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NEW YEAR 2019

"Start the New Year RIGHT" The year 2019 is with us and it gives us another chance to mend our spiritual neglects and ways.

Your attendance for church services and presence at parish functions plays a very vital role whether you think it or not.

What has happened in the 2018 year as far as our mediocre church attendance is now behind us and we have to look forward to the new year and beyond.

I, along with many other pastors, have shared the same concerns about attitudes of attending church. It is ironic that for the most part people seem to cooperate with the fund raisers for the parish but when it comes to church attendance there is a void of responsibility.

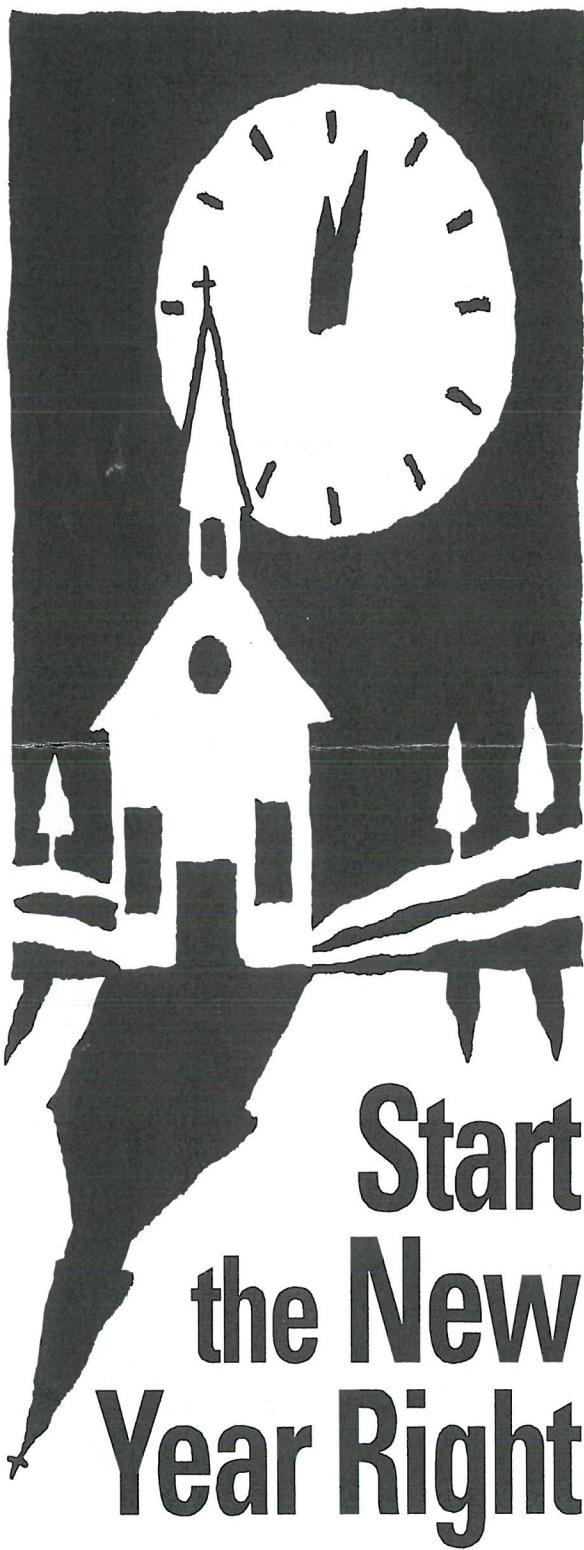
There is a nucleus of faithful members who are in attendance for Sunday mass, and many would like to be there more often but due to medical limitations or work obligations are not able to do so.

Many of you might get a little tired of hearing this from me in the newsletter or at society meetings, but this is something that is very important for our survival as a parish family and keeping our parish functioning.

The year 2019 can be a new start for many to get back in the proper mode of attending again. **It is never too late to start.**

Be sincere in your efforts on Sunday mornings and Holy Days. Your part is a very big and important part in inspiring others - you must lead by example for your family, relatives, teenagers and children.

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A B R A I N D • NEW • Y E A R !

† PARISH FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY †

Tuesday January 1 at 9:00 a.m.

New Year's Day Mass

Sunday, January 6 at 9:00 a.m.

+Stephen Butora, offered by daughter Dolores

Sunday, January 6 at 9:00 a.m.

+ Bernard & Mary Wnuk, +Paul & Mary Arcangeli, offered by Katherine Wnuk Arcangeli

Sunday, January 13 at 9:00 a.m.

+Christmas Flower Memorials

Sunday, January 20 at 9:00 a.m.

+Michael Mickey Arcangeli by Andrea and Angela Arcangeli, & John Wright

Sunday, January 20 at 9:00 a.m.

+Andrew Stasko Sr., Karen Rose Blanford offered by wife & mother Sophie

Sunday, January 27 at 9:00 a.m.

John and Lottie Plahanski, offered by grandson David and Family

I acknowledge the following who have given of themselves in time, labor and material offerings to our parish:

☺ to George Kolba Jr./Kolba Construction Co. for his time labor and materials plowing and salting the parish complex, saving the parish a huge expense.

☺ to David Laskowski/Laskowski Funeral Home for supplying the 2019 calendars to the parish.

☺ to our Men's Society & Sunday School PTA for helping Santa with his gifts.

☺ to our Men's Society for treating the parish family to a free Advent Breakfast.

☺ to all who donated the children and teenagers winter hats, scarfs and gloves for the less fortunate.

☺ to Ann Bednarsky/Bednarsky Funeral Home for supplying the 2019 calendars to the parish.

☺ to Ciotoli Heating, Kolba Construction Co./George Kolba Jr. and Warehouse Carpet Outlets for sponsoring our Christmas Message on WCDW 106.7 FM radio.

☺ to Peter Dyman for his time and labor cleaning the ovens, grill and stoves in the Parish Family Center.

☺ to Frank Gorgol for his \$300.00 church donation.

☺ to all who supported and baked cookies for the choir cookie raffle .

☺ to Charlene Laskowski/Laskowski Funeral Home for her \$200.00 church donation.

☺ to Steve and Johann Falvo our good friends and our parish's retired insurance agents for their \$200.00 church donation.

☺ to Brian Kot/Martin Bread Co. for his time and the use of his box truck picking up and delivering the Christmas Flowers to the church.

☺ to Tom & Cindy Novobilski for their \$200.00 church donation.

Please remember the following in your prayers, with a card or call:

Florence Ottman

Genevieve Lupinsky

Mae Raychel at St. Louise Manor

Peter Zalaffi at Willow Point

Emil Kotasek at Ideal Living Center

Ed & Jeanette Samuelson

Wanda Raychel Broczkowski

Rev. Richard Chapin

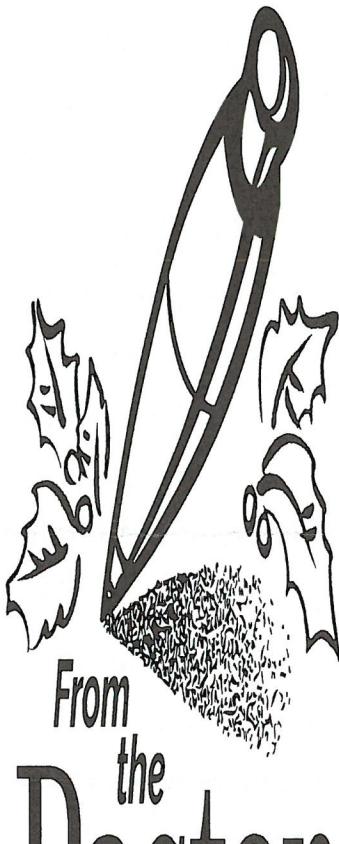
Edward and Vicky Ambrose

Steve Falvo

Alice Spach

Dave & Pam Kelley

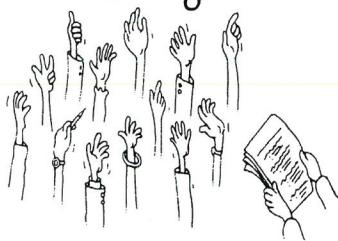
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**From
the
Pastor**



Yearly Parish Meeting



We will conduct our **yearly Parish Family meeting** on Sunday, January 27, following the 9:00 a.m. mass.

The purpose of this meeting is to hear the **reports** of the past year of 2018, approve a **budget**, and elect a **new parish council** for 2019.

Those of you who would like to serve on the parish council are asked to contact Fr. Ruda at 797-4394. We need some directors and another auditor **No one will be asked to serve. You must come forward on your own !**

2019 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES

Most of you have received your **2019 offering envelope packet** by now. Please do not use any left-over envelopes from last year or previous years because many envelope assignment numbers change from year to year.

To review our parish offering envelope format - **Current Expenses**: Day to day operation expenses, insurance, utilities, salaries etc. **Parish Center Expenses**: Goes exclusively to pay utilities, insurance plus upkeep of the parish family center. **Mission Fund**: Helps with the mission work of the National Catholic Church and our mission endeavors on a local scene.



The next scheduled meeting of our **Men's Society** will be on **Sunday, January 20**, following the 9:00 a.m. mass. **An invitation is extended to all men and teenagers 16 yrs and older of our parish family to become a member of our men's society.** Our men's society is a back bone organization of our parish, **sponsoring many activities and supporting our children and teen programs.** Your participation and attendance is welcome.



You can **lend a helping hand** with your cooperation and assistance with the following items - please do not leave the staples from your newsletter your used tissues on the pews or in the book rack. Thank You!



On Sunday, **January 6**, prior to the start of the 9:00 a.m. mass, the symbolic Epiphany gifts will be blessed and will be available to you.

The blessing of the chalk, charcoal and incense have the special meaning of the gifts brought by the three Kings of the East as they visited the baby Jesus at his birth.

Happy New Year ♫ Happy New Year ♫ Happy New Year



The following are some of the events and activities that have been scheduled for 2019. **Please mark your personal calendars accordingly:**

- ★ Sunday School, Music and Religion classes resume Sunday, January 6
- ★ Parish Family Social Night Out Friday, January 18 (see article)
- ★ Yearly Parish Family Meeting Sunday, January 28
- ★ Ash Wednesday March 6
- ★ Easter Sunday Mass, Egg Hunt & Balloon release Sunday, April 21
- ★ Men's Society take out Chicken Barbecue April 28
- ★ Sunday School year 2018/2019 Closing Sunday, April 28
- ★ Memorial Day Mass at the parish cemetery May 28 (weather permitting)
- ★ 2018/2019 Sunday School year begins Sunday, September 8
- ★ Sunday School Rummage Sale October 5 & October 7
- ★ Men's Society take out Chicken Barbecue Sunday, October 27
- ★ Men's Society annual Turkey & Casino Night, Saturday, November 2
- ★ Sunday School PTA Breakfast with Santa Sunday, December 8
- ★ Choir Cookie Raffle Sunday, December 15

This is a majority of what is planned for this 2019 year, with possibly a few other functions squeezed in somewhere. All Dates are subject change.



As a precautionary measure, a reflective chain will be set up across the main entrance of the parish cemetery after New Year's Day for the winter months to discourage unauthorized snowmobilers and trucks from the cemetery. We have not had any incidents to date and we would like to keep it that way. If you need to get into the cemetery you may unlatch the chain to get in but please make sure you re-secure it when leaving.

•FOR YOUR INFORMATION•



It is never too early to look ahead for readers for the Ash Wednesday evening service on Wednesday, March 6, Stations of the Cross, I would like to recruit seven [7] adult/teenage readers for the service. Each reader would read the two narratives of the station assigned to them from the church pulpit. Please contact Fr. Ruda as soon as possible if you would like to participate.



Father Ruda has prepared a welcome pamphlet and packet to give to people who are looking for a spiritual home. If you know of someone who is searching for a church, these packets are on the entrance table in the church vestibule for you to give them.

NOTES FROM FROM THE CHOIR



MUSIC MINISTRY

"Sing to the Lord a new song" - Psalm 96:1

Our grateful thanks to everyone who supported our annual **Christmas Cookie Raffle!** This is our main source of income for our costly music program. Congratulations to our Sunday School students, teachers, parents and choir for a great job with their **Christmas pageant!** The finale was fantastic and absolutely wowed the audience!

A big thank you to **David and Louise Martin** for their donation of two pieces of music in memory of **Mary Sedlacek**. They will be scheduled to be performed after the upcoming holidays.

Lord, make this New Year a Happy One.

Not by shielding us from sorrow and pain,
But by strengthening us to bear it if it comes.

Not by taking hardship from us, but by taking all cowardice and fear from
our hearts as we meet hardships.

Not by making our paths easy, but by making us sturdy enough to tread
any path.

Not by making our lives always pleasant,
But by showing us where others and your cause need us most, and by
making us zealous to be there and help.....

God, make our New Year of 2019 a Happy One! Amen!

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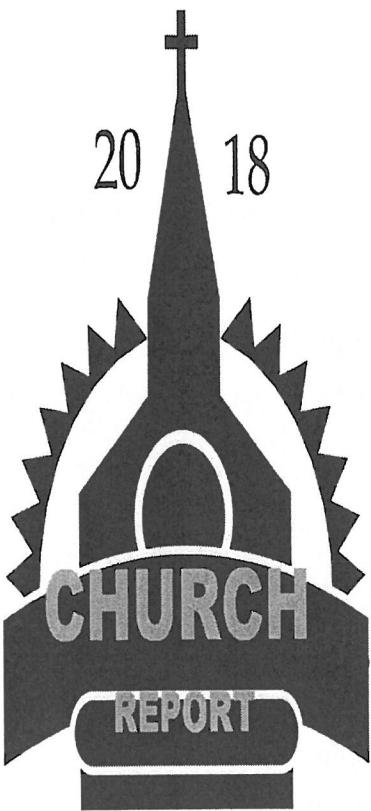
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From time to time people ask "**What is the proper offering for a mass to be said**". In ancient times offerings consisted of food, milk, poultry etc. for the priest. But in this modern time of the church the **offering begins at \$10.00 and up** according to the individual and their financial conditions. For the sacrifice of the mass to be celebrated, the following elements are needed: **1. A priest to offer it to God. 2. An altar on which it is offered. 3. A visible gift.**

An official welcome to **Kevin Cushner** who has reached the stage of being a official member of the parish family (even though he has been a part of the parish all his life). Kevin is a teacher in the Johnson City School District.

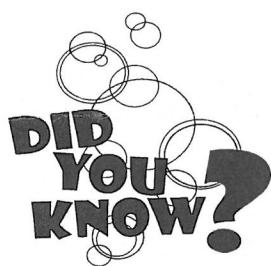




As I review the activities of our parish life for the 2018 year, it was a year of many good achievements and happenings. We had several successful fund-raisers and functions. God called some of our parish brothers and sisters to their eternal reward: +Michael Mickey Arcangeli, +Pamela Stasko McKiernan, +Jennie Kolba, +Joseph Nosal, +Jean Chapin.

Our growth factor in 2018 was flat and our attendance for masses and services could have been much better, and this will be something for all of us to focus on and improve in this New Year and future. There were a few maintenance projects done around the parish complex and several are planned for 2018.

Now as our parish goes into 2019, with a nucleus of dedicated and God-loving people, positive and good things will be our priority. There will be our normal fund raising projects sponsored by the various church organizations. The parish will need your continued support and cooperation as members of the parish family. Let us all pray that God will continue to bless and approve our endeavors as we travel into this new year, and may God bless all of you with health to do the work that stands before us..



Did you know that the Christmas outdoor manger scene that is set up in front of the rectory was constructed out of masonite by the late Michael Wrona from plans that appeared in the local Sunday newspaper handy man section in 1959. Since that time several pieces have been reconstructed by Chester Gidzinski because of weathering and painted by Betty Ruda in the late 1980's.

Our Men's Society will host and treat a Social Night Out on Friday, January 18 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Jonathan's Restaurant on Hooper Road in Endwell, NY.

This will be an evening of fellowship and socializing.

All parish family members will be free of charge for the food and non-alcoholic beverages. This event is not open to parish children or teenagers. Please sign the reservation sheet in the vestibule.



Dear Members of the Parish Family of All Saints:

Thank you all so much for the parish collecting food and donating it to our CHOW PANTRY. Your generous donation will help keep our shelves stocked to feed those in need in Johnson City and beyond.

Thank you again!

Ida Taft - coordinator Chow Food Pantry

A thank you note was also received from the Humane Society thanking the parish family for the goodies for the kitties and dogs that we donated. Likewise a thank you note from the Mercy House thanking our Men's Society for their food and monetary donation.



The following are lucky winners of this year's Choir Cookie Raffle: *Carolyn Kolba, Nancy Cole, Terri Miller, Betty Tronkowski, Janet McCarthy, Theresa Borkowski, Sherry Laskowski, Don Stashko, Harry Lewis, Diane Fiacco, Donna Boyce, Brooklyn Daszewski.*

Thank you to all who supported and baked cookies making this raffle another successful function for the choir! Profit realized \$475.00.

The verses of "Trust and Obey" were written in 1887 by Presbyterian minister John Henry Sammis. It was written at the request of Dr. Daniel Brink Towner, who lived in Binghamton, New York from 1870 until 1882 and was the music director at the Centenary Avenue Methodist Church.

When Dr. Towner wrote the melody, he didn't like the way the melody sounded and threw the manuscript into the waste basket. The next day, as his wife was cleaning his study, she emptied the waste basket and found the crumpled paper. She opened it up and sang it through and straightened it out and placed it back on the organ. Later, when he came home, he saw it there and called to his wife and questioned her. She said, "I feel the melody you have written is just what is needed to carry the message!" He agreed with her and the rest is history!

The authority for heeding the instructions in this gospel hymn come from **Colossians 3:16**, where we learn to use psalms and hymns and spiritual songs to teach one another concerning our relationships with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

PASTORAL VISITATIONS/BLESSING OF HOMES

I will continue with the Epiphany tradition of pastoral visitations and the blessing of homes for this year possibly for the last time. But I will need your cooperation!

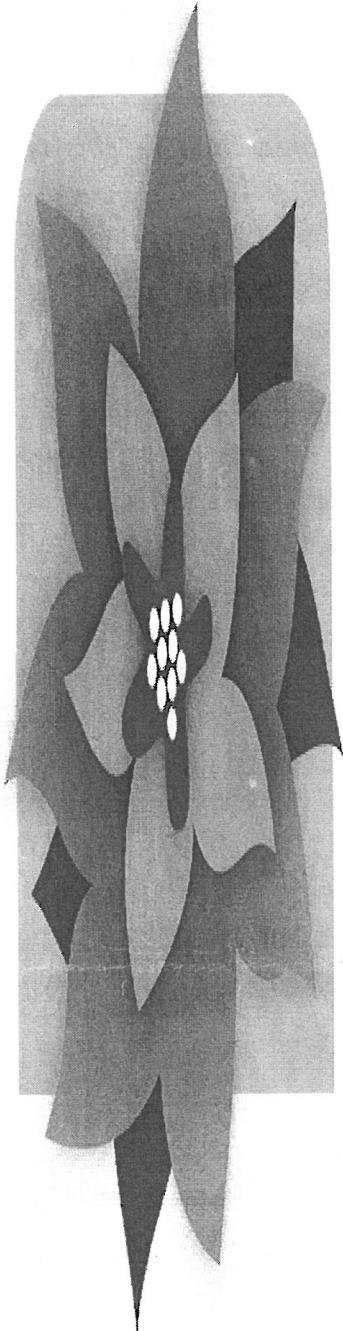
1. If I visited you last year, that will happen automatically unless notified differently.
2. If we did not visit last year and you would like a visit this year you must notify me.

Visitations will begin on Sunday, January 6. I ask that you try to be as flexible as possible to the schedule that I prepare. If your time and conditions do not permit a visit, please call the parish office. I will try my best to cover all areas, but that will depend on the weather and other needs of the parish.

EPIPHANY VISITS



Words of sympathy are extended to Rev. Richard Chapin and Family on the passing of his wife of 68 years Jean Chapin on December 22. Jean was a lover of animals and had no boundaries in taking care of them. *May she rest in peace.*



Poinsettia DONATIONS

Through the generosity of the following, our church is festively decorated with Christmas Poinsettias.

The following poinsettias were given in memory of departed loved ones:

In memory of +Carl Ottman by wife Beverly; In memory of +Stanley & Veronca Podkulski by daughter Terri;
In memory of deceased members of the Baron & Turock Families by Gerry & Diane Turock; In memory of M/M Vincent Sperski , +Madison Keefe by Vincent Sperski;
In memory of +Rod Fell, Tony Winik Frankie Hauback, Larry Rivenbark, Rose Ciocca, Eddie Schmidt by Grace Fell;
In memory of +Anna, Raymond, Ernie, Jule Zalaffi by Pete Zalaffi; In memory of +Kathryn Gidzinski, Michael Cushner, Edward & Eddie Gidzinski, Diane Gidzinski Smith by The Cushner Family; In memory of +Ruth Campbell and Beverly Nowakowski, by Yvonne & Edward Jr. Nowakowski; In memory of +John & Jean Borowski by daughter Carole; In memory of +Chester Sr. & Stella Socha by son Chester Jr.; In memory of departed members of the +Cooper & Mnahoncak families by Tracy Cooper; In memory of +Harold & Elma Card, George Sr. & Jennie Kolba by George Jr. & Carolyn Kolba; In memory of +Joseph & Nellie Kot by grandson Chester Jr.; In memory of +Edmund, Anna & Joseph Kozolski by Terri & Ed Kozloski; In memory of Bill Babuka, George & Katherine Perchinsky by Terri & Ed Kozloski; In memory of +Cal Johnson by Jane Johnson & Family; In memory of +Peter & Anna Sienkiewicz by Daszewski Family; In memory of +Lisa Lambe by mother Rita Yeates; In memory of +Philip & Jacqueline Pokrinchak by Stephen Pokrinchak & Wai Ling Lee; In memory of +Betty Pokrinchak & Justine Stasko by Pokrinchak Family; In memory of +Bruce Ottman, Susan Ottman Turner, Gilbert Vandling by Janet Ottman; In memory of +Mary Sedlacek, Bertha, Michael, Stanley Gidzinski by Barry & Emilia Biskup; In memory of +Stephen & Frances Butora, Paul Duke by Dolores Butora Duke; In memory of the departed members of the +Pokrinchak and Dubik Families by Mark & Janine Pokrinchak Dubik; In memory of +Frank Szczepanski by sister Alice Spach; In memory of +Chester & Sadie Jablonski by children Donna and Eugene.

Donations for Poinsettias were received from *Jack & Debbie DeNinis, Robert & Debbie Benzi, Bill & Mary Perkins, Joe & Karen Perchinsky Berner.*

Mass in memory of flowers donated will be celebrated on Sunday, January 13 at 9:00 a.m.



January 2019

Events at All Saints



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