

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF SCHROON LAKE AND OLMSTEDVILLE

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THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JANUARY 15, 2011



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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Sat. (Ant.) 4:30pm (OLL)

Sun. 8:30am 10:30am (OLL)

Sun. 8:30am (SJC)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sat. 3:15 to 4:00pm (OLL)

Sun. 8:00 to 8:20am (SJC)

BAPTISM: By Appointment **MARRIAGE:** Arrange six months prior to wedding date

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sat., Jan. 14	4:30pm (OLL)	Frank Wanits by Mr. & Mrs. David Pachla
Sun., Jan. 15	8:30am (SJC)	Ruby Mason by Mr. & Mrs. Randy Mason
	10:30am (OLL)	For all Members of both Parishes
Mon., Jan. 16	8:30am (OLL)	Deceased of the Fitch Family by George Fitch
Tue., Jan. 17		No Scheduled Mass
Wed., Jan. 18		No Scheduled Mass
Thu., Jan. 19	8:30am (OLL)	Paul R. Provoncha by Dr. & Mrs. William Brennan, Jr.
Fri., Jan. 20	8:30am (OLL)	Zigmont Karkowski by Mr. & Mrs. David Pachla
Sat., Jan. 21	4:30pm(OLL)	Paul R. Provoncha by Jim & Shelby Provoncha
Sun., Jan. 22	8:30am (SJC)	The Leddick Family by Mr. & Mrs. Vincent Leddick
	10:30am (OLL)	For all Parishioners of both Parishes

LAST WEEK'S INCOME

Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Envelopes	\$1,484.00
Plate	<u>105.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,589.00
Christmas Collection	\$80.000

Saint Joseph's Church

Envelopes	\$730.00
Plate	<u>45.00</u>
TOTAL	\$775.00
Christmas Collection	\$10.00

A CALL TO HOLINESS

The call to holiness is for everyone, not just for Samuel, the Apostles, the Bishops, Priests and Sisters. Vatican Council II reminded the People of God that by our baptism, all are called to be holy. Jesus asks the question, "What are you looking for?" The question begs, "What are your desires?" The response of the followers is interesting, "Where are you staying?" Christ is still calling you and me as the Church, a family of faith, to bring His presence and His message of the Gospel to all people. In the reading from Saint Paul, he reminds us that our bodies are the temples of the Holy Spirit. This is where we are made holy; His indwelling presence within each of us and within the body of Christ. Our call to holiness is rooted in our baptismal commitment, a promise to enter into relationship with Jesus, and to take on the mind and heart of Jesus. We are to model and witness His lifestyle and values in our daily lives as the Body of Christ for others. We have a mutual mission of proclaiming the Gospel, which is carried out in a variety of ways. The deeper our relationship with Jesus Christ, the more fruitful will the mission be fulfilled. How do you listen to the call of Jesus? How do you point others to Jesus Christ as John the Baptist when he proclaimed, "Behold the Lamb of God"?

OUR ONE GREAT ACT OF FIDELITY

Perhaps you have heard the story of the young girl who woke up one night frightened and disorientated, convinced that there were spooks and monsters in the darkness of her room. She ran to her parents' bedroom for safety. Her mother brought her back to her own room, put on a light to show her that there was nothing there, and gently tried to convince her that she was safe. She also said to her, "You know you don't need to be afraid. You aren't alone. God is here in the room with you." The child replied, "I know that God is with me, but I need someone around who has some skin." We are like that little girl. We are creatures of our senses: touch, sight, hearing, smell and taste. Everything that enters us goes through one or more of those five senses and so does everything that comes out. We are not angels, pure spirits without bodies. We are incarnate spirits, embodied spirits, and so we need things that we can touch, see, hear, taste and smell.

This is even true of our relationship with God. God created us, after all, and so God meets us on our own terms. And so, the central teaching of Christianity is the belief that, in Christ, God took on flesh and became tangible, physical, someone who can touch and be touched. The very word Christ means enfleshed, embodied, divine reality. As John wrote in his Gospel: "The Word was made flesh and lives among us!" This is still going on. Thus, the first thing to be said about the Eucharist is that it is God's physical presence. It is the place where God continues to take real physical flesh. In the Eucharist the Word continues to become flesh.

(Edited and taken from Father Ronald Rolheisers's book *One Great Act of Fidelity*)

TWO DIOCESAN EVENTS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEKEND

Diocesan Ecumenical Service: This diocesan event, anticipating the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, will be observed this Sunday at 2:00pm at Sacred Heart Church in Massena. Father James Kane, Director of the Office of Ecumenical & Inter-religious Affairs of the Diocese of Albany will speak on the theme of the Week of Prayer.

March for Life: This 38th annual event will also take place this Sunday afternoon at 1:30pm in Plattsburgh, beginning at the Newman Center and continuing to Saint John's Church on Broad Street. James Sedlak, Vice President of the American Life League will be the guest speaker. The Champlain Valley Right to Life Committee is sponsoring the program.