

**5th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

February 9, 2025

MASS SONGS AND READINGS

- *Processional—Holy Holy Holy #358
- *Readings-#867 5th Sunday Ordinary Time “C”
- *Offertory-We Have Been Told #564
- *Communion-Let Us Break Bread Together #488
- *Recessional-They’ll Know We Are Christians #544



Mass Intentions

****SUNDAY, February 9th— 4:30p.m.**

~Wm. Benhart “Billy” Ryan by Sue Ryan
~Anita & Leland Lambert by Paula & Corky Miller
~Jim Ratliff by John & Judy Moore
~Jerry LaFond by Marsha Willey

****SUNDAY, February 16th— 4:30p.m.**

~Ivan & Eunice Arseneau by Pat Brown
~Paul & Catherine Houmes by Angela Jones
~Marilyn Arseneau Champagne by Londa Carder

****SUNDAY, February 23rd— 4:30p.m.**

~Marcia Decker by Mary O’Brien
~Jim Ratliff by Marlis & Allyn Kleinert
~Bruce Martell by Pat Brown

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

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| Weekly Parish Need for Operation: | \$1,443.00 |
| Sunday Offering for February 2nd: | -\$1,078.00 |
| Online Giving: | -\$125.00 |
| Deficit for the week: | -(\$240.00) |

Restoration: \$225-collection; \$120 Preservation Society

~Sunday Offertory Budget Amount for Fiscal Year
July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025 is \$75,000.

~Sunday Offertory Actual Money Donated as of
February 2nd- **\$45,313.93.**



CO-MINISTERS FOR:

Sunday, February 16th @ 4:30p.m.

READER: Sr. Linda
E.M.: Chris, Jennifer, Diane
Ushers: Rick & Delaney
Servers: Gwaltney’s
Money Counters: Andrea & Diane

CCW Meeting

**TODAY after
Mass in the chapel**

Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a Mass said in memory of a loved one, please let the parish office know. Masses are \$10 each. You can pick what dates you would like the Mass to be given on.

Please Pray For:

Intentions: Debbie Mize Baker, Gabe Lareau, Willy VanWassenhove, Megan Markley, Don Savoie, John Bumbul, Cleona Datzman, Emmett Sutton & Family, Angie Clement, Web Bohn, Regina Penny, Nicholas, Sharon Hess, Kathy Wagner, Jewel Legan, Cindy Jamnik, Beverly Maurer, Shirley Guttman, Jerry Shortsleeve, Ray Arseneau, Janet Lambert, Sylvia Eddy, Betty Lambert, Elaine Arseneau, Judy Laurent, & Special Intentions

Our Departed: Ben Maurer & Sister Agnes Cunningham, SSCM

Our Service Men & Women:

*SGT Colby Arseneau, Army Reserves, Grandson of Jerry & Joyce Arseneau;
*Maj. Todd Fatka, USAR, son of Angela Jones

***Please notify the Office at 815-644-6664 if a loved one is admitted to the hospital or would like to be on the prayer list or to have someone taken off the list if they are well.**

*I SAID A
Prayer
FOR YOU
today*





St. Mary's News

Preparing for Next Sunday's Gospel

Sixth Sunday Ordinary Time "C"

Luke 6:17,20-26

"Blessed Woe.....!"

Am I blessed in simplicity of life or woeful in richness?

Am I blessed with a hunger for what is right or am I filled beyond my needs?

Am I blessed with sorrow for what is wrong or am I laughing over what might be evil?

Do people hate me for the right reasons or love me for the wrong reasons?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, in your Sermon on the Plain you have called me to live in simplicity of life as one of your authentic disciples. Help me to live a manner of life that you will declare "blessed" and strengthen me to strenuously avoid all that might bring me woe.

Amen!

Preparing for Next Sunday's Petitions

~That, like a tree planted near running water, the Church may be nourished and grow in faith

~That all peoples may acclaim Christ, risen from the dead

~That the poor and the hungry may know the love of God and the concern of his people

~That those who weep, may find solace in Christ

~That those who are hated, insulted, and denounced for their faith in Jesus may be strengthened to witness to his Gospel

~That trusting in the Lord, our parishioners who bring their prayers to the Lord may be heard by God

~That those who have fallen asleep in Christ may know the resurrection of the body

Let Us Pray to the Lord

AREA EVENTS

Caregiver Stress Busting Program

Do you provide care for a loved one with a chronic illness? This program teaches stress management techniques, coping & relaxation strategies

When: Thursdays, Jan. 23-Mar. 20, 2025 from 1:30-3pm

Cost: No Cost

Register or Questions call Amanda: 815-523-9919

Donovan Ag 4-H Spaghetti Supper & Silent Auction

Mark your calendars for Saturday, March 1st from 5-7p.m. at our parish hall for a delicious spaghetti supper. They will also have a silent auction going on throughout the evening. They will be serving spaghetti with Prego sauce, green beans, garlic bread, and desserts.



Tickets are \$7 each
4 year olds and under are Free.

Carry Outs are Available

Beaverville & Martinton Community Blood Drive

When: Thursday, March 13th from 2-6pm

Where: St. Mary's Hall in Beaverville

To make an appt call Diane at 815-435-2249 or Michele at 815-383-7483 or visit RedCrossBlood.org

Donovan Preschool Screening

When: Friday, March 21st from 8:30-10:30am

Where: Donovan Elementary (PreK Hallway)

To make an appt call Donovan Elementary at 815-486-7321 or Iroq Special Education Association at 815-683-2662

For Birth to Age 3 appt call: Easter Seals 815-304-4106

The 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal has begun!

As the Diocese of Joliet launches the 2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), we are humbly asking all parishioners to pledge their support for this important effort, as together we can make a profound difference.

This year's CMAA theme is *Open your heart to God's goodness*. Through our support, we ensure that the mission and ministries of Christ's Church are available to everyone. Together, we can help provide safe shelter for the homeless, feed the physical and social needs of those who are hungry, inspire those discerning a life of vocation, and aid in the education of our next generation of Catholics. Our parish could not accomplish all of this on its own. As a diocese working together, we can do so much more.

Our parish goal for the 2025 CMAA is \$8,300, and 70% of any amount we raise over our goal will be returned to us and used fruitfully within our own parish. Please review the materials you receive in the mail from the Diocese of Joliet this month and prayerfully reflect on your gift to this year's annual appeal.

If you do not receive a CMAA mailing, please contact the parish office. Thank you!

Martinton Community Food Pantry

The food pantry serves all of Iroquois County. They are in need of our help. **Please continue to bring in food donations.** They are also looking for monetary donations, volunteers to help unload the trucks, and working on distribution days. If you are able to help, please call Connie Stirling at 815-867-6480.

New Hours: Tuesday 9-11a.m., No PM hours

Items Needed at the Pantry:

Cranberry Sauce

Stuffing Mix

Scalloped Potatoes Box

Shampoo

Paper Towels

Eastern Illinois Food Bank Food Distribution

They will be distributing food in the hardware parking lot next to the post office the 4th Wednesday of each month from 12:30-1pm. Visit eifoodbank.org for more information.