

# ST. STEPHEN'S PARISH

June 17, 2018

Main Street, PO Box 38, Croghan, New York 13327-0038

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**.....Prepare during Pregnancy

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**...**Saturday, 4:15-4:45 PM**

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**.....Arrange at least 6 months in advance

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**REV. DONALD J. MANFRED...PASTOR**

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Mon.	June	18	10:00 AM	Funeral Mass: Dorothy Baker – St. Francis Solanus Church, Harrisville
Tues.	June	19	No Mass	
Wed.	June	20	8:15 AM	Woody and Mary Strife by Liz
Thurs.	June	21	8:15 AM	Harland Campany by The Family
Fri.	June	22	8:15 AM	For the People of the Parish
Sat.	June	23	5:00 PM	Troy Chartrand by Ed and Marilyn Widrick
Sun.	June	24	8:30 AM	Daniel Horvath 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary by The Family

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**Pray for the Sick:** Ellon Grunert, Donald Campany, Lena Aucter, Theresa Golden, Bev Moore, Terry Moore, Marcia Tiernan, Nancy Mellnitz, Ronald J. Nortz, Marcia Lee, Bob Lee, Libby Tabolt Jascinski, Jeremy Weaver, Ryan Bush and all the ill at home, in the hospital or nursing homes (the sick that wish to be remembered in prayer will be included in this weekly list only if they agree to have their names included or family members specifically request this). Please call the parish office 315-346-6958 to have a name included on this list

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

### THEME: ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*This Sunday we celebrate Father's Day, honoring our fathers, grandfathers and all those who have acted like fathers in our lives. How fortunate are we if we had or have a father who is the majestic cedar described in the First Reading, providing comfort and protection for all those in its care. Whatever our own circumstances we can look to God, our Heavenly Father, as the idea of a fostering, loving and forgiving parent.*

*As we approach summer, we hear readings today that are set in nature. Ezekiel has a vision of God cutting a tender shoot from the top of a cedar and planting it on a lofty mountain where it grows into a majestic tree. St. Mark relates to Jesus' parables involving sowing seeds, one being the tiny mustard seed which grown into a sturdy, hearty plant. As we listen to these readings, we ask God's Word to take root in our lives of faith.*

### HAPPY FATHER'S DAY TO ALL FATHERS, GRANDFATHERS AND ALL WHO SHARE A "FATHERLY" ROLE IN OUR LIVES

*We remember in gratitude all our fathers, grandfathers, etc who are living and those who have gone before us. We are thankful for their loving care, good example and the encouragement we have received from them. May God reward them with many blessings and our gratitude. May those who have gone before us "Rest in Peace" and know new life in God's heavenly kingdom.*

### PARISH LITURGY QUESTIONNAIRES

*Thank you to those who took time to respond to the questionnaires given us by our Parish Worship Committee. **ONLY 32 people responded!***

*There were many comments and suggestions, which will guide planning for the future. Not all suggestions can be (or ought to be) implemented.*

*Parishioners of St. Stephen's need to be aware that I have responsibilities for St. Francis Solanus Parish in Harrisville and this necessarily affects the scheduling of masses on weekends and other times, e.g. Holy Week, Easter and Christmas.*

