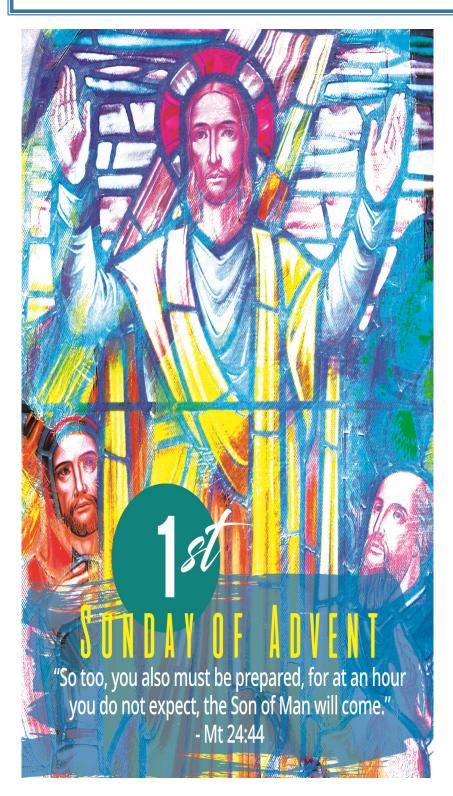
December 1, 2019 ~ 1st Sunday of Advent



Mass Schedule Saturday, November 30: 4:30 PM Sunday, December 1: 8:00AM / 10:00 AM Confessions December 7, 14 & 21 from 3:00—4:00 pm St. Mary's Our Lady of the Lake 31 Elm Street Cooperstown, NY 13326 www.stmaryscoop.org 607-547-2213

> Interim Presider: Father Peter Pagones

Interim Parish Administrator

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Anointing of the Sick

Call the Parish Office, or if at the hospital, contact the Chaplain Office's office at 547-3626

> <u>St. Mary's Trustees</u> Peter Henrici & Mike Millea

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We, the Catholic Community of St. Mary's, once again are planning The Giving Tree project which reaches many of our county's Elderly Community living with assistance. With your support and generosity this annual tradition enriches many of whom this may be the *only Christmas* they will have. What a great opportunity to engage your whole family,

especially teens, in this outreach of love. Every member can have a part in the selection of a tag (or two) off any of the three trees in church, in the purchase and wrapping of much needed and appreciated gifts, and

Perhaps together say a prayer for the person as you place the tag on the present. Trees will be decorated with tags by <u>November 16^{th} and gifts are needed back by <u>December 22^{nd} at the latest</u>. Thank you. ~ Jean Bohm</u>

Jesse Tree: An ancient tradition revived in the mid-20th century as an Advent practice, the Jesse Tree represents the family of Jesse, father of King David. Each day of Advent a homemade ornament is added to the Jesse Tree, a small tree, either of evergreen or bare branches. These symbolic ornaments each represent a prophecy foretelling of Christ.

We invite you to make this an Advent project for your family this year. Each week we highlight the members of Jesus' family tree, the symbol normally associated with them, and the scripture passage in the Bible where they can be found. There is a short description and prayer your family may wish to use.

The First Sunday of Advent – WATCH

The first week starts with the first stories of the Bible, God's creation of the world and of Adam and Eve, followed by Noah and his ark full of animals. The Saga of God's chosen people begins with the promises he made to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. God's concern for his people is expressed again through the story of Joseph and his coat of many colors

Prayer – O Lord, stir up your power and come! Rescue us from sin and all evil by your holy protection. Help us to prepare our hearts for your Son's new coming in grace this Christmas. We ask this through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

| <u>Symbol</u> | Person/Event | Scripture |
|---------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Globe | Creation | Genesis 1:26-31 |
| Apple Ark | Adam & Eve | Genesis 3:1-7 |
| Ark | Noah | Genesis 6:11-22; 9:8-13 |
| Tent | Abraham & Sarah | Genesis 12:1-7; Hebrews 11:8 |
| Ram | Isaac and Rebecca | Genesis 22:1-7 |
| Ladder | Jacob and Rachel | Genesis 28:10-22 |

Prayer during the Time of Change

Loving God, you who are present with us in all of life's moments, make yourself known in these challenging times of change in parish leadership. Comfort those who mourn. Receive and transform the anger of those who feel powerless. Ease the minds of the fearful. Provide us with a leader. Give wisdom to all our leaders and patience and insight to your people. Help us to appreciate the way you are re-creating your Church. Make us partners with you in this effort. We pray this in the name of Jesus, who is Lord and brother through the grace of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



Congratulations and Blessings to Carolyn Babcanec and Eamonn Egan who will be married on December 7!

🌽 Pray For...

Pray for the sick and homebound of our parish:

Vicar, the Most Rev. Michael Cambi Maureen Brennan ~ Robert Davenport ~ Richie Davy ~ Julia Fasset ~ Steve Markusen ~ Senator Jim Seward-Bradley Smith ~ Steven Smith, Jr.

> Pray for members of the military from our families Liam Dolan-USMC ~ Connor McCue-USMC Ryan Barrow (son of Maureen Davidson)

Cooperstown Senior Center is open in St. Mary's parish hall on Monday and Thursday afternoons.

Christmas Season Events!

COME ONE, COME ALL! In lieu of an Advent Penance Service, Father Pagones will be available the 4 Saturdays before Christmas— **November 30, December 7, 14 & 21** from 3:00—4:00 pm to hear confessions. Aides for preparing for the sacrament will be available in church.

St. Mary's Christmas Pageant will be Sunday, December 15th at 3:30pm in Church, followed by a spaghetti dinner in the parish hall.

Christmas Mass schedule:

Christmas Eve ~ 4:30pm & 7:30pm

Did You Know? AA meetings are held at Christ Episcopal Church, 46 River St. Cooperstown; see web site for times and dates. Thursdays are open for joining <u>https://www.ceccoop.net/calendar</u> Thank you! The weekend of Nov. 30/Dec 1 -The Tabernacle Candle is donated by the Brophy family in memory of James U. Brophy(10th Anniversary)

Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 30 4:30pm: Helen and Tudor Williams Req. by the Nagelschmidt family

Sunday, December 1 8:00am: Theresa K. and Edward Bennett Req. by Theresa Hensley

> Brian Keating Req. by Jeffrey Woeppel

10:00am: Mary and Cosmo Innamorato Req. by Lucille Gargiulo

> Patrick Brennan and Theresa O'Shea Req. by Maureen Brennan

Saturday, December 7

4:30pm: Mary and Vito Ungolo Req. by the family

Sunday, December 8

8:00am: Special Intention Req. by the Kennedy family

> Deceased members of the Gargiulo family Req. by Lucille Gargiulo

Monday, December 9 ~ Immaculate Conception 12:10pm Samuel Trophia, Rosa and John Grigoli Req. by Diane and Sal Grigoli

2019 Sunday & Holy Day Mass remembrances or tabernacle candle remembrances are arranged through the parish office. Masses are \$10 donation and candles \$5 donation.

HOLIDAY EVENTS

December 5th @ 11:00am-3:00pm: Bassett Healthcare Network & Cooperstown Chamber of Commerce Pop-Up Holliday Market in the Clinic Lobby. Find hand-crafted gifts and gourmet treats for everyone on your list

December 14th @ 10:00AM: Rockin'Around Cooperstown Ugly Sweater Run. 2-mile Walk / Fun Run; 4-mile Run

December 14th @ 3:-7:00pm: Candlelight Evening at the Farmers' Museum. Visit The Farmers' Museum for one of the region's best-loved holiday traditions.