

WELCOME BACK DEACON JOE! Deacon Joseph Caminiti is our guest homilist this weekend.


FROM THE GOOD SAMARITAN COMMITTEE:

Thanks again to all of you who helped fill the Thanksgiving baskets for the needy. You should have seen the appreciation on the faces of the 25 families who received their baskets this past Monday.

Now, it's already time to think about the food baskets and children's gifts for Christmas! We know that many of you are feeling the pinch as well, but the need among our poorer neighbors is great. Please help in anyway you can.


- Angel tags for the Children's Christmas gifts are on the tree in the vestibule of the Church.
- Food tags for the Christmas Food Baskets will be available next weekend.
- Any monetary donations will be greatly appreciated. Checks should be made payable to St. Malachy's Food Pantry.
- Please have the gifts and food items to the Church by Sunday, Dec. 20th.
- Thank you!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS


 No Class this Sunday
The next class will be next Sunday, Dec. 6th, and all the classes will meet in the Church at 9:45 AM, and the Rosary will be prayed together.

OUR FATHER'S PLAN Bible Study will not meet today, but will resume meeting next Sunday, Dec. 6th.

COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS

Every Sunday after the 8:30 AM  Mass in the Church Hall – Everyone is invited.

STRAW FOR THE MANGER

 At every weekend Mass through Sunday, Dec. 20th, children and teenagers will be invited to pick up a straw from the basket under the altar rail and place it in the manger. This Straw will represent a good deed they intend to do the following week. Thus, by Christmas Eve, the manger will be full of straw.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES, with area presbyters hearing confessions, will be held:

7:00 PM Thurs., Dec. 10th – St.

Bartholomew's, Norwich

7:00 PM Mon., Dec. 14th – St. Mary's,
Hamilton

7:00 PM Thurs., Dec. 17th – St.
Malachy's

4:00 PM Sun., Dec. 20th – St. Bernard's,
Waterville

EPIPHANY DINNER MEETING

- The Feast of the Epiphany will be Sunday, Jan. 3rd.
- Our annual Parish Epiphany Dinner is a delicious, uplifting and fun event, with a piñata for the children.
- Anyone who would like to help plan and put on this event is invited to come to a meeting in the Church Hall at 9:45 AM next Sunday, Dec 6th.


LECTURE

Who is God? Did he create or make me? Why am I on earth? What is conception? Is death really separation of body and soul? Is the vital question of existence to really be or not to be?

These and many other questions will be answered at **Father Anthony Mellace's** lecture in the social hall of St. John's Catholic Church in New Hartford from 7 to 9 in the evening.

Part I of the lecture will be given on Thurs, Dec. 3rd, and Part II on Fri., Dec. 4th. Refreshments will be served. All are welcome! Bring your friends.

YOUTH CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS

- All children, 2nd Grade and up, are invited to sing at the 5:00 PM Christmas Eve Children's Mass. 
- The first rehearsal will be held at 3:00 PM next Saturday, Dec. 5th, in the Church Hall.
- Parents, please sign up your child(ren) this weekend, if possible. If you forget to sign them up, they may still come to the rehearsal.


ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY CHRISTMAS FAIR:

- December 5th – 9:00 AM-2:00 PM
- Food – Eat In or Take Out
- Baked Goods – Crafts – Christmas Decorations
- Christmas Items (only) White Elephant Table – Donations can be left in the Church Hall anytime
- Raffle – Door Prize (food basket)

THE ALTAR ROSARY CHRISTMAS

DINNER will be held on Tue., Dec. 8th, at Lewis' Restaurant. Cocktails at 6:00 PM with dinner to follow at 6:30 PM. There will be a Blind Auction. The menu is posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule with numbered choices. The sign up sheet is on the writing board in the vestibule. Please sign your name and your dinner choice number. All women of the parish are welcome!

BLESSING OF THE CRÉCHE – The annual blessing of the village Christmas Crèche will take place on the grounds of the United Church of Christ at 4:00 PM today, Sunday, Nov. 29th. After the blessing, there will be a time of fellowship in the UCC Fellowship hall.

THE PARISH COUNCIL will meet at 7:00 PM this Tuesday, Dec. 1st, in the Church Hall. Here are some of the items on the agenda: 

- What time to have the second Mass on Christmas Eve. The first Mass will be at 5:00 PM.
- Whether or not to have newer candles on the altar every Sunday
- Whether or not to adopt a parish in Jamaica, West Indies. Jamaica is one of the poorest countries in the Western Hemisphere. We could adopt a parish there and help them by, for example, sending them 10% of our collection on the first Sunday of each month. We would also establish a relationship with that parish.
- Whether or not to pursue the possibility of going on a parish trip, for example, to Washington, DC or to Quebec.

If you would like to have input on any of these items, please contact a member of the Council. Council members are:

Joe Corey, Jr. - 674-4858
Paul Del Fuoco - 674-5101
Catherine Mastro - 674-4151
Carlton Jaquay - 334-8031
Paula Lathrop - 674-9384
Rosemarie Tenney - 674-6247
Paul Mulligan - 315 824-3160
Susan Rogers - 674-4874
Bridgett Sulton - 315 691-3133
Joe Sulton - same
Jay Swain - jswain@twcny.rr.com
Jeff Weinell - 674-4628
Lawrence Zimmerman - 674-4240

**EVENTS AT CHRIST THE KING
RETREAT HOUSE
315-446-2680**

Please call for reservations

- **Day of Reflection** – Feast of the Immaculate Conception - Dec. 8th, 10:00 AM-3:00 PM – Presented by Fr. Michael Carmola – The day will end with Mass – Offering \$25/includes lunch.

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY RED
CARNATION SALE** 
(Buy a Flower – Build a House)

- Habitat for Humanity builds homes for low income families.
- Habitat for Humanity's annual Red Carnation Sale fundraiser will take place on the weekend before Valentine's Day.
- A volunteer is needed to take orders for the carnations within our parish. Please call the Parish Office, 674-9625, if interested.

ATTENTION! – The parking lot across the street from the Church will not be plowed during the week, in order to save money. Please park in the lot behind the Church during the week. On the weekends both parking lots will be plowed. Thank you.

HELP KEEP ST. MALACHY'S CLEAN!

Instead of candy or gummy fruit for the little ones during mass, try cherrios or pretzels! Sticky snacks make the pews, floor and carpet sad. ☹️
Leftover crumbs can be swept up and fed to the birds and squirrels! Thank you. 😊



those who are ill and in need of our prayers:

Rita Abbott, Genevieve Andrews, Mary Box, Susan Connelly, Peg Cunningham, Louise Diamond, Bill Doyle, Stephanie Dunshee, Ann Fernandez, Madeline Fetzko, Elwyn Goodier, Mary Harrison, Kathy Noon Hinton, Katie Hoefler, Michelle Hutchkins, Jessica Jaquay, Bob Jeffrey, Bertha Klockowski, John McDaniel, Margaret McNulty, Lucas Mikalunas, Martin Mikalunas, Victor Mikalunas, George & Phyllis Miller, Harry Mulligan, Tom & Bette Natoli, Joseph O'Keefe, Deacon Bob Riggalls, Chester Ripka, Maria Romanowski, Theresa Romanowski, Mike Sanner, Betty Seibert, Suzanne Sipala, Marie Suydan, Cody VanBuren, Michael Wassel, Priscilla Webb, Gary Young, Jamie Zbydniewski.

...and our priests:

Fr. Lester, Fr. John Madden, Fr. Ralph Bove, Fr. Doug Cunningham, Fr. Tom Ward, Fr. Bob Dwyer, Bishop Cunningham, Bishop Moynihan, Bishop Costello, and Pope Benedict XVI

...and our Seminarians:

Zachary Goodier, Jamie Schultz, Matthew Schultz

...and our religious Sister:

Sister Mary Emmanuel Schultz, OP

THE SALVATION ARMY NEEDS BELLRINGERS IN OUR COMMUNITY – The Salvation Army needs volunteers for the Red Kettle Campaign. Money raised will be used locally for emergency and disaster assistance and local programs. Anyone interested in volunteering to ring bells as a group or as an individual, please contact: Red Kettle Center 1-877-764-7259 (toll-free 24/7) On-line www.redkettles.org

Pro-Life Crisis Pregnancy Center: Bethany Christian Services 1-800-238-4269; Birthright 1-800-550-4900

Post-Abortion Reconciliation And Healing: Project Rachel 1-315-424-3737

Natural Birth Regulation & Fertility Information: The Couple To Couple League 1-513-471-2000; Pope Paul VI Institute 1-402-390-6600

Traveling Mass Times: 1-410-676-6000 or www.masstimes.org

Catholic Information: 1-800-MY FAITH

THE GOOD NEWS FOUNDATION

1047 Cosby Manor Road, Utica
315-735-6210 - www.thegoodnewscenter.org

- **The Third Option** is a support group for married couples who are having a difficult time in their relationship with each other. Fourteen topics are discussed, one at each meeting. These topics, which include such things as "Building a Climate of Respect" and "Listening Beyond the Words", are repeated every fourteen meetings. Couples drift in and out of the group, but there is a core group which runs the meetings. The Third Option meets every other Sunday, 6:30-8:00 PM. Call the number above for the date of the next meeting.
- **Separated and Divorced Support Group:** Rebuilding lives and learning to live in hope. Group meets every 1st & 3rd Tues., 6:30-8:00 PM, at the Good News Center. (Inquire about free childcare).

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	TIME	THIS WEEKEND	NEXT WEEKEND
GREETERS	5:00 PM	Meaghan Weinell & Cindy Gardiner	Margaret Mulligan & Catherine Mastro
	8:30 AM	Ellen Mettler & Gabby Huff	Gloria Jenny & Alice Newman
	11:00 AM	Susan & Grace Dunshee	Judy & Sarah MacIntosh
LECTORS	5:00 PM	Joe Sulton	Ellie Ferris
	8:30 AM	Gloria Jenny	Dick Toerner
	11:00 AM	Sharon Farrow	Grace Dunshee
HEAD USHERS	5:00 PM	Dave Turner	Lawrence Zimmerman
	8:30 AM	Matthew Weinell	Kevin Jenny
	11:00 AM	Barrett Mikalunas (Lucas)	Dan Welk
MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION	5:00 PM	Ellie Ferris	Lawrence Zimmerman
	8:30 AM	Jeanette Romanowski	Paul Del Fuoco
	11:00 AM	Jodie Butler	Sahron Farrow