

# Saint John Vianney Parish

ST. MARY'S CHURCH - ST. GABRIEL'S CHURCH

December 22nd, The Fourth Sunday in Advent

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## Mission Statement

***St John Vianney Parish is a welcoming home which embraces all people by sharing God's transforming love. We worship, celebrate the Sacraments, promote spiritual growth and are Christ's hands for those in need.***

## Vision Statement

***Full Churches every weekend with a vibrant, diverse community of parishioners exercising our faith inside and outside the church as living examples of Christ's work.***

## Parish Pastoral Council

Council Co-Chairs: Jack Merriam & Shelly Wood

Vice Chair: John McKinley

Council Members: Al Hanning, Lisa Glovins, Deacon Bob Colomaio, Keith Glovins, Jack Merriam, Steve Cummings, Deacon Thomas Jack, Sheri Neu, Pete Langendorfer

Ex Officio: Terri Orbin,

## Parish Finance Council

Council Chair: Greg Hintz

Council Members:  
Pam Colomaio,  
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Ex Officio:  
Terri Orbin,  
Shelly Wood



St. Mary's Church  
32 East Morris St.  
Bath, NY 14810

**Celebrations of the Lord's Day**  
**Saturday 4:00 pm at St. Mary's Church**  
**Sunday 8:00 am at St. Gabriel's Church**  
**10:00 am at St. Mary's Church**

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available:**  
**\* Saturday at 3:15 at St. Mary's Church**  
**\* By appointment**

Phone 607-776-3327  
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## Office Hours:

Mon, Tues,  
Thurs, Fri  
9:00 am—1:30 pm

Wed Closed

Email: [SJV@dor.org](mailto:SJV@dor.org)  
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St. Gabriel's Church  
78 Shethar St.  
Hammondsport, NY 14840



Common Ground Community Choir and  
 The Bells of St. Mary's  
 present  
 A Winter Holiday Concert  
 Saturday, January 4, 2025  
 5:00 PM Soup and Salad Dinner  
 5:45 PM Concert  
 Dessert following the concert

**St. John Vianney's Parish Support**

for November 30th & December 1st

Attendance: 183

Weekly Offertory Income: \$4,049.00

Secondary Offertory Income: \$746.00

2nd Collection for Dec 22nd is Utilities

*Sincere thanks for your support of our parish and its ministries!*

ELECTRONIC GIVING PROGRAM

St. John Vianney's is pleased to offer this safe and convenient option for you to make your offering to the Church automatically through your checking or savings account. Please contact the business office at 607-776-3327.

Online weekly donations can also be made at our website [www.sjvath.org](http://www.sjvath.org)



St. John Vianney Parish

Lana L, Paula Gardner, Donna, Pat Finnerty, Dennis Dinehart, Patti Smith, Nancy, Dominic, Gina, Katie M., Luther Perkins, Scott Emmick & Kappy Schermerhorn.

Names stay on the list for 3 weeks. A name may then be renewed by the individual or member of the family if needed.

Heavenly Father, heal the sick, comfort the sorrowing, encourage the discouraged and give us strength.

What are the benefits of Volunteering?

Benefits of volunteering

Develop - New skills and valuable work experience

Making new friends

Have a - Better physical & mental health and well-being

Give something back

Improve your confidence

Create a - Sense of connection to others in the community

Improve how things work for the better

Show your commitment



Proverbs 3:27

*"Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to act."*



The red Sanctuary Lamp, continuously aglow above or near the tabernacle, indicates the presence of Christ, the Blessed Sacrament. If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp lit in memory of a loved one, please contact the parish office. In addition, if you would like to sponsor the Altar Breads, Altar Wine or Altar Candles for a given month in memory of a loved one, please contact the parish office.

Scripture Readings

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1st Reading: Micah 5:1-4a

2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

Gospel: Luke 1:39-45



If you have or know of any upcoming events you would like to see in the bulletin, please contact Nicki Ignatz. They need to be submitted a week or two prior.



*Catholic Ministries Appeal*

Our Parish Goal is \$25,000.00

Please make checks payable to CMA, NOT to St. John Vianney Parish

Please join in reaching our parish goal.

Have you made your pledge yet?

47 Donors

Thank you for your support



*Please keep Jerry Teifer & Ray Kolo who recently died, & their families, in your prayers.*



### Christmas Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Dec 24th 4:00pm at St. Mary's Family Mass

8:00pm at St. Gabriel's

Christmas Day Dec. 25th

10:00am at St. Mary's



### Advent Week 4: Love



The fourth Advent candle, the Angel Candle, symbolizes love and reminds us of the angels' message of "Peace on Earth, good will toward men" and our call to love one another.

The Christmas story is all about LOVE: Joseph's love for Mary; Mary's love for Jesus; God's love for us; and our love for one another.

We know Joseph loved Mary because of his response when she told him she was with child during their engagement. He chose the way of love, to divorce her quietly, protecting her from a great amount of shame and attention. We know Mary loved Jesus, tenderly wrapping Him in swaddling clothes and laying him in a manger. She treasured hearing that the shepherds were spreading the good news of His birth. We know God loves us. God, the Father, sent His Son into the world to save the world through Him. Since God so loved us, we also should love one another. And so, Christmas is not only a reminder of how much God loves you, but also how much you should love other people.

Advent Reflection Questions:

- How did you show your love for others this Advent?
- Is there someone you helped or forgave this Advent?
- Is there someone you reached out to this Advent?

Please write your responses on the yellow stars and bring them to Mass. (No names necessary.) All stars will be hung on the Advent Tree for the duration of the Christmas season.

### Daily Readings for the week

#### **Monday December 23rd**

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24, Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 & 14, Lk 1:57-66

#### **Tuesday December 24th**

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16, Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 & 29, Lk 1:67-79

#### **Wednesday December 25th**

Is 52:7-10, Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6, **2nd Reading** Heb 1:1-6, Jn 1:1-18

#### **Thursday December 26th**

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59, Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 & 8ab, 16bc & 17, Mt 10:17-22

#### **Friday December 27th**

1 Jn 1:1-4, Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12, Jn 20:1a & 2-8



We welcome little ones in our community to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism. For Baptism information please contact the parish office for details.

### Advent Prayer



God our Father, in this final week of Advent, we ask You to fill our hearts, our home, and our family with Your great love. Help us to love You above all things. Help us to love our family members, friends, classmates, and neighbors. Help us to love those who are the most difficult to love. Help us to love ourselves and others as we love ourselves – with joy, peace, mercy, and generosity. In these last days of Advent, we look back on the many ways we have prepared for Your coming. At times we have been fervent and sincere; at other times we have been apathetic and slow. We ask now for You to cover our imperfections with Your love, readying our hearts for Jesus' birth. Fill our hearts with hope, peace, joy, and love! Amen



### Anointing of the Sick/Prayers for Healing

Next anointing will be this weekend Saturday, December 21st and Sunday, December 22nd after each Mass.

### Weddings

Please contact the Parish office six (6) months in advance.





## St. John Vianney's Parish Life Event Calendar

Collection for Turning Point Ministry

For the month of **December**

is Canned Vegetables

Please place the donations in the baskets  
in the back of both churches



**If you'd like to request a**

Mass Intention

fill out the envelopes that  
are available in the pews or  
in the offertory box  
at the back of both churches, or  
call/stop by the rectory  
during office hours.

St. John Vianney Parish of Steuben-  
County@St.JohnVianneyofSteubenCounty



Faith Formation for grades Pre-K, Kindergarten,  
4th and 5th will be Sunday, January 12, after  
the 10:00am Mass.  
Coffee and Donuts will be provided.

Next Confirmation class will be in  
January. Date & time to be determined.



### SJV Strategic Plan - Our 5 Objectives & Team Leaders

*Objective #1: Ensure Financial Stability to support  
2 churches, their staffs and programming needs*

Team Leader: Keith Glovins

*Objective #2: Buildings and Facilities must be  
Safe, Secure and Inviting*

Team Leader: Dick Yochem

*Objective #3: Promote a welcoming atmosphere which  
builds fellowship among Parishioners*

Team Leaders: Jo Slovak, Kacey Blaney, Jill Haynes

*Objective #4: Promote an atmosphere where parishioners  
are comfortable volunteering inside and outside the church*

Team Leaders: Jill Haynes, Kacey Blaney, Jo Slovak

*Objective #5: Promote spiritual growth for all ages*

Team Leaders: Ginny Gallagher, Sheri Neu, Kacey Blaney

If you would like to volunteer to help with any of the above  
objectives, please contact the Church Office at 607-776-3327  
and let them know which Objective you would like to help with.  
Thank you.

St. John Vianney's Masses & Intentions	
<b>St. Mary's</b>	
<b>Sat</b>	<b>December 21st</b>
<b>4:00 pm</b>	Cheylene Lando by The Lando Family <b>*Anointing after Mass*</b>
<b>Sun</b>	<b>December 22nd</b>
<b>10:00 am</b>	Cindy McConnell by The McConnell Family <b>*Anointing after Mass*</b>
<b>Tues</b>	<b>December 24th Christmas Eve</b>
<b>4:00 pm</b>	John, Evelyn & Jack Walsh by The Walsh & Hanning Families Carl Hero by Cheryl Hero
<b>Wed</b>	<b>December 25th Christmas Day</b>
<b>10:00 am</b>	Laurence Jackson Sr 75th Heavenly Birthday by His Daughter Nicki & Family
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>December 26th</b>
<b>9:00 am</b>	No Mass Scheduled
<b>St. Gabriel's</b>	
<b>Sun</b>	<b>December 22nd</b>
<b>8:00 am</b>	For Ryan Veeley <b>*Anointing after Mass*</b>
<b>Tues</b>	<b>December 24th Christmas Eve</b>
<b>8:00 pm</b>	Jack Kashorek by The Kashorek Family
<b>Fri</b>	<b>December 27th</b>
<b>9:00 am</b>	No Mass Scheduled
<b>Upcoming Weekend and Weekly Mass Intentions</b>	
<b>Sat</b>	<b>St. Mary's December 28th</b>
<b>4:00 pm</b>	For All Who Have Died
<b>Sun</b>	<b>December 29th</b>
<b>10:00 am</b>	For Safe Travels For All Who are Traveling
<b>Sun</b>	<b>St. Gabriel's December 29th</b>
<b>8:00 am</b>	For Joy Lachance Kendrick