to **88202** to subscribe

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EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Sunday of the month 6:30-7:30 pm at St. Patrick's

MORNING PRAYER (Following the LITURGY OF THE HOURS)

Friday mornings at 8:00 at St. Mary's

Summer Break - WOMEN'S TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY –*Summer Break*

11 am - 12 pm on Tuesdays at St. Patrick's in classroom 5 of the school

MEN'S THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

1 – 2 pm on Thursdays at St. Patrick's in classroom 5 of the school