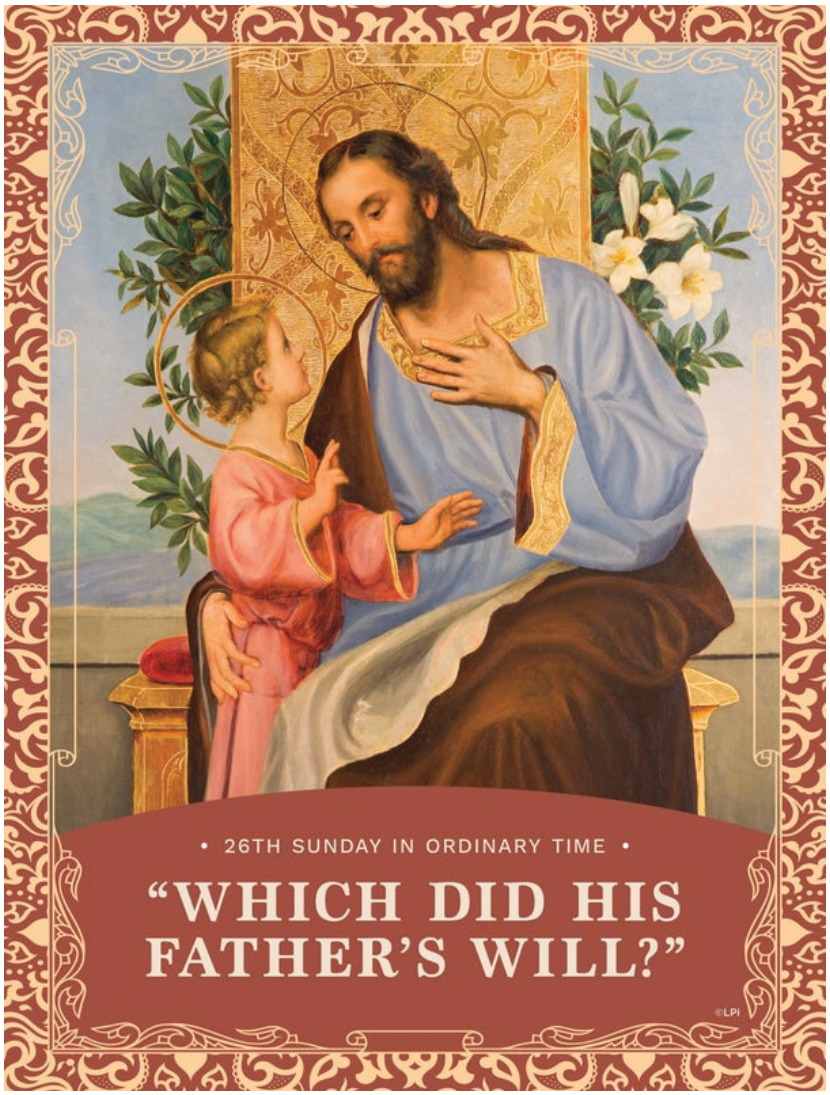
Christ Our Hope Parish

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. 1003 Year A

Ezekiel 18:25-=28
By turning from wickedness, a wicked person shall preserve his life.
Psalm:25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Remember Your mercies, O Lord.
Philippians 2:1-11
Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus.
Matthew 21:28-32
He changed his mind and went. Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of heaven befoere you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Sept. 26th
8:30AM— (St. J)
-For Msgr. James O'Brien by the Parish.

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

Sunday, Sept. 27th
8:00AM—(St. P)
-For Mary Beth Reising by Rosemary Fitts.

9:30AM—(St. J)
-For Msgr. James O'Brien by the Parish.

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

Monday Sept. 28th
8:30AM — (St. J)
-For Maggie Martin (Birthday)
by Ginger Scheve.

Tuesday, Sept.29th 22nd
8:30AM—(St. J)
No Morning Mass– Fr. Ward is away.

Wednesday, Sept. 30th
7:30AM— (St. J) Fr. Ward is away.

8:30AM—(St. P)
No Morning Mass– Fr. Ward is away.

Thursday, Oct. 1st
8:30AM—(St. J)
-For Barbara Jean Waite by the Loveric Family.

Friday, Oct. 2nd
8:30AM—(St. J)
-For Dennis Crofoot (B-day 9/30)
by wife, Debbie.

Saturday, Oct. 3rd- First Saturday
8:30AM— (St. J)
-Healing Mass

4:00 PM— (St. J)
-For Msgr. James O'Brien by the Parish.

Sunday, Oct. 4th
8:00AM—(St. P)
-For Living & Deceased Members of the Bandych & Kerber Families..

9:30AM—(St. J)
-For Peggy Yomnick by the Loveric Family.

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. †

Eucharistic Adoration

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.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

REFLECTION

Among the great works of Spiritual Theology (Books that help us understand the true nature and practice of the spiritual life) is the book The Spiritual Combat by Dom Lorenzo Scupoli. The book begins by explaining two principles that are necessary for growth in our spiritual life. The first is Distrust of Self and the second is Confidence in God.

In The Gospel we hear of how Jesus addresses the chief priests and elders of the people. We may well be mindful of another passage in Luke's Gospel where Jesus addressed… those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else. (Luke 18:9) He then goes on to speak of two men who were praying in the temple: "…one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity—greedy, dishonest, adulterous—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.' But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." (Luke 18:10-14)

In this parable we see that the pharisee spoke his prayer, not to God but to himself. He then enumerates all the things that he thinks he is doing by his own power and in praise of himself. It is the tax collector who, aware of his weakness and sinfulness, prayed that God be merciful to him because he is a sinner. Jesus tells us that this is the one who went home justified.

Like the sinful man in the parable, we too must recognize how weak and sinful we are if we are to make any progress in the spiritual life. Dom Scupoli explains: …it is His [God's] Will that we should be convinced we possess only that virtue and grace which comes from Him alone, and that without Him we are incapable of one meritorious thought. This distrust of our own strength is a gift from Heaven, bestowed by God on those He loves. (The Spiritual Combat, p.7)

This awareness of our dependence on God, and the grace He gives us, must be coupled to an attitude of complete confidence not in ourselves but in God's mercy and in response to His love. Dom Scpoli continues: Although DISTRUST OF SELF is absolutely necessary … we must add to it PERFECT TRUST IN GOD and expect from Him alone succor and victory. For as we, who are nothing, can look for nothing from ourselves but falls, and therefore should utterly distrust ourselves; so from our Lord may we assuredly expect complete victory in every conflict. (The Spiritual Combat, p.8)

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

One of the ministries the CWC supports in our parish is the Rosary Makers. Recently they completed 1,000 colorful World Mission Rosaries that have been shipped to the celebration of Archbishop Fulton Sheen's beatification. He designed the colorful rosary 75 years ago so that each different colored decade would represent one of the many cultures of the world. We appreciate the efforts of and thank our Rosary Makers.

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HONORING OUR CATECHISTS

Catechetical Sunday is September 20th!
This is a day to recognize all Catechists who teach the Catholic Faith. We are thankful to our Catechists for giving their time to be a witness to the Gospel. Please pray for our teachers, coordinators, students, & families.
Thank you Catechist for all you do:
Pre- K, Kindergarten, &1st: Tammy Jenks & Elaine Brown Substitute: Charlotte Cassidy
2nd Grade, First Communion: Ginger Scheve & Melanie Brown
3rd Grade: Anne Lyon
4th,5th,& 6th Grade: Kelly Nagy & Peter Poppleton
7th & 8th Grade: Cathy Doolittle & Ginger Poppleton
Confirmation: Nanette Podkowka

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Last ~~Week's~~ Collection
Regular: $$2,379.00
October Second Collections
10/4- Respect Human Life
10/11- Fuel and Heat
10/18- World ~~Mission Sunday~~

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 1617 meals to 25 families throughout the month of August. Thank you to everyone who donated extra snacks and juices and food items for our families with children who were home over the summer. This was a great support for our families.
As we go into September we will begin collecting cake, brownie and cookie mixes, as well as pie crust and pie filling in anticipation of the holidays. Anyone planning to make donations for Thanksgiving please note we begin holiday item distribution to our families on October 20th so donations would need to be at the pantry by October 15th to be included.
We thank you, as always, for your support in helping our neighbors.

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION 2026-2027

September:
Sept. 20th - First day of Faith Formation classes! Please meet with teachers in the church after the 9:30 Mass
Sept. 27th - Faith Formation classes

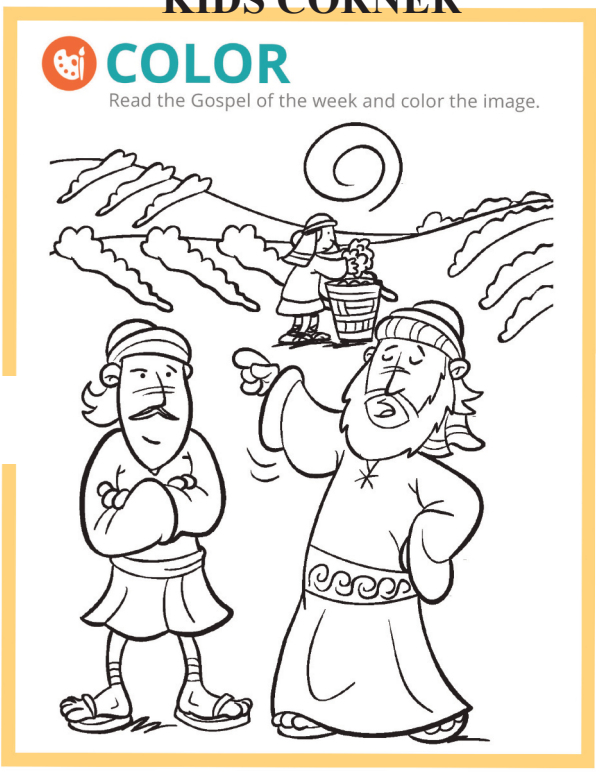
October:
Oct. 4th - Faith Formation classes
Oct. 11th- No classes in observance of Columbus Day
Oct. 18th - Faith Formation classes
Oct. 25th - Faith Formation classes

Thank you to all the families that came to Family Faith Formation Launch last weekend!

ARIMATHEA GROUP

What is it? If you want to join, you will be notified of upcoming funerals; time, date, place and who.
If you have time, you will be asked to attend the funeral Mass. That is all we do! It is a terrific way to honor the members of our community. For information, please call the Parish office.

KIDS CORNER



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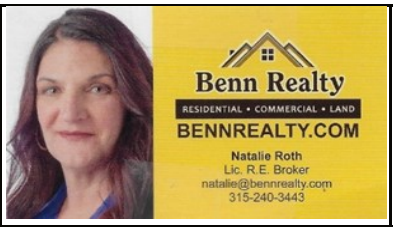

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