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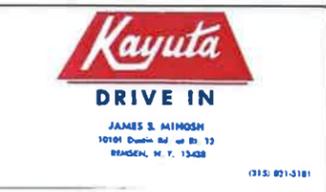


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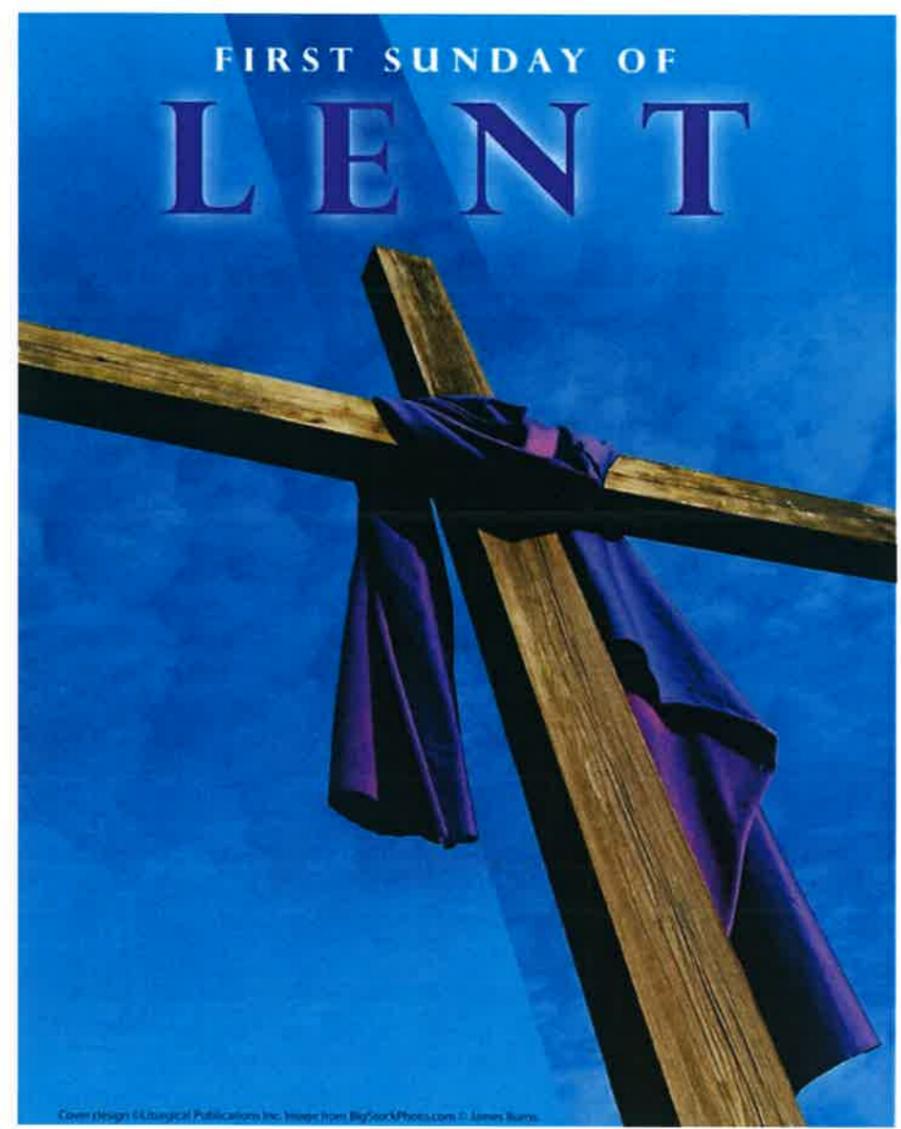
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Today's Readings begin on pg. 883 Year A

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7
The creation of our first parents, and sin.
Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14, 17
Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.
Romans 5:12-19
Where sin increased, there grace increased all the more.
Matthew 4:1-11
Jesus fasted for forty days and forty nights and was tempted.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 21st
8:30AM— (St. J)
-For Chuck Montroy by Wife, Nina.
4:00 PM— (St. J)
-For Our Parishioners & Their Intentions.

Sunday, February 22nd
8:00AM—(St. P)
-For Grant D. LaQuay by David and
Donna Douglas.
9:30AM—(St. J)
-For Living & Deceased Members of the
Finch Family.
Monday, February 23rd
8:30AM — (St. J)
-For Steve, Crystal and Hope Rock
by Nikole Rock.
Tuesday, February 24th
8:30AM—(St. J)
-For Steve, Crystal and Hope Rock
by Nikole Rock.
Wednesday, February 25th
7:30AM— (St. J) Holy Hour
8:30AM—(St. P)
-For Steve, Crystal and Hope Rock
by Nikole Rock.
4:30PM-6:30PM— (St. J)
Oasis Wednesday
Thursday, February 26th
8:30AM—(St. J)
-For Steve, Crystal and Hope Rock
by Nikole Rock.
Friday, February 27th
8:30AM—(St. J)
-For Steve, Crystal and Hope Rock
by Nikole Rock.
5:30 PM—(St. J) Stations of the Cross
Saturday, February 28th
8:30AM— (St. J)
-For World Wide Protection of
Human Life.
4:00 PM— (St. J)
-For Tom Alger
by Kelly Nagy & Family.
Sunday, March 1st
8:00AM—(St. P)
-For William & Frances Keller and
Richard Palazzoli by Daughter & Wife.
9:30AM—(St. J)
-For Genevieve Failing by Kelly Nagy
and Family.

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OFFICE HOURS

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MASS TIMES

Daily Mass
 Monday through Friday
 8:30AM (SJ) Boonville; Saturday 8:30AM (SJ)
 Wednesday 8:30AM (SP) Forestport

Holy Hours
 Monday—Friday 7:15AM-8:15AM (SJ)
 Exposition and praying of the Rosary
 during the Holy Hour.

Sunday Mass
 Vigil Saturday 4:00PM (SJ) Boonville
 Sunday 8AM (SP) Forestport
 (confessions from 7:15AM-7:45AM (SP)
 9:30AM (SJ) Boonville

Baptism

Please call the office to make arrangements.

Marriage

Please make an appointment with the priest at least 6 Months prior to wedding date.

Reconciliation

Sacrament of Reconciliation Monday-Friday 6PM-6:30PM (SJ)
 3:00-3:45PM Saturdays at St Joseph's, Boonville
 and 7:15-7:45AM Sunday at St Patrick's, Forestport

† To request either the Anointing of the Sick or Communion to the Sick please call the Parish Office. †

2025 ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE CHURCH OFFICE. PLEASE CALL OR STOP BY.

"SEARCHING FOR AND MAINTAINING PEACE" BY FR. JACQUES PHILIPPE

Please join us at Gill Hall on Tuesday evenings from 6:30PM-8:00PM for a light meal and discussion with Fr. Ward on the above book. Please check Parish Facebook page for cancellations.

Fr. Ward will also be holding weekly meetings in Gill Hall on Wednesdays from 6:30PM-7:30PM on the subject of OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) for interested individuals. The initial sessions will focus on inquiry.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Recently, I read a new work of Bishop Erik Varden, a Trappist monk and Bishop-Prelate of the Territorial Prelature of Trondheim, Norway, entitled, *Towards Dawn: Essays in Hopefulness* (Elk Grove Village, IL: Word on Fire, 2025). What drew me immediately into his writings were these opening sentences:

"It is often casually said that we live in post-Christian times. I believe that statement to be false. Theologically, the term 'post-Christian' makes no sense. Christ is the Alpha and the Omega, and all the letters in between. He carries constitutionally the freshness of morning dew. Christianity is of the dawn. If at times, during given periods, we feel enshrouded by twilight, it is because another day is in the making. It seems to me clear that we find ourselves in such a process of awakening now... Secularization has run its course. It is exhausted, void of positive finality.

The human being meanwhile, remains alive with deep aspirations. It is an essential task of the Church to listen to these attentively, with respect, then to orient them towards Christ, who carries the comfort and challenge for which the human heart yearns" (Preface). This orientation towards Christ so that we might remain in him ("Remain in me" - John 15:4), is the essence of the forty-day retreat the Lenten season offers you and me in preparation for the renewal of our Baptismal Promises at Easter. At the beginning of this sacred time, I write to you a third pastoral letter focusing on a theme that I spoke of on the day of my appointment as Bishop of Syracuse back in June 2019 – "In You All Find Their Home" – the last line of Psalm 87 as it is prayed in the Church's "Liturgy of the Hours."

If we look back in the Church's calendar to the second day of the month of February, we encounter the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord that gives flesh to our consideration of the theme and image of, in God and in God's house, finding a "home." Through the persons of Joseph, Mary, and Jesus, along with Simeon and Anna, we encounter in this event found in Luke 2:22-39, some fundamental dynamics meant to be found in houses of worship, that is, in our parish churches.

Grace be with you all,
 Rev. Thomas I. Ward



PRAYER REQUESTS

We remember in our prayers

Charles Mooney, Frances Miller,
 Jamie Uhl-Goosman, Jeffrey Batt, Lorraine King,
 Walt Belewich, Sr., Jim White,
 John Bailey, Cretia Carpenter, Candace Schaffer,
 David Hoffman, Michael Stinebrickner,
 Ron Cuccaro, Michelle Durney Croniser,
 Alan Ripp, Wayne Millnitz, Rick Dano,
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 Everett Otto Stoots, and Jeremy VanValkenburg

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

Looking forward to Spring, our next CWC meeting will be on Wednesday, April 1. It will be a dish to pass luncheon at 12Noon, followed by a business meeting at 1PM. Please save the date.

Reminder– Christ Our Hope Parish will be holding a Synod (listening session) with Fr. Thomas Ward on Monday, February 23rd at 6:30PM in Gill Hall.

This Sunday, February 22nd

Please join us for coffee and donuts in Gill Hall after the 9:30AM Mass



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 Feb. 22– Black & Indian Mission Office.

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THE THRIFT SHOP IS CLOSED UNTIL SPRING

FAITH FORMATION

March 1st classes will resume.
 March 8th - FAITH FORMATION BOWLING PARTY,
 BOONVILLE BOWL A RAMA 1:00-3:00pm

Please Sign up by contacting Kelly Nagy - DRE
 email Kelly - Knagy@syrdio.org or text
 315-777-2658 by March 1st.

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 FIRST RECONCILIATION HAS BEEN
 RESCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY
 MARCH 8th, AFTER THE 9:30am
 MASS.**

KIDS CORNER



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