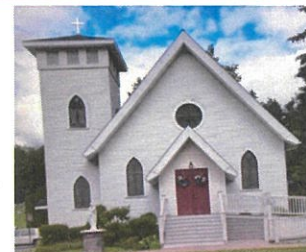




St. Vincent's Site

# SS JOACHIM & ANNE CATHOLIC PARISH



St. Joseph's Site

**50 EAST AVENUE, ATTICA 14011**

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January 9, 2022



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## **HOLY EUCHARIST:**

If you know of someone in the parish who is homebound and would like Holy Communion, please call.

## **CONFESSIONS:**

Saturday, Varysburg....4:00-4:15 pm

Sunday, Attica.....7:30-7:45 am

Also by appointment.

## **BAPTISMS:**

Are celebrated during or after the Masses. Call the office.

**TO BE A SPONSOR:** You must be baptized, confirmed and attending Mass every week.

## **MARRIAGES:**

Call for an appointment as soon as you make your commitment.

## **ANointing OF THE SICK:**

Call the office as soon as possible.

## **HOSPITAL VISITATIONS:**

Please let us know when you or a loved one is in the hospital.

## **NEW PARISHIONERS:**

New members are welcome to join our faith community.



## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 9, 2022

### WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, January 10

No Mass

Tuesday, January 11 – Varysburg, 8:30 am

Howard & Jean Petre

By A Friend

Wednesday, January 12 – Attica, 8:30 am

Mom, Dad & Shirley Ziegler

By Kim & Nancy

Thursday, January 13 – Varysburg, 8:30 am

*St. Hilary, Optional Memorial*

Loren Laney

By Joe & Jody Laney

Friday, January 14 – Attica, 8:30 am

Eileen Meyer Becker

By Ed Meyer Family

Saturday, January 15 – Varysburg, 4:30 pm

Fr. Jim Fugle

By Larry & Jean George & Family

Sunday, January 16 – Attica, 8:00 am

Rita A. Murphy

By Bill & Skip Wolfley

Sunday, January 16 – Varysburg, 9:30 am

Scott Meidenbauer

By Hans Boxler Jr.

Sunday, January 16 – Attica, 11:00 am

Simon Proulx

By Gloria

#### Liturgy for Next Week, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Is 62:1-5

Ps:96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10

2nd Reading: 1 Cor 12:4-11

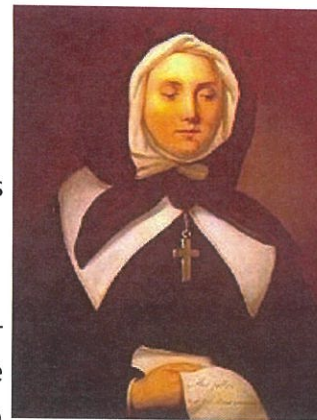
Gospel: Jn 2:1-11

Don't forget to pray today. God did not forget to wake you up this morning!

## SAINT OF THE WEEK

*Saint Marguerite Bourgeoys*

*January 12 Memorial*



Marguerite had survived Iroquois attacks, starvation, a fire in her village, plagues on the Atlantic crossings from France to Montreal and back, but her dreams were most threatened by her bishop in 1679. He wanted her teaching sisters, the Congregation of Notre Dame, to join a cloistered religious order, completely shut off from the world. Marguerite was not about to surrender to the bishop. She reminded him that cloistered religious could not go out and teach as her sisters did. The poor and uneducated could not travel the many miles to the Quebec cloister, risking their lives. But her sisters were willing to go to the students and live in nearby huts in the woods in order to teach them. The bishop relented with, "cannot doubt, Mother Bourgeoys, that you will succeed in moving heaven and earth as you have moved me!" Her congregation remained an active teaching order, one of the very first of its kind for women. Earlier in France, she had kept another problem from threatening her hopes and dreams, convincing the visiting governor of Montreal that she should help start a school for Canadian children in 1653. But upon arriving there, she found so few children survived to school age that she set up a school for immigrant parents to teach them how to survive and thrive in colonial Canada. In fact she set up over 200 schools before her death in 1700. St. Marguerite, you survived attack of all kinds for your faith. Help me to keep my vocation strong despite the threats of the world and my own doubts. Amen.

*God has a plan for us...this plan for us is extremely important—so important that God became man to explain it to us.*

*~Saint John Paul II*

May we go forth from this season in joy! May we move beyond adoring the Babe in the manger and, as John the Baptist did, spend our lives revealing Jesus to everyone around us.



## WEEKLY GIVING — Jan. 2

Regular.....\$7744.00  
Buildings & Repairs.....\$904.00  
Last year 1/3.....\$5533.00

*Thank you for your generosity!  
Remember your church in your will.*

### Faith Formation

We started our **Spring '22 Sessions** this week. Our topic of the evening was the Seven Sacraments—the who, what, where, why and how! Our oldest youth toured the church on a Trust Walk— eyes closed, to seek, feel, smell, and discover each of the Sacraments represented. Our younger groups saw the displays too and had a unique opportunity to explore our worship spaces by seeing a behind-the-scenes perspective! Please continue to share your sacrament memories with your children at home, especially to those who are preparing for sacraments this spring. Follow our WIX site for more info if you were unable to attend. Homework assignments can be brought to the next FFF activity or turned in to the offertory collection (labeled Faith Formation) at any Mass.

**Confirmation Classes** begin this weekend, Sunday 1/9, 4pm-6:30pm in our St Vincent's Auditorium. Students are encouraged to come with their sponsors or a parent for these sessions. We are looking for Parish Prayer Partners for these young men and women as they journey over the next several months preparing for this great sacrament. If you are willing to prayerfully "adopt" a youth, keeping them wrapped in your intentions as they discern and grow, please let us know. The power of prayer is mighty, our teens need yours!

Father, in the wilderness of the Jordan you sent a messenger to prepare people's hearts for the coming of your Son. Help me to hear his words and repent of my sins, so that I may clearly see the way to walk, the truth to speak, and the life to live for Him, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

## 1 PETER 3:15

*"Always be prepared to make a defense to anyone who calls you to account for the hope that is in you."*

### WHY DO WE CATHOLICS BAPTIZE INFANTS?

As the Catechism of the Catholic Church states in section #1252: "The practice of infant Baptism is an immemorial tradition of the Church. There is explicit testimony to this practice from the second century on, and it is quite possible that, from the beginning of the apostolic preaching, when whole 'households' received baptism, infants may also have been baptized." As Catholics, we baptize babies because we believe they are being baptized into the faith life of the community and will be nurtured in faith by their parents and the community. During the ceremony the community is asked to help the parents and godparents raise the child in the faith. The community agrees to support the family and to model the faith for the child. We know the practice of infant baptism goes back to early in the Church's history; it may have begun in New Testament times. Even infants suffer from the effects of Original Sin. With baptism the baby enters into God's grace and is now free from Original Sin. We believe God's grace is freely given and is not earned, so even babies can receive it. This baptismal grace gives the baby the strength needed to grow up faithful and secure in God's love. The early Church used lakes and rivers for the ceremony. Over the years it became more practical to baptize through pouring water over the head. Full immersion is another method of baptizing. Either way is valid. From *The Catholic Handbook*

**Baptism welcomes us into the Church and imprints an indelible mark on our souls. Through this first sacrament, we become nothing less than children of God, blessed with a share in his kingdom. Baptism is about new life, belonging, and promises. It is the beginning of our life in Christ and in the Church. As it is the first sacrament we receive, it is our first outward sign of grace. By it, we are claimed and named for Christ. We become a part of his Church. Celebrate that belonging!**





## MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEKEND

January 15 & 16

	EUCCHARIST	LECTORS
4:30 pm	Frank Nappo	Jim Kelly
8:00 am	Debbie Landowski	Dave Ciurzynski
9:30 am	Lisa Simons	Susan Neamon
11:00 am	Veronica Frost	Veronica Frost

JAN. 8—FEAST OF OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR

It was devotion to Our Lady under this title that obtained victory for the United States during the Battle of New Orleans on January 8, 1815. The night before the battle, the local Ursuline nuns, who had introduced this devotion to the city, prayed that if God saved New Orleans from the British, they would have a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated every year.



Their prayers were answered. Although the battle lasted roughly 30 minutes, it claimed over 2,000 British casualties and only a few dozen American lives. General Andrew Jackson, though a Protestant, personally thanked the Ursuline nuns for their intercession. And a Mass of Thanksgiving continues to be said every year on January 8 in this same Ursuline convent.

~Michael P. Foley

### Youth Rally, March & Mass for Life

Saturday, January 22, 2022

St. Gregory the Great Parish

200 St. Gregory Court, Williamsville, NY 14221

3:30-4:15 pm Youth Rally in Ministry Center

4:15-5:15 March for Life & Rosary on Maple Avenue

5:30 pm Mass in Church with Bishop Fisher celebrating  
All are welcome. Parental oversight and face masks, please. Dress for the weather, bring an appropriate sign. See: <https://tinyurl.com/YouthMassforLife>

Let us pray for those who have died, for those in the military and their families, and for those in need of God's healing:



Dec~ Randy Wilkins, Geno Slepinski, Bernice Rauth, Connor O'Neil, Maria Cunningham, Marsha Shuler, Peter Millen, Kirk Cochrane, Jonathan

Jan~ Jeff Rooney, Christine Wilczek, Shawn Knoop, Mike Grisko & Family, Anna Nutty, Janelle, Allan Stone, Bonnie & Fred P., Muriel Breitkopf, Joanne Scagnelli



Ss. Joachim & Anne Parish thanks the Lakas family for their generous donation of the new St. Joseph's Cemetery sign in Varysburg, given in memory of their father and mother, John and Mary Lakas.

Q. What is the term for when Catholics and Protestants agree to use the same spice?

A. eCUMINism!



### Parish Activities

~Sunday, 1/9, Confirmation Class, 4-6:30 p.m. in Aud

~Tuesday, 1/11, Men's Group, 7 p.m. in Attica basement

~Wednesday, 1/12, Book Club, 9:30 a.m. in Attica basement

~Wednesday, 1/12, K of C Meeting, 7:30 p.m. in Attica basement

### Outside Activities

~Sunday, 1/16, WACY Meeting, 5-7:30 p.m., Weber Hall. All youth grades 7-12 are welcome. Come check us out!

~Monday, 2/7, "God's Son, My Son," One-man play regarding St. Joseph. w/Michael Sacilowski, 7 p.m. Our Lady of Pompeii, Lancaster