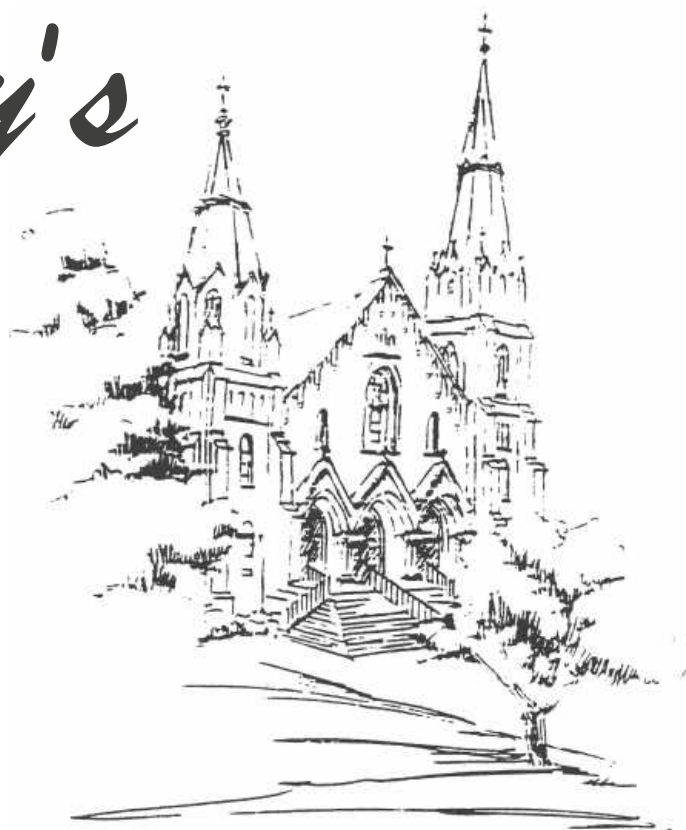


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Eucharistic Liturgies

Weekend Mass Saturday Vigil 5:15 PM
 Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM
Weekday Mass Wednesday – Friday 7:00 AM
 Saturday 8:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 – 4:45 PM

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the parish office to make arrangements. Baptisms normally take place on the first and third Sundays at 11:30 AM.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married are asked to schedule an appointment with Fr. Croghan at least 6 months before the desired date. Wedding dates cannot be scheduled over the phone. One of the parties being married and/or their parents must be registered members of St. Mary's (Pre-marriage instruction is required).

Prayer Line

If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, please call Margaret – 853-5280, or Pat – 853-5229.

New Parishioners

Welcome! Please introduce yourself after Mass. We invite you to become an active member of our parish community. Please call the parish office to register.

Bulletin Deadline

All announcements for the bulletin should be in writing and submitted to the parish office by Monday noon.



Dear Padre

Why don't young people take Catholic teaching seriously?

My grandson went to Mass and had religious instruction every week. His parents were practicing Catholics, and I'm sure he was taught that missing Mass and not following Catholic teaching are serious sins. He's now 25, doesn't go to Mass, and lives with his girlfriend. He honestly doesn't think he's doing anything wrong, and my friends tell me this is common in that generation. Why doesn't his generation take Catholic teaching as seriously as my generation did?

Esther

Dear Esther,

They just don't get it. It's not that your grandson has completely forgotten what his Church and his parents taught him, but look at his experience and the experience of many other 25-year-olds. He has thrown away his Catholic faith and the commandments, but the sun hasn't fallen on his head, a pretty girl has moved in with him, and another weekend is coming up!

Trouble is, next year he'll be 26. He and his world will be losing a pagan paradise that works only for those who have health and looks and money and youth.

What he was taught is still with him somewhere. He is baptized a child of God. His faith may seem to have flown away, but it may not have. God gave him faith through baptism, and God's gifts are forever - if and when your grandson chooses to accept them, they'll be there.

Keep loving and praying for your grandson. Keep celebrating how real and more real your faith is to you. He'll see that. Surely, he already does.

John Hamrogue, CSSR
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Saturday, February 11 - Vigil Mass

5:15 PM Elizabeth Stefanik
by the Schreppel Family

Sunday, February 12 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Deborah Carrier Preu by Gail Lawton
10:30 AM Mary Ann O'Neill
by the Jama Family

Wednesday, February 15

7:00 AM All Souls Day Intentions

Thursday, February 16

7:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Family

Friday, February 17 - The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

7:00 AM Kathy Diliberto by Her Family

Saturday, February 18

8:00 AM - Betty Buckley
by Kevin & Laura Griffin
5:15 PM - Vigil Mass Eric Bolan by His Family

Sunday, February 19 - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Ernest Stricker (30 day) by His Family
10:30 AM Albert Griffin (2nd) by His Family

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Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 2-18-2012

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Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
8:00 AM (2/18)	NO SERVERS		
5:15 PM (2/18)	Abby Hyde, LeeAnn Chesebro & Grace Collins	MaryLou Lauchert	Host - Sue King & Elizabeth Tantillo Cup - Annette Foley, Mary Paul, Ann Wilkinson & Ann Debraggio
8:00 AM (2/19)	Connor, Tyler & Nicholas Frank	Anna Berney	Host - Mike Howard & Carole Byrne Cup - Joe & Tina Lallier, Jerry & Pat Dawes
10:30 AM (2/19)	Rick Heintz, Jesse & Jacob Dombrowski	Karen Brewer	Host - Ani Sojda & Manuel Teodoro Cup - Maryalice Hogan, Mary Stuttard, Joanne Joseph & Michele Beach

Faith Formation

High School Classes meet this week, Sunday, February 12th. 9th Grade 6:30-8 PM, 10th, 11th and 12th graders are invited to Mr. Hunt's discussion 6:30-7:30 PM.

Grades 1-8 will meet at their regular times.

In this week of St. Valentine's Day, some classes are making cards to be distributed to the homebound and veterans, sharing God's love and touching people's lives in way that they may not be able to actually see, but can certainly sense.

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Your children, grades K-5, are invited to join in Liturgy of the Word for Children at the 10:30 AM Mass this Sunday. Next session February 26.

The Country Pantry

Thank you, thank you for your generous response to our Soup'er Bowl Sunday collection. We received over 300 cans of soup and chili to be used in our next distribution on February 28th. At the present time, we are serving approximately 149 families (500 people) at our distributions and are grateful for your support. In our Soup'er Bowl, everyone wins!

A Family Perspective

Family life is about decisions. The leper in today's gospel knew this when he said to Jesus, "If you will, you can make me clean." Jesus knew this when he said, "I do will it." Love is not an emotion. It is a decision to be with and for another person in "good times and bad," even when we don't feel like it.

Third Thursday

The Third Thursday Group will meet February 16th. We start in church at 12:15 PM with a communion service. Following the service, we go to the basement for socializing. Bring your own bag lunch. Dessert and beverage provided. All adults welcome. Come meet some new friends.

Ignite 2012 Catholic Men's Conference

To all men of the parish, join over 1,000 men of the diocese on Saturday, March 31, at the new SRC Arena & Event Center in Syracuse for an amazing day that could change your life. Register for the IGNITE 2012 Catholic Men's Conference and hear from Major League Baseball great Mike Piazza, Entrepreneur/Businessman Sean O'Hara and author, SKY News/CNN commentator Fr. Thomas Williams. Fee \$45 if registered by March 5. Includes Lunch. For information or to register online go to www.ignitecatholicmen.org. Questions - contact Michael Jeffery at 853-4412.

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection	\$7,553.00
Faith Formation.....	5.00
School Assessment	35.00
Country Pantry	190.00
Memorial Fund.....	177.00
Fuel.....	70.00

2011 Tax Statement

For a statement of your 2011 donations for tax purposes, please put a note on your envelope, drop a note in the collection basket, or call the parish office at 853-2935, Monday-Friday, 10-3 PM.

FYI - only contributions made directly to St. Mary's Church will be reported on the statement. Checks made out to Country Pantry or HOPE Appeal were forwarded directly to them and your thanks was your receipt

Good News Foundation

For information on upcoming programs being held at the Good News Foundation, Utica, contact Tanya/Program Coordinator at (315)735-6210 ext. 234 or www.thegoodnewscenter.org.

Operation Rice Bowl

Last year we were able to fund the following programs through Operation Rice Bowl: Brady Faith Center, Syracuse; St. Malachy's Food Pantry, Sherburn; Fabius/Pompey Outreach; Cortland/Chenango Rural Services and the emergency services of the six regional offices of Catholic Charities.

Hospice Training

Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc. needs volunteers to work with patients and families in your own area, participate in bereavement support activities, help in The Siegenthaler Center, and assist in the office.

Spring Hospice Training Dates: Thursdays, April 12 - May 10, in New Hartford, 6:15-9:15 PM.

Pre-registration and interview required by March 23. Contact Kate Doran, Volunteer/Bereavement Services Supervisor, at 735-6487, ext. 240 or visit www.hospicecareinc.org.

Registration In Our Parish

Name: _____
 Address: _____
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