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Sacred Heart: Saturday 3:00pm

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Sacraments

Baptism, Marriage, Ministry of the Sick—Please Call Parish Office

Holy Family Church

85 North St.

Sacred Heart Church

90 Melrose Rd

St. Alphonsus Church

85 E. Genesee St.

St. Ann Church

4890 Twelve Corners Rd.

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Holy Family Church: Helen Delaney,

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Second Sunday of Lent: The Transfiguration of Our Lord March 16, 2025

Last week, we watched the very human Jesus in conflict with the powers of evil. This week, we see his glory as Son of God. In both cases, Jesus exhibits the epitome of what humanity is created to be. We are creatures who can, and therefore must, decide if we are going to participate in God's all-loving plan for the world or seek satisfaction in what can never fulfill us and usually harms others and creation.

The story of God and Abraham begins with the invitation to wonder at the immensity of God's grand plans for humankind. "Look at the stars! They are nothing compared to what I want to give you!"

For Abraham, the sign that God was fulfilling the promise came through descendants and a homeland. But these were only a symbol of God's desire to give. All of creation is the ground on which humanity is invited to join in the unity that is God.

Today, we hear Luke's version of the Transfiguration. Matthew and Mark tell the same story, each with their own emphases. While all three evangelists recount the experience on the mountain, Luke places it in the context of prayer, saying that, while praying, Jesus' whole appearance changed. In prayer, Jesus appeared as who he truly was and manifested how, through his relationship with the Father, he participated in the glory of God.

This revelation felt like the culmination of all that the disciples needed to know about Jesus. They saw Jesus with Moses, who represented the law and covenant, and with Elijah, who symbolized the prophetic tradition that continually called the people to behave in ways that moved them more deeply into being God's own.

For Peter, that was all they would ever need to see. He was ready to set up tents so that they could dwell joyfully in that presence forever.

In these first two weeks of Lent, we've begun a new stage of our Holy Year pilgrimage. We've seen human frailty and the glory of what humanity can become. The temptations-initiated Jesus' journey to the passion and resurrection, the definitive revelation that evil possesses no lasting power.

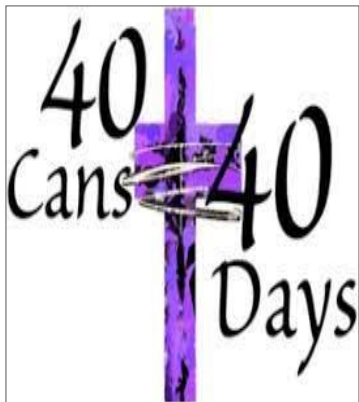
The Transfiguration bids us to enjoy resurrection life, the glory that is and is to come. Christ welcomes us to join him on the journey of bringing healing and hope to our hurting world.

Excerpt from National Catholic Reporter by Mary M. McGlone

Go to Mass not just to pray, but to receive Communion,
the bread that is the Body of Jesus Christ who saves us, forgives us,
unites us to the Father. ~Pope Francis

Calendar of Events Week of March 16, 2025

Sunday, March 16, 2025 (SH) 10:00am-11:15am Faith Formation
Monday, March 17, 2025 (SH) 10:00am Mass for Hibernians
Tuesday, March 18, 2025 10:00am-Mass at Northbrook Heights
Wednesday, March 19, 2025
Thursday, March 20, 2025
Friday, March 21, 2025 (SA) 8:00 am-8:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration (St. Francis) 12:00pm & 7:00pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 22, 2025 (SA) 1:00pm First Penance
Sunday, March 23, 2025 (SH) 10:00am-11:15am Faith Formation



Date	Cans
03/09/25	631
03/16/25	
03/23/25	
03/30/25	
04/07/25	
04/14/25	
TOTAL	631

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP FOR 03/09/25

Sacred Heart Church
Regular Collection \$3162.00
St. Alphonsus Church
Regular Collection \$3523.00
St. Ann's Church
Regular Collection \$1022.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Memorial Candles Week of March 16, 2025	St. Alphonsus Church Tabernacle Candle <i>Carl Festa</i> By <i>Kevin & Mary Anne</i> <i>Festa Leonard</i>
Sacred Heart Church Tabernacle Candle Peg Glauber By The Panek Family	St. Alphonsus Church St. Joseph Candle <i>Craig Powers</i> By <i>Theresa Powers</i>

For Those Who Have Recently Died
Margaret Osborne
Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord;
and let perpetual
light shine upon them.

The "Pack the Pantry" item for the week of
March 15/16—**Boxes of Cereal**
March 22/23—**Boxes or Canisters of Oatmeal**
Please bring these items to church and place them in
our "Pack the Pantry" baskets or they can be
brought to the:

ST. ALPHONSUS FOOD PANTRY
(PHYSICAL LOCATION)
1579 CLARK ST. RD. FINGERLAKES MALL
(SAVANNAH BANK ENTRANCE)
Monday-Saturday
9:00 am-11:30 am
315-252-0710

All Correspondence should be addressed to:
St. Alphonsus Food Pantry
90 Melrose Rd.
Auburn, NY 13021

PLEASE NOTE: Soup, Pasta Sauce, Coffee, Tea, Juice, Dish Soap, Laundry Soap, Tissues and Hand Soap are always needed and appreciated.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Ministry Schedule for March 22/23

Saturday
4:00 pm (SH) L: K. O'Neill EM: P. Cannucciari; R. White; D. Mason S: P. Messina
4:30 pm (SA) L: D. Balloni EM: K. Mahoney; S. Mellor AS: S: C. Mellor
Sunday
8:30 am (SH) L: S. Marullo EM: S. Marullo AS: N. Sperduti & C. Casler S: S. Marullo
9:00 am (ANN) L: L. DeOrio EM: F. DeOrio AS: F. DeOrio S: S. Podolak
10:30 am (SA) L: A. Robson EM: M. Lawson; S. Norton AS & S: J. Robson
11:30 am (SH) L: M. Clark EM: K. Collier; J. Clark AS: C. & N. Crawford S: J. Clark
5:00 pm (SA) L: R. White EM: R. White S: R. White

Stations of the Cross
Every Friday 12:00pm & 7:00pm

March 21st
St. Francis Church

March 28th
Sacred Heart Church

April 4th
St. Hyacinth's Church

April 11th
6:00 pm at SS Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church
for the Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts



Parish Life Meetings are the first Monday of every month at 6:00pm at Sacred Heart Church. The meetings are open to all. Our next meeting is Monday, April 7, 2025. Hope to see you there.

Join the Pilgrimage Following the Footsteps of Jesus. *Three Week Bible Study: Exploring Jesus' Journey Through the Bible* March 26, April 3, & April 9 2:00pm to 3:00pm or 5:30pm- 6:30pm at Sacred Heart Conference Room. Please Register by March 16, email Barbara Quinn at Barbara.Quinn@dor.org or 315.252.7271



A Jubilee year is a sign of reconciliation because it establishes a "favorable time" (cf. 2 Corinthians 6:2) for conversion. We are called to put God at the center of our lives, growing toward Him and acknowledging His primacy. In practical terms, participating in the Sacrament of Reconciliation allows us an opportunity to rediscover the value of confession and experience God's words of forgiveness.

We invite you to participate in the Diocesan **Day of Penance & Mercy on Wednesday, April 2nd in the City of Auburn**

Individual Confession throughout the day:
12:00 to 2:00 pm St. Mary's Church
3:00 to 5:00 pm St. Alphonsus Church
4:00 to 6:00 pm St. Francis Church
6:00 to 8:00 pm Sacred Heart Church

The 2025 Book for Mass Intentions and Tabernacle Candles is open. Please call 315-252-7271 or stop in during regular office hours to schedule Mass. Office hours are Monday-Thursday 8:00am-4:30pm and Friday 8:00am-11:00am.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace Bedding Drive Saturday, March 1 to Sunday, March 23, 2025. Confirmation candidate Lukas Jensen is conducting a bedding drive for the nonprofit organization Sleep in Heavenly Peace. This organization provides beds to kids in Cayuga County that cannot afford one. Lukas is collecting **NEW** bedding items, donations being accepted include twin sized sheets, comforters, and blankets. Donations can be placed in the large box located in your Church and will be accepted from March 1st through March 23rd.

**Catholic Ministries Appeal,
PO Box 6841
Ithaca, NY 14851**

Please make checks payable to:
Catholic Ministries Appeal (not your parish)
*Thank you for your continued
Generosity and Support!*

03/03/25	Donors	Pledged	Goal	%
ANN	26	\$10,200	\$12,000	85.00%
SH	143	\$35,250	\$42,000	83.93%
SA	123	\$23,442	\$33,000	70.98%

Would you like to read the bulletin on-line: Sign up to have the bulletin sent to your email by going on <https://parishesonline.com/home> and selecting either zip code or Sacred Heart Church to bring you to our bulletin page. From there you can sign up to have the bulletin sent directly to your email every week. There is also a link to our Facebook page (facebook.com/sacredheartauburn) and our website (www.sacredheartauburn.org).

MASS INTENTIONS WEEK OF MARCH 16, 2025
Sacred Heart (SH) * St. Alphonsus (SA) * St. Ann (ANN)

Saturday, March 15, 2025	4:00 pm (SH)	+William Foster <i>by Family</i> +Ellen & Patrick Kelly <i>by Family</i> +Josephine Kott <i>by Family</i>
	4:30 pm (SA)	+Special Intention
Sunday, March 16, 2025	8:30 am (SH)	+Joanne Lawler <i>by John & Sandy D'Angelo</i>
	9:00 am (ANN)	+Joseph Dec <i>by Family</i>
	10:30 am (SA)	+Amy Pine <i>by Sue & Jack Conway</i>
	11:30 am (SH)	+Barbara Walsh Calarco <i>by Jean Alexander</i>
	5:00 pm (SA)	+For Our Faith Community
Monday, March 17, 2025	8:30 am (SH)	+Bernadette Restey <i>by Jeanne & David Trinca</i>
	10:00am(SH)	+ For the Living and Deceased Members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians
	12:15pm (SA)	+Thomas Driscoll <i>by Liz Secaur</i> +Margaret Renahan <i>by Family</i>
Tuesday, March 18, 2025	8:30 am (SH)	+Jack Hogan <i>by Family</i>
	12:15 pm (SA)	+Dominick "Dundee" Schillace <i>by Family</i>
Wednesday, March 19, 2025	12:15 pm (SA)	+Fred & Jane Kruger, Children & Grandchildren <i>by Family</i>
Thursday, March 20, 2025	5:15 pm (SA)	+Raymond LaDue <i>by Mariellen</i> +Craig Powers <i>by Theresa Powers</i>
Friday, March 21, 2025	7:30 am (SA)	+Joseph & John Carberry <i>by Family</i>
	8:30 am (SH)	+Maria Pilipczak <i>by Jim, Jimbo & Diane Napoli</i>
Saturday, March 22, 2025	4:00 pm (SH)	+Teresa Foster <i>by Family</i> +Joanne Lawler <i>by Kristin Edwards & Family</i> +Tom Driscoll <i>by Jim & Tina Farrell</i>
	4:30 pm (SA)	+Joseph J. Janusz <i>by Lorraine & Donald Arliss</i>
Sunday, March 23, 2025	8:30 am (SH)	+Michael Lewis <i>by Family</i> +Al Salva <i>by Family</i> +Patrick Dunn <i>by Sister</i>
	9:00 am (ANN)	+For Our Faith Community
	10:30 am (SA)	+The Deceased Members of the Conway & Vivenzio Families <i>by Family</i>
	11:30 am (SH)	+Joanne & Donnie Lawler <i>by The Nicpon Family</i> +Tom Burke <i>by Family</i>
	5:00 pm (SA)	+Special Intention

Why give up something for Lent? Why not consider spending time with the Lord instead? Lent is a time of reflection and renewal, when some people fast, pray, or do good deeds. Eucharistic Adoration is a way to honor Jesus during Lent by spending time in prayer and worship before the Blessed Sacrament. Eucharistic Adoration is every Friday at St. Alphonsus Church beginning with the 7:30am Mass and concluding with Eucharistic Benediction at 8:00pm. Consider bringing your child to Adoration and pray as a family. We ask that you please sign the book when you come in, it will be placed on the right side of the church in front of the Baptismal Font. For more information, please call Nancy in the Parish Office at 315-252-7271 or Pat at 315-406-4238.

A Bereavement Group will meet on the third Wednesday of the month from 1:30 to 3:00 pm in Schrader Hall. Each month we discuss a specific topic, usually suggested by the group. There is time for sharing and then a video and discussion time. The topic for March 19 is 'Stuck in Grief' – What it is and how to deal with it. Contact Bernie Tomasso at 315-246-3440 or berniet8@gmail.com.

Thank you for joining us. We are glad you have chosen to worship with us. Are you interested in becoming a member of the parish? If you need more information or would like to register, contact Nancy in the Parish Office at 315-252-7271 or email nancy.kavanagh@dor.org or stop in and say hello.

A LENTEN RETREAT is scheduled for Saturday, March 29, 2025, at St. Francis of Assisi Church and Nacca Hall. The retreat leader is Fr. Joseph Martuscello assisted by deacon-candidate Peter Sikora, Jr. Fr. Martuscello will help us to reflect on "Suffering with Hope." The day will begin at 8:30 am with Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours followed by Mass at 9:00 am. The Retreat Day will include reflections by Fr. Martuscello, time for private prayer, Stations of the Cross, and Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction. Lunch will be provided. The day will conclude around 2:00 pm. Please contact the parish office at 315-252-7395 to register for this event. This Retreat Day is open to the public and all are welcome!

"God never tires of forgiving us, we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy." Pope Francis

Our Lady of the Angels Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order (SFO) happily shares the news of our upcoming professions. *Donna Malinowski, David Wawro, and Regina Weller* will make a permanent commitment to the Gospel Life as they profess into the Secular Franciscan Order. This Rite of Profession will take place at St. Mary's Church during the 10:45 Mass on Sunday, March 16. A reception follows in Schrader Hall immediately following mass. Profession in the Order is the culmination of over three years of initial formation. At their profession the candidates promise to follow the Rule of Life of the Secular Franciscan Order, pledging themselves to live the Gospel in the manner of St. Francis by means of this Rule. St. Francis himself wrote the first "Rule of Life" for members of the SFO. Since Vatican II that Rule has been updated but remains true to the vision of St. Francis of Assisi. This Rule calls Secular Franciscans to live out their calling to the Franciscan life in a particular way in their homes and families, at work, in their parishes, and in the world. Our Lady of the Angels Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order began meeting in Geneva NY in 1961 at the Capuchin Monastery. For more information on the SFO please contact Bernie Tomasso at 315-246-3440 or berniet8@gmail.com.

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March 16, 2025

The Great Saints of March

This week we celebrate two of our most revered Saints. Both of these men dedicated their lives to honor our Lord. St. Patrick is credited with keeping Christianity alive and the missionary life of forming disciples of Faith. St. Joseph was given the role of foster father to Jesus and protector of the Blessed Virgin.

St. Patrick

March 17 marks the feast day of St. Patrick. The patron saint of Ireland is one of the most successful missionaries in the history of our faith. He expanded literacy in Ireland through the monastic orders he established and converted the country to Christianity. His feast day has been celebrated for over 1,000 years. Though born in Britain, he was captured and brought to Ireland as a slave. After escaping, he later returned to Ireland as a Priest and Bishop. St. Patrick lived the gospel. His prayer reminds us of how Jesus is in our lives:



The Prayer of St. Patrick

*Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ where I lie, Christ where I sit, Christ where I arise,
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of every one who speaks to me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.
Salvation is of the Lord.
Salvation is of the Christ.*

May your salvation, Lord, be ever with us. Amen

Solemnity of St. Joseph

March 19 marks the Solemnity of St. Joseph. The foster-father of Jesus and husband of Mary, he is considered to be one of our greatest saints. Included into the Eucharistic Prayer at every Mass, St. Joseph was given the privilege of being in the company of both the Son of God and Mother of God. He was given the responsibility to care for Mary and Jesus. St. Joseph is the patron saint of workers, families and homes.



The Prayer to St. Joseph

*Oh, St. Joseph,
whose protection is so great, so prompt, so strong,
before the throne of God,
I place in you all my interests and desires.
Oh, St. Joseph,
do assist me by your powerful intercession,
and obtain for me from your Divine Son
all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power,
I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most Loving of Fathers.
Oh, St. Joseph,
I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms;
I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart.
Press Him in my name and kiss His fine Head for me and
Ask Him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath.
St. Joseph, Patron of departed souls - pray for me. Amen*

Source: <https://www.catholicculture.org/commentary/great-saints-march-patrick-and-joseph/>

God Bless,
Barbara Quinn,
Coordinator of Faith Formation



Remember our Sick:

Kathleen, Stephen Gauthier,
Leighanne Boni, Kevin & Maryanne
Festa Leonard, Marilyn Castiglione,
John Salva, Patricia Burtless,
Allyza, Danielle, Lucy Pagano,

Bruce, Olivia, Sue, Cortney Fedyshyn, Briana Dewitt,
Joyce Blowers, John Clark, Cheryl Bellnier, Colleen
Pinckney, Pat Gallagher, Gloria Cuddy, Carol Aldrich,
Thomas Didio, Dave, Don & Joan Zeleznik, Mary
Campbell, Stacy, Jonathan Arrowsmith, Lucas Mallory,
Joe Schubach, Mary Warter, Caroline Blowers, Mark
Cole, Sue Daly, Tim Daly, Gina DelPiano, Caleb
Jones, Michael Fronzek, Carter Hergert, Joan
Komaneky, Elizabeth Lane, Frances Lane, Stephen
L. Norris, Siobhan Phillippe, Donna Romano, David
Festa, and those listed in our Book of Petitions. *Please
pray for all of our parishioners in nursing homes,
assisted living, the hospital or homebound.*



We pray for the men and women of our Armed Forces serving U.S. and abroad:

LCpl Brian Baxter USMC,
Capt. Gregory Baxter USMC,
Capt. DJ Benzing USAF,
Lt.Col Joseph E. Brooks USAF, SSgt Tom Ellis Sr.
USA, SSgt Angel Gonzalez USA, Col Eddie Gonzalez
USMC, Pvt Zachary Gonzalez USMC, CWO4 Roger
Graf USA, 1SGT Zachary Howell USA, SSgt James
Johnson USMC, SFC Jason Mero USA,
Pvt Justin Miller USA, E3 David Mirales US Navy,
LTJG Richard Nelson IV, USN, E4 Adam H. Brooks,
Airman Sarah Pasternak Clark, USAF, Airman Alex
Gonnella, USAF
*Please pray for all who risk their lives for our safety
including police, fire, corrections and military
personnel.*

Prayer List-REMINDER Please let us know of Parishioner changes or those not included on our list. Please email Nancy at nancy.kavanagh@dor.org or call 315-252-7271 to have names added or removed. Thank you!

Bulletin: If you know someone who can no longer attend Mass but would like to receive a bulletin, please call the parish office to be put on the bulletin mailing list.