**BLESSING OF HOLY OILS**

Ogdensburg — St. Mary’s & St. Joseph’s Bingo on New Night will be held on Wednesday, April 3, at 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the church hall. The program continues during Lent.

Pope Francis is inaugurated

With representatives of other Christian churches, communities, delegations from 132 countries, Jewish leaders and Muslim leaders as well as Nobel Laureates, bishops, leaders and a wide range of faiths and just about everyone present, Pope Francis formally began his ministry as bishop of Rome and as pope to protecting to protect the Catholic Church, the diging the Dreamer: Symposium on Environment and the beauty of creation, just like St. Joseph protected Mary and Jesus.

**MISSION OF HOPE...**

Eucharistic kings reflect on her life changing Week in Nicaragua

With the Mission of Hope...
Special Week with new Holy Father

Another Holy Week – another opportunity for each of us to walk with Jesus through the liturgical trial of triumph and transfiguration.

I love the ceremonies of Holy Week, for me it is a week of reflection and meditation on our Christian faith. On Holy Thursday, during the Mass, a friend reminded me that He stood before the people of the Jews to meet the grimmer as He asked of me as a priest. These are the very same people who are of our priests make at the yearly Whipping of the Bulls ceremony. I was able to pray for them in a special moment for me.

Today’s Good Friday service was a time for us to be reunited with our crucified Christ. Then, to celebrate Easter Sunday, we begin to experience even now. This I would say is more special as we rejoice in the beginning of the Paschagogy of our new Pope, Pope Francis.

During Holy Week, the Church rededicates itself to the call of Jesus. For Jesus, it is an appeal to his father and countryside. For Pope Francis, it is an appeal to the people of his country, Argentina. It is a special moment for Pope Francis.

This year, the pontiff was allowed to静脉 the cross of Jesus and also receive the Blessed Eucharist. In this way, I am able to unite with the crucified Christ. Then, to celebrate Easter Sunday, we begin to experience even now. This I would say is more special as we rejoice in the beginning of the Paschagogy of our new Pope, Pope Francis.
Imagine we are in the synagogue in Nazareth. Jesus has come to be the servant of God. He sets his face toward Jerusalem. He focuses his gaze on the poor, the sick, the outcasts, and the marginalized. He focuses on the people who are journeying towards Christ—people who are broken by the world’s standards of normalcy and success. Would you like to come with me? I’m reminded of the title of that James Bond film, “The World is Not Enough.” With St. Augustine, “Let us go out of our heads and let our hearts be those of Christ.”

Our convocation—our assembly—our gathering. Imagine we are in Nazareth. Jesus has come to be the servant of God. His mission is set before him. He focuses his gaze on the poor, the sick, the outcasts, and the marginalized. He focuses on the people who are journeying towards Christ—people who are broken by the world’s standards of normalcy and success. Would you like to come with me? I’m reminded of the title of that James Bond film, “The World is Not Enough.” With St. Augustine, “Let us go out of our heads and let our hearts be those of Christ.”

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I 'can't begin to thank God for the gift of faith!' BY JACCK MCOLLAH

Jack LaCroix is a familiar presence around Malone Catholic Parish: acting as sacristan at daily Mass, serving as a funeral director, leading Sunday School, operating the church database, and even helping with deconsecrating the church. I was happy to have the opportunity to sit down with Jack to learn more about his story.

Jack was born in Malone in 1960 and grew up with his parents, John and Mary, and his brother, Jim. He attended Malone Central Catholic High School and graduated in 1978. He then attended St. Bonaventure University in New York and earned a degree in Business Administration. After graduation, he worked for several years in the business world before deciding to pursue his Roman Catholic faith more seriously.

In 1984, Jack was offered a job as a sacristan at Malone Catholic Parish, and he has been there ever since. He has been involved in many different capacities at the parish, including leading the Adult Education Program, serving as a Eucharistic Minister, acting as a parish administrator, and serving with the Holy Spirit Choir.

Jack's faith journey began when he was a young boy. He recalls, "I remember being a little kid and feeling a real draw to go to my son's church. I used to ask my dad to take me to church, but he always said, 'No, I don't go to church.'" Despite his father's resistance, Jack continued to attend church, and he eventually joined the parish as a young adult.

In 1986, Jack's son, Mark, was diagnosed with a brain tumor. Mark underwent surgery and was pronounced dead on arrival. Jack said, "I was devastated. I couldn't believe it. I felt like my world had come to an end."

But Jack knew he had to trust in God and keep going. He continued to attend church and to pray for his son's recovery. One day, Jack was in his room, feeling bad for his son, when he heard a voice saying, "I can't tell you how grateful I am to you." Jack felt a sense of peace and comfort, and he knew that his son was okay.

As Jack's faith journey continued, he began to see the hand of God in his life more clearly. He says, "I started to see God in everything. I saw him in the way my son was able to recover, and I saw him in the way my life was changed because of my son's illness."

Jack's faith journey has brought him to where he is today: a dedicated parish volunteer and a man of deep faith. He encourages others to trust in God and to listen for his voice in their lives. He says, "If you have a problem or a worry, just pray. God will give you the strength to deal with it."
Jesus stands by his promises: Easter has come!

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Pope pleads to protect church, human dignity

By Cindyacid
Catholic News Service

VATICAN CITY — Pope Francis formally began his ministry as bishop of Rome and as pope by pledging to protect the Catholic Church, the dignity of each person and the beauty of creation, just like St. Joseph protected Mary and Jesus.

“Protect creation, to protect every man and every woman,” he said. “To protect the environment, which is our common home, extremely soft and other times extremely hard, brutalising us, destroying us.”

The retired pope was not present at the Mass, but the crowd chanted enthusiastically when Pope Francis said: “We are close to him with our prayers, full of affection and gratitude.”

The new pope stood at a lectern to read his homily, sticking to the text he had prepared in advance. At times his voice was extremely soft and other times it was quite loud, he punctuated with clenched fists his remarks about the strength required to be tender and compassionate to others.

“The Gospels,” he said, “St. Joseph appears as a strong and courageous man, a very humble man and a man of heart we see great tenderness, which is not the virtue of the weak, but rather a sign of strength of spirit and a capacity for concern, for compassion, for genuine openness to others, for love.”

Pope Francis’ message for his inauguration on the Feast of St. Joseph:

“Holy Joseph, we know we can count on you,” he said in his homily, “because you are a man of prayer, a man of obedience, a man of simplicity, a man of trust, a man of prayer and work, a man of faith, a man of heart.”

The new pope said exercisers of power, whether in the family or the public sphere, must be inspired by the Gospel and the example of St. Joseph, who was a “prophet of simplicity” in the family and in his society.

Pope Francis said that “those who are the true catalysts of change” are the simple men and women who remain close to others and help them.

“Joseph.” he continued, “is the protector and in the present time the protector of the Church.”

The Mass, which had been postponed due to a broken knee, was held under sunny skies in their care, especially to women and children, the aged, the poor and the sick.

In the end, everything has been entrusted to our protection, and all of us are responsible for it, he said. “This is the Gospel, we can’t refuse to protect it.”

When people fail to respect creativity, when they ignore God’s plan inscribed in nature, when they don’t care about the world, he said, “the way is opened to destruction, and hearts are hardened.”

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When we arrived, the pilgrims almost a year ago, we never would have imagined we would be in Rome at the time of a Conclave and present for the election. We never thought it would happen," Father Robinson said. "But it did.

Father Robinson reflected on the final days of their trip to Italy in a telephone conversation from the Rome airport. "All reporter with and in an impromptu travel reflection for parishioners at the St. Anthony's and St. Patrick's Parishes near Watertown, and spoke English said it was too," Father Robinson said. "Then he came out on the balcony, the square crowded in cheers and applause."

"I took the crowd a little while to recognize who it was," Father Robinson said. "Then when he announced it, his name, the Vatican published his unique experience. They did not all get to the square for Pope Francis' first appearance but the mere presence in that Holy City at that time produced special moments and memories.

Father Robinson was struck by several things during the pope's visit. "It is wonderful to have the people in Rome," he said. "It is wonderful to have the people in Rome, the pope celebrated Mass at the tomb of Blessed John Paul II in St. Peter's Basilica, during a papal mass he directed. The group was in Rome at the time of the Conclave and the announced the name, we weren't sure who they had named," he said. "Then the lady next to me who seemed to know what was going on, spoke English said it was the Cardinal from Argentina and he had picked Francis as his name."

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VATICAN CITY — Last year Father Donald Robinson, pastor of St. Anthony’s and St. Patrick’s Churches in Watertown, proposed a pilgrimage to Italy in conjunction with the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the Diocese of Watertown.

As St. Anthony’s boasts a strong Italian Heritage, The journey fit perfectly with the year-long celebration.

If timing is everything, the timing of this trip could not have been planned more precisely.

As the date for the Flight to Italy approached, Pope Benedict XVI surprised the world by announcing his resignation.

"We are there? elected and installed while we are there? What if a announcement forward theignation." Benedict XVI surprised the Sicily approached, Pope had all returned to our hotel to get dry when we saw on Italian TV that the smoke from the chapel was white (an indication of the election of a Pope). A few of us hustled downstairs to the lobby of the hotel staff found a call. Father Robinson said: “People were running from every direction toward St. Peter’s Square and we arrived in time to hear the Cardinal ask the people to pray for the election. We never thought it would happen, which is normal," said Robinson. "Then when he came out on the balcony, the square erupted in cheers and applause.”

Needless to say travel agencies are incapable of scripting a package tour of Italy that includes the election of a Pope. These pilgrims will cherish a unique experience.

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Father Robinson was struck by several things afterward: "It was really exciting to have him," Father Robinson said. "Our transport agent, who took us to the airport this morning, was very excited to have him." The silence was incredible, as people prayed. "The fact that he picked Francis demonstrates his humility and dedication to the poor and suffering," he said. "It is wonderful to have a man from the Western Hemisphere...and a Jesuit."

The St. Anthony’s pilgrims scheduled themselves to leave Rome before Francis’ inauguration on March 19, the feast of St. Joseph. However, they left aware of the buzz, the excitement already palpable in the Holy City.

“The people in Rome are very excited to have him,” Father Robinson said. “Our transport agent, who took us to the airport this morning, was very excited to have him.” He spoke very fondly of him and said "this is the kind of Pope we need."
Pope pledges to protect church, human dignity

By Cindy Wooden

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“Protect to create, to protect every man and every woman, to look upon them tenderly, to care with tenderness and love is the work of the strong and courageous man, a way to understand.”

The retired pope was not present at the ceremony, but the crowds applauded enthusiastically when Pope Francis said, “We are close to him silently, but with an unfailing presence and utter fidelity, even when he finds it hard to understand.”

The Gospels present St. Joseph as a husband, father, carpenter, and craftsman. He met with the heads of the world’s Christian churches and one.“It wasn’t just going down to Nicaragua to see the poor, but rather a sign from God, open to the signs of the weak, the least important, the poorest, the sick. Looking across the floor, do not even know what God has given us. Although we may be hard the first day. When I came back from the Mission of Hope, it was extremely hard the first day. Everything looked different and I remember sitting at my dining room table eating food and all of a sudden bursting out crying. I couldn’t even lift you up to my child. When I went to school that morning and saw other girls of my age holding anything back. Hug them and say, ‘It wasn’t just going down in Nicaragua. I sobbed wishing more than anything at that Crucifixion moment plain to her what I was feeling even though I could write pages upon pages about my trip and the Mission of Hope, there are just too words to describe the emotions I felt and still feel to this day about everything. Through the laughter and tears those memories will always be with me and although I went down to Nicaragua to impact Nicaraguan life, it impacted mine.
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Chris and Julie LaPage, Watertown, accepted the cash option, and March 15 at Watertown’s Irish Cathedral Diocesan Life Festival on Friday.

The raffle was co-sponsored by the Irish Cathedral, St. Mary’s Cathedral and St. Joseph’s Home in Ogdensburg.

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Change in dates for Sportscamp

The diocesan Office of Youth Ministry announced a change in the dates for this year’s Sportscamp. Basketball camp and soccer camp will both be held July 14-18 at Wadhams Hall in Ogdenburg. Sportscamp offers boys and girls ages 11-15 the opportunity to blend quality sports training with spiritual growth.

The focus of Sportscamp is to help young people become better athletes and better people.

Youth Ministry office also announced information about this year’s Camp Guggenheim sessions.

At Guggenheim, in Saranac Lake, camp activities include swimming, kayaking, canoeing, hiking, rafting, art, crafts, campfires, dances and daily liturgical experiences (Masses, penance service and prayer). Faith formation and growth is at the heart of the Guggenheim experience and is an important part of every camp session.

The 2013 Camp Guggenheim dates, for ages 12 to 15, are June 30-July 5, July 7-12, July 14-19, July 21-26 and July 28-Aug. 2.

The Week of Aug. 4, 9 is open to 16 to 18 year olds.

Registration for both sportscamp and Guggenheim are being held by calling the Office of Youth Ministry at 315-391-2920 or online at www.rocyc.org/youth/camps.

USCCB Committee on Divine Worship

In the unity of faith our parishes, the Church, the Visitations, St. Andrew’s and St. Raymond’s invite you to join us for our Holy Week Services

A Jesuit named Francis

A Jesuit who has been named to a very high post in the Vatican next month has that rarest of gifts:

As a Jesuit steeped in Ignatian spirituality, he knows all too well the prayer that has shaped his journey:

Dear Lord, you have given me this grace to work and serve you and to be your shepherd. 

He will be the 266th pope, the head of the world’s 1.2 billion Catholics.

Despite the rarefied surroundings of the Vatican, he’s one of us. 

His name is Pope Francis.

“I’m deeply touched by the choice of St. Peter’s Square,” he said.

His simplicity and humility are what have endeared him to so many.

His message of mercy resonates with everyone, even non-believers.

The world is watching as Francis assumes the mantle of leadership for Christ and the Catholic Church.

A new pope, a new beginning.

As we enter this Holy Week, let us pray that Pope Francis will continue to lead the Church with wisdom, courage and vision.

Let our prayers support this en-
I can't begin to thank God for the gift of faith!

By Tamara Fastiehu

Jack Lacroix is a presence around Malone Catholic Parish: acting as sacristan at Sunday services, leading music for Sunday worship.

His wife, Violet, and his brother and sister-in-law, Brian and Kim; his children, Brian and Jack Jr., and his son-in-law, Brian Lacroix; and his granddaughter, Sloane Lacroix, helped him through medical crises. His daughter, Marcia, also helped. Jack's remains are at the Malone Catholic Cemetery.

As a native of Trout River, the Franklin County hamlet that straddles the U.S.-Canada border, Jack's mind and his Saturday basketball games were in a very different world.

“Every time I got into Lake Placid, an opportunity was handed to me for a reason,” he explains. “As Jack’s spiritual understanding deepened, he had other experiences of God at work in his life. He develed a profound, deep-seated belief in God, and in the afterlife, why would you even want to be here? I asked myself, ‘Why else would God want me here? I felt called to serve in a serious way. Jack’s spiritual understanding deepened, he had other experiences of God at work in his life. He develed a profound, deep-seated belief in God, and in the afterlife, why would you even want to be here? I asked myself, ‘Why else would God want me here? I felt called to serve in a serious way.’"

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Imagine we are in the synagogue in Nazareth. Jesus stands to open his teaching ministry, focusing on the great prophecy at the beginning of chapters six and seven of the Gospel of Luke. The hour is ripe for him to speak openly. He reads, “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberation for the captives and recovery of sight for the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” He concludes, “I tell you, today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.”

What is climate change; why should we care; and how can we respond? Friday, March 22nd, 6:30 to 8 p.m., St. John’s Chapel. The lecture, “What is climate change; why should we care; and how can we respond?” is a great opportunity to learn about this very important topic. Our speaker, Fr. John Monette, will take us on an engaging and informative journey to understand the science and the implications of climate change. Whether you are a seasoned environmentalist or someone who has been curious about the topic but not sure where to start, this talk promises to be enlightening and thought-provoking. The event is free and open to the public. Please arrive early to ensure a seat, as space is limited to six. Contact: RSVP 518-594-3253 or monette@verizon.net.

As we begin our journey through Lent, our focus is on themes of sacrifice, repentance, and renewal. Let’s reflect on our personal lives, acknowledging the areas where we need to grow and change. The practice of prayer is essential in our spiritual journey, especially during this season of Lent. Let’s make time for prayer, both individually and together as a church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is one way we can prepare our hearts for the Lenten season. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available every second and fourth Wednesday of the month under the direction of the Catholic Charities of Northern New York. Contact: For further information, call 315-785-1146. What a wonderful opportunity we have before us to continue the journey towards God, longing for God visible. For all of our weaknesses and shortcomings, For our sins and our weaknesses, For all of our weaknesses and shortcomings, we come to God, with humble heart and lips, and say to the Lord, “Be merciful to your servant.” We come to God, with humble heart and lips, and say to the Lord, “Be merciful to your servant.”
Prayers of gratitude for all things new

Mary Lou Ellis

Editor's Notes

A couple weeks ago, I wrote about the new Pope, Francis, and how we live in an era when, as we waited in joy and hope for his elec-

tion, the announcement came—an Argentine pope a new

grandpope.

Today we pray for gratitude for the beginning of a new life for the Church as we approach the liturgical season of Easter. For
time, we pray for the new supreme pontiff to be the leader of the Church, and that the Holy Father will be an example of all that he preaches.

We also pray that the Church may grow in faith, love, and service as we continue to work for the betterment of the world,

as it has done for centuries. May God bless you on your Easter journey.

Mary Lou Ellis

Special Week with new Holy Father

Another Holy Week — another opportunity for each of us to walk with Jesus through the liturgical triumphs and trials of easter.

I love the ceremonies of Holy Week; for me it is a week of reflection and remembrance. On Holy Thursday, during the Mass, I stand to re-

member in silence the promises made to me by Jesus. The thoughts of many of us priests make us at the yearly Thursday Mass, “I erroneous moment for me.

For me, every moment is a reminder to concentrate on the call to serve the people of God. On Good Friday, I think of the pain and
difficulty of the Cross. On Holy Saturday, I reflect on the death and resurrection of Jesus.

Finally, on Easter Sunday, we celebrate the victory of Jesus over sin and death. May the risen Lord bless us all.

Ralph Daily, STD

Holy Week

This past Palm Sunday revealed Jesus processing into Jerusalem midst of the waving palms and warm weather. For three years, Jesus traveled the rural roads of Galilee, spreading the Good news of the Gospel. 

On Good Friday, I am allowed to pray at the side of the road, an experience that I have never experienced before. 

On Holy Saturday, I am reminded of the importance of prayer and the need for us to pray for our Pope and for all Catholics.

On Easter Sunday, I am reminded of the importance of the Mass and the need for us to be present to the celebration of the Resurrection.

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Father Bill Says

Mary Lou Ellis

OBITUARIES

Bastian – Linda (Grossi), Doermer, 71, Funeral Services March 22, 2013 at St. Cecilia’s Church.

Caffey – Robert L., 86, Funeral Services March 18, 2013 at St. Patrick’s Church, Burt.


Farr – Don E., 81, Funeral Services March 22, 2013 at St. Joseph’s Church, Burt.

File – Norine, 85; Funeral March 23, 2013 at St. Joseph’s Church, Burt.

Ganse – Margaret M. (DeLong), 98; Funeral Services March 23, 2013 at St. Mary’s Church, Hermon.

Hill – Margaret M. (Castella), 84; Funeral Services March 19, 2013 at Ft. Covington.

Hill – Muriel C. (DiNunzio), 90; Funeral March 19, 2013 at St. Patrick’s Church, Hermon.

Lafave – Peter J., 89; Funeral Services March 23, 2013 at St. Patrick’s Church, Hermon.

Mann – James C., 50, Funeral Services March 20, 2013 at St. Patrick’s Church, Hermon.

Moss – Margaret M., 85, Funeral Services March 18, 2013 at St. Patrick’s Church, Hermon.

Norton, 85; Funeral Services March 22, 2013 at St. Joseph’s Church, Burt.

Perumal – Velu C., 65; Funeral Services March 19, 2013 at St. Patrick’s Church, Hermon.

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Potts – Marion M., 68; Funeral Services March 20, 2013 at St. Patrick’s Church, Hermon.

Rivas – Laura A., 61, Funeral Services March 22, 2013 at St. Patrick’s Church, Hermon.

Smith – John R., 66; Funeral Services March 19, 2013 at St. Patrick’s Church, Hermon.

Treadwell – Marjorie M., 84; Funeral Services March 22, 2013 at St. Patrick’s Church, Hermon.
**Blessing of Holy Oils**

**Pope Francis is inaugurated**

At St. Peter’s Basilica in the Vatican, Pope Francis was inaugurated as the 266th pope of the Catholic Church. Francis, who was elected in March, delivered an inaugural speech that focused on themes of simplicity, mercy and care for the environment. He called for a “Pentecost of the Spirit” to refresh the Church and its mission.

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With representatives of other Christian churches, communities, delegations from 132 countries, Jewish and Muslim leaders as well as Pope Benedict XVI, Francis proclaimed the beauty of creation, just like St. Joseph who protected Mary and Jesus. “To protect creation, to protect every man and every woman, to look upon them with tenderness and love is to open up a horizon of hope,” he told between 150,000 and 200,000 people gathered under sunny skies at St. Peter’s Square and the nearby streets.

**Catholics at the Capitol**

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