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Eighty-five years have passed since Pope St. Pius X consecrated the sanctuary to Our Lady of the Rosary. The dedication took place on October 7, 1927. To celebrate this milestone in your faith journey.

Thank you for learning more about your faith and for the opportunity to share your faith with others. It is one of the most important and rewarding things that we do as Christians. It is something that we do as Christians. It is something that we do as Christians. It is something that we do as Christians. It is something that we do as Christians. It is something that we do as Christians. It is something that we do as Christians. It is som
Bishop blesses Window as part of centennial observance

St. Anthony's Parish celebrates its heritage

By Dave Shampine
Staff Writer

October 1913 by a 33-year-old priest who had arrived from Italy, Father Claudia Digiti. Both lived long lives, hence were able to realize their accomplishment.

The line of succession following Father Sechi's retirement in 1974 has brought to the Arsenal Street parish four men. Dennis E. Lynch, Msgr. Paul C. Brunet, Father Alyosha J. Lisil, Father Henry W. McFadden, Msgr. Anthony A. Milia and Father Robinson.

The sisters about whom the present-day parishile referred were the Filippini nuns, who arrived in 1902 to open the parish's parochial school. Their order remained in Watertown until 1915, and the school closed nine years later.

This century which has passed into history was truly challenging and difficult for the parish and its people, Robinson said. "We mark with gratitude and joy this milestone.

"We thank God for the blessing bestowed on our parish over these 100 years," he said.

"Each month of this year we have had a special celebration for the Church's Foundation Stones," Father Robinson noted. "This Sunday, we celebrate with a New Year's Eve gala to bring in the seventh part of this long awaited structure.\n"

The sisters' musical legacy has proven popular. Their fifth album, "Angels and Saints at Ephesus," was released in 2003 and continues to be released May 7.

"It's a way for the monastic sisters to reach audiences far beyond their priory in Gower, Mo., in the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.\n"

"We are happy to be able to share with the outside world a small taste of the peace and tranquility we experience here in the priory," Mother Cecilia said.

The sisters' daily routine includes prayer and work: sewing the vestments, making the hosts, and preparing the fellowship meals seven times a day, much of it done by hand. Their manual labor: sewing the vestments is an integral part of priory life. Also an important part is the sisters' vocation to music.\n"

"I think our society can get bogged down by the materialism and atheism that SEEMS to be the only reality," Mother Cecilia said, referring to the government's current attempt to force religious organizations to provide health insurance for plans that cover abortion.

"The HHS Mandate represents bureaucratically-coerced personal and institutional involvement in the commission of a sin...\n"

"No individual or institution should have to be concerned about violating their conscience when they merely seek to safeguard the well-being of them-..."
Do we have too much of Martha in us?

Many individuals and business owners are struggling to determine whether to purchase health insurance coverage for themselves or for their employees. This is especially true regarding the Health and Human Services (HHS) mandate to cover contraception. A provision of the PPACA (Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act) requires “preventive health services” to be covered by all health insurance issuers and plans. These insurance plans must provide coverage for various forms of contraception, in addition to the dangers of death and injury from surgical sterilizations, but the debate on this matter hinges on whether that material cooperation should be considered “insur- ance” or “medication.”

In the words of Jesus? “When a stranger enters your house, provide food and drink for the three strangers, regardless of the need.” The law was carefully observed. Yet there have been those who showed no hesitation; run to involve Sarah and her servants and his whole household. Then showed his parents; for many evils by others, and business owners (who may or may not want to have their employees covered for contraception) must provide coverage (with no co pay) for the full range of Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved contraceptive methods for women.

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**VATICAN LETTER**

By Cindy Wooden

CNS Rome

**WYD Rio from Pope Benedict XVI:**

At World Youth Day in Sydney in 2008, Pope Benedict emphasized the importance of young people living a holy life by following the faith taught by Christ and being open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

**World Youth Day in Madrid in 2011:**

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Encyclicals

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By Faith means recognizing that faith finds its fulfillment in the love of Jesus Christ, the pope writes. This love is the root of all that exists, the pope says.

Cardinal Dolan: news has 'gladdened hearts'

By Suzanne Pietropaoli

The two popes whom canonizations recognition is reserved to, Pope Benedict XVI and Pope John Paul II, were canonized together on Sunday, May 1, 2014 at the Vatican.

"It is impossible to believe that the Christian part of Christ's work can be separated from our lives in this world with our natural environment, our work and family, and with the true God, a light which touches us at the core of our minds, wills and emotions," the pope writes.

"Modernity sought to build a civilization 'without religion,' based on equality," he writes. "Yet, gradually we came to realize that this brotherhood of ours, this universal order and harmony of the mind and body, was a shared vision, a shared freedom, a shared mystery, a shared bond which required us to return to the Lord, to the original source from which flows all life and truth, and to the entire human family, all of us who together form a single human person," he said.

"We need to return to the true basis of brotherhood, the only one that exists," the pope said. "That is why we teach that every human person is a blessing for me, that I can count on me, that I can pray for me through the faces of my brothers and sisters."
Diocesan Year of Faith and New Evangelization

Diocesan Year of Faith and Gallery.

SUNY Potsdam’s Hosmer Hall planned as part of the diocesan observance of the Year of Faith, will be held Aug. 18 at 8 p.m. in St. Michael’s Houseman Hall and Gallery.

The event will feature music, vocal and instrumental performance, and visual art. Pictures of art work entries should be e-mailed to beau/tyfulInspirations@diocese.org.

Further information is available at the Bishop’s Residence in Ogdensburg.

To Report Abuse

You have a complaint about the above-advertised event? Please contact the Bishop’s Residence in Ogdensburg.

Markets for Life

Lake Placid, NY – 2:30pm.

Chambers are needed to form a diocesan choir for the Celebration. Those interested in being a part of the event should check with parish music ministry directors for details.

Environmental Stewardship

The Vatican and the Earth: A Call to Discernment

Wednesday, June 26

The Church’s relationship with the earth is a relationship with God. We are called to act as stewards with the earth; to be good stewards of the earth. The Church’s relationship with the earth is a relationship with God and with one another.

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Lumen Fidei 'at a glance'

The unity and continuity of the faith are ensured by the apostolic succession, hence the papacy. The Christian faith is transmissible through the ages, even to the present day. The Church has always been a Christian institution, but it is also a social institution which unifies his existence.

Faith offers access to truth through love, knowing that truth is not only the object of faith but the ultimate reality, and that it is possible to experience the truth in oneself and others.

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Bishop Terry R. LaValley celebrated the opening Mass for the 53rd biennial New York State convention for the Catholic Daughters April 25 at St. Pius X Church in Albany. He is shown above with the Ogdensburg delegation at the convention. From left are Father Scott Seymour, pastor in Morristown and CD A state chaplain; Linda Manchester, Vice Regent Court 2598 St Monica; Aelene Reilly, mother of Father Mark Reilly of Saranac Lake; Bishop LaValley, Jane Woods, Susan Fahey, Penny Martin of Willsboro, immediate past New York State Regent; Mary Cap DuBois; and Helen Shepard, National 1st Vice Regent.

Five Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart were recently installed as members of the congregation’s Leadership Board, for a five year term. From left are Sisters Mary Elizabeth Looby, Diane Bardol, Julia Lanigan, President), Cecelia Cosgrove and Dawn Gear. Two of the Sisters have connections to the Diocese of Ogdensburg. Sister Julia, who will serve a second term as the congregation’s president, ministered as a nurse at the former A. Barton Hepburn Hospital from 1973 to 1974 and as a nursing educator at St. Lawrence Psychiatric Hospital from 1974 to 1976. Sister Mary Elizabeth Looby of Ogdensburg, who served on the Grey Nuns Leadership Board for ten years.

I’ve often thought of myself as an “average Catholic.” I deeply believe in God and my Catholic faith. I am grateful and thankful, I attend Mass regularly, I receive the Sacraments, I pray often, I offer financial support of my parish and my community, I serve as a lector and a eucharistic minister. I fulfill my obligations and I believe I was fulfilled as well. I think you might agree I am a pretty average Catholic.

So I signed on for Women of Grace.

And then, just a year ago, I learned of the Women of Grace program. Armed with a small paragraph of information from the bulletin, I persistently called Judy Bogart’s number until we could talk together. (Mrs. Bogart is the facilitator of the newly established Women of Grace group in Morristown.) I wanted to learn more, do more, be more of a Catholic woman. I signed on for Women of Grace that very day. I was READY!!

In reality, I wasn’t at all ready! I was simply being guided to the three interior dispositions - being receptive to God’s actions, trusting in His providence and willing to surrender to God’s will. Over the past months, I’ve come to know Our Lord and His Mother in a new and important spiritual path. I’ve come to realize how much they are doing for and completing a Total Consecration to Jesus Christ Through Mary. Over the past months, I’ve come to know in a more profound way the power of prayer and devotion, the lessons of forgiveness, of obedience and docility, of God’s will of good pleasure - and a true sign of discipleship and a living faith truly understanding the Eucharistic Presence.

I recall being in awe when we read in Ephesians that, even before He created the world, God chose us in Him to be holy and blameless in His sight, to be full of love. I choose now to believe that, just as Mary was chosen specifically by God the Father to be Theotokos - God-Bearer for all mankind - I too, was chosen in a sense to participate, along with 14 amazing women in the Women of Grace program, to learn, understand, question, discuss, inquire, em- pathize, sympathize, laugh, cry, and befriend each other so that we can all rightly claim to be “better than average” - to truly be a woman of grace.

By Nancy Williams
Morristown, Morris County Women of Grace

Pilgrimage to St. Kateri Shrine
To support and pray for Vocations
with D.O.V.S.

Join Bishop LaValley, Father Bryan Stitt, Members of the Diocese of Ogdensburg Vocational Society (D.O.V.S.), and Catholics from across the diocese for a 1 day pilgrimage to Montreal Wednesday, OCTOBER 9, 2013

Shrine of St. Kateri Tekakwitha
Is located at the Church of St. Francis Xavier in Kateri, QC.
Come pray for holy vocations at the tomb of this newly canonized saint from our area.

Itinerary includes:
• A tour Shrine of St. Kateri
• Mass at Shrine with Bishop LaValley
• Lunch at Buffet Vichy in Labelle, QC
• Visit to the Cathedral of Montreal, Mary, Queen of the World
• Pray a Rosary for Vocations
• Bus from Scheven Lake/Plattsburgh or Ogdensburg/Potsdam/Malone

$89 covers all costs.

For more information or to register contact:
Connie Randall at (315) 265-2762

Non-refundable payment due August 24
Any proceeds from the trip will be used for the promotion of vocations within the Diocese of Ogdensburg
Celebrating the richness of the Catholic Church

Dr. Janet E. Smith

The Church's teaching on contraception is not just a doctrine that is meant to apply to a very small number of people. Many people would benefit from knowing it. The Church teaches that natural family planning is a practice that can help couples plan their families in a way that respects the sanctity of human sexuality. When engaged in intercourse, spouses are called to observe abstinence or to practice natural family planning in order to help them fulfill their vocation as parents and as members of the Church. This teaching helps to promote the virtue of chastity and to prevent the spread of contraceptive culture. The Church teaches that those who choose to live according to her teaching will be blessed by God and will receive the grace of the Holy Spirit. The Church's teaching on contraception is not just a doctrine that is meant to apply to a very small number of people. Many people would benefit from knowing it.

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Celebrating the richness of the Catholic Church

As Christians we should pay particular attention to the role of the Church in our lives. Whether we have been a part of the Church for a long time or if we are just beginning our journey, the Church is a source of comfort and guidance. It is through the Church that we can find understanding and support in times of need.

The Church provides us with the tools we need to live a life of faith and prepare us for eternal life. It teaches us about the importance of love and compassion, and how we can use these values to guide our daily lives. The Church also provides us with a community of believers who can support us and help us through difficult times.

The Church teaches us how to live a life of faith, and how to grow in our faith. It provides us with the opportunity to learn from our mistakes and to grow as individuals. The Church also provides us with the chance to serve others, and to make a difference in the world.

As we continue our journey of faith, we should remember the importance of the Church in our lives. It is through the Church that we can find understanding, support, and guidance. It is through the Church that we can grow in our faith and become better people. So, let us remember the importance of the Church in our lives, and let us continue to grow in our faith as we travel along our journey of faith.
Bishop Terry R. LaValley celebrated the opening Mass for the 53rd biennial New York State convention for the Catholic Daughters April 25 at St. Pius X Church in Albany. He is shown above with the Ogdensburg delegation at the convention. From left are Father Scott Seymour, pastor in Morrisonville and CD A state chaplain; Linda Manchester, Vice Regent Court 2598 St Monica; Aelene Reilly, mother of Father Mark Reilly of Saranac Lake; Bishop LaValley, Jane Woods, Susan Fahey, Penny Martin of Willsboro, immediate past New York State Regent; Mary Cay Doolittle and Helen Shepard, National 1st Vice Regent.

Five Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart were recently installed as members of the congregation’s Leadership Board, for a five year term. From left are Sisters Mary Elizabeth Looby, Diane Bardol, Julia Lanigan (President), Cecelia Cosgrove and Dawn Gear. Two of the Sisters have connections to the Diocese of Ogdensburg. Sister Julia, who will serve a second term as the congregation’s president, ministered as a nurse at the former A. Barton Hepburn Hospital from 1973 to 1974 and as a nursing educator at St. Lawrence Psychiatric Hospital from 1974 to 1976. Sister Mary Elizabeth Looby, a native of Ogdensburg, has served as pastoral associate for the Malone Catholic Parishes for the past nine years. She previously served on the Grey Nuns Leadership Board for ten years.

By Nancy Williams
Member, Morristown Women of Grace

I've often thought of myself as an "average Catholic." I deeply believe in God and my Catholic faith, I am grateful and thankful, I attend Mass regularly, I receive the Sacraments, I pray often, I offer financial support of my parish and my community, I serve as a Lector and a Eucharistic minister, I fulfill my obligations and believe I was fulfilled as well. I think you might agree I am a pretty average Catholic.

So I signed on for Women of Grace.

And then, just a year ago, I learned of the Women of Grace program. Armed with a small paragraph of information from the bulletin, I persistently called Judy Bogart’s number until we could talk together. (Mrs. Bogart is the facilitator of the newly established Women of Grace group in Morristown.) I wanted to learn more, do more, be more of a Catholic woman. I signed on for Women of Grace that very day. I was READY!!

In reality, I wasn’t at all ready! I simply was being guided to the three interior dispositions - being receptive to God’s actions, trusting in His providence and willing to surrender to God’s will. Over the past months, I’ve come to know Our Lord and Our Lady as never before. I have read and reread the Bible, fasting and praying, pondering and meditating, and completing a Total Consecration to Jesus Christ Through Mary. In both Women of Grace and the Total Consecration programs, I have developed a relationship with Mary. She truly is our most powerful and direct channel of being filled with the life of her Son, Jesus Christ.

Because of the Women of Grace class, Mary has brought me so much closer to her Son. I believe that, through Mary, Jesus Christ has had a palpable presence during this program, helping me truly understand the power of prayer in both praise and petition, the lessons of forgiveness, of obedience and docility, of God’s will of good pleasure - and a true sign of discipleship and a living faith truly understanding the Eucharistic Presence. I recall being in awe when we read in Ephesians that, even before He created the world, God chose us in Him to be holy and blameless in His sight, to be full of love. I choose now to believe that, just as Mary was chosen specifically by God the Father to be Theotokos - God-Bearer for all mankind - too, was I chosen in a sense to participate, along with 14 amazing women in the Women of Grace program, to learn, understand, question, discuss, inquire, em pathize, sympathize, laugh, cry, and befriend each other so that we can all rightly claim to be “better than average” - to truly be a woman of grace.

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Pilgrimage to St. Kateri Shrine
To support and pray for vocations with D.O.V.S.

Join Bishop LaValley, Father Bryan Stitt, Members of the Diocese of Ogdensburg Vocational Society (D.O.V.S.), and Catholics from across the diocese for a 1 day pilgrimage to Montreal Wednesday, October 9, 2013

Shrine of St. Kateri Tekakwitha
Is located at the Church of St. Francis Xavier in Kateri, QC.

Come pray for holy vocations at the tomb of this newly canonized saint from our area.

Itinerary includes:
• A tour Shrine of St. Kateri
• Lunch at Buffet Vichy in LaBelle, QC
• Visit to the Cathedral of Montreal, Mary, Queen of the World
• Pray a Rosary for Vocations
• Bus from Schenectady / Plattsburgh or Ogdensburg / Potsdam / Malone

$89 covers all costs.

For more information or to register contact:
Connie Randall at (315) 265-2762

Non-refundable payment due August 24

Any proceeds from the trip will be used for the promotion of vocations within the Diocese of Ogdensburg
Faith Mass Sept. 29
Diocesan Year of Faith will be held at the Olympic Arena in SUNY Potsdam’s Hosmer Hall.

Further information is available at 315-212-5004, or smith (315-321-7256).

Catholics urged to speak truth with love in religious freedom movement (VATICAN CITY, 2013) -- To help encourage prayers for a spiritually fruitful World Youth Day, Pope Francis decreed that World Youth Day participants can receive one indulgence. The pope’s decree is a devotional treatment of the day for all who want to be the source of God’s love.

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Popes put personal stamp on World Youth Days

By Cindy wooden
Catholic News Service

VATICAN CITY - Blessed John Paul brought Catholic teens and young adults out of the parish religious education and youth ministry programs that parents often had to force their children to attend. For him, the youths were not just the future of the church, but the reformation of its energy and enthusiasm.

At his last World Youth Day, the 2002 celebration in Toronto, a frail 83-year-old Pope John Paul described himself as “old,” but looked and sounded better than he had in months, demonstrating once again his special chemistry with young people. He even read his speeches in their entirety, rather than having an aide read most of the text.

The German Pope Benedict inherited from Blessed John Paul the 2005 celebration of World Youth Day in Cologne and brought to the encounter a sense of the seriousness of the Christian call. His love for the young Catholics translated into trust that they not only could understand the core teachings and traditions of the church, but that they wanted to learn more about them.

Under Pope Benedict, the evening vigil was transformed from a rally into a mass moment of eucharistic adoration, surprisingly silent and devout, given the fact that it involved tens of thousands of young people on their knees in the dirt on a wide-open field.

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• US Bishop’s Annual Latin America Appeal
• Various projects throughout the world as part of our evangelization effort

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Pope Francis -- the former archbishop of Buenos Aires in 1987, gathering Catholic youths from Argentina — will be continuing a tradition begun by Blessed John Paul in Buenos Aires in 1987, gathering Catholic youths from around the world together for several intense days of faith-building and celebration.

In cities from South America, Asia to North America and back again, each World Youth Day with the pope has been different in size and in the culture each pope — because of both the pope’s personality and personal emphasis — also have left striking marks on the 11 international gatherings held since 1987.

With Pope Francis, that tradition of the evolving World Youth Day is bound to continue in Rio July 23-28.

World Youth Day gatherings are so much a part of Catholic life now that it is hard to imagine just how innovative Blessed John Paul’s idea first seemed.

The Polish pope invited young people to his Palm Sunday celebration at the Vatican in 1985, U.N. proclaimed Year of Youth and Vatican officials were shocked when some of the 250,000 young people showed up, they had planned for 60,000 pilgrims.

Blessed John Paul brought Catholics in Rome and the pope himself prepared to send them out on mission.

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Do we have too much of Martha in us?

Many individuals and business owners are struggling to determine whether to purchase health insurance options for themselves or for their employees. The problem is especially large for the Health and Human Services (HHS) mandate that is required of ‘preventive health services’ for women. A provision of PPACA (Affordable Care Act) requires ‘preventive health services’ to be covered without cost “by all health insurance issuers” as a matter of law.

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The theme of hospitality is even found in the second reading, where Joseph, who is standing on God’s holy land, even though he has Paul quartered with him, he also sends full courtly greetings of respect to those who were uncircumcised.

These greetings travel to the Italian land of Lampedusa where many immigrants have perished at sea in their attempt to cross to the Mediterranean. He greeted those who are sheltering in the land, many of whom were seeking a safe haven, and he mediated a Mass of repARATION for the Half-Sermon of the Word. He also takes the theme of hospitality in the application of St. Paul’s words on the importance of the rights of the glory of the Gospel and to the news of the Gentiles.” Do the laws of God’s word.”

In time, Joseph helps to provide us with inspiration and understanding of the fact that there is so much of Martha in us, and not enough of the loving hospitality of Sarah.

Is it wrong for me now to buy health insurance?

Business owners are struggling to determine whether they should purchase health insurance because of the mandates of the Affordable Care Act. While business owners must provide all health insurance issuers with health insurance coverage without cost, they must also provide information for all health insurance issuers and enroll all health insurance issuers and enroll all health insurance issuers. A challenge that is particularly large for the Health and Human Services (HHS) mandate that is required of ‘preventive health services’ for women.

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blessed Rose Window as part of centennial observance

St. Anthony’s Parish celebrates its heritage

By Jim Drapick
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PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINES OF THE DIVINE MOTHER

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Getting Started: Make sure you have a clear vision of your pilgrimage. Consider the reasons why you are planning a pilgrimage to the Divine Mother.

Activities:
- Sexy Rides: Two Masses, stop at the gift shop, guided tour of the shrine and additional maps, sightseeing suggestions, one for a visit during the Year of Faith.
- Planning: A visit to the shrine is part of the experience of being connected to the Church and the Mother.

Location:
- Ogdensburg
- Speculator
- Malone

Contact: Phone: 518-561-5083 or email us at ola@prayerhouse@gmail.com

The Mother of God is our intercessor, our advocate, our guide, and our comforter. She is the model of faith, hope, and love. St. John Paul II said, “The Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, is the perfect model of intercession. All prayer that becomes intercession is prayer to the Virgin Mother of God.”

The beauty of faith: Faith is a gift from God, a grace that enables us to live a life of virtue and holiness. It is the foundation of all spiritual growth and development. Faith is the key to understanding and experiencing the love of God and the love of others.

The beauty of pilgrimage: Pilgrimage is a journey of faith, one that leads us to the Mother of God and helps us to grow in love and devotion to her. It is a way of expressing our faith and a way of connecting with others who share our faith.

The beauty of the Mother of God: The Mother of God is the model of faith, virtue, and holiness. She is the perfect example of how we should live our lives as Catholics and how we should respond to the challenges of our time.

The beauty of devotion: Devotion to the Mother of God is a way of expressing our love and gratitude to her. It is a way of connecting with her and experiencing her love and protection.

The beauty of the shrine: The shrine is a place of pilgrimage, a place of prayer, and a place of community. It is a place where we can experience the love of the Mother of God and the love of others.

The beauty of the mass: The mass is the heart of the church’s teachings and is a way of expressing our faith and devotion to the Mother of God.

The beauty of the rosary: The rosary is a way of expressing our love and devotion to the Mother of God. It is a way of connecting with her and experiencing her love and protection.

The beauty of prayer: Prayer is the foundation of all spiritual growth and development. It is a way of connecting with God and experiencing his love and protection.

The beauty of the companions: The companions are the people who accompany us on our pilgrimage. They are our friends, our family, and our fellow pilgrims. They are the people who share our faith and who help us to grow in love and devotion to the Mother of God.

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Pope John – already beatified – will also be declared a saint. He is to everyone.

I'm sure he will be reunited with the heavenly hosts.
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New saints for our time... for us.

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After completion of Formations for Ministry Program

Lay Ministers Commissioned

Bishop LaValley said a special day at St. Anthony’s Cathedral

Father Richard Sturtz is shown with his parishioners from Our Lady of Lourdes in Schroon Lake and St. Joseph’s in Olmstedville who were commissioned to serve in their parishes. Front, from left are Peter Winkler of Our Lady of Lourdes; Lorraine Turgeon, the Ticonderoga site coordinator; Alisa Barror of Our Lady of Lourdes; Father Sturtz, and Frances Mahler of Our Lady of Lourdes; back, Thomas Grace and Darlene Luciano of St. Joseph’s and Dorothy Bean and Cathryn Greubel of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Mother and son, Mary and Jesse Sovie are among four new lay ministers commissioned service at Notre Dame Parish in Ogdensburg.

Janet and Charles (Ed) Burns were commissioned for service at St. Mary’s Parish in Clayton.

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NCC summer schedule

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