

Diocese of Peoria
St. Malachy Church and School

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Solemnity
Of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe
November 26, 2023



Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:15 am and 10:30 am

Reconciliation:

Monday & Tuesday 8:45 am; Thursday 5:00 pm

Saturdays 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

For activities in the Quad Cities, go to:

<http://catholicquadcities.com>

Traveling? www.masstimes.org to find Masses

We warmly welcome new parishioners and invite them to register at the Parish Office. Individuals interested in becoming Catholic may contact Fr. Daniel Gifford or call the Parish Office.

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Prayer Chain:.....Parish Office

Divorced Ministry:.....Shannon Carroll

OICA:.....Deacon Mike Sigwalt

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, November 27

8:00 am Edward VanMeenen +

Weekday

TUESDAY, November 28

8:00 am Justin Francque +

Weekday

WEDNESDAY, November 29

8:00 am Marilyn McGaughy +

9:00 am Earl & Irene Roberts +

Weekday

THURSDAY, November 30

5:45 pm Donald Michael Minnaert +

St. Andrew

FRIDAY, December 1

8:00 am Michael Chavez, Sr +

Weekday

SATURDAY, December 2

8:00 am Jerry Thompson +

5:00 pm People of the Parish

Vigil of the First Sunday of Advent

SUNDAY, December 3

8:15 am Marvin Scranton +

10:30 am Matilda Garza +

First Sunday of Advent

Altar Servers: November 27-December 3

M-T-W: Easton Patterson, Trace Hager

Saturday: 5:00 pm: Declan & Gavin Gillespie

Sunday: 8:15 am: Fitz & Lenna Bolme

Sunday: 10:30 am: Charlie Hone, Everett Haars

St. Malachy Eucharistic Revival Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,
You have made Yourself PRESENT
to us in every age, through the
Holy Eucharist.
Help us to make You more
widely KNOWN,
that You may be greatly LOVED.
Amen.

Area Church Weekend Mass Schedules:

St. Anthony/Atkinson

4:00 pm Saturday

9:30 am Sunday

Sacred Heart/Annawan

8:00 am Sunday

OFFICE HOURS:

**Monday - Wednesday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm,
Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Fridays 8:00 am - 1:00 pm**

*Bulletin articles **MUST** be submitted no later than
Noon on Tuesdays.*

Readings for Sunday, December 3, 2023

First Sunday of Advent

1st Reading: Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7

Oh, that you would rend the heavens and come down!

Responsorial: Psalm 80

R./: "Lord, make us turn to you;

Let us see your face and we shall be saved."

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

We wait for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

*Be watchful! You do not know when
the Lord of the house is coming.*



Come, let us Adore Him

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Adore - Every 1st Wednesday 7:30 pm
Thursday 4:30 pm
(1st Fridays, & 1st Saturdays at 8:30 am)



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, November 27

Eucharistic Adoration 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Parish Council 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm CR

Tuesday, November 28

Eternal Rest Study 9:00 am CR
Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Rm A
Women's Support Group 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Rm C
OCIA 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm CR

Wednesday, November 29

School Mass 9:00 am
K-5 CCD 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm
Oasis 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm YR
Celebration Choir Rehearsal 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Surviving Divorce 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm CR

Thursday, November 30

Eternal Rest Study 6:30 pm CR

Friday, December 1

First Friday Mass & Devotions 8:00 am
Chair Soul Core 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Rm A

Saturday, December 2

First Saturday Mass & Devotions 8:00 am

Sunday, December 3 - First Sunday of Advent

Mass 8:15 am Children's Liturgy of the Word
Parish Council Coffee & Donuts after both Masses
Mass 10:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word
8th & 9th Grade Confirmation Prep 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

O.C.I.A.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Next Session - Tuesday, November 28, 2023 at 6:00 pm
Topic: Overview of the Sacraments

If you or someone you know is interested, please contact
Dcn. Mike Sigwalt (msigwalt23@gmail.com) (309) 502-9243

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

John Poche

Brother of Margaret Pustejovsky

Kenneth Cathelyn

Of our parish



First Lutheran Church will host a free
Community Christmas Dinner
Christmas Day from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
114 E Main St, Geneseo

Our mission is to bring our neighbors and friends
together to celebrate Christ's birth and to extend this meal as
a free gift to our community. We welcome you to join us for
this warm Christmas dinner including:
*turkey, ham, mashed potatoes & gravy, stuffing, green bean
casserole, salads, and special Christmas cookies.*

Home delivery will be provided for to those in
Geneseo/Atkinson/Cambridge communities who are unable to
leave their home. Home or curbside deliveries can be
scheduled by calling the church office at
309-944-3196 by December 23 to reserve meals to be
delivered on December 25.

Thank you! to the faithful parishioners
who kept the lawn in good shape all season.
Your hard work is much appreciated.



A Note From the Pastor



Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

"They set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them... Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread" (Luke 24:33,35). These words from the Easter story told in the Gospel of Luke have been our theme verse for this Year of Missionary Discipleship. The word "year" is a funny word. Scientific insight has led us to think of a year as one revolution of the earth around the sun, which takes approximately 365 days. We usually mark this by the calendar year that begins every January and ends at the end of every December. Yet, we use the word in many different ways. We speak of the calendar year, the fiscal year, and the school year. Within the church, we also use the word in a variety of ways. Primarily we speak of the Church Year, also known as the Liturgical Year (as it is marked by the days, weeks and seasons of the liturgical calendar). As you probably know, this Church Year begins every Advent and ends with the week of Christ the King, which we celebrate this week-end. So, Happy New Year!

And yet, the Pope, bishops and pastors can also declare a specific "year" to focus on a specific theme or aspect of the faith, which can begin or end at any time (although they generally correspond to approximately one year of time). For example, a few years ago, Pope Francis declared a Year of Saint Joseph, beginning on December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021 (thus neither corresponding exactly with either the Church Year or the calendar year). More recently, the bishops of the United States declared a *three-year* Eucharistic Revival, beginning on the Feast of Corpus Christi (June 19) 2022 and ending on Pentecost 2025. Meanwhile, as your pastor, I declared the first year (from Corpus Christi 2022 to Corpus Christi 2023) to be the Year of Presence at Saint Malachy. And this second year, which began on Corpus Christi 2023 and will end on Corpus Christi 2024, is the Year of Missionary Discipleship.

The focus for this "year" can be found in the second part of the Saint Malachy Revival Prayer: *Lord Jesus Christ, You have made Yourself PRESENT to us in every age, through the Holy Eucharist. Help us to make You more widely KNOWN, that You may be greatly LOVED. Amen.* It is also guided by the theme verse, from Luke, which began this letter. This beautiful Easter story tells of two disciples who were on the road to Emmaus, when the Risen Christ came to them and explained to them how all of the Scriptures pointed toward His life, death and resurrection. And yet, they did not recognize Him until the breaking of the bread, which led them to turn around, change directions and go back to Jerusalem to share this good news with the Apostles and those with them. This points to two important realities, which should remain in our hearts and minds this year. First, an encounter with Jesus Christ leads to the impulse to share His Good News with others. It is not meant to be kept to oneself, because His disciples are also given a missionary call. Second, as verse 35 tells us, part of that good news that is meant to be shared includes *"how He was made known to them in the breaking of the bread."* This is how it begins: He makes Himself known to us in the breaking of the bread, in the Holy Eucharist.

This end of the Church Year and beginning of a new one next week serves as a midway point in the Year of Missionary Discipleship. In this second half of the year, I want to focus a bit more on *how He makes Himself known to us in the breaking of the bread.* Next week, I will talk a little bit more about what that will look like in Advent. For now, let us ask Our Lady to help us to keep our hearts open to how the Lord wishes to make Himself known to us, since she's an expert at it. For this, I will close with a part of a prayer taught to me, while I was studying at Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary: *"Help me, O Maria, in each day to make your heart more known. Amen."*

God bless and again, Happy New Year!!!

In Christ through Mary,



Fr. Daniel P. Gifford
St. Malachy, Pray for us

Coffee & Doughnuts

Sunday, December 3
after both Masses

Sponsored by:
Parish Council



Children's Mass:

2nd Sunday of the Month 10:30 am

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

During both Masses on all other Sundays, depending on availability of volunteers.



The social justice committee is collecting Christmas and all-occasion cards for local assisted living and nursing care homes.

Please drop off card donations in the marked box in the narthex through December 10th.



The Rock - Middle School Youth Ministry

Students in grades **6th-8th** are invited and encouraged to attend The Rock, Youth Ministry on Thursday nights from 6:30-8:00 pm



Oasis - High School Youth Ministry

Oasis meets every Wednesday from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Youth Room. We strive to nourish our mind, body, and soul. Growing in community as we walk together to come to know Jesus.



Needed: Saint Malachy School Secretary

7:30 am - 3:30 pm on all school days and other days as needed over the summer break.

For more information please email:
Tim Smith, Principal
tsmith@stmalgeneseo.org



Christmas Mass - Lay Minister Sign Up

Mass Schedule:

Christmas Eve, Sunday

4:00 pm, & 7:00 pm

Christmas Day, Monday

9:00 am

Can you help at our Christmas Masses?

We are in need of: EMHC, Lector, Commentator, Ushers, Greeters and Altar Servers Please call the office to sign up.



Christmas Flowers:

If you would like to donate toward the cost of Christmas flowers in honor of a loved one, please provide their name(s) along with your donation.

Please clearly mark your donation, "Christmas Flowers" and drop in the basket or leave at the Parish Office



EMMAUS KNIGHTS

CALLING ALL 7th-12th GRADE MEN
DECEMBER 3 from 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
2327 W. HEADING AVE, PEORIA, IL

FOOD, FUN, & FAITH
VISIT WWW.COMEANDFOLLOWME.ORG

Help Spread Advent Love to our College Students

The second round of shoeboxes will be sent to the college students the first week of December, to let them know we are thinking of them and praying for them as they prepare for finals.

We have 25 students we will be mailing boxes to. If you are interested in

providing candy, homemade cookies, a Christmas ornament, or a \$5 Heaven Script gift card. Please let Kimberly know by Monday, November 27.





STEWARDSHIP
Managing God's Gifts To Us

Parish Sacrificial Giving:
1% donated to:
Geneseo/Atkinson Food Pantry

Week 21 - November 19, 2023							ADA 2023 (As of October 31st)	
	Weekly Budget	Weekly Actual	Variance	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Variance		
General Collection	\$ 15,000	\$ 12,682	(2,318)	\$ 315,000	\$ 272,088	(42,912)	GOAL	\$ 105,467
School Endowment	\$ 750	\$ 505	(245)	\$ 15,750	\$ 13,265	(2,485)	PLEGGED	\$ 64,685
Paraclete Fund	\$ 750	\$ 550	(200)	\$ 15,750	\$ 11,165	(4,585)	VARIANCE	\$ (40,782)
Capital Improvement	\$ 750	\$ 570	(180)	\$ 15,750	\$ 11,962	(3,788)	COLLECTED	\$ 52,368
Special Collections							VARIANCE	\$ (53,099)
Camp. for Human Development		\$ 225			\$ 350		# of FAMILIES	134
Bishop's Seminarian Appeal		\$ 85			\$ 325			



Upcoming Cursillo Weekends

Men's: February 22-25, 2024
Women's: March 21-24, 2024

For more information visit: <https://nwcursillo.com>



Upcoming TEC Weekends

December 9-11, 2024 (Boys)
February 17-19, 2024 (Girls)
April 20-22, 2024 (Boys)
June 22-24, 2024 (Girls)
August 3-5, 2024 (Boys)
October 5-7, 2024 (Girls)
December 7-9, 2024 (Boys)

For information visit
www.northwest-tec.com



DAILY PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

Please Pray for these Seminarians & read the letter from Bishop Tylka in our Weekly Update or online.

*Jonathan Puckett
Dcn. Jack Swoik
Jack Watt
Mateo Pascual*

*Francis Strong
Isaac Sanders
Jarod Raber
Anthony Willi*

Are you feeling called to serve as a priest or other religious?

If so, contact Fr. Chase Hilgenbrinck:

309-671-1550 or email him: fr_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org

He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body."

Fr. Pakula Memorial Food Pantry Collection

In Memory of Father Pakula, St. Malachy Parish will have a monthly theme to collect items for the Geneseo-Atkinson Food Pantry.

The theme for **November** is:

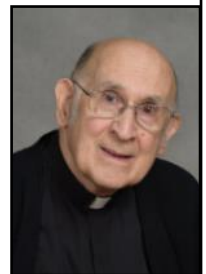
"Baking Products"

Donations needed:

Flour, sugar, vanilla, cocoa powder, baking powder, baking soda, brown sugar, Disposable roasting pans

Items can be placed on the shelves inside the front doors before entering the Narthex.

The current Food Pantry Newsletter can be found on the St. Malachy website, under the heading Parish Life.



St Malachy Memories

In honor of St Malachy School celebrating its centennial year, the hunt was on to find someone with recollections of their early school years. Virginia Vandemore Wachtel is one of the earliest students located. Following are some memories she shared in a memoir to her family.

When I was growing up there was no kindergarten, so I started school in 1934 at 6 years old. I went to St Malachy School. I don't remember how many were in my class, but I think 8 or 10. The Dominican nuns were the teachers, and they had their hands full as none of us knew our colors, numbers, and letters like kids today. First, second, and third grade were in the east room on the first floor and fourth, fifth, and sixth were across the hall. Seventh and eight were upstairs. There was one empty room at that time that was used for storage. The population of Geneseo at the time was only 2,500 – 3,000 so there weren't too many kids. Of course, there was no tuition or anything like that.

It has always been that the nuns favored the boys- or at least it seemed that way to the girls! There was a baseball diamond that the boys could play on, and the girls played in front of the school. We played jacks, hopscotch, jump rope and things like that.

In those days the boys wore knickers to school, but as time went on they switched to corduroys- no jeans; sometimes, the “country boys” would wear overalls. Ugh! The girls did not wear slacks. They were unheard of. We wore long tan cotton stockings and garters that looked like rubber bands! If it was really cold our mothers would make us wear long underwear! By the way, we had to wear long stockings to school *every day- even when it was hot!*

When Father Casey was pastor, I was about 5th grade. He came to the school every morning and checked to see if we had gone to Mass that morning. I always did because I sang in the choir. If you hadn't gone to Mass, you wished you had!! He was a good priest, very outgoing, and really did like the school and all the kids. (During the time he was here there were hard feelings between the Catholics and the public-school kids, so Father would have dances for the high school kids from both schools and they really went over great. I was too young to go but heard great things about it. He really helped get good feelings between all.

When I was about 6th grade, I wanted to have a mirror in the girl's bathroom. Well of

course that was “vanity”. The nuns would not hear of it. My dad had a job as manager of a grocery store where Guzzardos used to be, so he got me an orange box, they were made of wood, and I took that to school and a mirror. Well, I was in trouble, but the “vanity” and mirror stayed.

We always kneeled down to say prayers morning, noon, and after school. Well, most of the kids were poor and only had one pair of shoes. I remember my shoes had a hole in the sole, and I was so embarrassed to kneel down. At that time, you could buy “half soles” that you could put on the bottom of your shoes. Well, they didn’t stick very well. Finally, I did get another pair of shoes. It seemed forever though!

I think we got a good education from the nuns. The St. Malachy kids always did well in high school. When I graduated there were 6 in my class. We all went to high school, and it seemed so big. As a credit to the nuns, most of us were on the honor roll most of the time!

There were no school busses in those days. You walked to school or the country kids’ (there weren’t many of them) parents brought them. When I was in the 8th grade, we had confirmation and graduation within two weeks. It was a very exciting time.

During May we had May crowning of the Blessed Mother. It was an honor to be the one to crown Mary’s statue. You got to wear a long white dress and a long veil. The children of the school would have a procession the church. It was nearly like a wedding. Well, I was chosen to be May Queen. I was thrilled at that. I borrowed a dress; I don’t remember where the veil came from. I still love all the songs we sang for those things.

The whole school would have processions on Holy Thursday and any other time the Sisters could think up.

I sang in the choir from the time I was in 4th grade. This was every day. The girls sang in the choir and the boys had to take turns serving Mass. In the winter when it was cold and in the hot summer, we held Mass in the sister’s chapel. Most of the songs were in Latin. I always get choked up when I hear a Latin song now. It brings back so many memories.

My husband Jamie and I both went to St. Malachy School as did our 4 brothers and 3 sisters, our 5 sons, many nieces and nephews, and grandchildren.



A Joyful Word

December 2023

Kimberly Souba, Director of Religious Education

Advent: The Church's New Year

Happy New Year! Wait...what? It's not January 1 you might say. However, with the start of Advent, the Catholic Church begins a new liturgical year.

Advent is one of two seasons in the Church where it is a time of waiting, preparation, and penance. Lent is the other season.

During the four weeks of Advent, we eagerly anticipate and prepare for the birth of Jesus.

The season of Advent is joyous and hopeful as we light candles, finding warmth in the cold, dark winter days.

There are many traditions that we have during Advent including, but not limited to, the Advent wreath.

The first Sunday of Advent we light the first purple candle on the wreath, which represents *hope*. We hope in anticipation of the birth of Christ but also celebrate the beginning of a new liturgical season.



Purple, the primary color of Advent, symbolizes royalty, the royalty of the king who will soon come.

The second Sunday of Advent we light the second purple candle, representing *peace*. This candle reminds us of Mary and Joseph's journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem before Mary gave birth to Jesus.

The third Sunday of Advent we light the pink candle, symbolizing *joy*. It is also called "Gaudete Sunday" meaning rejoice or praise. As we continue to approach Christmas, our joy grows more and more in anticipation just like the shepherds who journeyed to see Jesus in Bethlehem even before the wise men.

The last Sunday of Advent we light the final purple candle representing *love*, the ultimate love of God that He might send His only Son for us.

Often times we also see an Advent wreath with a white candle in the center. This candle reminds us that Jesus is the spotless lamb of God, sent to wash away our sins. His birth was for his death and his death was for our birth.

As we enter this new year, and the season of Advent, may we do so with hope, peace, joy, and love for all that awaits us in the birth of the Jesus Christ, Our King.



Parish Youth Remembering Others



Photos L to R: Confirmation Prep students collect diapers and baby wipes for the Women's Choice Center; The Rock Youth Ministry make and send cards to homebound parishioners for All Saints' Day; Student pictures on November bulletin board, "Saints in the Making."



"Advent increases our hope, a hope which does not disappoint. The Lord never lets us down." - Pope Francis

Remembering the College Students with Care Packages

Last month we were able to send 18 care packages to college students to let them know that St. Malachy Parish was thinking of them and praying for them. The surprise packages were greatly received.

The boxes were filled with prayer books/cards and other goodies purchased using funds from the Flamingo Fundraiser.

Since those boxes were sent, we have received more names of our college students. It's not too late to submit more names as we begin working on our next distribution in time to receive before they go home for Christmas break.

If you would like to help in this special project, please contact me. Thank you to those who donated shoeboxes.

Important Dates

- Dec. 3 - 6th Grade CCD, Confirmation Prep
- Dec. 6 - CCD, Oasis, Adore
- Dec. 7 - The Rock Shopping Trip 4:30-8 PM
- Dec. 8 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day)
- Dec. 10 - 6th Grade CCD, Rite of Election
8/9th Graders 10:30 AM Mass;
Confirmation Prep
- Dec. 13 - CCD, Oasis
- Dec. 16 - Advent Caroling & Happy Birthday
Jesus Party 1-4 pm (Meet in Parish Hall)
- Dec. 17 - 6th Grade CCD, Confirmation Prep
- Dec. 20 - CCD, Oasis, Combined Youth
Ministry Christmas Party
- Dec. 21 - No Rock Youth Ministry
- Dec. 24 - No 6th Grade CCD, Confirmation
Prep
- Dec. 25 - HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS!!!
- Dec. 27 - NO CCD
- Dec. 28 - No Rock Youth Ministry
- Dec. 31 - No 6th Grade CCD, Confirmation
Prep



Thank you to all who made a donation or pledge to the 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal.

To date we have received **134 donations or pledges totaling \$52,368.00 toward our goal of \$105,467.00.**

No gift is too small as all families are invited to participate. There are pledge cards available in the Narthex.

Together we can meet and exceed our 2023 ADA goal.

Save The Date!

The Catholic Diocese Office of the Tribunal and the Peoria Diocesan Council of Catholic Women
Present:

A Morning of Clarity and Love, Information and Support

Saturday, February 17, 2024, 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
Spalding Pastoral Center
419 NE Madison Ave, Peoria, IL

First Keynote Address: The Church's Response To Abuse, Divorce and The Truth About Annulment followed by breakouts on Abuse, Divorce, & Annulment .

Second Address: Divorce and Abuse by Dr. Emma Bucher, Psy.D., followed by Q&A Breakouts.

Please join us even if these are not part of your experience. As informed Catholics we can bear the truth to others.

St. Malachy Advent Giving Tree

The following is a list of requested items from the **Geneseo/Atkinson Food Pantry** and **Local Students in Need**. We will also be supporting the **New Life for Women Farm, Backpack Blessings, Christian Care in Rock Island, Humility Homes** and **Inspire Continuing Care** with cash and gift card donations.

Items for the Home: Pots and pans, baking dishes, cooking utensils, dish towels, toasters, pillows, king sized sheets, queen sized sheets, blankets, bath towels, washcloths, all purpose cleaner, toilet cleaner, garbage bags - large black or kitchen, gallon freezer bags, quart freezer bags, dish soap, laundry soap, bleach, dryer sheets, and protein packed snacks/granola, individually wrapped snacks, (goldfish, animal crackers, cookies, fruit snacks)

Personal Care: Shaving cream, razors, toilet paper, Q-tips, cotton balls, mouthwash, denture adhesive, denture cleaner, pain relievers, antacid, cold medicine, Neosporin, Band Aids, tampons, Poise pads, teen size pads/panty liners, Diapers (especially size 4,5 and 6), baby wipes, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, lotion, deodorant, hairbrushes, acne face wash, hair scrunchies, hair ties, hair bows, lip balm, journals, pens, stuffed animals, headphones, reusable water bottles, cough drops, Life Saver Mints

Clothing: Youth Sweatpants, Socks and underwear (kids & adults), tennis shoes (kids & adults), winter boots (kids & adults), hats, scarves, gloves

Gift Cards: Casey's, Walmart, Fareway, Target, Marshall's, Farm & Fleet, McDonalds, and Hy-Vee Dollar Fresh Market

Please put donations under the Advent Giving Tree by Sunday, December 17th.

Financial donations are also appreciated. Please put your donation in a marked envelope, and bring it to the church office.

Thank you from the Social Justice Committee.



Giving Tree

**Tired of crowds at the stores?
 Stressing over “the hard to buy for” person on your list?
 DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING
 AT ST. MALACHY**

Did you know that St. Malachy School and Parish carry a variety of different gift cards? For every gift card we sell, the parish and school receive a percentage of the total sale. You may buy them for gifts or use them yourself at the store when you are shopping. Gift cards may be purchased after every weekend Mass in the narthex or during the week in the parish office. Save yourself the time and headache of fighting the crowds & pick up your holiday gift cards at St. Malachy.

Ideas & Suggestions

Children & Young Adults:

Local Motive Aeropostale American Eagle Roblox Bath & Body Works
 Gap/Old Navy Barnes & Nobles Target Amazon.com
 Best Buy Gas Cards PetSmart
 Dick’s Sporting Goods Walmart Disney

Men:

Farm & Fleet Geneseo Super Wash Lowes Menards The Home Depot Scheels
 Cabella’s Dick’s Sporting Goods Bass Pro Shop REI Dunham Sports

Women:

Kohls JC Penney CJ Nails L.L. Bean Lands End Bed, Bath & Beyond
 Dillard’s T.J. Maxx Jo-Ann Fabrics Visa NOSH Airline/Hotels

Restaurants/Grocery

Fareway Cellar Sweet Peas Culver’s Dairy Queen Applebee’s Dunkin
 Outback Steak House Cracker Barrel Texas Roadhouse TGI Fridays
 Red Lobster Panera Olive Garden Buffalo Wild Wings Arby’s Chili’s
 IHOP Happy Joe’s Starbucks Pizza Hut Wendy’s Subway



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