

*Mass Intentions for the Week*

4/27 Mon	9:00 AM	Nancy Hotaling By Jean McKilligan
4/28 Tues	9:00 AM	Nancy Hotaling By Jean McKilligan
4/29 Wed	9:00 AM	Nancy Hotaling By Jean McKilligan
4/30 Thurs	9:00 AM	Alycia Consuelo & Family By Alex
5/01 Fri	9:00 AM	Communion Service
5/02 Sat	4:00 PM	Raymond & Ray Keckeisen, Msgr. Cox By Lorraine Keckeisen
5/03 Sun	10:30 AM	Bread & Wine In Memory of Ray Keckeisen By Joe & Terry Maggio

**New Parish Tradition:**

**Bread & Wine and Sanctuary Lamp Offerings**

Parishioners who wish to honor a loved one—living or deceased—may now do so by offering a **\$10 donation** toward the **Bread and Wine** used at Mass or the **Sanctuary Lamp** that burns before the Blessed Sacrament. These offerings are a meaningful way to remember someone special, mark an anniversary, or give thanks for blessings received. The name of the person being remembered will be printed in the bulletin for that week. To reserve a week, please contact the parish office at **607:563-1591**.

We would also like you to know that Mass intention slots are also still available. The offering is **\$15 per Mass**.

Thank you for your continued generous support and prayers.

**Main Door to Parish Center**

To ensure the safety of our parishioners and the security of our church facilities, please be advised of a change regarding access during Saturday Vigil Masses. The main door to the Parish Center will be locked. This measure is being taken to prevent unauthorized access until further notice.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we work to maintain a safe and focused environment for our community. Thank you.

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter: Hearing the Shepherd's Voice, Becoming Shepherds for Others**

The Easter season continues to draw us into the mystery of God saving love. On this Fourth Sunday of Easter, also known as Good Shepherd Sunday, the Church celebrates the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Today we pray earnestly for an increase in vocations, especially remembering our young people as they discern their path. Our prayer is that they may hear the Lord's voice amid the many competing voices of our age and respond generously to His call to priesthood, consecrated life, and all forms of dedicated service. We also give thanks for all who are already living their vocations—priests, deacons, religious, married couples, and those in the single life. We ask that they may remain faithful, joyful and steadfast in their commitments they have embraced for the sake of Christ and His Church.

Today's readings bring us to the very heart of our relationship with the Lord. In the Gospel, Jesus reveals Himself as both the Good Shepherd and the gate of the sheepfold. He knows His sheep intimately, calls them by name, and lays down His life for them. The sheep follow Him because they recognize His voice— a voice of truth, mercy, and unwavering love.

We are the Lord's people, the sheep of His flock. He leads us through the gate, which is His very self. He cares deeply for our spiritual and physical well-being. Yet He also warns us of false shepherds—those who scatter, mislead, or neglect the flock. He knows how easily people can be influenced by misleading voices and how painful it is when shepherds stray from their mission. Jesus knows how easily human hearts can be swayed by misleading voices and how deeply painful it is when shepherds fail in their mission.

He has given us the Church, His own sheepfold—a place of belonging, protection, and communion. Within this sacred fold, He remains our center, our protector, and our hope. He continually calls us, His flock to reject loud and persuasive voices that only lead to confusion or harm. We are invited to turn away from all that clamors for our attention, and listen instead to the Lord's voice, following the path He sets before us. As we celebrate the Good Shepherd Sunday, let us thank Jesus for His saving love and pray that His voice and example may guide our choices and actions. May we truly hear the Shepherd's voice and in turn, become shepherds for others, leading with mercy, serving with courage and joy, and drawing many into the safety and communion of His sheepfold.

Fr. Dr. Ben.

**Weekend of May 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 2026**

First Reading- Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

Second Reading-1 Peter 2:4-9

**Saturday 4:00 PM**

**Celebrant:** Father Ben  
**Lector:** Sheri Young  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Carole Ostrander, Pat Tartaglia, Dorothy Yaiser  
**Altar Servers:** Jack, Henry & Ella Grigoli

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - May Crowning**

Gospel: John 14:1-12

**Sunday 10:30AM**

Father Ben  
 Kerri Green  
 Emelinda Gronwall, Josh Gronwall, Ada Rice  
 Anderson & Garret Calender

Offerings from April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026: Regular \$1716.00; Repairs \$20.00; Easter \$50.00; Votives \$56.00

### Religious Education 2026-2027

Classes for Pre-K-10<sup>th</sup> grade  
4/19 9:00-10:15 AM  
4/25 8:30 – 3:30PM – Shroud of Turin  
Presentation



### May Crowning

The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Please join us for the MAY CROWNING on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30AM Mass to honor Mary for her special gift to us of bringing Jess, our savior, into the world.

### Catskill Choral Society

Catskill Choral Society is proud to present "A Night of Glory and Grace: Antonio Vivaldi's "Gloria" and Maurice Durufle's "Requiem" at 7:30 on May 1 and at 3:00 on May 2 at the First United Methodist Church, 66 Chestnut St., Oneonta. The Youth Choir will also perform. Tickets may be purchased at Green Earth, 4 Market St., Oneonta; Cooperstown Natural Food, 61 Linden Ave.; or online at [www.catskillchoralsociety.org/tickets](http://www.catskillchoralsociety.org/tickets), as well as from any CCS member. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door. For more info go to [www.catskillchoralsociety.org](http://www.catskillchoralsociety.org) or telephone 607-386-5151.



### Additional Easter Flowers

Flowers were donated in remembrance and love for the following persons. Please accept our apologies in advance if a name is spelled incorrectly.

Doris Dean	Jim Ives
Bettye Laird	Kinch Family

### Catholic Charismatic Renewal 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026 1:30PM -Mass with Reception Following  
Please see flyer in vestibule for more information.

### Share the Bounty

This month's Share the Bounty Dinner is:  
Thursday, April 30, 2026  
4:30-6:30PM  
All are welcome!

### April Bulletin Quotes

"Like us, Christ entered the world through the womb of a woman. He willingly experienced the fullness of human suffering. He breathed his last on the Cross at Calvary in order that He might save us. Therefore, 'God is the foundation of hope: not any god, but the God who has a human face and who have loved us to the end' (Spe salvi 31)."

*USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities*

*"Respect Life Reflection:*

*Christ Our Hope in Every Season of Life"*  
*(citing Pope Benedict XVI, Spe salvi 2007,*  
*Libreria Editrice Vaticana.*

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### Wisdom of the Saints

Patience is the root and garden of all the virtues.

~ St. Pope Gregory the Great

### Question of the Week

(The Shepherd goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. (John 10:4)

Adults: How are you a shepherd to those in your care?

Kids: What will you do this week to show you love those around you?

### Rosary Meeting

Our next meeting is May 12, 2026 after 9:00am Mass.  
All are welcome!

### Ladies Retreat Weekend

Ladies give yourself time away from the daily routine for rest, quiet, reflection and spiritual growth. Come join us on May 1-3, at the Dominican Retreat & Conference Center.

To register please see Ellen Reuter or Paula or go to [www.dslcny.org](http://www.dslcny.org).

### Pastoral Care Ministers Retreat

June 11, 2026 ~ 9:30AM to 3:00PM

We invite you to spend the day towards renewal of skills and spirits.

Please see flyer in vestibule for more information.

### Interim Financial Report

Please find inserted in this week's bulletin the Interim Financial Report for your review.  
Thank you for your support!

**Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers:** Gussie Shifflett, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett, Kim Sumski, Grady Charles Weigand, Daniel Rickard, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Paul J. Hamilton, Sr., Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter, Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters, Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolerמוש, Terri Cristofaro, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Moratwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Ines Warlock, Susan Chidester, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Olivia Ross & family, Joe Maggio, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Renee Joseph, Charlie Washburn, James Rattrie, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselic, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis Duguay, Joan Rice, John MacDonald, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldinger, Bonnie Tabone, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barber, Jr., Payton Lakin, Joan & Tony Barber, Mathias Mietzelfeld, Maggie Hoffman, Marybeth Modinger, Jacqueline Richardson, Celeste Aber, Teri Frallich, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Bill Babbage, Sarah Pressler, Bobbie August, Chris West, Dawn Cronin, Josephine Materazzo, Avery Maggio, Barb & Jerry Patrick, Paisley Halbert, John MacDonald, Anne Klopchin, Gloria Parsons, Anthony Naple, Danielle Spry, Ellen Hogan, Bradley Lathan, Peter Burghardt Jr., The Family of Mufide, Kathy Saludo, Elizabeth Cline

**Please note: All names will remain on our prayer list and will be prayed for unless our office is notified to remove an individual.**

