

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 5, 2021

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jackie Morris, may she rest in peace, Amen!*

### FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

The next Family Faith Formation class will be held on December 12<sup>th</sup> in the Church; 8:30 am at St. Peter's and 10:00 am at St. John's. The topic will be "a Personal Relationship with Jesus" (Adoration and Eucharist). Any questions, contact Katherine at [stpetersdelhiny@gmail.com](mailto:stpetersdelhiny@gmail.com).



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus believe the family is the model place where the faith is transmitted to new generations, or where Christian values are lived. We seek younger members to advance values of faith and family. 607 267-8336

### ST. JOHN'S COFFEE HOUR.

Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, there will be a coffee hour after the 11:15 am Mass. **Bakers are needed.** Your baked goods can be dropped off in the kitchen on Saturday evening or before Mass on Sunday morning. Please join us in Father Willis Hall, all are welcome.

### MONEY MATTERS

The collection amounts for November 27 & 28 are: Holy Family Church \$243.00, St. John the Baptist Church, \$2,330.00 and St. Peter's Church, \$1,276.00. Thank you for your generosity.

### MARRIAGE MOMENTS by Susan Vogt

December 6 is St. Nick's Day. The Christmas season is traditionally a "family focused" time and for many people that means focusing on children. For newly marrieds, this might be a cozy time of couple bonding but for couples hoping for a child it can be a bittersweet time. Pray for those longing for children.

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION AND RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Dec 6<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm, communal reconciliation,  
at St. Peter's  
Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 pm Vigil Mass at St. Peter's,  
Followed by individual reconciliation  
Dec 8<sup>th</sup> - 9:30 am, Mass at St. John's  
12:00 pm, Mass at Holy Family  
Dec 13<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm, communal reconciliation at St.  
John's  
Dec 14<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm, individual reconciliation at St.  
John's  
Dec 17<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 pm, communal reconciliation at St.  
Paul's, Hancock

### ST. NICHOLAS FAMILY FESTIVAL

**Where:** St. Mary's Our Lady of the Lake,  
31 Elm Street, Cooperstown  
**When:** December 10<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>  
**Schedule:** **Friday, Dec 10<sup>th</sup> - 7pm**  
St. Nicholas Reading - "a Special Place for  
Santa - a Legend for our Time" by Jeanne  
Pieper. Narrated by Mary Margaret Kuhn.  
Cookies & cocoa reception to follow in the  
parish hall.  
**Saturday, Dec 11<sup>th</sup>, 12-7pm**  
Christmas crafts, ornaments and more -  
shopping for the whole family  
**Sunday, Dec 12<sup>th</sup> - 12:30 pm**  
Parishioners old & new gather for fellowship  
following the 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's Church

### KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY WARM

In 2020, Catholic Charities of Delaware, Otsego & Schoharie Counties, provided \$29,937. in heating assistance to 85 households, including 215 individuals, who otherwise would have been left out in the cold, by providing these families and individuals with one-time heating/utility assistance when there was no other help available. Catholic Charities is conducting a fundraising campaign entitled "**Keeping Our Community Warm one Brick at A Time**". We are selling paper bricks for a fireplace, which will be displayed in the front window of the Oneonta Catholic Charities office. We are asking community members to consider sponsoring this fundraiser by purchasing a brick for the fireplace, at a cost of \$25.00 per brick. **100%** of the money raised will be used in our local community to help keep children, seniors and adults warm this winter. Bricks can be purchased at the Oneonta office at 176 Main Street or you can mail a check to Catholic Charities, 176 Main Street, Oneonta, NY 13820. Thank you for your kind consideration.

### PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SOULS ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR PASSING

Dec 6- Jeffrey Benson, Frances Neve  
Dec 7- John Gleason, Betty McGorry  
Dec 8 - John Hart, Sylvester Gilsinan, Renee Covey,  
Ethel Baxter, Charles Proskine  
Dec 9 - Margaret Kern, Frances Murphy, William  
Teehan, Josephine Noonan, Lev Obolensky  
Dec 10 - Edith Stalter, James T. Schultz, Lorraine Norton,  
Wilbur Oles  
Dec 11 - Terence O'Leary, Frank Gartl, Silvano Lanzoni  
Dec 12 - Ellen Barthe, Guido Liberati, Jennie Atkinson,  
Robert Gilbertsen

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Mary Tassitano, Donald Lawrence, Mitchell Spring, Troy Comfort, Richard Parsons, Theresa Alvarez, Barbara Ruffert, Bob Fasanaro, Shirley, Joan Nierney, Rita Hanley, Jerry Hanley, Joanne & Jack Betwarda, Andy Brown, Caitlin Stowe, John Linneman, Peggy, Barbara Geywits, Dorothy Perz, Ed McGrath, Phil, Jason O'Neil, Thomas Nimo, Doris Peterson, Bryson, Terry, Darlene Tomao, Daniel, Lynn and Jim, Kevin Lacey, Bill Galluba, Robert Cox, Les Theis, Dominic Criscuolo, Alicia, Kaiden, Ed G., Sharon Guenther, Tom, John Meinke, Mary Finn, Diane Peerson, John Froehlich

### MARCH FOR LIFE BUS

If you are interested in taking a bus to the March for Life in Washington, D.C. on January 20 - 21, please call Paul Wenner at 607-779-8803. With the rise in gas prices, the cost of a seat has gone up but it is hoped that it can be kept under \$100.00. Pick up will be in Oneonta, Stamford, Hamden and Walton. We will be spending the night of the 20<sup>th</sup> at a Knights of Columbus Hall in Maryland. At least 25 seats must be reserved by December 15<sup>th</sup> in order to reserve the bus. To reserve a seat, or for more info, call Paul at 607-779-8803.

### THE STILLNESS TO LISTEN...

Looking for some quiet time ... to turn your phone off and not be available, ... to reflect, ... to listen with your heart. We are offering two opportunities to sit in quiet, listen to God's Word wash over you, and gently sing the psalms & hymns of Advent.

#### *The stillness to listen—*

an Advent Service of silence, readings, hymns & prayers Monday, 13 December 2021—6:00pm Saturday, 18 December 2021—10:00am Approximately an hour and a half. Come and go as you please or your schedule allows. The Catholic Church of Saint Mary 39 Walnut Street, Oneonta, New York 13820 607.432.3920—[www.SMCCOneonta.org](http://www.SMCCOneonta.org)

### COALITION FOR LIFE

The Central New York Coalition for Life is reaching out to all who might be willing to pledge a monthly or one-time donation to help promote, educate and support others in the pro-life cause. With these funds we would like to reach out to the public on a more continual basis. In particular, we would like to have billboard advertisements placed throughout the area, among other events we have organized on an annual basis. Would you be willing to be a supporter? If so, please make checks payable to the Central New York Coalition for Life, P.O. Box 382, Oneonta, NY 13820. Thanks ! We are hoping that with prayers, financial generosity, and teamwork, we will be able to continue our mission to protect the sanctity of life.

### THIS WEEK'S DAILY SCRIPTURES

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Lk 5:17-26  
**St. Nicholas, Bishop**  
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Mt 18:12-14  
**St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**  
Wednesday: Gen 3:9-15, 20; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38  
**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Mt 11:11-15  
**St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin**  
Friday: Is 48:17-19; Mt 11:16-19  
**Our Lady of Loreto**  
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Mt 17:9a, 10-13  
**St. Damasus, Pope**  
Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

### ST. NICHOLAS OF MYRA

St. Nicholas is the patron saint of sailors and children, as well as of Greece, Sicily and Russia, and bishop from whom the Santa Claus tradition developed. Born somewhere in Asia Minor, he became bishop of Myra, where he was famous for his holiness and pastoral zeal. He was imprisoned during the persecution of the emperor Diocletian and was alleged to have been present at the Council of Nicaea but his name appears on none of the lists. Legends developed around him after his death, and his popularity in the West increased greatly when his relics were brought to Italy in 1087 and his shrine at Bari became one of the great pilgrimage centers of all Europe. Stories of his miracles led to the practice of gift giving in his name at Christmas and to the change of his name, St Nicholas, into Sint Klaes by the Dutch and then to Santa Claus. His feast day is December 6.

### WEBSITES - St. John the Baptist Church

<http://stjohnthebaptistwalton.com/>  
St. Peter's Church, <http://stpeterschurchdelhi.com/>