

# Welcome to the Holy Roman Catholic Community of Holy Mother & Child      St. Joseph's      St. Paul's



405 Palmer Ave  
Corinth, NY 12822

**Mass times:**  
8:30 am Sunday  
Noon Wednesdays

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**Office Hours are:**  
8am -Noon Monday, Wednesday - Friday

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[HolyMotherandChildParish](https://www.facebook.com/HolyMotherandChildParish)

**Our Sunday morning Mass**  
**can be viewed on Facebook or at**  
[https://www.youtube.com/](https://www.youtube.com/@holymotherandchildcorinth8851)  
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PO Box 547, 3159 Route 9N  
Greenfield Center, NY 12833

**Mass times:**  
4:00 pm Saturday  
10:30 am Sunday  
9:00 am Wednesdays

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[StJosephsChurchGreenfieldCenter.org](http://StJosephsChurchGreenfieldCenter.org)

**Office hours are intermittent.**  
Margie Carroll, Pastoral Associate for Parish Administration  
518-698-9000 or [MACarroll@nycap.rr.com](mailto:MACarroll@nycap.rr.com)

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**St. Joseph's Church - St. Paul's Mission**

**Our Saturday Vigil Mass**  
**is recorded and shared by**  
**Flocknote email on Sunday mornings.**  
**Please visit our webpage to sign up**



771 Route 29  
Rock City Falls, NY 12863

**Mass times:**  
12:30 pm Sunday  
9:00 am 2nd Mondays

## The Epiphany of the Lord

January 5, 2025

<i>At Our Eucharistic Celebrations this week</i>	
<i>St. Joseph's Saturday</i>	John Connors and Family have asked us to remember Joy Connors
<i>Holy Mother and Child Sunday</i>	Rosann has asked us to remember the DiPasquale & Cancro family  Wanda & Chuck have asked us to remember Gail Sevor  Carol Pacco-Long has asked us to remember Anita Ranado  Yolanda (Lani) has asked us to remember Frances "Chi Chi" Matino
<i>St. Joseph's Sunday</i>	Jadwigia Fiszer has asked us to remember Janina Huppenthal
<i>St. Paul's Sunday</i>	We remember Our Parish Family
<i>St. Joseph's Wednesday</i>	Our Parish Family remembers Joanne Carlow
<i>Holy Mother and Child Wednesday</i>	Frank Ward has asked us to remember Jean Ward

### Epiphany

**Question:**

Besides the Wise Men, what is significant about the Epiphany?

**Answer:**

Epiphany means "manifestation," or public display. The feast is usually celebrated January 6. In the US, it is celebrated on the Sunday nearest to January 6. It originates from a story unique to Matthew (2:1-12). Magi from the East come to offer homage to the newborn King, presenting him with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

This part of Matthew's infancy narrative differs from Luke's account of the birth of Jesus. In Luke there are no Magi, star, nor gifts. Luke has Jesus being born in a stable after Mary and Joseph's long travel from Nazareth to Bethlehem. Matthew seems to have the family living in a house in Bethlehem, where the Magi find them.

Why these differences? They stem from the needs and concerns of the audience the authors were addressing, as well as the theological stance of each author. Knowing the original intention helps get at the correct interpretation of the text.


Since Matthew was writing primarily to a Jewish community, his concern was to show that Jesus did not come just for Jews, but for Gentiles as well. From his very birth, Jesus not only manifests himself to Jews, but also to Gentiles, who are prominently included in the manifestation, symbolized by the Magi and their journey. This is the most significant aspect of the feast of Epiphany. How do you manifest Jesus to all with whom you come into contact?



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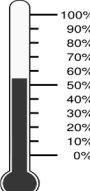
<i>Ministry Schedule</i>	<i>St. Joseph's 1/4 Saturday at 4:00 pm</i>	<i>St. Joseph's 1/5 Sunday at 10:30 am</i>	<i>St. Paul's 1/5 Sunday at 12:30 pm</i>
<b>Greeters</b>	Peggy Cargiulo	The Zon Family	Kathy Zanella, Hazel Mahar
<b>Readers</b>	Pauline Simon	Greg Tranchina	Jim Loviza
<b>Communion Ministers</b>	Frank Hansen, Joyce Rice	Sue Horne, Tina Zakrzewski Sharon Avery	~~~~~
<b>Counters</b>	~~~~~	C Murphy, C Sykora, C Sharpe	~~~~~

**SJ & SP FINANCE**  
 Chairperson: Dawn Rodecker: DRodecke@nycap.rr.com



**2024-2025 Diocesan Appeal**  
**Goal \$31,391**  
**Raised as of 12/19 \$17,941**

Your gifts to the Diocesan Appeal will help fund dozens of ministries, programs and offices of the diocese.



**The next second collection will be Jan 25-26 for the Evangelist, our diocesan newspaper**

**January packet—Catholic Schools envelope**

You will find an undated Parish Catholic Schools Fund envelope in your January packet. This envelope can be used at anytime during the year to make a contribution towards this fund that is used to support students attending diocesan Catholic schools.

**SJ & SP CHRISTIAN OUTREACH**  
 Chairperson: Janet Singer 893-7342 j\_bsinger@hotmail.com  
 Greenfield Food Pantry at Greenfield Community Center  
 ECHO Food Pantry at St. Paul's Church  
 Call the Parish Office for more information  
 Meal Train requests - contact the parish office



**Christian Outreach will be collecting for Code Blue Saratoga through January**

**FOOD:** Butter, Syrup, Cold cereal, Oatmeal packets, Pancake mix, Peanut butter, Jelly, Ramen, Condiments (ketchup, salad dressings, hot sauce), Drink mix (lemonade, iced tea mix, kool-aid) Bottled water, Individual snacks (crackers, bars.)

**PERSONAL ITEMS:** NEW Underwear for all genders/sizes

**CLEANING/PAPER PRODUCTS:** Floor cleaner (Pinesol, Fabuloso), All-purpose spray cleaner, Paper towels, sandwich bags, aluminum foil

**Items can be left in the collection box near the church entrance**

**GIFT CARDS:** Hannaford, Price Chopper, Walmart, Cudney's Amazon, Stewart's Shops, Fresh Market  
**Gift cards can be placed in the collection basket.**

**We cannot take: furniture, used clothing, children's items**  
**Please understand that donations of items not on this list have a negative impact on our organization.**  
**Clothing will be placed in the Blue Box, other items we will have to pay to dispose of**

**Visit SheltersOfSaratoga.org**  
 for more info or to make a financial or Amazon donation

**Epiphany Blessing**

The Epiphany household blessing is a centuries-old tradition that invokes God's blessing on all who enter one's home.

All you need for an Epiphany blessing is chalk, which is usually made available by parishes either on the feast of the Epiphany or in the weeks leading up to it. There are a few different formulas for blessings out there, but the essence of the ritual is always the same: a priest or the head of the household calls down God's blessing on the house and everyone who comes into it, and an inscription is made above the door in chalk.

The inscription reads: the first two digits of the year + C + M + B + the last two digits of the year. The initials C, M and B represent the names of the magi — Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar — and also signify the Latin phrase *Christus mansionem benedicat*: "May Christ bless the house."

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**Everyday Stewardship -**

"The Story of the Other Wise Man" by Henry Van Dyke was first published in 1895. It tells the fictional story of Artaban, a fourth wise man who began a journey to visit Jesus, the newborn King. Unlike his fellow Magi, he failed to make it there for the birth of Jesus because he kept pausing to help various people in need. In fact, it took him about 33 years of searching before his quest comes to an abrupt end when he is hit in the head with a falling roof shingle. His final breath takes place in Jerusalem near the place where Jesus is being crucified. As he lies dying, he hears the voice of Jesus telling him that the gifts he has given all along the way to "the least of these" he has actually given to Jesus himself.

If you have never read this story or seen the made-for-television movie based on the tale, you really should seek it out. It is a story that reminds us of a profound truth: Jesus himself rests in the lives of all those around us in need. In the story, it was the wise man's constant response to a stewardship call that prevented him from getting where he wanted to go. In the end, where he needed to go was more significant than where he thought he should go.

If we live lives of generosity and graciousness, we may find ourselves on constant detours from the road on which we are traveling. It is in the detours and the unexpected circumstances of our journey that often times we find our true purpose in life. We think God is somewhere we must travel to, when in reality, God is closer than we think in the least likely of places.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Ministry Schedule	Sunday, 1/5 8:30 am	Wednesday 1/8 Noon
Ushers/Greeters	Chuck Rice and Gene Perry	~~~~~
Readers	Chris Morreale Tim MacDougal	Mary Anne Woodard
Communion Ministers	Host: Jean Celeste Wine: Fran Pickens	Wine: Cathy Lozier
	Wine: Paula Sautter Choir: Mary Anne Woodard	

PARISH PARTNERS' CALENDAR		
Sundays	6:00 pm	Rosary Group meets at St. Paul's
Tuesdays	9 - 11:30	ECHO Food Pantry at St. Paul's
Wednesdays	1:30-3:30	Food Pantry at Greenfield Community Ctr
Wed 1/8	9:00 am	Morning Mass at St. Joseph's
	Noon	Mass at Holy Mother & Child
Thu 1/9		No Bereavement Meetings until spring
Sun 1/12	9:15 am	Faith Formation classes at St. Joseph's
	9:30 am	Faith Formation classes at HM&C
	10:30 am	Liturgy of the Word with Children @SJ's

**ALL FAITH FORMATION**  
 St. Joseph & St. Paul: Joe Varone jvarone@earthlink.net  
 Holy Mother & Child: Maureen Tagliaferro fhmcc@rcda.org.



The next class will be January 12th.


**Order of Christian Initiation for Adults and Adult Confirmation:** There will be an information session in January for any adult interested in becoming Catholic or receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. Please contact Joe Varone if you are interested or have any questions.

**"What was the favorite dessert of the king who brought gold?"**



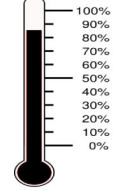
**"Karat cake!"**

HM&C FINANCE		
Interim Chairperson: Chris Morreale		
Weekly Offerings	Attendance	
12/22/24 Regular: \$ 1076	12/18	14
Fuel & Maintenance \$ 20	12/22	100



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 Goal \$12,992  
 Raised as of 12/26 \$11,204

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**This weekend's second collection will be for Fuel and Maintenance of our parish buildings.**

**Thank you to all who shared your time and talents in the preparations, decorations and celebrations this Advent and Christmas season!**



HM&C PARISH LIFE
<p><b>New Carpet</b>                      As Father has announced, we will be installing new carpet in the aisles of the church. The cost of the new carpet installed will be \$9900. The St. Nicholas Fund will be donating \$8000 toward the cost of the carpet. Thanks to everyone who continues to support our Christmas fair and Garage Sale each year of which the funds benefit the St. Nicholas Fund.</p>



ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ALBANY
<p><b>Taconic Catholic Young Adult Group and the Diocese of Albany invite you to a Young Adult Semi-Formal Epiphany Ball</b>                      What: Semi-formal dinner and dance                      When: Saturday, January 11, 2025                      Time: 6 PM to 10 PM: Appetizers, drinks, dinner, and dancing                      Where: St. Mary's Church – Crescent; 86 Church Hill Road, Waterford                      Ticket Cost: \$20 per person "Early Bird"; \$25 after January 1; \$30 per person at the door                      Register: <a href="https://www.bohmdesigns.com/ball/">https://www.bohmdesigns.com/ball/</a>                      Questions: <a href="mailto:ardensFidelis@proton.me">ardensFidelis@proton.me</a> or <a href="mailto:Thomas.Cronin@rcda.org">Thomas.Cronin@rcda.org</a></p>
<p><b>Mark Your Calendars 2025 Conferences</b>                      Step Up Men's Conference August 9, 2025                      Unleashing Love Women's Conference October 18, 2025</p>