

**AGE OF BUILDINGS ASSOCIATED
WITH CHRIST OUR HOPE**

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| St Joseph Church | 1879 |
| St Joseph's Rectory | 1881 |
| Church Office Boonville | 1890 |
| Gill Hall | 1910 |
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| St Patricks Church | 1886, Original building, New additions, 1918 & 1950s |
| Thrift Shop | 1962 |
| Keiffer Hall | 1960s? |
| St. Mary's Church Otter Lake | 1921 |

**Collections from Memorial Day to
Labor Day**

| Date | St Mary's | St Partick's | St Joseph's |
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| 5/26 | \$530.00 | \$1,096.00 | \$3,539.00 |
| 6/2 | \$591.00 | \$970.00 | \$2,783.00 |
| 6/9 | \$331.00 | \$986.00 | \$2,872.00 |
| 6/16 | \$369.00 | \$913.00 | \$2,019.00 |
| 6/23 | \$446.00 | \$1,138.00 | 3,036.00 |
| 6/30 | \$569.00 | \$1,100.00 | \$3,637.00 |
| 7/7 | \$616.00 | \$1,290.00 | \$3,002.00 |
| 7/14 | \$678.00 | \$1,289.00 | \$2,397.00 |
| 7/21 | \$740.00 | \$925.00 | \$5,198.00 |
| 7/28 | \$596.00 | \$977.00 | \$1,944.00 |
| 8/4 | \$533.00 | \$1,269.00 | \$2,866.00 |
| 8/11 | \$757.00 | \$848.00 | \$2,233.00 |
| 8/18 | \$632.00 | \$1,366.00 | \$4,967.00 |
| 8/25 | \$570.00 | \$1,011 | \$2,212.00 |
| 9/1 | \$628.00 | \$1171.00 | \$2,153.00 |
| Total | \$8,586.00 | \$16,349.00 | \$44,858.00 |

STATE OF THE PARISH REPORT

**The Parish of (Christ Our Hope)
St Joseph's Boonville
St Patrick's Otter Lake
St Mary of the Snows Otter Lake**

THE CARE OF SOULS

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| Number of registered parishioners | 446 |
| October 2024 count | Forestport 75-90 Boonville 200-220 |
| Seating capacity of the church | 300 Boonville, 200 Forestport, 200 Otter Lake |
| Population trend of the parish | See Parish Vitality |
| Parish vitality | <p>St Joseph's in Boonville, Est. 1879 is situated in the village of Boonville. The Church is populated with many young families with children as well as a large middle-aged population. The average attendance is between 250-300 per weekend. (Vigil and Sunday Mass) Adult Catechesis programs are held during Advent, Lent, and Easter. Average attendance is between 15-20 people. Weekly Faith Formation is held in Boonville at Gill Hall where Approx. 70 kids are registered 2024/25 School Year.</p> <p>St Patrick's, Est. 1848 is situated in the village of Forestport NY. The Church is populated with an older generation of parishioners with weekly attendance averaging approximately 75-120 depending on time of year. Spring and summer are generally more populated than winter and fall.</p> <p>St Mary of the Snows, Est. 1921 is situated on Rt 28 in the Town of Forestport, and in the hamlet of Otter Lake. The Church is populated with a variety of middle-aged and older parishioners. There are about 3-5 young families with children that attend the church regularly. This operates as a summer chapel from Memorial Day to Labor Day serving the needs of those coming north to their summer camps. The average attendance is between 45-60 per weekend.</p> |
| Mass Schedule | Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil 4PM Boonville Sunday 8:00AM Forestport Sunday 9:30AM Bonville Sunday 11:15AM Otter Lake (Memorial Day—Labor Day) |

Capital Improvements from 2021-Present.

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| Nm Insulation of Basement Rectory | \$2,100.00 |
| Rebuild side porch | \$3,000.00 |
| New roof for Side Porch | \$8,900.00 |
| Garage Roof | \$1,778.00 |
| Gill Hall Roof | \$17,997.61 |
| Upgrade heating in Rectory | \$11,497.00 |
| Office Bathroom Repair | \$689.95 |
| Gill Hall ceiling replacement due to water damage | \$9,127.26 |
| Painting for Ceiling in Gill Hall | \$1,500.00 |
| New LED Lights for Gill Hall | \$1,742.98 |
| Gill Hall Kitchen and Bathroom Flooring | \$2,578.83 |
| Front and side porch Repairs (Rectory) | 18,441.87 |
| Gill Hall Wheelchair Ramp | \$3,167.08 |
| New Roof at St. Patrick's Church | \$37,665.23 |
| New Roof at Thrift Shop | \$6,589.65 |
| Renovations to upstairs classroom in Gill Hall | \$3,200.00 |
| New Garage Doors at St Mary's | \$2,773.86 |
| Re-key Doors at St Mary's | \$369.26 |
| New Bell System to Replace old system that wasn't Functioning. | \$11,480.00 |
| New windows in Gill Hall | \$8,839.33 |
| Addition on Garage for Plow Truck | \$4,936.72 |
| New Commercial Stove in Gill To replace non-functioning one | \$3,750.00 |
| New HVAC Minisplit for heat/AC in Keifer Hall (Grant Subsidy) | \$5,621.00 |
| New Electrical Panel (Grant Subsidy) | \$5,600.00 |
| New Lighting upstairs in Keifer Hall | \$450.00 |
| Purchase shed for St Patrick's Cemetery for Storage of cemetery supplies to eliminate transporting supplies | \$8,950.00 |
| TOTAL | \$171,074.23 |

FINANCIAL SITUATION

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| Average yearly expenses | \$260,316.22 |
| Average yearly income | \$275,725.98 |
| Maintenance of buildings and grounds | \$15-20k ??? |
| Ratio of expenses for maintenance/bills vs. expenses for ministry | 75% Maintenance 25% Ministry |
| Savings (restricted vs. unrestricted) | 85,000 Unrestricted 20,000 (Approx) |
| Other | See Risk Management Concerns |

RISK MANAGEMENT CONCERNS

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| <p>1. St Mary's Otter Lake</p> <p>Front retaining wall is cracking and needs repair/replacement Gutters need repair/replacement Peeling paint on aluminum siding needs to be addressed Mary grotto/statue needs repointing Garage wood siding is rotted on bottom</p> |
| <p>2. St Patrick's Forestport</p> <p>Thrift Shop Plumbing needs work sewer pipe significantly rusted. (will need replacing) Fix drywall in living room ceiling from previous leak. (Leak fixed roof repaired 2022) Fireplace/chimney needs inspection, hasn't been used in many years. Back deck will need to be repaired/ strengthened. Wooden Siding is peeling and needs to be scraped and painted.</p> <p>Church Stucco needs repainting in parts due to mold Eaves need to be painted as paint is peeling Sidewalk to handicap entrance will need to be repaired in the future for safety. Church Floor will need to be addressed in the future as is crumbling . (floor is asbestos)</p> <p>Keifer Hall Roof replacement, active leaking Evaluate foundation and fill cracks in foundation. Removal of capped chimney (not in use) Removal of old antenna on roof. Blacktop driveway due to annual stone washout Update lighting in hall many lights ballasts have went bad. Update non-working security lights outside building</p> |
| <p>3. St Joseph Boonville</p> <p>Gill Hall Cosmetic painting inside Evaluate electrical, main feed from church, box overloaded, breakers trip occasionally Replace boarded up basement windows as plywood is rotted.</p> <p>Church Foundation work required ASAP (front foundation has severe cracking and pieces falling out) Repair stonework on outdoor sign Boilers currently 13 years old (inspection done annually) Sacristy window frames are rotted and outside glass is cracking. Side entrance near rectory to church needs repair. Porch rotting, same side door rotted on bottom Front door locking mechanism broken Front sidewalk needs releveling in sections Front pavement needs repairs to cracked sections</p> <p>Rectory Foundation needs repairs, cracking near side entrance Aluminum siding in need of replacement Eaves need painting as paint is peeling badly (unknown if rot is present)</p> <p>Office Front porch needs replacement. Eaves needs painting, paint is peeling. Fence is falling in back yard. Needs replacement</p> |
| <p>4. St Joseph's Cemetery</p> <p>Vault is unsafe, cement on ceiling is cracking (currently not used) Multiple dead trees need to be removed for safety of people and head stones</p> |
| <p>5. St Patrick's Cemetery</p> <p>No current Maintenance issues Water would be a value to the property as there is no water present on property, well would have to be drilled. (rain barrel temporary fix)</p> |

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| Size of the local | Approx 180 Sq Miles |
| Population trends of the city | Boonville, younger families, new families moving into the area. Otter Lake and Forestport, Some new seasonal population growth. |
| Number of parishes to serve the population | 1 Parish 3 worship sites |
| Proximity of neighboring parish(es) | <p><i>Distance between churches of Christ Our Hope</i> St Joseph's (Boonville) to St Patrick's (Forestport) 8 Miles St Joseph's (Boonville) to St. Mary's (Otter Lake) 18 Miles S. Patrick's (Forestport) to St Mary's (Otter lake) 13 Miles</p> <p>Proximity of neighboring parish(es) St Mary's (Otter Lake) to St. Bartholomew Church Old Forge (Ogdensburg Diocese) 10 Miles</p> <p>St Joseph's Church (Boonville) to St. Martins Church (Port Leyden) (Ogdensburg Diocese) 7 Miles</p> <p>St Patrick's (Forestport) to St. Leo's (Holand Patent) 20 Miles</p> |
| Number of priests/ deacons available to serve the area | 1 Priest, no deacons |
| Pertinent trends of the city of (name) and / or the Diocese of Syracuse | NA |
| Other | |

OTHER OPTIONS FOR PASTORAL CARE CONSIDERED

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| Parish entrusted to a deacon | Not Recommended |
| Parish entrusted to a layperson under the direction of a priest | Not Recommended |
| Parish entrusted to a community of persons under the direction of a priest | Not Recommended |

REASONS FOR POSSIBLE MODIFICATION (EXTINCTIVE MERGER)

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| 1. Several buildings have fallen into disrepair | 6. combining into one or two locations will help defray the cost of maintenance vs ministry |
| 2. Possible closer relationship between parishioners, rather than his/her mentality. | |
| 3. Increasing cost to run parish (utilities) | |
| 4. Not enough funds to hire appropriate maintenance staff and address maintenance concerns. | |
| 5. 52 miles roundtrip are driven by pastor on Sunday in Summer to serve each Church. | |

ANNUAL UTILITY USAGE

| <u>Location</u> | <u>Electric</u> | <u>Gas</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|
| St. Joseph's | \$5149.53 | \$6126.02 | \$11,275.55 |
| St. Patrick's | \$7369.85 | \$8457.40 | \$15,827.25 |
| St. Mary's | \$285.51 | NA | \$ 285.51 |