

FAITH FORMATION & PARISH OUTREACH

From the Knights of Columbus:

We want to thank all of the young people - Bethany Brady, Maddie Kelley, Dylan McCrudden, Olivia McCrudden, and Annabella Rivero - for their invaluable assistance at the Mother's Day Rose Sale. A special thanks to Eileen McHugh-Szepessy for her help in securing and preparing the roses.

Faith Formation and Parish Outreach

Service opportunity: Help the The Elves with their Outdoor Sale on June 5. Times include:

Friday, June 4 at 4 pm - set up tables and place items

Saturday, June 5 at 7 am - bring items outdoor to tables

Saturday, June 5 from 9 - 11 am - help with sales

Saturday, June 5 at 1:30 pm - cleanup and returning tables to the hall.

Call Ruth Ellen at 518-758-1828 if you wish to volunteer.

God's Creation! Please join us for our summer program for all families from the Parishes of St. Joseph, St. James, and St. John the Baptist, Monday, July 12 through Thursday, July 15. Families with gather for a simple meal at 5:30 pm each day, followed by activities for all ages, concluding at 7:30 pm.

God's Creation workers needed! Please attend our first planning meeting on Wednesday, May 19 at 5:30 pm. Workers need to be entering 6th grade in the fall or older. Call Ruth Ellen to sign up, or for answers to questions.

ELVES OUTDOOR SALE

Saturday, June 5th
(raindate June 12th)



Homemade items —
crafts & knits
Gifts & gently used items
St. John's Parking Lot
9am—1:00pm

No Donations are being accepted.
We will be asking for help to set up tables.
MORE TO COME ... STAY TUNED.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please keep in your prayers the sick and homebound of our parish and those who care for them:

Paul Amyot, Okgana Bajko, Joan Bellanger, Sylvia Boulger, Virginia Bradley, John Brady, Pat Bruno, Daniel Burnett, Michael Burnett, Special Intention, Michael Cam-peta, Charlotte Chase, Eleanor Chase, Major Jeffrey Chase, Joseph Cimon, Susan E. Cotsonas, Dave Daly, Barbara Domigan, Michael Doyle, Beth Drzymala, Sammy Evans, Gianni Farinacci, Concetta Florientino, Michele Amyot Ford, Michelle Foutch, Donald Gaylord, Michael Gomez, Mary Ann Goodine, Sharon Hall, Leshia Hardgraves, Robert Havelka, Mary Hayes, William Hernandez, Marianna Iacovelli, David Jaffarian, Craig Kingslely, Doug LaBudde, Jack Law Jr., Pinky Laviano, Kristen Law, Kevin M. Lynch, William Lind-berg, Dominick Lizzi, Cindy Mahony, Erica Matthies, Kevin McCann, John McCauley, Gary McDonald, Edin Mercado, Marianne Martinez, Judy Martino, Kaylee Rose Meyer, Luba Myktyiw, Amelia Nabozny, Rolger Norton, David Nichlos, Rita Paladino, Elise Panico, Bonnie Pelizza, David Picchione, Pam Polashenski, Helen Rayve, Claire Renn, Tim Renn, William Robinson, Lisa Rossello,, Kimberly Sabella, Alice Salvatore, Maddi Sidarous, Ralph Sitcer, Katy Smith, Special Intentions, Bonnie Sperl, Sean Spicer, Kyle Stickles, Kevin Sutton, Joan Torcello, Br. David Turmel, Matthew West, Edward Wheeler, Marybeth Wiltse, Gary Wickes, Chrissy Wills, Darrell Wilson, Carol Wisenhunt, Veronica Wistar, Erica Wordon

TRI-PARISH WORSHIP CALENDAR

TUESDAYS

9 AM: Church of St. Joseph, Stuyvesant Falls
Rosary prayer followed by Communion service and Eucharistic Adoration

WEDNESDAYS

9:15AM: St. James Church, Chatham
Morning prayer
4 PM: St. James/Chatham
Rosary prayer

Thursdays ***** STARTING MAY 13th*****

9 AM St John the Baptist, Valatie
Prayer and Communion

SATURDAYS

3 PM: St. John the Baptist, Valatie
Church of St. Joseph, Stottville
Confession available at both churches before Mass

SATURDAY VIGIL MASSES

4 PM: St. John the Baptist, Valatie
Church of St. Joseph, Stottville

SUNDAY MASSES

7:30 AM: St. John the Baptist, Valatie
9 AM: St. James Church, Chatham
10:30 AM: Church of St. Joseph, Stuyvesant Falls
(English)
1:30 PM: Church of St. Joseph, Stuyvesant Falls
(Spanish)

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

May 16, 2021

7th Sunday of Easter

God remains where love remains. When a believer realizes without doubt that God is love, it is a powerful moment. Being able to place our resurrection trust in this fundamental truth allows us to experience God's presence in all of our experiences: the good and the bad, positive and negative, life enriching and destructive events we encounter. It is no wonder that St. Paul so accurately tells us that it is love that endures all things and lasts. How can God not endure or ever fade away? Because he is God, Jesus also guarded and protected his disciples as the endearing shepherd who always had their best interest at heart.

If we become too immersed in the world, we lose touch with these deeper realities. We can become so preoccupied with preserving what we have created or think that we need, forgetting that it is not building our city that really matters, but God's. Jesus clearly did not belong to the world and, by virtue of his resurrection, he tries to get us to understand that we do not either. The truth brings us to other worldly, more divine places and takes our eyes off of the concerns that often captivate our fears and storm our senses.

Life can easily erode our faith. Think of your life over the last couple of weeks. What challenged your faith and distracted your divine glance? Even being overly stimulated with technology and social media can erode our sense of confidence and cause us to forget who we really are. We need to distance ourselves from the world in order to experience the joy that Christ offers. The world will never like the word of God. It is too challenging and too perplexing. The world mistakenly believes that it can survive on its own. It is a mistaken judgment that may cost people a lot in the end. It is all so very simple: God remains when we love one another. If in all the business of our lives and all that each day brings, the good and the bad, we follow the call and path of love, we will walk with God. There is nothing to fear and anxiety finds no home..

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Masses for May 2021

Please call the office by Wed. to reserve your seat:

May 22/23 Last name beginning with S-Z
May 29/30 Last name beginning with A-D

**If extra seats available All Are Welcome.
 Call 518-758-9401 to register.**

Readings for the week of May 16, 2021

Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20 Seventh Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 [19a]/1 Jn 4:11-16/Jn 17:11b-19
 Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab [33a]/Jn 16:29-33
 Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21 [33a]/Jn 17:1-11a
 Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab [33a]/Jn 17:11b-19
 Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Jn 17:20-26
 Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab [19a]/Jn 21:15-19
 Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7 [7b]/Jn 21:20-25
 Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 52, 53, 55, 56 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
 Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

THIS WEEK'S AND NEXT MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 15th

4:00 pm Edward Helfer by Dady & LaGrassa families
 Ann Neary by the family
 Catherine Havelka by Robert Havelka

Sunday, May 16th

7:30 am Michael Le by LeNguyen family
 Charles Rutherford by Bereavement Ministry
 Fr. Bob DeLeon by Joan McNamara

Saturday, May 22nd

4:00 pm Myroslaw Mykytiw by Chris Muryneec
 Brian Novak by Joan McNamara

Sunday, May, 23rd

7:30 am John Curry by Catechists at St. John's;
 Fr. Bob DeLeon by Mary & Peter Reinsdorf