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St. Mary's NYS Rt. 12, Copenhagen Land Deeded 1901, Incorporated 1890 Present Church Dedicated 1902

We are two diverse communities of faith who are united in bringing the Gospel into the daily lives of all who worship with us. We stand together with all people, especially the poor and the alienated, as a sign of God's universal love for all people. We extend a warm welcome to all and hope that you will find the parishes of St. James and St. Mary's places where faith can be nourished.

Parish Staff

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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:

Contact the Rectory anytime

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May 2, 2021

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	INTEN INTEN May 2, Fifth Sunday SSES BEING SA	2021 of Easter	CAPACITY	Congratulations to the second graders who make First Co munion today! They will be very excited to be able to rece Communion at First Friday Mass on May 7 th . Freddie the Fire Truck will visit grades PreK – 2 nd on Monda	
	IESE MASSES V ABOUT 100		WITH	May 3^{rd} . NYS Math Assessments will be administered on Tuesda May 4^{th} in grades $3 - 8$.	
 SATURDAY, MAY 1 5:00SJ(ant.) - Leo Archer by Don & Barb Kohler SUNDAY, MAY 2 8:00SM @SJ - Peg Nevills by Dawn & Ron Burns 9:00SJ - Divine Office/Rosary 10:00SJ - For the People of the Parishes 1:00pmSJ - First Eucharist Celebration MONDAY, MAY 3 5:00SJ - Rosary/Miraculous Medal Novena 5:30SJ - Sgt. Brian J. Jarvis(USMC) -39th Anniv. by Mom TUESDAY, MAY 4 12:00SJ - Christopher Gamble by Grams & Gramps WEDNESDAY, MAY 5 9:00SM - Helen, Leo, & Sally Archer by Edmonds & Perkins families 3:00-6:00pmSJ - Eucharistic Adoration 				There will be no school at Augustinian Academy on Wedday, May 5 th . The teachers have a Professional Developm Day. Augustinian Academy has partnered with SUNY Plattsbut to participate in the Shine On! Program, an organization	
			•	teaches character strengths, communication skills and und standing of media to young girls in the greater Plattsburgh ea. Part of our program also focuses on encouraging girls pursue careers in STEM. This year, as COVID-19 continue impact parents, teachers, and students we are expanding efforts throughout schools in NYS. On Thursday, May there will be a downlink with the NASA astronauts at the ternational Space Station. There have been many opportuni for the students to gain information before this ever	
 THURSDAY, MAY 6 9:00SJ - Communion Service today FIRST FRIDAY, MAY 7 9:00SJ - Rev. John J. Cosmic -4th Anniv. by Amaral family SATURDAY, MAY 8 5:00SJ(ant.) - For the People of the Parishes SUNDAY, MAY 9 8:00SM @SJ - Leo Archer by Helena Archer 9:00SJ - Divine Office/Rosary 10:00SJ - Intentions of Greg & Margaret Woods - 40th Wedding Anniversary NOTE - Wednesday - Eucharistic Adoration Thursday - Communion Service First Friday - Mass 		maral family.	recordings of the launch, learn about the astronauts, and pl of activities on the NASA website. How exciting for every The current total for Penny Wars is \$447.04. Seventh grac in the lead with \$142.85, followed by Second and J Grades. Thank you to the generous parishioners who l been offering a little help to each of the classeskeep sat those pennies!		
		ds -	St. Mary's News – May 2, 2021 Pastoral Council Masting May 4th 7mm St. Mar		
			 Pastoral Council Meeting – May 4th – 7pm St. Mar Church - Social Distancing & Mask wearing Altar & Rosary Meeting – May 5th following the Rosary 7pm Social Distancing & Mask wearing. Good News – First Communion for St. Mary's Parish be on Saturday, May 15th at 1:00pm with Social Distance and Mask wearing. Blessing Box of food is available daily in front of St. Mar Church. St. Mary's Church is open for 9:00am Mass on Wedr day and for daily visits for private prayers. God bless and keep healthy. 		
Calendar of Events May 2- Religious Ed Classes, 9 - 9:45am (CAA) May 2 - Divine Office/Rosary restarts, 9am (SJ) May 2 - First Eucharist, 1pm (SJ) May 4 - Ave Maria Circle Meeting, 6pm (CAA Classroom) May 4 - Adult Enrichment Series, continues, 7pm (CR) May 4 - St. Mary's Pastoral Council Meeting, 7pm (SM) May 5 - Altar/Rosary Meeting, 7pm (SM) May 6 - K of C Meeting, 7pm (CR)					
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Discovering hope and joy in the Catholic faith.

St. James-Carthage, St. Mary's-Copenhagen Rev. Donald Robinson. Pastor

One Minute Meditations

God is our strength

Life can be exhausting and we can become overwhelmed by what it takes to be good. It is important to remember that we don't struggle alone. "If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, will he not also give us all things with him?" (Romans 8:31-32).

A new approach

St. Paul said the whole law is summed up in love. While he was talking about Mosaic law, laws are given to preserve order. Jesus presented a new fresh approach. Out of love, He came not to abolish the Law, but to bring it to perfection. The relationship between heaven and earth is love.

"Whatever you ask in my name, I will do it, that the Father may be glorified in the Son; if you ask anything in my name, I will do it" (John 14:13-14).

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Who do you say that Jesus is?

Jesus said to his Apostles, "But who do you say that I am?" (Matthew 16:15). In Mere Christianity, C.S.

Lewis wrote that there are three ways to answer this question. Perhaps Jesus was a liar, deliberately misleading others by claiming to be God. Or, was He insane, deluded into thinking He was God? Finally, perhaps He is what He said He is - God.

Liar: If Jesus deliberately misled others, He would have been evil. Yet. his friends wrote that He did incredible acts of good, was honest, kind, and compassionate. No one experienced lesus as a bad man.

Lunatic: What if Jesus were insane

and deluded when believing He was God? Being out of touch with reality wouldn't have been confined to one delusion. The effects of mental illness spill into many areas of a person's life. Yet, the Gospels describe Jesus' wisdom,

intelligence, and practical good sense. He had an ability to attract people who respected His authority. Lord: When Jesus asked, "But who do YOU sav that I am?", Peter

responded, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." It's the only answer that makes sense.

Ultimately, we each have to answer the question of who Jesus is for ourselves. We can pray for the faith of Peter to declare Jesus our Lord and our God.



Why do Catholics pray the Rosary?

Popes, saints, and Catholics over the centuries have turned to the Rosary for miraculous help in seemingly impossible situations. The mysteries of the Rosary describe the events of Jesus' life, death and Resurrection. As we pray the Rosary, we revisit these events.

The Rosary is deeply ingrained in our Catholic identity. The rhythm of

the Rosary is meant to still our minds and direct our hearts to communion with God, placing our focus on God and not on the world.

Mary brings us to the heart of her Son

Jesus so loved his mother that his last thoughts on the Cross were of her. He gave her to us as our own mother, and wants us to honor her. "Since Mary is rightly to be regarded as the way by which we are led to Christ, the person who encounters Mary cannot help but encounter Christ likewise" (Mense Maio, Blessed Pope Paul VI).

For her "yes." Without fully understanding what God intended, she unhesitatingly agreed to become his mother. Her "yes" made it possible for God to become

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Jesus appeared to the Apostles on the mountain top in Galilee, so they could

receive their final instructions. They were to go forth, baptize, make disciples, and to teach what they had been taught.

These are our instructions, too. Once we meet Jesus and experience his love for us, we can't keep him to ourselves. We must share him.

Jesus also revealed to the Apostles, and to the crowd gathered with them, that God is a Trinity -Father, Son, and



May 1 – St. Joseph the Worker. Entrusted with the care of the Blessed Mother and Jesus, Joseph was a carpenter dedicated to his family and obedient to God.

May 13 – Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord (1st Century). This solemnity marks the completion of Jesus' mission of salvation and his triumphant entry into Heaven. Note: In many dioceses, observance of Ascension has been moved to the following Sunday.

May 18 - St. Felix of Cantalice

Matthew 28:16-20, The Holy Trinity

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Holy Spirit - three Divine Persons united in love. The belief that God is three, yet one, is distinct to Christianity.

When we became members of the Church, we were baptized in the name of the Trinity.

The Trinity is a mystery we may not fully understand, but we can still live in its love and power.

We proclaim our faith in it

whenever we make the Sign of the Cross: "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Our ultimate goal is to follow Christ into the eternal life of the Trinity.

(1587). Born to poor, pious parents in Italy, St. Felix was called "Brother Deogratias" because he was always thanking God. As a young man, he joined the Capuchins, who sent him to Rome to be the friary's official beggar. He was also friends with Saints Philip Neri and Charles Borromeo.

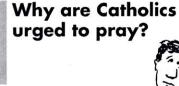
May 23 - Pentecost (1st century). After the Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus, the Holy Spirit was given to the Church at the first Pentecost. When the apostles received the Holy Spirit, the "new age" of the Church was born.

human and be crucified for our salvation. Following her example means saying "yes" to whatever God asks.

For her sacrifice. Wouldn't you be forever grateful to someone who gave up her child so that you and your loved ones might live? Mary loved her amazing child and she experienced unspeakable heartache as he was sacrificed for us.

> Praying the Rosary regularly reminds us of the life of Jesus and the desire of his Mother to bring us close to his heart.

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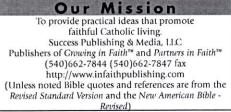


St. Therese of Lisieux said, "For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy." Practically speaking, prayer is how we connect with God.

Prayer helps us to hear God's voice. By praying, we learn about Him, come to understand what He wants for us, and how we reap the blessings He wants to give us. The more we pray, the closer to Him we become. "Christian prayer is a covenant relationship between God and man in Christ" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #2564).

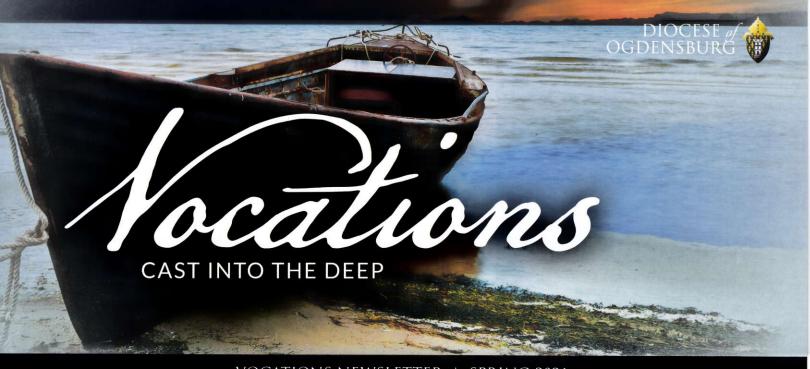
Through our Baptism, we are united with Jesus. When we pray often and regularly, we create the habit of being in His presence and in communion with Him. And, we tap into our Baptismal connection. Through a healthy prayer life, we enjoy a personal and living relationship with God.

God seeks to draw us each to Himself. Prayer is our answer to Him.



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VOCATIONS NEWSLETTER | SPRING 2021

Discerning one's God-given vocation is not for the weak of heart!

Years ago, a former Vocation Director from the diocese, Fr. Timothy Canaan, wrote a vocation prayer that was put on bookmarks and distributed to young people. The prayer read "Dear God, help me to be what you want me to be so that I can be very happy in this life and in

the next. Amen." The simplicity reminded me of the prayer, "Now I lay me down to sleep." While the prayer is in itself easy to say, it is anything but simple! As a matter of fact, if taken seriously it is counter cultural and can be a bit frightening.

If our culture were to write a prayer it might sound like, "Hey God, just a reminder that I should be happy in anything I choose to do! Ok, thanks." For a young person to hear that God loves them and has a plan for their future, and they should entrust their life to Him is in stark contrast to a culture that claims the only thing that will make them happy is doing what they want.



When talking to those we care about regarding discerning God's will, we should remember how intimidating that can be while still inviting them to take courage and follow His call! The high percentage of satisfaction among those serving in priesthood as well as those in faithful married life cer-

tainly speaks to the truth of Fr. Timothy's prayer. Living the prayer out and a willingness to go against the cultural norms of society takes great courage.

I pray that each of us will be wise mentors who instruct our young about the happiness in following God's call and a cheerleader when they do so!

Dear God, help me to be what you want me to be so that I can be very happy in this life and in the next.

Amen!

Fr. Christopher Carrara Director of Vocations and Seminarians



I FEEL CALLED...

If you feel the Lord may be calling you to consider the priesthood, join us on Zoom for our 2021 Priesthood Discernment program. High School Junior men and older are invited to participate.

Contact Fr. Howard Venette at hvenette@gmail.com for more information.

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The ordination of a priest is one of the most beautiful and powerful liturgies in the Catholic Church. If you have never witnessed one, put this on your to-do list immediately. I have read in the autobiographies of many seminarians that attending an ordination greatly enriched their discernment, or even triggered them to begin discerning in the first place.

One especially powerful moment occurs when the ordinandus (the man being ordained) prostrates himself face down on the floor of the cathedral, while the people sing the litany of saints. This man is laying down his life, literally, spiritually, and figuratively, for Jesus Christ and his Church! Everyone else in the cathedral, including the bishop, is kneeling, praying with the saints in heaven that this man will be a holy, faithful priest. Once the litany of saints is completed, the man comes to the bishop and kneels before him. The bishop lays his hands on the man's head in silence and then prays the required prayer of consecration. The choir often sings Veni Creator Spiritus (Come Creator Spirit).

This man is now a priest forever.

From *To Save a Thousand Souls: A Guide to Discerning a Vocation to Diocesan Priesthood* by Fr. Brett Brannen

A Mother's Journey Patty Conger had fears about her son's path to priesthood

When Patty Conger first learned her son Matt was considering the priesthood, she was afraid. At the time, Patty viewed the priesthood as lonely and isolating. Won't Matt be lonely? What about his family?

Today, Deacon Matt is preparing for his ordination to the priesthood. In the meantime, Patty's husband Steve converted to Catholicism, and she's done a complete 180. She couldn't be happier.

"It's been a very long journey with Matt," she said, "It's had its ups and downs. We had a lot of reservations when he went in—I think it was more fear than anything— but this whole experience has been phenomenal for all of us."

Patty discovered her son was anything but lonely.

"Initially I was afraid," she said. "What's going to happen when we're gone? When he becomes a priest and he has no family? I knew he wouldn't have his own children or his own spouse. It was a fear that gripped me. I didn't want him to be alone."

But she saw the outpouring of love and support from the other seminarians, the priests, and the people of the diocese.

"Well, he's not alone," Patty said, "and I know that now. Being able to see that he's loved by so many people, and he's got love in him, and I know he'll always have a family no matter where he is, close to home or on the other side of the diocese. It took time to understand that. Having a child in the seminary gives you contact with so many different clergy members and other people close to the priesthood. It's been enlightening for us."

Matt had some fears of his own, too. Patty remembers the first time he had to enter into silence for a long period of time during his formation.

"He ran behind a tree and called us! He said, 'I don't think I can do this!' Now, he looks forward to that time of silent reflection and prayer," Patty remembered with a laugh.



Ordinations are May 28th

Join us online for the joyful occasion of the ordinations to the priesthood of Deacon Fernando Soloman, Deacon John Kennedy Ojuok, and Deacon Matt Conger. The Mass and ordination will be streamed on St. Mary's Cathedral YouTube channel on Saturday, May 28, at 11 a.m.







Deacon Fernando Solomon

John Kennedy Ojuok N

Deacon Matthew Conger



From the Pastor:

Today is First Eucharist Day at St. James.

The names of the First Communion students are printed in today's bulletin. Congratulations to all our students who have been working so hard to prepare for this special day. We hope they will come often to the altar of the Lord to be spiritually fed.

Next Sunday is Mother's Day and we will be remembering and honoring all of our mothers (living and deceased) next weekend. When you come in to Mass next week end, you will find a Mother's Day Prayer card in the pew. Please write the name of your mother on the card and the cards will be collected after the all-important 2nd collection for Catholic Charities. The prayer cards will be brought forward in the Offertory procession and we will pray for all of our mothers during the Eucharistic Prayer.

For many years Bob Renaud organized and supervised the execution of the May Rosary Crusade. He did a marvelous job in putting the whole Crusade together, complete with a beautiful painted spiritual print that was given to participants. The Crusade was cancelled last year because of COVID and Bob moved to S. Carolina last summer. Therefore, it has looked like there would not be a future Crusade until this past week. The Buskey family has generously stepped forward to volunteer to help organize the event. I am very grateful to them for this generous offer. The date has been set for Friday, May 21. Please mark your calendars.

Have you driven by St. James Church at night? For many years, I have wanted to repair the flood lights in front of the church. Apparently they have not worked for many, many years. Well, thanks to John Ashcroft, Dan Leary and Nate Kepler the whole front of the church is now beautifully illuminated with brilliant light shining on the church and tower. What a difference it has made. This improvement is so appropriate as we celebrate our 200th Anniversary.

Apparently, it's only appropriate to say, "Look at you! You got so big!" to children. Adults tend to get offended.

Cemetery News - Starting the first week of May, there will be a clean up of both Old St. James & New St. James Cemeteries. Items that don't belong will be placed in a trailer behind the garage. If you find something missing and still want it, please look there.

Congratulations to our 2021 First Communicants:

Daniel G. Barrow Scarlett N. Brooks Grant A. Campeau Jeriana I. Covey Halle A. Crawford Katherine A. Dawson

Garison P. Eddy Brynn O. Higgins Colton H. Motes Delana M. Scoville

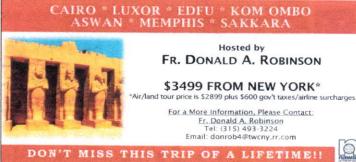
2021 MOTHER'S DAY APPEAL

Catholic Charities will be there for your family members, neighbors and our community during and after this pandemic. We are working tirelessly to provide any and all support to our communities and we cannot do it without YOUR help

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K of C News: Upcoming dates

May 1&2 - "Pennies" collections May 6 - K of C meeting, 7pm May 7 - First Friday May 8 - Men of Faith, 8:30am May 9 - Mother's Day. Brian Thompson, Grand Knight

St. Stephen was a deacon. He was a witness, by his life, to Christ.



Is God calling you to be a Deacon?

A new class will form in the fall of 2021

There will be three information sessions

May 11, 2021 6:00 PM St. Anthony Church (Msgr. Sechi Hall) 850 Arsenal St. Watertown, NY 13601

May 18, 2021 7:00 PM

St. Peter's Church (Emmaus Room) 114 Cornelia St. Plattsburgh, NY 12901

May 20, 2021 6:00 PM Our Lady of Grace (Family Life Center) 500 Morris St. Morristown NY 13664

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