

# ST. ANDRÉ'S PARISH

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*Saint André Bessette Roman Catholic Parish, Malone, New York • Established July 1, 2014*

**December 14, 2014**  
**Third Sunday of Advent**



**St. André Bessette, pray for us!**

Father Joseph W. Giroux  
*Pastor*

Father Justin Thomas, HGN  
*Parochial Vicar*

Father Bryan D. Stitt  
*Diocesan Director of Vocations, In Residence*

Deacon Bryan J. Bashaw  
*Permanent Deacon*

Sister Barbara Schiavoni, GNSH  
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Ms. Samantha Fazioli  
*Director of Christian Formation*

Mrs. Sheila Maneely  
*Music Coordinator*

Ms. Darlene Livernois  
*Administrative Assistant*

Mrs. Phyllis Smith  
*Secretary*

*"God is love, and he loves us; that is the heart of the Christian faith.... Pray that you may obtain a true love of God. God loves us so much. He wants us to love him "*  
*— Br. André (1845-1937)*

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

*Thursday*

7:00-8:00 P.M. at Notre Dame

*Saturday*

12:00-12:45 P.M. at Notre Dame  
3:00-3:45 P.M. at Saint Joseph

*First Sunday of the Month*

Before the 8:30 A.M. Mass  
at Saint Helen

## SUNDAY MASS

*Anticipated (Saturday)*  
4:00 P.M. at Saint Joseph

*Sunday*

7:45 A.M. at Notre Dame  
8:30 A.M. at Saint Helen  
9:15 A.M. at Saint Joseph  
10:30 A.M. at Saint John Bosco  
11:00 A.M. at Notre Dame

## ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

*Tuesday*

Following the 6:45 A.M. Mass  
until 1:00 P.M. at Saint Joseph

*Thursday*

7:00-8:00 P.M. at Notre Dame

**FROM FR. JOE...**

This Tuesday is our annual **Advent Penance Service**, during which our youngsters preparing for their first Holy Communion will make their first confession. A number of priests from the area will be on hand to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance with you. In the great Christmas carol, *Joy to the World*, we sing, "Let every heart prepare him room..." Tidy up the room of your heart to welcome Christ again (and give our young parishioners good example) by making confession part of your Christmas preparations this year.

January 1st is fast approaching when our **new Mass schedule** will take effect. (Some of you have no doubt heard that a new Mass schedule was also just announced for Constable, Westville, Chateaugay, and Burke, since it's expected that those communities will be served by just one priest by next summer. We're not the only ones dealing with changing times!) Our schedule includes closing St. Joseph's Church for a few months in an effort to save on some winter fuel costs. Many of you have had questions about what we'll do during that time to properly take care of the closed building. Over the last couple of months, we've consulted with a both a mechanical engineer (about the heating system and water supply) and architects (about the building's structure) to learn what we should or should not do. Because of the costs involved with winterizing our systems (such as antifreeze in the lines) and the potential for damage (such a cracks in the plaster of the ceiling), we will not be turning the heat off altogether, but maintaining a very low temperature. We will also be monitoring the building constantly to make sure everything is still OK. At the same time, I am working with the architects on what might be possible--along with estimates of what it would cost--to improve the building's efficiency. I'll share those ideas and numbers with you when they're available in the new year.

Visit Fr. Joe's blog: <http://fromemptyhands.blogspot.com/>

**Christmas Pageant**

Rehearsal for our children's Christmas pageant will take place on Sunday, December 21, at 12:15pm in St. Joseph's Church. The pageant itself will be at the beginning of the 4:00pm Mass at St. Joseph's on Christmas Eve. We have parts for as many children as would like to be involved! For more information, to let us know you're coming, or if your child would like to participate but can't make the rehearsal, please call Sue Wilson-Scott at 483-1868.

**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE**

**Tuesday, December 16, 6:30pm  
St. Joseph's Church, Malone**

*A number of priests from our area will be available to celebrate the sacrament that evening. The service will include the first confessions of our young parishioners preparing for their first Holy Communion in May. Come and prepare your heart for Christmas!*

**2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND  
RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS**

Advent is always a highly anticipated season in our Church. For women and men religious, it is especially so this year as the First Sunday of Advent marked the beginning of the Year of Consecrated Life. Pope Francis proclaimed this special year and called on consecrated women and men to - in his now famous words - "wake up the world" with their Christian witness.

During the Year of Consecrated Life, Pope Francis also calls on the faithful to express their thanks for the lives of consecrated religious. In our country, Catholics have been doing this for the last twenty-six years through donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious. The Collection in our Diocese will take place this weekend. Thanks be to God for all who give to those who have given a lifetime.

**CHRISTMAS COLLECTION**

The Diocese of Ogdensburg's Retirement Plan for Priests has long been supported by parish contributions from its annual Christmas Collection. Currently 36 retired priests, and 10 active priests age 70 and older, are expected to receive pension benefits of \$793,400 in 2014-15. Also 95% of the cost of health insurance premiums for retired priests is paid by the Plan. Your generous contribution not only supports current retirees but will also help provide for the retirement needs of priests who will retire in the future. Say *thank you* to your pastor and all priests of the diocese through a generous contribution to our Christmas Collection.

**CHRISTMAS MASSES*****St. André Bessette Parish******Wednesday, December 24-Christmas Eve***

**4:00pm** St. Joseph's, Malone (with pageant)  
**4:00pm** Notre Dame, Malone  
**7:00pm** St. Helen's, Chasm Falls  
**10:00pm** Notre Dame, Malone

***Thursday, December 25-Christmas Day***

**9:15am** St. Joseph's, Malone  
**10:30am** St. John Bosco, Malone

***Other Area Masses******Wednesday, December 24-Christmas Eve***

**4:00pm** St. Patrick's, Chateaugay  
**4:00pm** St. Mary's, Brushton  
**4:30pm** St. Mary's, Ft. Covington  
**5:30pm** St. Francis, Constable  
**6:00pm** St. George's, Burke  
**8:00pm** St. Augustine, North Bangor  
**8:00pm** St. Joseph's, Bombay  
**Midnight** St. Mary, Ft. Covington  
**Midnight** St. Augustine, North Bangor

***Thursday, December 25-Christmas Day***

**9:00am** St. Joseph's, Bombay  
**10:00am** Our Lady of Fatima, Westville  
**10:00am** St. Patrick's, Chateaugay  
**11:00am** St. Mary's Brushton

**MASS INTENTIONS****This Weekend – 3rd Sunday of Advent****Saturday, Dec 13 (Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13)**

4:00pm (SJ) Janet LaFave by Alan &amp; Lynn Poupore

**Sunday, Dec 14 (Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28)**

7:45am (ND) Lorraine McCabe by Jack &amp; Judy Pelkey

8:30am (SH) Margaret Raymond by Mary &amp; Steve Valley and Anna &amp; Tim

9:15am (SJ) Earl &amp; Rita Greeno by Fred &amp; Aly Hughes

10:30am (SJB) For The People of SAB

11:00am (ND) Rita Gonyea by Leroy &amp; Family

**Weekday Masses****Monday, Dec 15 (Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Mt 21:23-27)**

12:05pm (ND) Francis Machabee by Bobbie Jo, Kyle &amp; Rachel Wood

**Tuesday, Dec 16 (Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Mt 21:28-32)**

6:45am (SJ) Fr. John Silver by Theresa LeRoy

10:15am (FCNH) For The Intentions of Bill &amp; Joanne by Gordon &amp; Pat

**Wednesday, Dec 17 (Gn 49:2, 8-10/Mt 1:1-17)**

6:45am (SJ) Sauvageau &amp; Nichols Families by the Nichols

12:05pm (ND) Benjamin &amp; Roger Levesque and John Beckett by Charlotte Levesque

**Thursday, Dec 18 (Jer 23:5-8/Mt 1:18-25)**

6:45am (SJ) David Fish by Mary &amp; Stephen Valley

**Friday, Dec 19 (Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Lk 1:5-25)**6:45am (SJ) Donna Brady Shelters by the Warner Family  
12:05pm (ND) Rita Gonyea by Husband, Leroy**Next Weekend – 4th Sunday of Advent****Saturday, Dec 20 (Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38)**

4:00pm (SJ) L. Patrick Conto by the Family

**Sunday, Dec 21 (2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38)**

7:45am (ND) Gordy Stalter by the Family

8:30am (SH) Earl Livernois (11th Ann) and Annette Livernois (47th Ann) by the Family

9:15am (SJ) Howard &amp; Eunice Monette by Their Family

10:30am (SJB) James Jandrew (9th Ann) by Gladys Jandrew

11:00am (ND) For The People of SAB

**Worship Sites of St. André's**

Notre Dame Church (ND), 11 Church Place, Malone  
 St. Helen's Church (SH), 755 Co. Highway 41, Chasm Falls  
 St. John Bosco Church (SJB), 57 Rennie Street, Malone  
 St. Joseph's Church (SJ), 306 West Main Street, Malone

**HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL**

The schedule of **Christmas Concerts** at Holy Family School are:  
**Voices of Christmas Devotion - Grade 8**  
 December 22 (12:30 PM)  
 All parishioners are invited.

**Holy Family Year-Round BINGO!**

Saturday Nights — Doors open at 5:30PM  
 Early Bird - Progressive Bingo  
 Pull Tabs  
 Concession

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Our next Religious Education classes will meet on Sunday, Dec. 21st. K-8 from 9:30a.m.-10:45a.m. at Holy Family School and High-school students from 7:00p.m.-8:30p.m. at the Notre Dame Parish Center.

Rosary making for this week will take place from 12:30-2:30 this Sunday, Dec. 14th and this Wednesday, Dec. 17th from 6:00p.m.-7:00p.m. at the Notre Dame Parish Center. Please contact Samantha with any questions.

Reminder to parents with students in the First Communion Program: First Penance will be at the parish wide Penance service this Tuesday, Dec. 16th at 6:30p.m. at St. Joseph's church. If you and your child are unable to attend, please contact Samantha at the office as soon as possible. Thank you!

**New Sunday Mass Schedule  
Effective January 1, 2015**

Anticipated Mass (Saturday)

4:00pm

Summer: St. Joseph's Church  
Winter: Notre Dame Church

Sunday Masses

8:00am

St. John Bosco Church

9:30am

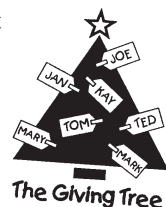
St. Helen's Church

11:00am

Notre Dame Church

**ADVENT GIVING TREES**

Each of our churches has a "Giving Tree" project for Advent. We encourage you to take a tag and return your wrapped gift with the tag attached to the outside of gift. *We ask that you return your gift to the church from which you took the tag.* Please return the gift by Monday, December 15th. Thank you!

**The Giving Trees Benefit:**

**St. Helen's:** monetary gift for Food Pantry  
**St. John Bosco:** gifts for homebound parishioners  
**St. Joseph's:** gifts for children from infant to age 18 through Catholic Charities  
**Notre Dame:** Nursing Home residents (AHNH, FCNH, and Valehaven)

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES****HELP TO FILL THE CHRISTMAS BASKETS!**

We are in need of volunteers to assist with our Christmas Dinner Basket Program on Monday, December 15th from 9:30am to 11:00am. Volunteers will assist Catholic Charities Staff in prepping the food baskets to be distributed later that afternoon. Please call Catholic Charities at 483-1460 to sign up. Thank you for your continued support.

**SOCIETIES AND PARISHES' EVENT(S)****Bingo - Knights of Columbus**

Every Tuesday, early bird starts at 7:15pm. Elm Street.

**SAB Women/Rosary Society**

**Christmas Party** to be held **Mon., Dec. 15, 6:00 PM** at Malone Adult Center. All are welcome! Please ring a dish to pass and your place setting. We will select the name of the society, elect officers for 2015 and enjoy festive food and entertainment. Come and bring a friend! For info or rides, contact Mary Degon, 483-1449.

**Choir News**

Choir practices for the **10:00pm Christmas Eve Mass** will be held on Monday December 15th at St. Joseph's Church; Wednesday, December 17th at St. Joseph's Church and Monday, December 22nd at Notre Dame Church. Choir practice for the **4:00pm Christmas Eve Mass** at St. Joseph's will be held on Thursday, December 18th at St. Joseph's Church. Anyone interested in singing or playing an instrument for Christmas, contact Sheila at the Church office at 483-1300.

**ST. ANDRÉ'S PARISH FUNDRAISERS****Bingo - St. John Bosco**

Join us for Bingo at St. John Bosco every **THURSDAY**. Its starts at 7:15pm. Bring a friend or two! Workers for December 18th Bingo - Team 3; Bell Jar - Deborah.

**Starts at 7:15pm - \$1420 given away**  
**Early Bird - Progressive Bingo**  
**Pull Tabs**  
**Concession**

**COMMUNITY EVENTS****Malone Adult Center - Breakfast**

The December breakfast for Malone Adult Center has been cancelled. Thank you for your support.

**Northern Adirondack Vocal Ensemble**

The Northern Adirondack Vocal Ensemble will give two performances of a Festival of Lessons and Carols. Anthems, carols, and hymns illuminate the Christmas story along with community readers and congregational singing in the beloved tradition of King's College, Cambridge. The first performance is on Saturday, December 27th at 7:30pm at St. Peter's Church in Plattsburgh, and the second one is Sunday, December 28th at 4:00pm at St. Agnes Church in Lake Placid. Admission is a suggested donation of \$10.00. For more information please find us on Facebook or contact drew.benware@gmail.com.

**St. André's Parish Pastoral Council**

Norman Bonner, Charlotte Broecker, Wendy Cappiello, Jim Coughlin (Trustee), Ruth Demarse, Mary Hart, Pam Leduc (Trustee), Robert Main, Molly McKee, Andrea Savage, Neil Seymour, Colleen Scott, Patrick Tatro, and Cana Tighe

Your Pastoral Council members want to hear from you! Please feel free to approach them with your questions, suggestions, and concerns.

**CHRISTMAS SIGN UP**

**ATTENTION:** Lectors, Eucharistic ministers and altar servers: Information regarding the Christmas Mass schedule and a sign up sheet has been sent out. Please let us know your serving preference by returning the sign up sheet in the collection basket or dropping it off to the parish office no later than December 15th. Thanks!

**REGIONAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Could you not watch with me for one hour? (Mk. 13:47)

- St. Francis, Constable** - Mondays, Holy Hour, 7-8:00pm w/confessions
- St. Joseph's, Malone** - Tuesdays following 6:45am Mass until 1:00pm
- St. Mary's, Ft. Covington** - Wednesday following 5:30pm Mass
- Notre Dame, Malone** - Thursdays, 7:00-8:00pm w/confessions
- St. Mary's, Brushton** - 1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays, 6:30-7:30pm
- St. Patrick's, Chateaugay** - 1<sup>st</sup> Fridays from 9-10 am
- St. Anne's, St. Regis Falls** - 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday following 4:30pm anticipated Mass

**2014 BISHOP'S FUND APPEAL  
—Open Our Hearts—**

**Diocesan Goal: \$1,275,000**

**St. André's Parish Goal: \$44,275**

**Raised So Far: \$37,951.92 (86%)**

**Gifts Received: 330**

**Is God Calling YOU?**

“The One who calls you is faithful.” Will you be faithful to His call? If God may be inviting you to be a priest, deacon or consecrated religious, call Fr. Joe or Fr. Bryan at 483-1300 or 483-4074, or visit the Vocation website at [www.myvocation.net](http://www.myvocation.net).

**ONE-LINER**

When it comes to life, we spin our own yarn, and where we end up is really, in fact, where we always intended to be.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Parents who wish to have a child baptized should contact Sister Barbara to make arrangements for the date and for a program of preparation. Parents are highly encouraged to make arrangements at least three months before the child is born, as the Catholic Church encourages Baptism for infants as soon as possible after birth. Adults and older children (seven years or older) interested in Baptism or entering into full communion with the Catholic Church should inquire about the program of preparation (R.C.I.A.: the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

A Catholic wishing to be married in one of our churches should contact one of the priests at least six months prior to the desired date in order to begin making arrangements. A program of preparation is required. The parish should be contacted before any other plans are made—for example, the wedding reception.

**SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

For those preparing for surgery, nursing home residents, or the homebound, contact one of the parish priests to make arrangements to be anointed. For those in the hospital (especially in the event of an emergency), ask the hospital staff to contact the priest on call.

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

	<b>12/07/14</b>	12/08/13	12/09/12
<b>Envelopes</b>	<b>\$10,595.30</b>	\$11,541.00	\$10,857.80
<b>Plate</b>	<b>\$ 903.76</b>	\$ 1,028.38	\$ 964.35
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,499.06</b>	\$12,569.38	\$11,822.15
<b>Envelopes Used</b>	<b>356</b>	370	356
<b>Special Collections</b>	<b>12/08/14</b>	12/08/13	12/08/12
<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	<b>\$1860.27</b>	\$1,809.50	\$1,900.00

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