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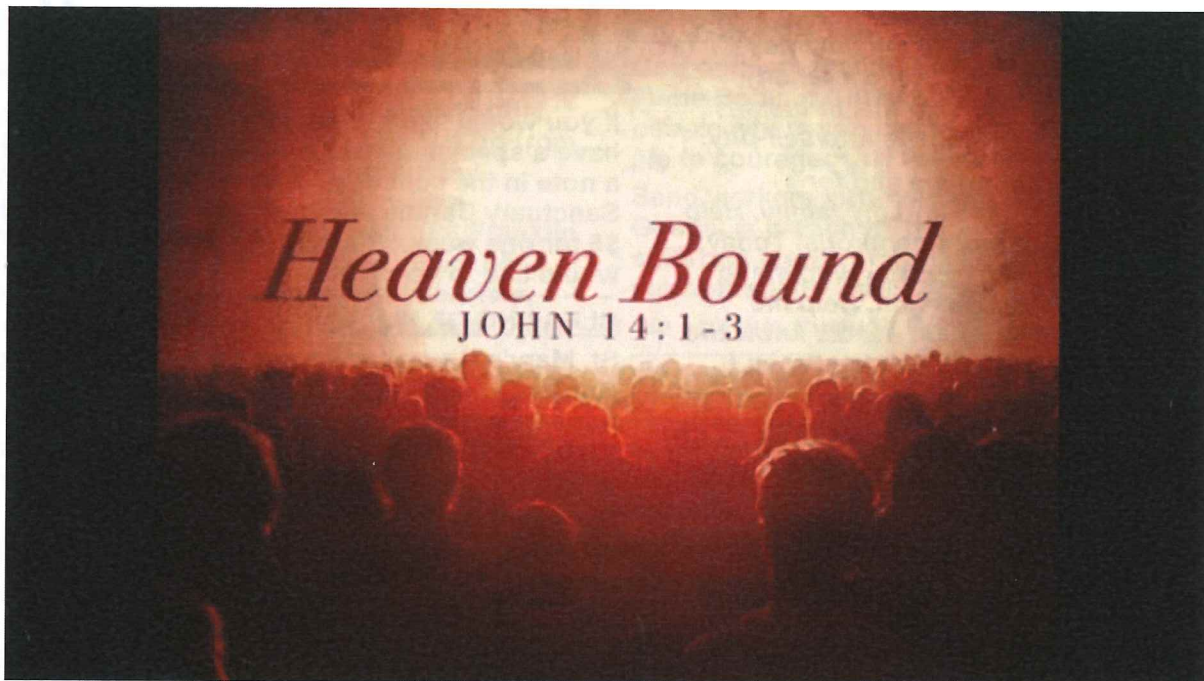
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Confessions: Saturday 3:45 PM at St. Joseph or by appointment.

RCIA: Please contact the Rectory.

Baptisms: Make personal arrangements at the Rectory. Parents & sponsors must be practicing Catholics.

Marriages: Couples should apply at the Rectory at least 4 months in advance. Pre-Cana or Engaged Encounter Conferences are necessary.

Mass Schedule

St. Mary's Cattaraugus: 11:15 AM Sunday

St. Joe's Gowanda: 8:30 AM Weekdays
(Thursdays—Communion Service Only)

4:30 PM Saturday

8:00 AM Sunday • 9:30 AM Sunday

November 4, 2018

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 11:15 AM

1. John Illig+ by Suzanne and John Aquino
2. Father's Day Intentions

Sunday, November 11, 2018 at 11:15 AM

1. John Illig+ by the Wilder Family
2. Ruth McSherry+ by Tom & Charlene Makowksi

OUR WEEKLY OFFERING

Regular Collection \$ 562

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Last Week's Attendance

52 worshipers at 11:15 AM Mass on 10/28

Daily/Weekly Reflection: This week it is clear that Jesus is calling us to a deeper love of our neighbor. He is telling us that we need to expand the list of those we are to love. He is telling us to have more passion in our desire to love others and he is urging us to prepare for how we will do that. Finally, Jesus makes it clear that we can't try to love money or honors and at the same time love God. We end the week Sunday as we watch Jesus admire the poor widow put her small change in the poor box. This is a wonderful background reflection for us this week. All week we can ask the Lord to help us. The quality of our asking will make all of the difference.

Dear Lord, help me today when, in my busyness, I become self absorbed. Help me, in my intensity, when I take things personally. Help me, in the burdens I bear, to give up my escape into self-pity.

Dear Lord, thank you for loving me and for showering so many gifts on me and my family. Help me to be more grateful and more generous. Today, help me to notice the needs of others. Help me to hear the news with more compassion. Help me imagine what I can do for others in need. I know the cost of discipleship with you will be easy when I remember your love.

Dear Lord, I am really getting it that the lure of "riches and honors" can easily seduce my heart. Why is it so tempting to like and be with the beautiful people, the "successful" people? Why do I get tricked into these values and these ways of valuing myself and others? Let me choose "simple," Lord. Let me choose "solidarity." And, when I resist, let me know.

These kinds of prayers, or the prayers that come to my heart in this or that daily situation - so simple to express to the Lord in 20 or 30 seconds as I walk down a hall or do any ordinary thing that allows me turn to God - can transform our days. These are words of intimacy, faith, trust, reliance. They acknowledge small graces and ask for bigger ones. They come out of a desire to grow in our relationship with the Lord and out of a confidence that with his grace, we can enjoy the blessing of being his disciples. Each night this week, let us give thanks.

Creighton University Weekly Prayers—<http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Prayer>

31st Sunday In Ordinary Time

OUR PRAYER CORNER

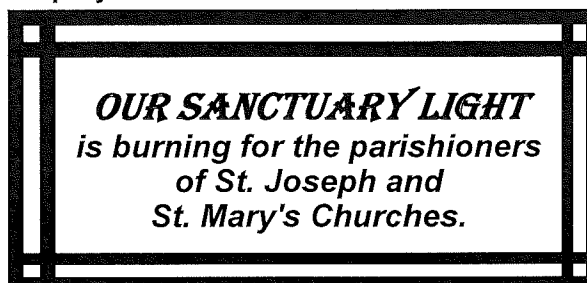
Please pray for those who are ill or recuperating, especially:

Sandy Agnew, Jennifer Gardner, Art Gernatt, Althea Herrington, Lori Hinsvark, Marian Illig, Cathy Johengen, Kathy Kaminski, Joey M. Kehr, The Kehr Family, Lee Lawton, Sandra McCord, Leo Minner, Duane Moore, Pat Mosher, James Parisi, Jennifer Schneider, Tonya Tackentien, Brynn Taylor, and JoAnn Termini.

Please pray for all those in nursing homes and assisted living facilities, especially Pat Vogl.

Please remember in your prayers those who have died, Dotty Calos and Rev. Richard Jesionowksi, and those in the military or in service to our country and their families who mourn them.

Please take a moment to call and request that a family member or dear friend be added to or taken off the prayer corner in the bulletin. Thank you for continuing to inform us of parishioners, family and friends in need of prayers.



If you would like to remember a loved one or if you have a special intention, please call the Rectory or put a note in the collection with the name/reason for the Sanctuary Candle intention and your name. The cost is \$5 for one week. Please contact the Rectory if you would like to verify your request. Thank you.

BLESSING OF HUNTERS

St. Mary's Church will have a special "Blessing of Hunters" honoring Saint Hubert, the patron saint of hunters on Sunday, NOVEMBER 11th, 2018 during our 11:15 AM Mass. Everyone is invited to wear orange and/or camouflage. Please join us, all are welcome!

St. Joseph's Church will have a "Blessing of Hunters" as well on Saturday, NOVEMBER 10th, 2018 during their 4:30 PM Mass with a reception immediately following Mass.

TRI-COUNTY VICARIATE PRESENTATION

"LOVE IS OUR MISSION...SERVICE IN LOVE IS OUR RESPONSE." Everyone is invited to St Aloysius Parish Hall, Springville, NY, on Tuesday, NOVEMBER 13th at 7 PM to hear Sister Johnice Radkiewicz, Director of the Response to Love Center, share her journey, and her community's mission to encourage, lead, educate and empower those in need. The shelter provides a soup kitchen, a food pantry, thrift shops, Veteran's assistance, GED classes, and personal care programs. The Center is in need of the following: Spray cleaning solutions, Toilet cleaning solutions/brush set, Dish Soap, Window Cleaner, Pledge, Paper Towels, Sponges, Dishcloths, Dishtowels, Lysol type wipes, Steel Wool, Laundry Soap, Fabric Softener, Dryer Sheets, Liquid Bleach, etc. Items can be brought to the presentation on November 13. Please come join us!