



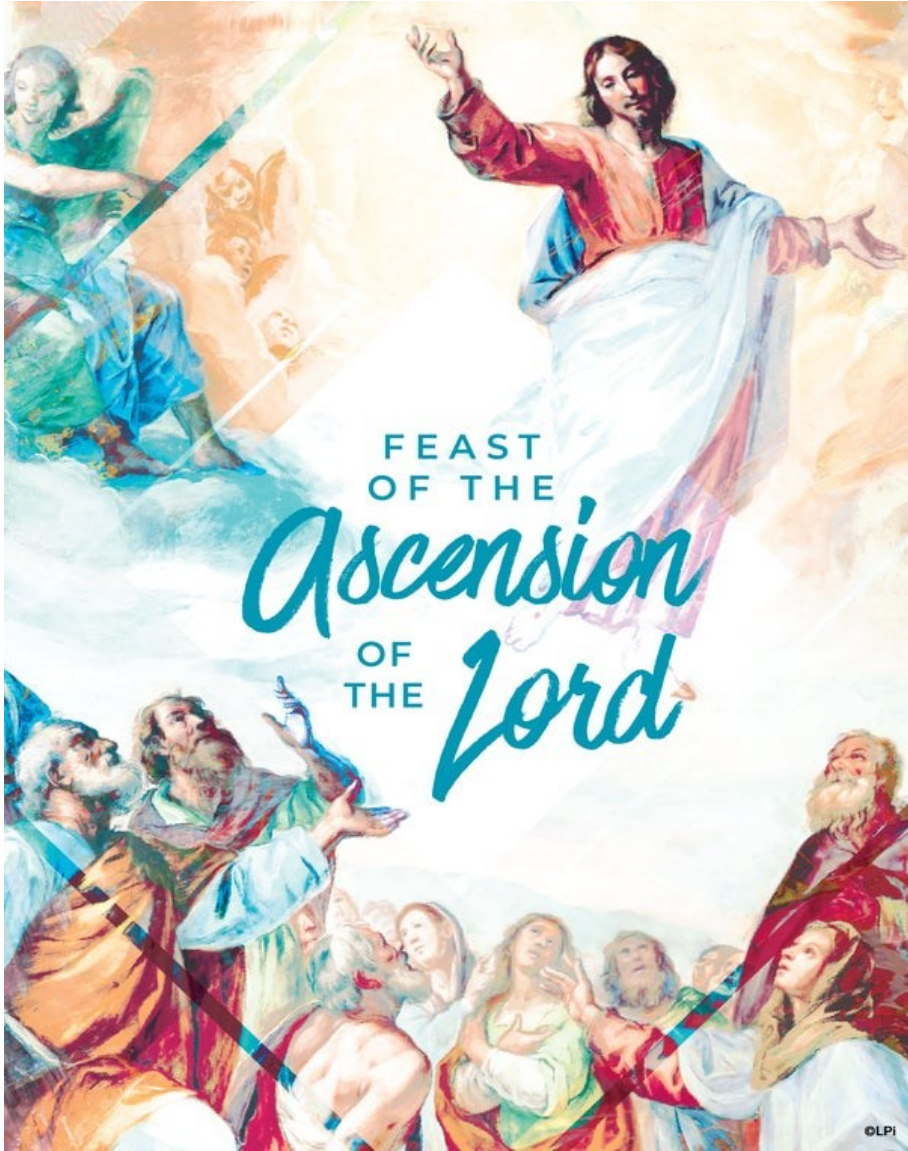
# Christ Our Hope Parish

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. 917 Year A

#### Acts of the Apostles 1:12-14

All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer.

#### Psalm 27:1, 4, 7-8

I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord  
in the land of the living.

#### 1 Peter 4:13-16

If you are insulted for the name of Christ, blessed are you.

#### John 17:1-11a

Father, glorify your Son.



### **Saturday, May 16th**

**8:30AM— (St. J)**

-For World Wide Protection  
of Human Life.

**4:00 PM— (St. J)**

-For Zachary Hayes (Confirmation)  
by the Fallon Family.

### **Sunday, May 17th**

#### **Seventh Sunday of Easter**

**8:00AM—(St. P)**

-For John McCarthy (5th Anniv.) by the  
McCarthy Family.

**9:30AM—(St. J)**

-For Stuart Bourgeois by the Family.

### **Monday, May 18th**

**8:30AM — (St. J)**

-For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions.

### **Tuesday, May 19th**

**8:30AM—(St. J)**

-For Living & Deceased Members of the  
Street & Dobson Families by the  
Street Family.

### **Wednesday, May 20th**

**7:30AM— (St. J) Holy Hour**

**8:30AM—(St. P)**

-For Greg Fitts (Birthday) by Rosemary  
and Dan.

### **Thursday, May 21st**

**8:30AM—(St. J)**

-For Greg Fitts (B'Day) by Omer Hudon.

### **Friday, May 22nd**

**8:30AM—(St. J)**

-For World Wide Chastity.

### **Saturday, May 23rd**

**8:30AM— (St. J)**

-For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions.

**4:00 PM— (St. J)**

-For Rose and Pius Wurz by Mark and  
Celia Sportelli Domser.

### **Sunday, May 24th**

**8:00AM—(St. P)**

-For Lisa Bandyh (B-day) by Mom, Dad  
and Family.

-For Rosemary Hudon (B-day)  
by Omer and Family.

**9:30AM—(St. J)**

-For Sophie Rosinski by the Catholic  
Womens' Club.

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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. †

Eucharistic



**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 Thursdays from 6:30PM-7:30PM on the subject of OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) for interested individuals. The initial sessions will focus on inquiry.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



This weekend, we hear from what is called The Last Supper Discourse. The whole of this long teaching spans four chapters in The Gospel According to John. (John 14-17) The last of these chapters, chapter seventeen is not so much a teaching, but rather a long prayer that Jesus prays to His heavenly Father while in the midst of the disciples. Two lines from this prayer, from the Gospel this weekend, are a source of meaningful reflection: "I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world." Jesus continues a bit further saying: "As you sent me into the world, so I sent them into the world."

In theology, we speak of the incarnation in terms of two Latin words, exitus and reditus. These terms are used to explain how Jesus came forth from Heaven and the Holy Trinity to enter the material world by becoming man (Exitus). After completing His saving mission of dying and rising, He then returns to the Father and the heavenly realm (Reditus). What is important to understand is that He yearns for us to return to Heaven and the life of the Holy Trinity with Him!

This is made all the more clear when Jesus continues in His prayer by proclaiming: "Father, they are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see my glory that you gave me, because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ... I made known to them your name and I will make it known, that the love with which you loved me may be in them and I in them."

Jesus is making this prayer to the Father so that we would come to know how much He and the Father love us and desire that we become one with the Holy Trinity for all eternity. The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains: This final stage [The Ascension] stays closely linked to the first, that is, to his descent from heaven in the Incarnation. Only the one who "came from the Father" can return to the Father: Christ Jesus. "No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man." Left to its own natural powers humanity does not have access to the "Father's house", to God's life and happiness. Only Christ can open to man such access that we, his members, might have confidence that we too shall go where he, our Head and our Source, has preceded us. (CCC, #661)

Finally, we can encounter, in the celebration of the mass, a foretaste of this love. Jesus, who is the true bread come down from Heaven (John 6:32) makes the reality of His Exitus (incarnation) present and in such a way that it is also the sacrifice of the cross. By receiving the Body of Christ, we are nourished by the hope of being one with the Lord in His Reditus (Ascension) or return to the Father. It is my hope and prayer that the celebration of the liturgy will increasingly become, for the whole of our community, an experience of the love that endures forever.

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

Congratulations to all of our First Communion Students!

And a special Thank You to:  
 Our Catechist; Ginger Scheve & Peter Poppleton  
 Photographer: Lori Carrier  
 Father Ward

To all who volunteered their time  
**TO ALL OUR FAITH FORMATION CATECHIST,  
 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME WITH ALL OUR  
 STUDENTS TEACHING THEM OUR CATHOLIC  
 FAITH!**

## This Sunday, May 17th

Please join us for coffee and donuts



in Kiefer Hall after the 8:00AM Mass.

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

The next fundraiser for the CWC will be a Bake Sale/Fill A Bag for Free on Saturday, May 30, 2026 from 9-12 at Kiefer Hall in Forestport.

A quick request/reminder to all of our "callers" to make your calls for bake sale donations soon. Thanks!

Another "**Save the Date**" is approaching: CWC's annual Banquet w/Installation of Officers will be Wednesday, June 3, 2026 at Kratzy's in Forestport at 6PM. Cost is \$10. per person, menu to follow. Please RSVP to Gerry Ritter (315-392-3856).

## Christ Our Hope

Last Week's Collection  
 Regular:4,079.00

May Second Collections  
 May 17- Catholic Communication Campaign

We are one: Please make your donation out to Christ Our Hope Parish  
**TO MAKE YOUR WEEKLY DONATION ONLINE VISIT**  
**WWW.CHRISTOURHOPERC.ORG**

## **Food Pantry Corner**

The food pantry distributed over 1300 meals for the month of April to neighbors in our community. We continue to accept donations of snacks, juice boxes and desserts for our families as the school year comes to a close in a few months. These are distributed throughout June.

Thank you for your continued support.

## FAITH FORMATION

Classes will resume Sept. 20th , 2026!  
 Registration forms will be mailed out in August.

## **Christ Our Hope Parish Council Meeting**

will be held on Tuesday, May 19, 2026  
 in Gill Hall at 6:30PM.

This meeting is also open to any interested parishioners.

## Prayer of Mission

Surround us with your presence, Lord, as we labor to spread Your story to the world, and especially in the pocket of the world we find ourselves today.

Go before us and guide our way.

Walk beside us and be our companion.

Help us to bring others to You.

Amen.

## **KIDS CORNER**

### **PUZZLE**

Circle the picture that is facing the **wrong** way.  
 Then color in all the pictures.



### **MISSION**

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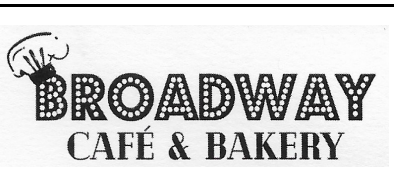


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