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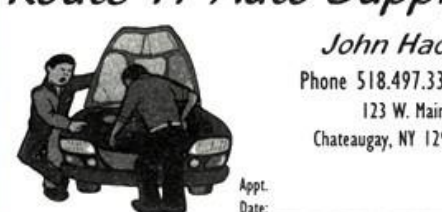
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Schedule of Holy Mass
Saturday
4:00pm St. Bernard's Church (SB)
6:00pm St. Edmund's Church(SE)
Sunday
8:00am SE
10:30am SB

For the Sacrament of Baptism and OCIA Please contact Deacon Lushia (518) 493-6671 or lushiak@westelcom.com.
For the Sacraments of Marriage and Anointing of the Sick Contact Fr. Tojo at the Office.



"The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find."
Matthew 22:8-9

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Healer of All,
Stop Us From Counting
The Cost of Healing,
Give Us Courage To Love The Broken,
And Respond To Their Needs,
When We Are Broken,
Give Us The Humility to Ask For
And Receive Your Healing,
In Whatever Unlikely Places
It Might Show Up.
Amen

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Antiphon: "If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel." Ps 130 (129): 3-4

Communion Antiphon: "When the Lord appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is." 1 Jn 3: 2

Reflection for this Sunday: This Sunday’s readings remind us that **God invites us to share in His joy.** Isaiah describes a great feast prepared by God, where suffering and death will be overcome and every tear will be wiped away. Psalm 23 reminds us that the Lord is our Shepherd who provides for us and remains with us even in the darkest valleys. St. Paul teaches us to trust Christ in every circumstance, knowing that God gives us the strength we need.

In the Gospel, Jesus compares the Kingdom of Heaven to a king who prepares a wedding feast for his son. The king represents God the Father, the son represents Christ, and the banquet points to the eternal joy of communion with God. Some invited guests refuse to come, while others ignore the invitation. Eventually, the king invites everyone he can find. This reminds us that **God's invitation to salvation is offered to all.**

The Gospel also speaks directly to our celebration of the **Holy Mass.** The Eucharist is a foretaste of the heavenly Wedding Feast. When we come to Mass, we are not simply attending a religious service; we are responding to God's invitation to encounter Christ and receive Him in Holy Communion. We should therefore come with faith, gratitude, reverence, and hearts prepared to meet the Lord.

The guest without a wedding garment reminds us that accepting God's invitation requires more than simply showing up. **Our faith must change the way we live.** We are called to repent of sin, practice charity and forgiveness, and remain close to Christ. Baptism gives us new life, and Confession restores us when sin has wounded our relationship with God.

This Sunday, let us ask ourselves: **How am I responding to God's invitation?** Am I approaching Mass with gratitude and genuine love for Christ, or simply going through the motions? The table is prepared, Christ is waiting, and the invitation is given. May our participation in the Eucharist prepare us for the eternal Wedding Feast of the Lamb.

CHARISMATIC MASSES & HEALING SERVICES: All are welcome! (Malone) St. André's Parish will host Charismatic Masses & Healing services at Notre Dame Church, 11 Church Place, Malone. Dates: Oct. 18 & Nov. 15
Time: A worship prelude to prepare us for Mass will begin at 1:45 p.m., and Mass will follow at 2 p.m. Following Mass, prayer teams will be available for individual prayer. **Contact for More Information:** St. André's Parish **Phone Number:** (518) 483-1300

World Mission Sunday and Blessed Fulton Sheen: The beatification of Archbishop Fulton Sheen on September 24 was a great gift to the Church in the United States. While many know him best for his TV presence, books, and charismatic eloquence, he repeatedly said, “My greatest love has always been for the missions of the Church.” He is the greatest National Director of the Pontifical Mission Societies in the history of the Church, helping raise \$200 million (in today’s money, \$2.1 billion) to support the growth of the Church. Under his leadership (1950–1966), World Mission Sunday became a defining moment in the life of the Church in the United States. We can surely count on his intercession for World Mission Sunday 2026, which will take place next week on October 18, as we together reflect upon, pray for and take a collection to support the missions. Blessed Fulton Sheen, pray for us!

LADIES OF ST ANN ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW: Craft Show and Fundraiser (Mooers, NY), The Ladies of St. Ann Craft Annual Show will be held on Saturday, October 17, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Mooers Fire Station, 2508 Route 11, Mooers. There will be craft and non-craft vendors, lunch and baked goods for sale and a raffle to benefit the local food pantry. Non-perishable items and monetary donations for the Mooers Food Pantry are welcomed. Free Entry. Contact for More Information: Roxanne Email: ladiesofstann@gmail.com

ANNUAL FALL BAZAAR: Location: St Mary's Social Hall, 7 Sycamore St, Massena Date: Saturday, November 14 Time: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Win \$2500 in Big Money Raffle Come enjoy some delicious fried bread dough as well as other great food from the concession all day! Ticket central, Turkey raffles, pull tabs, 50/50, Skilo, quilt raffle, country store, cake walk, children’s games and activities, religious items. All are welcome! Bring family and friends for loads of fun! **Contact the Parish Office for More Information:** www.massenacatholics.com Email: massenabm@rcdony.org **Phone: 315-769-2469**

JOURNEY WITH CHRIST: An Integrated Approach to Lifelong Parish Faith Formation. All parish leaders, catechists, ministry volunteers and all who care about faith formation are invited to attend the fall LEAD Event: Journey with Christ to learn how parishes can nurture faith across every stage of life while building stronger family and ministry connections among the wider parish community. Oct 17, 2026, 9:15 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Church of the Visitation, Norfolk. Bring a bagged lunch. No fee. Speaker: Dr. Steven Serafin of Faith and Family Life Catholic Ministries. Register at: www.rcdony.org/journey More details about LEAD are available on diocesan website [Faith Formation Page](#) . **Contact for More Information:** Anita Soltero Email: asoltero@rcdony.org **Phone Number:** 518-310-3669

**** CDA#548 Meeting** Oct. 13th @ 6pm at St. Bernard’s Rectory.

Mass & Envelope Schedule

Saturday 10/17	Sunday 10/18
4:00pm (SB) (L) Karen Oehler (EM) Karen Oehler	8:00am (SE) (L) Peggy McNeil (EM) Doug Trombley (EM) Shar Stanley
6:00pm (SE) (L) Katheryn Hart (EM) Nancy Miller (EM) Delbert Hart	10.30am (SB) (L) Joe Varin (EM) Joe Varin (EM) Diane Barber
Counters (WEEK 1)	Janet Waldron Bonnie Relation
October 11	October 18
Regular Collection	Regular Collection Maint. & Building

ST ANN'S & HOLY ANGELS PARISH FAMILIES: Holy Angels Harvest Dinner (Altona, NY) Sunday, October 18, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Holy Angels Hall, Altona. Turkey & All the Trimmings, Apple & Pumpkin Desserts, Bake Sale, Themed Basket Raffle, Lottery Ticket Raffle. Adult \$18 Children Ages 6-12 \$10, Children 5 & Under FREE Take outs available. Contact for More Information: Cathy Phone Number: 518-236-5632

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2026 Bishop’s Fund Appeal: 53 families in our parish have made a gift or pledge to the 2026 Bishop’s Fund Appeal. Our parish goal is to have **120** or more families participate in this important Appeal. Please prayerfully consider supporting the 2026 Bishop’s Fund Appeal with a pledge or one-time gift. Convenient four payment plans are available. You can make your gift online as well by visiting www.rcdony.org/giving/donatenow-bishop-s-fund. The Bishop’s Fund Appeal supports ministries, activities and programs that serve people throughout the Diocese in ways that we as an individual parish could never do alone. Any gifts received after the Appeal reaches its goal will be used to further supplement the Bishop’s Good Samaritan Fund which assists families in need in our community and throughout the Diocese.

THE FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM: To volunteer in this program you must reside in Franklin, Clinton, St. Lawrence or Jefferson County. **Contact for More Information:** Melissa Howard **Phone Number:** 518-572-2262

****OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, 10/12/26 FOR COLUMBUS DAY.**

SCHEDULE OF HOLY MASS & DEVOTIONS

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 10th, 2026

4:00pm (SB): Lyle Raach by Suzanne Hughes
6:00pm (SE): Dane Curry by Donna & Pat Curry

Sunday, October 11th, 2026

8:00am (SE): Marie Guay by Family
10:30am (SB): Bernard Grogan by CDA#1548

Monday, October 12th to Friday, October 16th, 2026:
No Mass

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, October 17th, 2026

4:00pm (SB): Sonny & Gert Hamelin by Connie & Jerry Hamelin
6:00pm (SE): Pat Rodriguez by Alvin & Helen Cox

Sunday, October 18th, 2026

8:00am (SE): Ula & Jeff Smith by Sandy, Stewart & Family
10:30am (SB): Robert Jessey by Family & Friends

In addition to mass intentions, sanctuary candles which remain lit in the sanctuary for a full week can be dedicated for your prayer intentions.

Sanctuary Candle (Week of October 11th)

St. Bernard’s	St. Edmund’s
Francis Siskavich Jr. By Bev Singley & Family	Gerald Trombley By Family

Pray for the Sick: Shirley Guerin, Bill LePage, Fred Cayea Jr., Mary Dentaël Burleigh, Tom Lavery, Bill Chase, Dennis LaBombard, Kay Seguin, Peter Sorrell, Marie Soucia, Carol Peets, Margo Layton, Riley Edick, Heather Manor Friesen, Richard Manor, Mark Cayea, Bill Siskavich, Lloyd Bailey, Francine LaCroix, Mary Krakowski, Mary Caron, Theresa Cayea Lord, Veronica Siskavich Demers, Janet Collins

Offertory Collection for the Weekend of 10/04/2026

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The Pope's Intention for the Month of October 2026: For mental health ministry, “Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.”