

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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**Our Sunday morning Mass
can be viewed on Facebook or at
[https://www.youtube.com/
@holymotherandchildcorinth8851](https://www.youtube.com/@holymotherandchildcorinth8851)**



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

Office hours are intermittent.
Margie Carroll, Pastoral Associate for Parish Administration
518-698-9000 or 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

Parish Administrator: Rev. Simon Udemgba, Ph.D. Simon.Udemgba@rcda.org

Second Sunday of Advent

December 8, 2024

<i>At Our Eucharistic Celebrations this week</i>	
<i>St. Joseph's Saturday 12/7</i>	We remember Our Parish Family
<i>Holy Mother and Child Sunday 12/8</i>	The Family of Jean Ward has asked us to remember her. The Bethany Guild has asked us to remember Anita Ranado The Carpenter family has asked us to remember Frances Matino
<i>St. Joseph's Sunday 12/8</i>	Marek & Wiesia Wysowski and Rafal have asked us to remember Janina Huppenthal
<i>St. Paul's Sunday 12/8</i>	We remember Our Parish Family
<i>St. Paul's Monday 12/9</i>	We remember Our Parish Family
<i>St. Joseph's Wednesday 12/11</i>	Cathy & Larry Burch have asked us to remember Mabel & Charles Burch Our Parish Family remembers Joanne Carlow
<i>Holy Mother and Child Wednesday 12/11</i>	Dick & Judy Gonyeau have asked us to remember Bev Nichols

Everyday Stewardship

I remember growing up in Catholic school and having to make construction paper Advent wreaths every single year! The little yellow flames would be cut out and held until each new candle was lit. Great idea, except for the fact that the chance you could find the flames greatly diminished as each week passed. I will bet over 50% of the wreaths never received a 4th flame! Of course by then, most kids in elementary school had moved on to Christmas. Christmas was not a day. It was an entire experience of vacation from school.

You may or may not have an Advent wreath in your home or office, but those flames are rather insignificant to the flame that should be burning in our hearts during this season. How are you finding ways to light your fire? How are you preparing the way for Christ to come into your life and the lives of those around you in a more profound way?

The ritual of an Advent wreath is a good idea for anyone. But don't think that your preparations are done simply because you have one. You are called to be a flame to others during this season, reminding them of why we celebrate this time at all. Each person is a candle to be lit, and you have the gifts, given to you by God, to light them. At Christmas, you want God to look at you and see all the light generated by those He lit through you. Now is the time. Don't wait until Advent is almost over. You might not be able to find your own flames if you wait too long.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Prayer of Preparation

**With abiding hope as we look forward to Jesus' arrival —
Make straight the paths, Lord!
Fill us with holy excitement, in Your name. Amen.**

<i>Ministry Schedule</i>	<i>St. Joseph's 12// Saturday at 4:00 pm</i>	<i>St. Joseph's 12/8 Sunday at 10:30 am</i>	<i>St. Paul's 12/8 Sunday at 12:30 pm</i>
Greeters	Mary Fornabia	Valerie Reside	Kathy Zanella, Hazel Mahar
Readers	Schedules unavailable		
Communion Ministers			
Counters	~~~~~	C Murphy, M Schultz	~~~~~

SJ & SP PARISH LIFE

Thank You!

Thank you to our band of bread bakers. They made 50 loaves of quick bread for Thanksgiving. In addition, Roseanna Mamone made 3 loaves of gluten-free and Pat Picher made 6 loaves. 48 were given to parishioners. 11 loaves were taken to the Shelters of Saratoga. Pictured: Monica Berrios-McKeaon, Nancy McNally, Kathy Zanella, Roseanna Mamone, Pinkey Phillips, Doriann VanLiew, Sue Livsey, Annabelle Miczek & Sarah Miczek. Missing: Jim Zanella & Zach Zanella for their behind the scenes help.



SJ & SP FINANCE

Chairperson: Dawn Rodecker: DRodecke@nycap.rr.com

Christmas Flowers

Christmas Flower envelopes are included in the December envelope mailing. Please be sure to clearly fill out the information on the envelope and drop in any collection basket before Christmas. If you don't have pre-printed envelopes, you can place your contribution in an envelope labeled with "Flowers" Please include your name and the name of the person you are making the contribution in memory of.



SJ & SP FAITH FORMATION

Administrator: registrations, fees & sacramental records
Margie Carroll 698-9000; MACarroll@nycap.rr.com
Coordinator for Faith Formation:
K-9, Confirmation, Adult Faith Formation, RCIA,
Joe Varone 583-1348; jvarone@earthlink.net
Coordinator for First Communion
Cindy Sharpe 893-0202; bsharpe@nycap.rr.com

2024-2025 Diocesan Appeal
Goal \$31,391
Raised as of 12/3 \$15,695

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

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

**It's not too late to help:
Donations are drastically down**

Please cut out this reminder to stick in your pocket or wallet or hang on your fridge to remind you to pick up a gift card or make a special donation to assist us in helping those less fortunate this holiday season.

Walmart, Target,
Price Chopper, Hannaford

Annual Children's Christmas Pageant

This year the children of our parish will present their annual Christmas Pageant following the 10:30 AM Mass on Sunday December 22nd. Please plan on joining us that day for hospitality after Mass and then celebrating with our youth as they share the amazing Gospel story of the birth of our Lord. All children are encouraged to be in the pageant. Please contact Lida or Joe Varone if interested.

Children's Christmas Pageant

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.

SJ & SP PASTORAL CARE
Grief & Bereavement Group: Cathy Burch 518-306-6884
Mass cards: Margie Carroll 518-698-9000, MACarroll@nycap.rr.com
Greeting Cards: Dorothy VanDenburg 518-893-0354, DorothyVandy106@gmail.com

Bereavement Group Winter Schedule:
We will continue to meet on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 1:30 in the Rectory.

All are welcomed.
For the winter months there will be **no Thursday evening meetings.** We will resume in the spring.
If anyone is interested in helping to set up a ZOOM evening support group, please contact the parish office.

**Due to the holidays,
the December Tuesday
Bereavement Group meeting
will be held on 12/17 @ 1:30**

<i>Ministry Schedule</i>	<i>Sunday, 12/8 8:30 am</i>	<i>Thursday 12/11 Noon</i>
<i>Ushers/Greeters</i>	Chuck Rice and Gene Perry	~ ~ ~ ~ ~
<i>Readers</i>	Chris Morreale Tim MacDougal	MaryAnne Woodard
<i>Communion Ministers</i>	Host: Fran Pickens Wine: MaryAnne Woodard	Wine: Cathy Lozier
	Wine: Jean Celeste Choir: Chris Fugazzi	

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
Sat 12/7	9am - 2 pm	Christmas Fair at HM&C
Second Sunday of Advent		
Sun 12/8	9:15 am	Faith Formation classes at St. Joseph's
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Mon 12/9	9:00 am	Morning Mass at St. Paul's
	6:00 pm	Buildings & Grounds meets at St. Joe's
Wed 12/11	9:00 am	Morning Mass at St. Joseph's
	Noon	Mass at Holy Mother & Child
Thu 12/12	Bereavement Thursday Group on hiatus until spring	
Third Sunday of Advent		
Sun 12/15	11:30 am	Christmas Pageant at St. Joseph's

HM&C FINANCE			
<i>Interim Chairperson: Chris Morreale</i>			
<i>Weekly Offerings</i>			<i>Attendance</i>
	11/24/24	12/1	11/20 29
Regular:	\$ 1612	\$1695	11/24 104
Fuel & Maintenance	\$ 90	\$1075	12/1 102
Camp for Human Dev	\$ 80		

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Goal \$12,992
Raised as of 12/3 \$8,199

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Diocesan Appeal

Christmas Flowers
 The envelopes for Christmas flower donations are in the pews. Please remember to include who the donation is in memory of.

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 December 8th.
 Reminder:
 St. Joseph's Pageant Rehearsal 12/15
 Contact the above for more info.

NEIGHBORS & BEYOND

The Ladies of Charity
Annual Poinsettia Sale
 December 14th & 15th
 after all Masses at St. Joseph's.

Thank you for supporting the Ladies of Charity in their mission to help the less fortunate in our community.



December 24th Christmas Eve	4:00 pm at St. Joseph's
	4:00 pm at Holy Mother & Child
	6:00 pm at St. Paul's
December 25th Christmas Day	8:30 am at Holy Mother & Child
	10:30 am at St. Joseph's

HM&C PARISH LIFE

Thank you...
From the Maxfield Community Food Pantry
 Thanks to all at Holy and Mother Parish who contributed in any way, either monetarily or through their time and work, to our Thanksgiving Basket collection in Luzerne. Our cash donations totaled \$785; because of you, we were able to provide Thanksgiving Baskets to 125 deserving families.
 The pantry would also like to thank the HMC community for their ongoing support of this ministry through your donations of money and food items. Those donations, plus the generous work of 9 of our parishioners who staff the pantry 2 days weekly, we are able to help feed those who need it. May God bless you all.

From the Community of Churches
 The Community of Churches in Corinth had a very successful take out Thanksgiving dinner where we served 250 people a delicious meal. This was possible due to the many volunteers; prep cooks, packaging and assembling people, bakers, and drivers. We especially want to thank Maureen Tagliaferro for her hard work preparing the meal and her expertise coordinating this event. We also want to thank our youth volunteers, Gary, Annabelle and Max. Their tireless energy ran circles around the rest of us.

Please be aware
 It's that time of year when many may receive scam emails or texts that appear to be from the Fr. Simon or our staff seeking donations, mostly of gift cards mailed to another address or asking that you send the information from the back of the gift card. These messages may look like they are coming from someone in the parish, making it look legitimate.
 Yes, we do collect gift cards. However, it will be announce in the bulletin and/or at Mass. We will also ask that you place your donations/gift cards directly in our collection basket or designated drop box or mail it directly to the parish. We will not ask you to send them elsewhere. Please do not reply to any such messages.