

“Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord”

Entrance Antiphon: "The Lord is truly risen, alleluia. To him be glory and power for all the ages of eternity, alleluia, alleluia." Lk 24: 34; cf. Rev 1: 6

Communion Antiphon: "Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia." 1 Cor 5: 7-8

Reflection for this Sunday: Easter is the greatest feast in our Catholic faith, celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus Christ—His victory over sin and death, and the promise of new life and salvation. The readings from the Easter Vigil through Easter Sunday reveal God’s saving work throughout history—from the beauty of creation to the deliverance of His people from slavery, all leading to the triumph of Jesus rising from the tomb. This Resurrection is not just a past event, but a living reality that brings hope to our lives today. In a world often filled with pain, fear, and confusion, Easter reminds us that God is always at work, even in the darkest moments. Jesus’ victory assures us that death never has the final word, and through faith and baptism, we are invited into this new life. Like the first disciples, who were transformed by the shock and joy of the empty tomb, we too are called to let Easter change us—transforming our hearts, renewing our faith, and inspiring us to share the Good News with others. The Resurrection calls us to move beyond ceremony and encounter the living Christ, to become witnesses of His hope and agents of His love in a world that deeply needs it. As we celebrate Easter, let us thank God for His constant work in our lives, and recommit ourselves to follow the Risen Lord with courage and joy. May this Easter fill our hearts with renewed faith and lead us forward in trust, knowing that Christ is alive and walking with us every step of the way.

Highway to Heaven – A Year of Hope

Event: Join us on Saturday, April 26, at St. Agnes Church and School, Lake Placid, for Highway to Heaven: A Day of Miracles, Prayer, and Hope, honoring Bl. Carlo Acutis, the soon-to-be canonized “God’s Influencer.” Experience Eucharistic Adoration, inspiring talks, an exhibit of Eucharistic miracles, Confession, and a Holy Hour of Hope with Bishop LaValley, including a Eucharistic procession and the consecration of the Diocese to the Eucharist. This family-friendly event offers prayer, fellowship, and service opportunities. More details coming soon on the Diocesan Jubilee webpage!



Office will be CLOSED on Monday April 21st.

K of C #4441 will have a covered dish supper on Thursday April 24th @ 6pm at the Church Hall

Easter 2025

“This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad!”

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

The tomb was empty. The news is literally earth-shattering! The implications are mind-blowing! Jesus Christ has risen from the dead! He who once lived among us, suffered the agony of the cross, and died, is dead no more. Alleluia! Yes, Alleluia!

The Resurrection is not just a belief that we pull out at Easter or a comforting doctrine we console ourselves with at a time of death. It is a whole way of life that begins with our baptism and is sustained by our gathering in faith with the risen Christ as a Eucharistic people. It is a way of life in which we try to keep ourselves aware of His Presence in us in all we say and do throughout the week.

With the resurrection of Jesus, the Lord draws all of us after Him into the new light of the resurrection as He conquers all darkness. God rose from the dead so that our lives would be undying. That’s why we remain hope-filled through the joys and sorrows of daily living. This Jubilee Year of Hope is so timely as we struggle through so many challenges in our world today.

Mary Magdalene shares this good news with Jesus’ closest friends. Her profession of faith has become our commitment of life. Especially during this Jubilee Year of Hope, we seek a renewed determination to share the news that Mary Magdalene first witnessed. What we believe and our witness to that belief hinges on the great Easter Mystery we celebrate this day. Today we rededicate ourselves to living the Easter faith in union with our Risen Lord so we may one day come to share fully in His Risen life.

Today, our nation and our Church thirst for Resurrection evidence in you and in me. I pray that we may more fully live our baptismal promises: *Lord, gift me with the courage, the love and the energy of Mary Magdalene, who was the first witness to others of your resurrection. Never let fear of ridicule or rejection, a lukewarm faith or laziness stop me from living openly and sharing warmly the Good News that Jesus Christ, who suffered and died for me, rose from the dead.*

Rejoice in the hope and peace that our Risen Savior has won for us. A blessed Easter to you and your family! “This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad!” After all, we are Christ-led, Christ-fed and Hope-filled!

**Faithfully yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley
Bishop of Ogdensburg**

Mass & Envelope Schedule

| Saturday 4/26 | Sunday 4/27 |
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| 8:00pm (SB) (L) Peter Siskavich (EM) Mona Siskavich | 8:00am (SE) (L) Neil Burgoyne (EM) Sharlene Stanley (EM) Matt Sylvester |
| 6:00pm (SE) (L) Erin LaClair (EM) Matt LaClair (EM) Judy Bombard | 10:30am (SB) (L) Diane Barber (EM) Diane Barber (EM) Joe Varin |
| Counters (Week 4) | Sherryl McCreless Nancy Miller |
| April 20 | April 27 |
| Regular Collection | Regular Collection |

Easter Thank You and Greetings

Dear Parishioners of St. Bernard’s & St. Edmund’s,

“Christ is Risen! Alleluia!”

As we rejoice in the glory of the Resurrection, I extend my heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you for your presence, prayers, and participation throughout this Holy Season. A special word of gratitude goes to all who worked so hard to make our churches and liturgies so beautiful and reverent: our Musicians, voluntary cleaners and decorators, Sacristans, Lectors, Eucharistic ministers, Religious Education teachers, Pastoral and Finance Council members, trustees, CDA, KofC, Altar Rosary Society, facility managers, and our dedicated staff.

Your time, talent, and devotion are a true witness to the joy of Easter and the life of our parish. May the Risen Lord bless you and your families with peace, hope, and renewed faith.

**With Easter joy,
Fr. Tojo Chacko**

Blood Drive will be held on Tuesday April 29th at the Church Hall 4-7pm.

The annual Spaghetti Dinner at St. Patrick Church, Chateaugay, New York 12920 will be held Saturday, April 26th, 2025, from 11AM until 3PM dine-in – adult meal \$12 and child meal \$5 and take out is \$12 each meal, reservations are encouraged by calling the parish office @ (518) 497-6673.



Schedule of Holy Mass & Devotions

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Holy Saturday, April 19th, 2025

8:00pm(SE) For the People of the Parish

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday, April 20th, 2025

8:00am (SE) For the People of the Parish

10:30am(SB) For the People of the Parish

Monday, April 21st, 2025:

No Mass

Tuesday, April 22nd, 2025:

No Mass

Wednesday, April 23rd, 2025:

No Mass

Thursday, April 24th, 2025:

9:00am (SE) Barbara McDonald by Mark & Melissa McDonald

Friday, April 25th, 2025:

9:00am (SB) Geraldine & Irving Sayah by Mary Fortin

Weekend

Divine Mercy Sunday

Saturday, April 26th, 2025

4:00pm(SB) Pauline, Walter & Francis Kowalowski by Claire & Bernadette Kowalowski

6:00pm(SE) Donald Barnaby by Wife & Family

Sunday, April 27th, 2025

8:00am (SE) Barbara Miller by Ronald & Bonnie Miller

10:30am(SB) Joe Varin by Carolyn & Family

In addition to mass dedications, sanctuary candles which remain lit on the altar for a full week can be dedicated for your prayer intentions.

**SANCTUARY CANDLE
(Week of April 20th, 2025)**

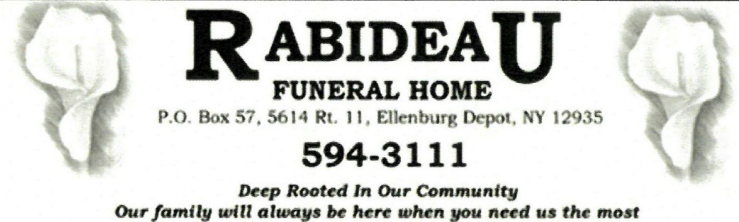
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| Norman Charland By Joanne Benware | Susie Rabideau By Theresa Minckler |

Pray for the Sick: Betty Gregory, Shirley Guerin, Baby Walter, Frieda Whitfield, Bill LePage, Rolland Magoon, Fred Cayea Jr., Veronica Demers

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Schedule of Holy Mass

| Saturday | Sunday |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 4:00pm (SB) 6:00pm (SE) | 8:00am (SE) 10:30am (SB) |

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EASTER SUNDAY (LUKE 24:5-6) WELCOMING JESUS INTO MY LIFE

O GOD, your love is stronger than sin, evil and death itself, and can transform our lives. Your love is a victory over everything that crushes life and makes it seem less human. Help me to let the risen Christ enter my life now and welcome him as a friend, with trust, knowing he is life! May he be with me and give me the peace I am looking for and the strength to live in hope as he would have me do. **Amen.**

-Pope Francis