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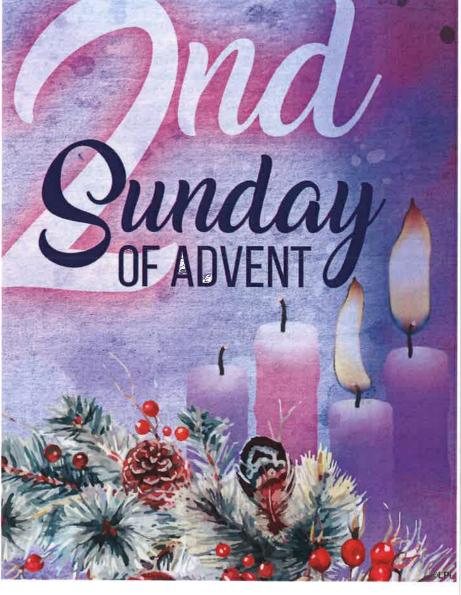
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Today's Readings begin on pg. 863 Year C

Baruch 5:1-9

Jerusalem, God will show your splendor. Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy. Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Show yourselves pure and blameless for the day of Christ. Luke 3:1-6

All flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Saturday, December 7th 4:00PM— (St. J) -For Fran Ficarro by his wife.

Sunday, December 8th 8:00AM—(St. P)

-For Our Parishioners and Their Intentions. 9:30AM—(St. J)

-For Lois Daskiewich by the Podkowka Family.

Monday, December 9th

The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation) 8:30AM - (St. J)

-For Marilyn J. Daskiewich by The Catholic Womens' Club. 6:00PM--(St. J)

-For Our Parishioners and Their Intentions.

Tuesday, December 10th 8:30AM - (St. J)

-For Willianm & Bealah Daskiewich by Joy Miller.

Wednesday, December 11th 8:30AM - (St. P)

-For the Living & Deceased Members of The Catholic Womens' Club by the CWC.

Thursday, December 12th -No Scheduled Mass

Friday, December 13th 8:30AM—(St. J)

-For John J. Haile by Gail Haile.

Saturday, December 14th 4:00PM— (St. J) For Our Parishioners and

Their Intentions.

Sunday, December 15th 8:00AM—(St. P)

-For Edward Moran by Coleen Thomas and the Armstrong Family.

9:30AM—(St. J)

-For William and Lois Daskiewich by Joy Miller.

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Mass Times

Daily Mass

Monday, Tuesday, Friday 8:30AM (SJ) Boonville Wednesday 8:30AM (SP) Forestport Thursday No Mass

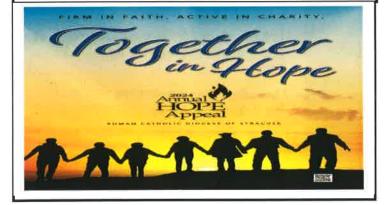
Sunday Mass

Vigil Saturday 4:00PM (SJ) Boonville Sunday 8AM (SP) Forestport, 9:30AM (SJ) Boonville

> St Mary of the Snows 11:15AM Sunday (Memorial Day through Labor Day)

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SACRAMENTS

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Please make an appointment with the priest at least 6 Months prior to Wedding date.

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3:15-3:45PM Saturdays at St Joseph's, Boonville and 7:30-7:50AM Sunday at St Patrick's, Forestport

† To request either the Anointing of the Sick or Communion to the Sick please call the Parish Office. † Dear Parishioners.

Luke 3:1-6 presents a profound moment in the narrative of the New Testament, marking the beginning of John the Baptist's



ministry. The passage situates John's calling within a specific historical and political context, naming the reigning authorities of the time: Emperor Tiberius, Pontius Pilate, and Herod. This detail not only grounds the text in history but also underscores the significance of John's message as a prophetic voice amid worldly power.

The proclamation of John as a voice crying out in the wilderness is laden with rich symbolism.

The wilderness represents a space of preparation and transformation, echoing Israel's own journey through desolation to redemption. John's call to "prepare the way of the Lord" speaks to the urgent need for repentance among the people, inviting them to realign their lives in anticipation of the coming Messiah. This call for repentance is not merely an individual action but a collective awakening, challenging the societal norms of the time.

The imagery of the valleys being filled and mountains made low serves as a powerful metaphor for the leveling of human pride and the elevation of the humble. It speaks to God's intention to create a path for all people, emphasizing inclusivity in the salvation narrative. The passage concludes with the proclamation that "all flesh shall see the salvation of God," highlighting the universal nature of this message and the accessibility of God's grace.

In reflecting on this passage, one is invited to consider the implications of preparation and repentance in our own lives. It challenges us to examine our own spiritual landscapes—what valleys need filling and what mountains must be lowered? As we prepare for the coming of Christ, we are called to embrace humility, recognize our need for transformation, and actively participate in the unfolding story of salvation that invites all to experience God's love and grace.

God Bless, Fr. Matt



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8:50-9:30 AM on Tuesdays.

We begin the hour in the church with Adoration and conclude with Solemn Benediction.



We remember in our prayers

Charles Mooney, Frances Miller,
Jamie Uhl-Goosman, Jeffrey Batt, Lorraine King,
Walt Belewich, Sr., Jim White,
John Bailey, Cretia Carpenter, Candace Schaffer,
David Hoffman, Shirley Mason,
Michael Stinebrickner, Ron Cuccaro,
Michelle Durney Croniser, Alan Ripp,
Wayne Millnitz, Rick Dano, Matthew King,
Tim Thayer, Arnold Miller,
Eric Wayne Brown, and Everett Otto Stoots.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2024-2025

Classes will resume on Dec. 8th.
Students will be having their **Christmas Party on Sunday, December 15th** during their regular class time. They will also be making Christmas cards for the residents at Sunset Nursing Home and ornaments for the Jesse Tree.

No Religious Education classes
Dec. 22nd and 29th.
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A BLESSED
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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS



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HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE!



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Prayer of Preparation

Dear Lord,
With abiding hope as we look forward to
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Make straight the paths, Lord!
Fill us with holy excitement, in Your name.
Amen.

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