



# The Season of EASTER

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 1, 2022

Monday – Friday, May 2 – May 6, 2022

No Scheduled Masses in our parishes

### OPTIONS:

St. Patrick's Church, Port Henry-Monday, Tuesday, and Friday at 8:30 am.

St. Peter's Church, Plattsburgh-Monday-Friday at 12:05 pm

### Saturday, May 7 – 1st Saturday

10:00am (SPJ) - Communion Service followed by 2nd First Saturday Devotion

4:30pm (SE) - Special Intentions for Marzia & Robert Jackson by Yvonne Lesperance

### Sunday, May 8

8:30am (SPN) - John Francis McGoldrick by Robert McGoldrick

10:30am (SPJ) - Pro Populo

(SE) = St. Elizabeth, Elizabethtown  
(SPJ) = St. Philip of Jesus, Willsboro  
(SJ) = St. Joseph, Essex  
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### Readings for the Week of May 2

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29  
Tuesday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-5/Jn 14:6-14  
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-7/Jn 6:35-40  
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51  
Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1-2/Jn 6:52-29  
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-17/Jn 6:60-69  
Next Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-3, 5  
Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

### SANCTUARY CANDLES

for Week of May 1 – May 7

St Philip of Jesus - For all the Souls in Purgatory by Anonymous

St Elizabeth's - Intentions of the parishioners

St Philip Neri - Intentions of the parishioners

To reserve the candle, please submit

- 1) the memorial/honor names,
- 2) donor name, if desired, &
- 3) church name, with \$10 contribution to our parish office at Willsboro.

### Things to Ponder.....

Have the strength to forgive...  
...all offenses willingly!

### Last Weekend's Collection

**Saint Elizabeth**  
Envelopes: \$645.00; Plate: \$39.00  
Total: \$684.00

**Saint Philip Neri**  
Envelopes: \$495.00; Plate: \$18.00  
Fuel: \$120.00  
Total: \$633.00

Good Friday – Holy Land Collection: \$50.00  
Easter: \$75.00; Mother's Day Remembrance: \$55.00

**St Philip of Jesus/St Joseph**  
Envelopes: \$645.00; Plate: \$175.00  
Fuel: \$20.00  
Total: \$840.00

Mother's Day Remembrance: \$75.00; Easter: \$10.00

### SPECIAL MOTHER'S DAY COLLECTIONS

There are 2 special envelopes for next weekend—Mother's Day Remembrance and one for the Catholic Charities Mother's Day Appeal. Thanking you in advance for your anticipated generosity.

### ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

It's the season for planting. Seeds bring beauty to the earth and food to our tables. Jesus often made reference to seeds to teach us lessons about life (i.e., Mt 13:31-32; Mark 4:26-29). The Benedictine Book of Blessings has a Blessing for Seeds (#986-1006). Consider taking a few minutes to pray a blessing over any seeds or seedlings that you plant this spring, and pray that the seeds farmers are planting will produce much food. For complete service, see: [The Blessings of Seeds –RCL Benziger](#).

### LIFE GIVING WOUNDS RETREAT

For adult children of separated or divorced families



The Life-Giving Wounds retreat is designed for anyone 18 or over whose parents are no longer together either through separation, divorce, or were never married. Topics will include anxiety, anger, sin, temptation and forgiveness. All presentations are given by trained, expert speakers who are children of divorce.

The retreat will be held Friday, June 10 to Sunday, June 12 at The Guggenheim Center, Saranac Lake, NY. The registration fee is \$100 and includes overnight accommodations, food and all retreat materials.

To register: [www.rcdony.org/lifegw](http://www.rcdony.org/lifegw)  
More info available at [www.lifegivingwounds.org](http://www.lifegivingwounds.org)  
If you are in need of financial assistance to attend the retreat, please contact Steve Tartaglia at 315-393-2920 or [startaglia@rcdony.org](mailto:startaglia@rcdony.org)

### WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP

The first meeting will be held on May 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 am in the Westport Parish Hall (6602 Main St.). All who wish to attend this meeting in person or via Zoom please contact: [eguynup@yahoo.com](mailto:eguynup@yahoo.com) (Elissa)

### FROM THE PASTORS DESK...

To foster deep devotion to **Saint Joseph** among Catholics, and in response to the "May Day" celebrations for workers sponsored by Communists, Pope Pius XII instituted the feast of **Saint Joseph, the Worker** in 1955. Beginning in the Book of Genesis, the dignity of human work has long been celebrated as a participation in the creative work of God. By work, humankind both fulfills the command found in Genesis to care for the earth and to be productive in their labors. Saint Joseph, the carpenter, and foster father of Jesus is but one example of the holiness of human labor. Jesus, too, was a carpenter. He learned the trade from Saint Joseph and spent his early adult years working side-by-side in Joseph's carpentry shop before leaving to pursue his ministry as preacher and healer. St. John Paul II stated that: "the Church considers it her task always to call attention to the dignity and rights of those who work, to condemn situations in which that dignity and those rights are violated, and to help to guide [social] changes so as to ensure authentic progress by man and society." Saint Joseph is held up as a model of such work. Pius XII emphasized this when he said, "The spirit flows to you and to all men from the heart of the God-man, Savior of the world, but certainly, no worker was ever more completely and profoundly penetrated by it than the foster father of Jesus, who lived with Him in closest intimacy and community of family life and work." **St. Joseph, pray for us.**

With Love and Prayers.... ✨ Fr. J.T.

### REMINDERS:

On behalf of this parish Family, may I extend a Hearty welcome to **Msgr. Lee Poissant** and appreciate his willingness to cover the Masses in my absence. Thank you, Msgr., and Wishing you God's Blessings upon your ministry and my prayers for your good health.

Next weekend, **Fr. Bill Gordon** will be covering the Masses in our Churches. Please extend your hearty welcome to Him as he is looking forward to seeing you all. Thanks.

### CURRENT BUDGET REPORT JULY 2021-MARCH 2022

PARISHES	INCOME	EXPENSE	OPERATING INCOME
Westport	63,258.96	67,397.23	\$ - 4,138.27
Willsboro	85,947.46	95,086	\$ - 9,138.54
Elizabeth-town	66,769.34	86,273.09	\$ - 19,503.75

Even though all parishes are running on a deficit and are aware of these difficult times I thank you for supporting our parishes through your generosity and kindness. If anyone would like to have a detailed report, please approach the trustees. God Bless you all.



### FROM THE DIOCESE OF ALBANY THE WAY FOR WOMEN A Healing Retreat for Female Survivors of Abuse

The Way for Women is a 3-day retreat for adult female survivors of abuse offered by the Pyramid Life Center in Paradox, N.Y. on May 20-22. Registration deadline is May 1, 2022.

Please contact Brian Evers at [pyramidlifereservations@gmail.com](mailto:pyramidlifereservations@gmail.com) or 518-585-7545 for more information. [www.pyramidlife.org](http://www.pyramidlife.org)



### ORDINATION TO THE ORDER OF THE PRIESTHOOD

Through the laying on of hands and the invocation of the Holy Spirit, the Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley, Bishop of Ogdensburg will Ordain to the Order of Priesthood Deacon Leagon James Carlin.

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### MOWING

As much as in my effort of creating in everyone's heart a belongingness to the parish and give a true meaning to how we address ourselves as "PARISH FAMILY" I was hoping for the possibility of some who might help with mowing the Church properties (except the Calvary Cemetery since it's big) at their generosity and convenience. Let me reiterate the fact that whatever service you do for the church, you don't do it for pastors but for the love of God and his Church. In the past Kevin King on a Contract Basis, mowed **SE properties for \$3,500 and Willsboro and Essex Church properties for \$5,600.**

Let us also know that the current financial quarterly report states that we are barely coming out of the pandemic crisis we had been facing and there is a lot that has to be done for the stability of our parishes. In any case, I am very thankful to God that a few stepped up for our parishes in need and no words would be sufficient to THANK their willingness to help. Though I don't expect them to help every year, but at least this year their service would save our Churches a great deal. Meanwhile, I acknowledge and Thank Kevin and Tina King for their services in the past and respect their decision not to mow Calvary Cemetery alone. This year's mowing as follows...

**E-Town:** Robert Corbo and volunteers at their convenience

**Westport:** Andrew Baker will mow this year on an Hourly Rate Basis

**SPJ & SJ Churches:** John Carver, volunteer. A contractor will be hired for Calvary Cemetery.



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 8, 2022

Monday – Friday, May 9 – May 13, 2022

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OPTIONS:

St. Patrick's Church, Port Henry-Monday, Tuesday, and Friday at 8:30 am.

St. Peter's Church, Plattsburgh-Monday-Friday at 12:05 pm

Saturday, May 14

4:30pm (SE) - Pro Populo

Sunday, May 15

8:30am (SPN) - Joian Patricia Weber by Robert McGoldrick 10:30am (SPJ) - Jacquilin Kay Lilly by Larry & Pat Trzaskos

- (SE) = St. Elizabeth, Elizabethtown (SPJ) = St. Philip of Jesus, Willsboro (SJ) = St. Joseph, Essex (SPN) = St. Philip Neri, Westport

Readings for the Week of May 9

Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3-4/Jn 10:1-10 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1-7/Jn 10:22-30 Wednesday: Acts 12:24-13:5a/Ps 67:-23, 5-6, 8/Jn 12:44-50 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27/Jn 13:16-20 Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-11/Jn 14:1-6 Saturday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-8/Jn 15:9-17 Next Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-13/Rv 21:1-5a Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

SANCTUARY CANDLES for Week of May 8 – May 15

St Philip of Jesus – Intentions of the parishioners St Elizabeth's – Intentions of the parishioners St Philip Neri – Intentions of the parishioners

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Last Weekend's Collection

Saint Elizabeth Envelopes: \$545.00; Plate: \$30.00 Fuel: \$100.00 Total: \$675.00 Mother's Day Remembrance: \$45.00

Saint Philip Neri Envelopes: \$545.00; Plate: \$63.00 Total: \$608.00 Mother's Day Remembrance: \$20.00

St Philip of Jesus/St Joseph Envelopes: \$1,008.00; Plate: \$135.00 Fuel: \$95.00 Total: \$1,238.00 Mother's Day Remembrance: \$120.00; Ascension: \$10.00 Catholic Home Missions; \$20.00

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

World Day of Prayer is being observed today, Sunday, May 8, 2022, also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young women and men hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, consecrated virginity, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes to continue service to the People of God in the North Country. For more information, please contact Rev. Christopher Carrara, Director of Vocations or Sister Mary Eamon Lyng, SSJ, Vocation Coordinator, Diocese of Ogdensburg, 315-393-2920.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS Diocesan Prayer for Vocations

Lord of the harvest, we raise our voice in prayer begging for generous hearts willing to respond to Your call to labor in Your vineyard today.

The need for laborers – for priests, deacons, and religious in this local Church is great.

Provide us with men and women who are eager to lay down their lives so that the people of the North Country and beyond, may be "Christ-led, Christ-fed, and Hope-filled."

Through the intercession of Mary, Queen of the Apostles, grant a new outpouring of your Holy Spirit on our Diocesan family, so that we may truly grow as the Body of Christ.

This prayer we make in the name of Christ, our Lord. Amen.

~Bishop Terry R. LaValley



FROM THE PASTORS DESK...



Our Lady of Fatima (May 13th) is the title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary in connection with her apparitions to three shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal (Francisco, Jacinta & Lucia). She told them to pray the rosary daily for the end of the war (World War I). Our Lady of Fatima urgently desired for all of faithful to pray daily for the salvation of poor sinners, and for the whole world. That message from Our Mother Mary is a challenge – no matter where you are in your own personal prayer life – to go deeper, to pray often, and with greater fervor. Some of us may not pray all that often except when in great need. Perhaps it is time to dust off that rosary that has been sitting on the shelf since it was received at Confirmation. Others of us may have a deep devotion to the rosary already, in which case the message of Fatima calls us to approach our prayer life with a new ardor. This new ardor would look differently for each individual, but may include things like adopting new devotional practices, recommitting ourselves to attentiveness during times of prayer, or perhaps even increasing the frequency of times dedicated to the Lord and Our Lady in prayer. Dear Our Lady of Fatima, open our hearts, our eyes, and ears to see the needs around me. Please pray for us and grant us the graces we need. Our Lady of Fatima, Pray for us.

With Love and Prayers.... Fr. J.T.

CURRENT BUDGET REPORT JULY 2021-MARCH 2022

Table with 4 columns: PARISHES, INCOME, EXPENSE, OPERATING INCOME. Rows for Westport, Willsboro, and Elizabethtown.

Even though all parishes are running on a deficit and are aware of these difficult times I thank you for supporting our parishes through your generosity and kindness. If anyone would like to have a detailed report, please approach the trustees. God Bless you all.



From Bishop Terry R. LaValley...



Dear Friends in Christ:

As spring returns to the North Country, we are grateful for the help Catholic Charities has received from our generous donors during the past year. The pandemic has been a real challenge. Individuals and families who have never been in dire need now experience poverty for the first time. With unemployment and daily poverty reaching more deeply into our North Country communities, our charitable response needs to be greater than ever.

As faithful disciples of Christ and as a Church in action, we have always worked together to respond to those in need and offer guidance through quality services designed to respect the dignity of each person. 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.

As we prepare to celebrate Mother's Day 2022, we are asking for your help once again. We need our volunteers, our supporters, and our benefactors to journey with us on this continuing mission of charity and justice. It is your financial gift to Catholic Charities that provides the resources that allow Catholic Charities to respond.

Catholic Charities continues to serve the neediest and most underserved in our eight counties across northern New York. We cultivate hope through our food pantries, soup kitchens, homeless housing, migrant outreach, parenting education and financial assistance to individuals and families with the greatest of needs.

As Catholic Charities has professed for over one hundred years, we create Hope when we first provide Help.

Gratefully yours in Christ, Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley Bishop of Ogdensburg

REMINDERS

...On Behalf of this Parish Family, I wish all the MOTHERS in our parishes a very Happy Mother's Day. I also Thank you for your witness and sacrifices you make. May God Bless you and may our Blessed Mother be your constant companion in your journey of faith.

...I extend a Hearty welcome to Fr. Bill Gordon and appreciate his willingness to cover the Masses in my absence. Thank you, father and Wishing you God's Blessings upon your ministry and our prayers for your good health.

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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 15, 2022

Monday – Friday, May 16 – May 20, 2022

No Scheduled Masses in our parishes

### OPTIONS:

St. Patrick's Church, Port Henry-Monday, Tuesday, and Friday at 8:30 am.

St. Peter's Church, Plattsburgh-Monday-Friday at 12:05 pm

### Saturday, May 21

4:30pm (SE) - Pro Populo

### Sunday, May 22

8:30am (SPN) - Leo Larose by Muriel Larose

10:30am (SPJ) - Rose Mary Rogers by John O'Hara

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### Readings for the Week of May 16

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26  
 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-13, 21/Jn 14:27-31a  
 Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-5/Jn 15:1-8  
 Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11  
 Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-10, 12/Jn 15:12-17  
 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1-3, 5/Jn 15:18-21  
 Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8  
 Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

### SANCTUARY CANDLES

for Week of May 15 – May 21

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 St Elizabeth's – Intentions of the parishioners  
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### Last Weekend's Collection

**Saint Elizabeth**  
 Envelopes: \$390.00; Plate: \$27.75  
 Total: \$417.75  
 Mother's Day Remembrance: \$104.00  
 Catholic Charities: \$113.00

**Saint Philip Neri**  
 Envelopes: \$240.00; Plate: \$141.00  
 Fuel: \$15.00  
 Total: \$396.00  
 Mother's Day Remembrance: \$155.00  
 Catholic Charities: \$130.00

**St Philip of Jesus/St Joseph**  
 Envelopes: \$894.00; Plate: \$200.00  
 Fuel: \$283.00  
 Total: \$1,377.00  
 Mother's Day Remembrance: \$230.00  
 Catholic Charities: 155.00

### NEXT WEEKEND

### CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Today, over 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of the Catholic Home Missions Appeal next weekend helps them meet faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

### SUPPORT OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY HEALING RETREAT

The St. Andre Bessette Sisters, a Catholic women's group in Malone, New York, is sponsoring a Diocesan-wide Our Lady of the Rosary Healing Retreat, at Wadham's Hall October 6-9, 2022, for up to thirty women from the Diocese of Ogdensburg. The Most Reverend Bishop Terry LaValley has supported the efforts of the retreat committee and will be offering Mass for the retreatants. Speakers at the retreat include Sister Kelly and Sister Grace of the Capuchin Sisters of Nazareth in Pennsylvania, and Dave McClow of Catholic Counselors. Father Bryan Stitt, of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Canton, New York, will be the presiding priest for the weekend.



The retreat committee is currently in a fundraising drive to assist with the expenses of room and board and guest speaker expenditures while with keeping affordable participant registration fee for women throughout the Diocese. For those prayerfully considering donating to this worthy retreat, please make a check payable to: Wadham's Hall/Women's Retreat. The address: c/o Mr. William Seymour, 6866 St. Hwy. 37, Ogdensburg, NY 13669. **Retreat registration information will come out in the near future.**



### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...



**St. Bernardine of Siena** (Feast Day- May 20<sup>th</sup>) was born on September 8, 1380, feast of the Nativity of Mary. He was baptized on the very day of his birth. One day while he was kneeling at the foot of his crucifix as usual and beseeching God which Order to pursue, he suddenly heard Jesus say to him: "My son Bernardine, you see Me hanging on the Cross, in a state of total denudation. If you love Me and want to walk in My footsteps, fasten yourself also to the cross, divested of everything." He was one of the greatest promoters of devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus and went so far as to create a sign with the monogram IHS (Latin *Jesus Hominum Salvator*, meaning "Jesus Savior of Mankind) and carry it wherever he went. Below is a brief prayer composed by St. Bernardine of Siena honoring the name of Jesus, placing oneself under his most watchful care. *Jesus, Name full of glory, grace, love, and strength! You are the refuge of those who repent, our banner of warfare in this life, the medicine of souls, the comfort of those who mourn, the delight of those who believe, the light of those who preach the true faith, the wages of those who toil, the healing of the sick. To you our devotion aspires; by you our prayers are received; we delight in contemplating you. O Name of Jesus, you are the glory of all the saints for eternity. Amen.*

With Love and Prayers.... ✨ Fr. J.T.

### REMINDERS

On behalf of this parish Family, may I extend a Hearty welcome to **Fr. Pat Ratigan** and appreciate his willingness to cover the Masses in my absence. Thank you, father and Wishing you God's Blessings upon your ministry and my prayers for your good health.

There will be a Golf tournament for the benefit of our parishes on **August 6<sup>th</sup>** at Willsboro Golf Course. Please save the date for those who are interested. More information to follow.

In the interest of full disclosure, I would like you to know the inside of the Church and Rectory in Willsboro are under **surveillance cameras**.

### WALK THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS...

...with Fr. Chris Looby



Join Fr. Chris Looby of St. Mary's Church in Ticonderoga and Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Schroon Lake this November 5-13, 2022 on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land! Highlights will include visiting Caesarea, Church of the Transfiguration, Cana, Tiberias, Sea of Galilee, Mount of Beatitudes, Capernaum, Nazareth, Bethlehem, Church of the Nativity, Jerusalem, Mount of Olives, Church of the Holy Sepulcher, Western Wall, Via Dolorosa, Celebrate Mass Daily. Double \$4,249pp, Single \$5,049pp, Triple \$4,219pp. For more information contact Mary McIntosh at Watertown AAA at (315) 558-6372 or [www.route74catholics.org](http://www.route74catholics.org).



### OCTAVE OF SERVICE Let your faith make a difference

To commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Diocese of Ogdensburg, parishioners are invited to participate in the Octave of Service from May 19 to May 26. This is an opportunity for parishioners to join together to serve the greater community with

the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy and make a difference in the lives of our neighbors. Some suggested projects are:

- A clean-up day at the cemetery, raking leaves, trimming weeds on Saturday morning
- Collecting personal hygiene products for the needy
- Visit the local nursing home and lead a rosary with the residents
- Invite a lonely neighbor for coffee or dinner at your house or help an elderly neighbor rake their yard.
- Take a trash bag and pick up the bottles and other trash along your street.
- Knit or crochet lap blankets for nursing home residents.

For more information and to share your projects, contact Deacon Paul or Fr. JT

### WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP

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### THOUGHTS ON EVANGELIZATION

Readings: Acts 14:21-27/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Love one another. This is the Lord's commandment, to love one another as he has loved us. And he loved us by laying down his life for us while we were yet sinners. We are called to do the same. By ourselves, this would be impossible, but with God's grace, all things are possible. God makes all things new. In Christ, we are a new creation, and God dwells among us. True love is a sacrifice. It is a giving of ourselves. But it is in loving each other that we receive and bear fruit. Let us be his disciples, and follow him, draw others to him so that they too, may know his love.



### Pray Your Rosary

...because Mary asked us to...





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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER May 22, 2022

### Monday, May 23

8:30am (SPJ) - Deceased Members of the Carver Family  
by John & Susan Carver

### Tuesday, May 24

8:30am (SE) - Linda Renfroe by Heather Lewis

### Wednesday, May 25

5:15pm (SPN) - Pro Populo

### Thursday, May 26—Feast of The Ascension

8:30am (SE) - Robert & Jane McDevitt  
by Mr & Mrs Harold Bean

5:15pm (SPJ) - For the Souls in Purgatory  
by Richard & Margaret Smith

### Friday, May 27

*No Scheduled Mass*

### Saturday, May 28

4:30pm (SE) - Pro Populo

### Sunday, May 29

8:30am (SPN) - James Ryan by the Ryan Family

10:30am (SPJ) - Deceased Members of the Carver Family  
by John & Susan Carver

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Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Jn 15:26—16:4a  
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-3, 7-8/Jn 16:5-11  
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-14/Jn 16:12-15  
Thursday: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-9/Eph 1:17-23  
or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53  
Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-7/Jn 16:20-23  
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-10/Jn 16:23b-28  
Next Sunday: Acts 7:55-60/Ps 97:1-2, 6-7, 9  
Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26

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for Week of May 22—May 28

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### Things to Ponder.....

Look for the niche in life...  
...that will make you the happiest!

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Envelopes: \$440.00; Plate: \$45.00  
Fuel: \$110.00  
Total: \$595.00  
**Mother's Day Remembrance: \$10.00**  
Catholic Charities: \$10.00

**Saint Philip Neri**  
Envelopes: \$798.00; Plate: \$161.00  
Fuel: \$25.00  
Total: \$984.00

**St Philip of Jesus/St Joseph**  
Envelopes: \$895.00; Plate: \$197.00  
Fuel: \$140.00  
Total: \$1,232.00  
Catholic Charities: \$20.00

### THIS WEEKEND

#### CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Over 40% of dioceses United States and its territories are considered mission territories, because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. You help fund religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs to build vibrant faith communities in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

#### UPDATE ON LIFT PROJECT AT SPJ

Although the original plan was to have an elevator with a possibility of having a casket inside, that is no longer permitted per NYS regulations. So, in conversation with the leading architect on our lift project, we have learned that the in-house final review has been completed and the bid packages should go out this week to the three companies chosen to submit bids. It has been decided to not go forward with the exterior entry at this time. That phase of the project has been designed and can go out for proposal anytime in the future should we decide to go forward. AEDA indicated that it is a very good chance this lift project could begin before the year's end, but of course, they would not know the schedules of the contractor chosen and also no one has control over supply chain issues. We just need to keep moving forward as best we can in our current times. Thank you all so much for your patience and support. We will get there!

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### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...



The Ascension of our Lord is most closely related, in meaning, to Christmas. In Jesus, the human and the Divine become united in the Person and life of one man. That's Christmas. At the Ascension, this human being – the person and the resurrected body of Jesus – became for all eternity a part of who God is. It was not the Spirit of Jesus or the Divine Nature of Jesus that ascended to the Father. It was the Risen living Body of Jesus: A Body that the disciples had touched, a Body in which He Himself had eaten and drunk with them both before and after His Resurrection, a real, physical, but gloriously restored Body, bearing the marks of nails and a spear. This is what, and Who, ascended. This is what, now and forever, is a living, participating part of God. That is what the Ascension, along with the Incarnation, is here to tell us – that it is a good thing to be a human being; indeed, it is a wonderful and an important and a holy thing to be a human being. It is such an important thing that God did it. Even more, the fullness of God now includes what it means to be a human being. By His Ascension, Christ has not deserted us but has made it possible for the Holy Spirit to enter all times and places. In this way it is possible for each of us to be transformed by the power of the Spirit into agents or instruments of Christ.

With Love and Prayers.... ✨ Fr. J.T.

### REMINDER

This Thursday is Solemnity of The Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ and it's Holy Day of Obligation. Please make sure to attend one of the following Masses Scheduled in our parishes.

Thursday, May 26th, is also the Feast of St. Philip Neri. We all wish the faithful of Westport a Happy Patrons Feast Day!

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### WEEKLY PIE RAFFLES

It has been decided that we will resume the weekly pie and goodie raffles as done in the past by the Catholic Daughters. This is an incredible fundraiser and a great social aspect in our churches. We will begin these raffles on Memorial Day weekend and continue to Labor Day. It is thought that we could have sales in all three churches as before if we are able to get it coordinated. It is a team effort in every sense, if we can get a person in each church to coordinate these sales. Helen MacDougal has volunteered to run the sale in Westport as she has done many at various times before. Susan Fahey will coordinate in Willsboro / Essex. We just need someone to step forward to handle Elizabethtown. Also, in order to keep our churches as quiet as possible before Masses we will be using the parish hall in Elizabethtown, in Westport there will be a tent set up so that site may be on a weather permitting basis, and Willsboro remains the same in the entry. The winners will be announced before we begin the recessional song. Great way to raise money for our churches and have a chance at something delicious to take home!!

### OCTAVE OF SERVICE

Let your faith  
make a difference

To commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Diocese of Ogdensburg, parishioners are invited to participate in the Octave of Service from May 19 to May 26. This is an opportunity for parishioners to join together to serve the greater community with



the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy and make a difference in the lives of our neighbors. Some suggested projects are:

- A clean-up day at the cemetery, raking leaves, trimming weeds on Saturday morning
- Collecting personal hygiene products for the needy
- Visit the local nursing home and lead a rosary with the residents
- Invite a lonely neighbor for coffee or dinner at your house or help an elderly neighbor rake their yard.
- Take a trash bag and pick up the bottles and other trash along your street.
- Knit or crochet lap blankets for nursing home residents.

For more information and to share your projects, contact Deacon Paul or Fr. JT

### THOUGHTS ON EVANGELIZATION

Readings: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

Our readings toward the end of the Easter season point out the actions of the Holy Spirit. Jesus tells us that the Advocate, the Holy Spirit ... will teach us everything and remind us of all that the Lord told us. We see an example of the Holy Spirit at work in the first reading. The Holy Spirit is still at work in the Church today, teaching and guiding us with authority through the Magisterium of the Church. There is great freedom in this and it allows us to be at peace, knowing that we are not left to our own devices. It also calls us to the responsibility of continuing to listen and learn and then to share the Good News.



### Pray Your Rosary

...because Mary asked us to...





# The Season of EASTER

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 29, 2022

### Monday, May 30

8:30am (SPJ) - Kristina Knox  
by Richard & Margaret Smith

### Tuesday, May 31

#### The Visitation of The Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30am (SE) - Silvia Calvani by Mr & Mrs Harold Bean

### Wednesday, June 1

No Scheduled Mass

### Thursday, June 2

5:15pm (SPJ) - Deceased Members of the Carver Family  
by John & Susan Carver

### Friday, June 3

#### St Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs

8:30am (SPN) - Amady H & Mary Casavoy Families  
by Nancy Montville

Followed by Eucharistic Holy Hour

### Saturday, June 4

10:00am (SPJ) - Communion Service followed by  
3rd First Saturday Devotion

4:30pm (SE) - Pro Populo

### Sunday, June 5

8:30am (SPN) - John Francis McGoldrick  
by Robert McGoldrick

10:30am (SPJ) - Deceased Members of the Sayward Family  
by Carolyn, Jane & Nick

(SE) = St. Elizabeth, Elizabethtown  
(SPJ) = St. Philip of Jesus, Willsboro  
(SJ) = St. Joseph, Essex  
(SPN) = St. Philip Neri, Westport

### Readings for the Week of May 30

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-7/Jn 16:29-33  
Tuesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-6/Lk 1:39-56  
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-36/Jn 17:11b-19  
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/Jn 17:20-26  
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20/Jn 21:15-19  
Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 114:4-5, 7/Jn 21:20-25  
Next Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34  
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Rom 8:8-17  
Jn 20:19-23 or 14:15-16, 23b-26

### SANCTUARY CANDLES

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Total: \$995.00

Catholic Charities: \$10.00; Ascension: \$20.00  
Catholic Home Missions: \$91.00

#### Saint Philip Neri

Envelopes: \$2,198.00; Plate: \$63.00  
Fuel: \$75.00  
Total: \$2,336.00

Catholic Charities: \$25.00  
Catholic Home Missions: \$165.00

#### St Philip of Jesus/St Joseph

Envelopes: \$1,025.00; Plate: \$295.00  
Fuel: \$100.00  
Total: \$1,420.00

Catholic Home Missions: \$110.00

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### ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

**Creation Care Tips** "There is a nobility in the duty to care for creation through little daily actions, and it's wonderful how education can bring about real changes in lifestyle". (Laudato Si') Jesus often uses nature to educate us how to live life to the fullest. What lessons have you learned from the patterns of the seasons and its creatures that have brought about changes in your lifestyle? i.e. Nature only uses what it needs.



### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

**Saint Justin (Feast Day- June 1<sup>st</sup>)** is an early martyr and a Father of the Church from the second century, who wrote extensively for the conversion of the Romans. In his writings survive some of the earliest recorded descriptions of the Eucharist. He wrote in his First Apology: "For we do not receive these things as common bread or common drink; but as Jesus Christ our Savior being incarnate by God's word took flesh and blood for our salvation, so also we have been taught that the food consecrated by the word of prayer which comes from Him, from which our flesh and blood are nourished by transformation, is the flesh and blood of that incarnate Jesus." Saint Justin had a clear understanding of the gift that is the Eucharist. We know that the Eucharist is the source and summit of the faith. And, as Saint Justin indicates, it nourishes our body with Christ's Body. It is in the Eucharist that we are united to Jesus and brought into the inner life of the Trinity. In about 165, Justin was arrested for being a Christian but refused to give up his faith. The judge asked him, "Do you have an idea that you will go to heaven and receive some suitable rewards?" Justin answered, "It is not an idea that I have; it is something that I know well and hold to be most certain." The judge ordered him killed. May we implore the Lord that the Holy Mother Church may raise up new apologists, defenders of the faith, for the heart and soul of the people of our age.

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### REMINDERS

**Please welcome**, Fr. Clement, parochial vicar at Tupper Lake parish as he is covering this weekend for me. Thank you, Father, for helping out our parish and wishing you God's blessings on your ministry.

**Memorial Day** is an opportunity, as a nation, to remember and appreciate those who have died so that we might live ... freely. But maybe, most important of all, Memorial Day can help inspire us to the greatest thing of which we are capable, by God's grace: sacrificial love. Love that sacrifices for the beloved is divine and the only true love. God Bless us all.

**June 11<sup>th</sup>** will be the second gathering for the **Women's prayer group** in Westport parish Hall from 9am to 11 am.

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In today's Gospel, Christ prays for us, for you and for me. He prays for those who, through the Words of the Apostles, will believe in him. That is us. The faith has been passed down to us through the apostles and all who followed. He prayed for us to be one in him, to be in communion, and to love as he first loved us. Will others come to know him through us? Will you speak his name, share your faith, so that others may come to believe in him? Let us pray for each other and for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit, that all may come to believe and know the love of Christ, our Lord and Savior.



### SAFE ENVIRONMENT CORNER

Did You Know...an effective child victimization prevention program accomplishes the following objectives: emphasizes every child's right to live free of abuse, promotes healthy social relationships, mutual kindness and respect, teaches the importance of setting personal and digital boundaries, assists with identification of trusted adults, and upholds a zero-tolerance environment in which harassment and abuse are openly discussed and disclosed. For more information, or to register for an upcoming VIRTUS training session, contact Jean Grizzuto at 315-393-2920 x1413 or at [jgrizzuto@rcdony.org](mailto:jgrizzuto@rcdony.org).

### VERY SPECIAL HOUSE SITTERS

Salary...Pearl of Great Price! Ellenburg

Our Lady of the Adirondacks House of Prayer, 7270 Star Road, Route 190, Ellenburg, NY is looking for many Volunteer "House Sitters." The responsibility is to arrive by 10 AM on your chosen day(s), and remain on premises until 4 PM to welcome visitors. Lunch and snack items on hand along with tea, coffee, soda, and bottled water. Training will be provided on the history of the House of Prayer, its mission, and the various ways to carry out this gentle ministry of hospitality for those seeking time in a home of Mary to listen to our Lord, browse in the library, or visit the "Gift Shop". Flexible schedule (and hours) are fine. If interested in volunteering for one day a month, or week, or more, please call Sarah Anderson at 518-534-9976.



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