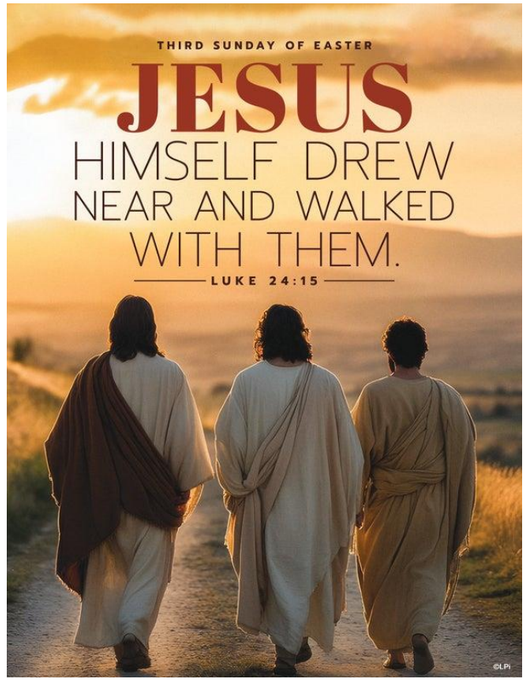
April 19, 2026
3rd Sunday of Easter




| Weekend | Bl. Sac | St. Isaac |
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| Easter | $2,219 | $3,850 |
| 4/5 | $1,573 | XXX |
| 4/12 | $1,044 | $3,731 |
| On Line 3/26 | $812 | $2,302 |

## Ascension Thursday
**May 14th**
**Mass Times**
9:00 am St. Cecilia's
5:00 pm St. Isaac Jogues
6:30 pm Blessed Sacrament

## Vibrancy Checklist for Churches
*Growth & Renewal*

- Is the church attracting new members consistently?
- Are new ministries or initiatives launched regularly?
- Is there evidence of spiritual renewal (testimonies, baptisms, recommitments)?

## Blessed Sacrament

**Intentions & Mass Cards:** Please call Rita Whitney at 518-338-6858
4/19 Anne Helmstetter *Req. Geri Taylor*
4/19 William Orluk *Req. Ellie & Tom Torebka*
4/19 Rosemary & Nick Rausch *Req. Dawn Faller*
4/19 All Souls *Req. The Schuster Family*
4/26 Kathy DeBartolo *Req. Ellie & Tom Torebka*
4/26 Kathy Spahn *Req. Dawn Faller*
4/26 All Souls *Req. The Schuster Family*
4/26 Birthday Wishes for Jack & Beth Evens
*Req. David & Carol Ann Kneeshaw*
**Prayer Intentions:** call Pat Nugent 518-668-2765
**Rosary:** Tuesdays at 9:00 am.
**No Daily Mass or Adoration** Thursday, April 23rd
**Town-Wide Meeting** notes from SWOT, Strength, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats was distributed with this bulletin.
**Coffee Hour:** will be after Mass on April 26th.
**New Trustee:** We are pleased to welcome John Moskov as our new trustee and extend our sincere gratitude to both John and JD Koch for their commitment to serving our parish community.
**Please know** that Fr. John or Barb Carlozzi are available to meet with anyone, most any time, at Blessed Sacrament. Simply call the parish office, and we will be happy to arrange a time to meet.

Diocesan Appeal

**The Diocesan Appeal** supports many vital ministries, including the education and formation of clergy, deacons, and seminarians; chaplaincy programs in hospitals and colleges; and other essential Diocesan Services that help our parishes thrive.

Blessed Sacrament—Assessment: $18,895 (a decrease of $2,175 from last year). **Raised to date *$17,450 with 35 gifts (93% of goal).* That's Awesome! Only $1,445 left to go.**

## Why use envelopes??

**A permanent change to the IRS Charitable Giving Rules starting with the 2026 tax year. The rule allows with documentation:**
**"Non-Itemizer Deduction:** A permanent change allows individuals taking the standard deduction to deduct up to $1,000 if filing singly or $2,000 if filing married filing jointly in cash donations."

We will provide you with that documentation in January each year, upon request, if you use envelopes or pay via VANCO, our on-line giving program. Please talk to Barb in the office. She will set you up!

## St. Isaac Jogues

**Intentions & Mass Cards:** Please call the office 518-824-1176.
4/18 Kathy Barlow McCann *Req. Bernie McCann*
4/19 Carol Schuerlein *Req. Paul Schuerlein*
4/25 & 4/26 Mass Intentions Available
**No Daily Mass** Wednesday, April 22nd
**Cinco de Mayo Sunday, May 3rd**
Tickets are on sale before and after Mass through May 2nd and 3rd or call the office. The cost is $25 for adults and $5 for children 12 and under.
**Town-Wide Meeting** notes from SWOT, Strength, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats was distributed with this bulletin.

**TIME & TALENT MEETING**
A meeting is scheduled for both churches to discuss ministries and explore ways to invite and engage new members. All are welcome and encouraged to share their ideas, gifts, and talents as we grow our parish community together.
Blessed Sacrament will be after the Mass on Sunday, June 14th. St. Isaac Jogues will be after the Mass on Sunday, June 7th.

**Bishop Mark O'Connell**
Bishop Mark O'Connell will be with us on Sunday, July 12th. Mass at St. Isaac Jogues will be celebrated at 8:30 am, and Blessed Sacrament will remain at its usual time of *10:30 am.*
At each of the Time & Talent Meetings, we will also discuss how we can best prepare for his visit.

**St. Cecilia's, Warrensburg**
Tai Chi Classes
Starting, Wednesday, May 13th
7:15 pm

North Country Ministry Spring Fundraiser
Black & White Sneaker Ball
Friday, May 1, 2026, 6-10 PM
Fort William Henry Carriage House
518-623-2829

## Recognizing God in our Ordinary Moments

The road to Emmaus is one of my favorite Gospel stories because it shows a Jesus that is masterful at reaching people. First, when he comes upon those walking on the road, he asks them what they are talking about and then asks them to explain. How often are we too eager to just start talking at people when we feel they need to hear what we have to say? Jesus offers an invitation for them to share first. Allowing them to share first opens them up for what Jesus will do next.

Second, Jesus takes time to interpret for them the words of the prophets. He gave them their turn and now it is his. Not only wise, but a movement of respect. After a long walk, they invite Jesus stay with them and dine. Third and finally, Jesus breaks bread with them and they are able to see that he is no ordinary traveler. He is the risen One. He could have just told them who he was, but allowing them by their experience to uncover who he was had the greater impact.

Jesus demonstrated to us in these actions how to be gracious and impactful when sharing the good news. If we are to be good stewards and fruitful disciples, then we must imitate him in this regard. This Easter season let us practice the following: 1) Allow others first to share what they have to say. 2) Then be willing to take the time to explain fully or to the best of our ability our faith. And 3) help others find a way to experience firsthand the message you have shared. No one can understand love without witnessing love. In this way, your words and deeds will become a pathway to Jesus for others.
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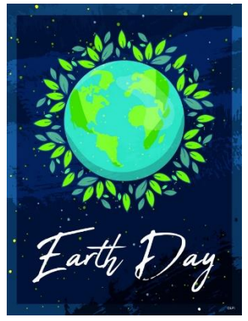


Wednesday, April 22, 2026