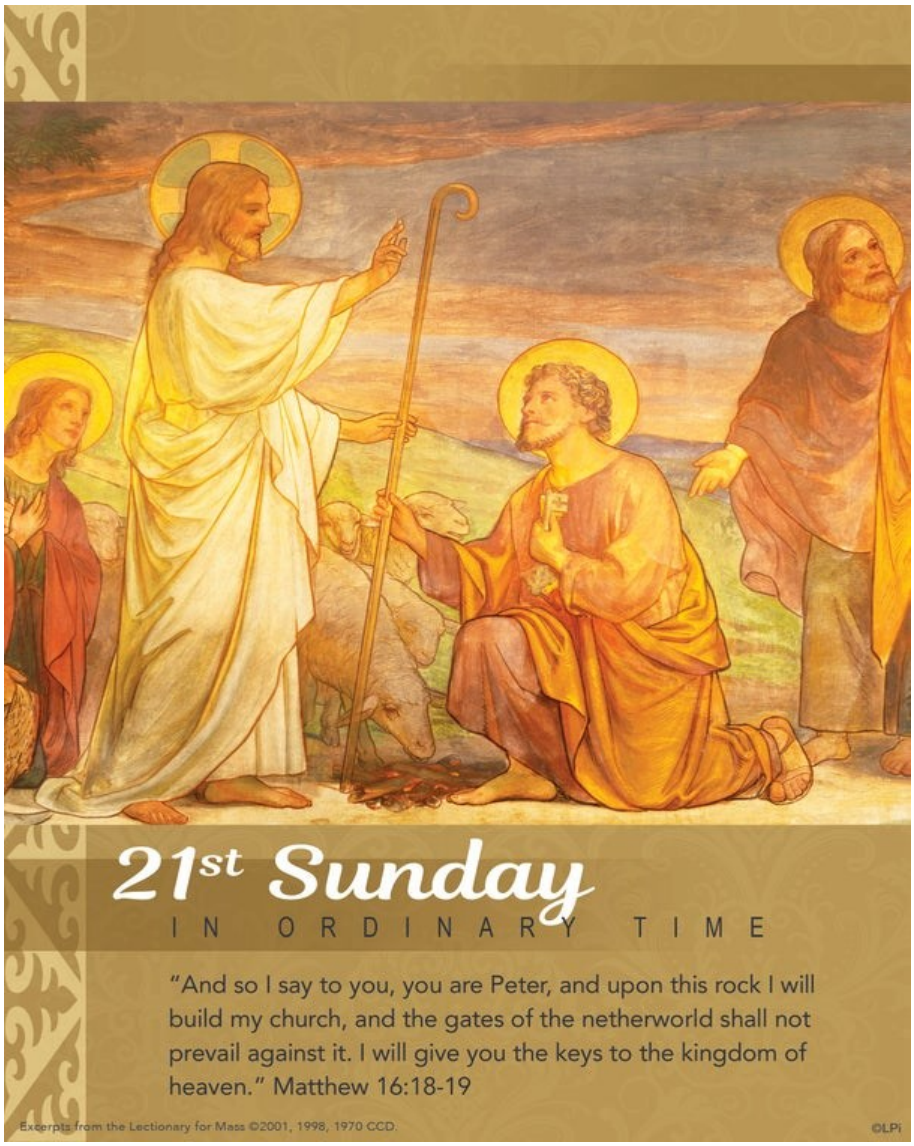
Christ Our Hope Parish

St. Joseph Church, Boonville
St. Patrick Church, Forestport
St. Mary of the Snows, Otter Lake

The Catholic Community of Northern Oneida County



Today's Readings begin on pg. 988 Year A

Isaiah 22: 19-23
I will place the key of the house of David upon his shoulder.
Psalm 138: 2a, 2bc-3, 6, 8bc
Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.
Romans 11: 33-36
From God and through him and for him are all things.
Matthew 16: 13-20
You are Peter, and to you I will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 22nd
8:30AM— (St. J)
- For Nick Amicucci by Tyler & Megan Bourgeois.

4:00 PM— (St. J)
-For Margaret & Bill Kuhn by Mark & Celia Sportelli Domser.

Sunday, August 23rd
8:00AM—(St. P)
-For Amalia Plantone by Richard and Rosemary Satterlee.

9:30AM—(St. J)
-For Living & Deceased Members of the Ward Family.

11:15AM—(St. M)
- For Jeffrey Hurd (2nd Anniv.) by the Family.

Monday August 24th
8:30AM — (St. J)
-For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions.

Tuesday, August 25th
8:30AM—(St. J)
-For Ethan by Christ Our Hope Parish Friends.

Wednesday, August 26th
7:30AM— (St. J) Holy Hour

8:30AM—(St. P)
-For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions.

Thursday, August 27th
8:30AM—(St. J)
-For Fran Ficarro (Wedding Anniv.) by wife, Kate.

Friday, August 28th
8:30AM—(St. J)
-For Patrick Ready by Godparents, Tyler & Megan Bourgeois.

Saturday, August 29th
8:30AM— (St. J)
-For Rev.Canon John Mikalajunas by The Parish.

4:00 PM— (St. J)
-For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions.

Sunday, August 30th
8:00AM—(St. P)
-For Carol McCarthy by the McCarthy Family.

9:30AM—(St. J)
-For Ethan by Christ Our Hope Parish Friends.

11:15AM—(St. M)
- For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions.

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MASS TIMES

Daily Mass
Monday through Friday
8:30AM (SJ) Boonville; Saturday 8:30AM (SJ)
Wednesday 8:30AM (SP) Forestport

Holy Hours
Monday—Friday 7:15AM-8:15AM (SJ)
Exposition and praying of the Rosary
during the Holy Hour.

Sunday Mass
Vigil Saturday 4:00PM (SJ) Boonville
Sunday 8AM (SP) Forestport
(confessions from 7:15AM-7:45AM (SP)
9:30AM (SJ) Boonville

Baptism
Please call the office to make arrangements.

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

Reconciliation
Sacrament of Reconciliation Monday-Friday 6PM-6:30PM (SJ)
3:00-3:45PM Saturdays at St Joseph's, Boonville
and 7:15-7:45AM Sunday at St Patrick's, Forestport

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Holy Hour on Wednesday evenings
from 5:30PM-6:30PM
at St. Joseph's Church

The **Rosary Makers** are meeting **Thursday** mornings after the daily Mass and rosary. Please consider joining us and see how easy it is to make a rosary!

Fr. Ward will be holding weekly meetings in Gill Hall on Monday (Inquiry) and Thursdays (Mystagogy) from 6:30PM-7:30PM both nights, on the subject of OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) for interested individuals.

REFLECTION

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The readings this weekend may lead us to contemplate a tale of two kingdoms. On the one hand, we are told at the beginning of the Gospel that Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi. This region was named in honor of two different people. Caesarea refers to Caesar Tiberius, emperor of the Roman Empire. Philippi refers to Philip the Tetrarch of Iturea who was the son of King Herod the Great. It was Philip who rebuilt the local city and renamed the region Caeserea Philippi in honor of Caesar Tiberius and himself. It should be noted that there were seven kings named Herod who made up the Herodian Dynasty.

On the other hand, it is in this same region that Jesus…asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" It is important to remember that Jesus is of royal lineage. At the moment of the incarnation, when Gabriel, the archangel appeared to Our Lady, he proclaimed to her that "…you will conceive in your womb and bear a son… and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father…" Also, the genealogical lists in both Matthew (Matthew 1:1-17) and Luke (Luke 3:23-38) make it clear that Jesus is born of the royal house of David. This royal identity was hidden from the time when Jesus was but an infant and His life was sought by Herod who ordered the murder of the children we now refer to as the Holy Innocents.

However, it seems clear that Jesus revealed His royal identity to His disciples: Then the mother of the sons of Zebedee approached him with her sons and did him homage, wishing to ask him for something. He said to her, "What do you wish?" She answered him, "Command that these two sons of mine sit, one at your right and the other at your left, in your kingdom." (Matthew 20:20-21) Furthermore, in Luke's Gospel we read of Our Lord's entry into Jerusalem and how the people acclaimed "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord." … Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He said in reply, "I tell you, if they keep silent, the stones will cry out!" (Luke 19:38-40) We call to mind as well that this is a fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy: Exult greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout for joy, O daughter Jerusalem! Behold: your king is coming to you, a just savior is he, Humble, and riding on a donkey… (Zechariah 9:9)

Jesus was clearly demonstrating, by His words and His actions, that He is a King and the heir to the throne of David. Even though this throne is established in Heaven, it is the Church, as we hear in the Gospel this weekend, that is built by the Lord on the Rock that makes the Kingdom of Heaven present here on Earth. The question that is asked of the disciples is addressed to us as well: "…who do you say that I am?" The Roman empire is a kingdom that no longer exists while the heavenly Kingdom is the one that is built by the Lord and and the gates of the nether-world shall not prevail against it. Let us place all our hope and trust in Christ our King.

Grace be with you all,
Rev. Thomas I. Ward

PRAYER REQUESTS

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, Michael Stinebrickner,
Ron Cuccaro, Michelle Durney Croniser,
Alan Ripp, Wayne Millnitz, Rick Dano,
Matthew King,, Tim Thayer, Eric Wayne Brown,
Everett Otto Stoots, and Jeremy VanValkenburg

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

CWC members are preparing for our next Garage, Book, and Bake Sale, to be held during Old Forestport Days, Aug. 28 & 29 from 9-3 at Keifer Hall. If you are a caller on the Bake Sale list, please give your donors a call with the details. Last setup date will be Wednesday, Aug. 26. **Reminder** Wed. Sept. 2 will be a Dish-to-Pass Luncheon @ Gill Hall, Boonville at 12 Noon, w/Business meeting at 1PM. New members are welcome!

Decade A Day Ministry

Who has about 7 minutes a day to do something powerful and positive in their life? I am involved in the Decade A Day Ministry and am looking for new members.
As a member, you commit to saying one decade of the rosary every day for one year. It can be said anytime, anywhere. When you sign up, you are able to pick from a list of available decades. Then you will be added to 19 other people to complete a full 20 decade rosary! This is a wonderful way to increase your prayer life and anyone can do it. Your intentions are your own and our intentions are remembered and prayed for in several churches and shrines around the country.
On each of her appearances, Mary asked that we pray the rosary. There are so many things to pray for, and to have others praying for you also is a win-win situation. Please find a brochure at the church entrance.
If you are interested, please call or email Rosemary Satterlee, 315-527-5381; resres517@yahoo.com to see what decades are available. Thank you.

Christ Our Hope Parish Council Meeting

will be held on Tuesday, August 25, 2026
in Gill Hall at 6:00PM.
This meeting is also open to any interested parishioners.

Christ Our Hope

Last Week's Collection
Regular/Assumption: $2,939.00
Fuel & Heat: $ 932.00

August Second Collections
August 23—Cemetery Maintenance Fund

We are one: Please make your donation out to Christ Our Hope Parish

TO MAKE YOUR WEEKLY DONATION ONLINE VISIT
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Food Pantry Corner

July begins a new year in our books for the Food Pantry. We are happy to tell you that we were able to distribute a total of 18,984 meals for the 2025 - 2026 year. Whew, it's been busy!
Thank you to our neighbors, parishioners and local businesses for your kind support throughout the year. We appreciate your kindness.
Enjoy the rest of your summer.

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION 2026-2027

Classes will begin September 20th! Registration forms will be mailed out this week. They will also be available at the church entrances this weekend. Registration forms are due by August 30th. Any questions please call 315-942-4618 or 315-348-8373.

FAITH FORMATION FAMILY LAUNCH

September 13th we will be having a gathering in Gill Hall for Faith Formation students and Parents to kick off our year! Please join us after the 9:30 Mass for light refreshments, meet your children's teachers, and ask any questions you may have.

VOLUNTEER HELP NEEDED AT ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, FORESTPORT

St. Patrick's needs lectors for our Sunday service. Please contact the Parish office at 315-942-4618.

KIDS CORNER

PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

~~John~~ prophets Peter | Father blessed Elijah | Christ revealed Jeremiah

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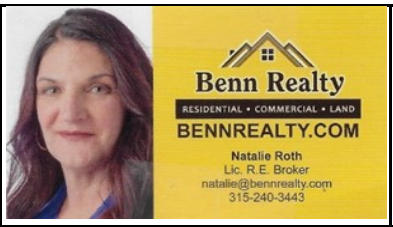

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