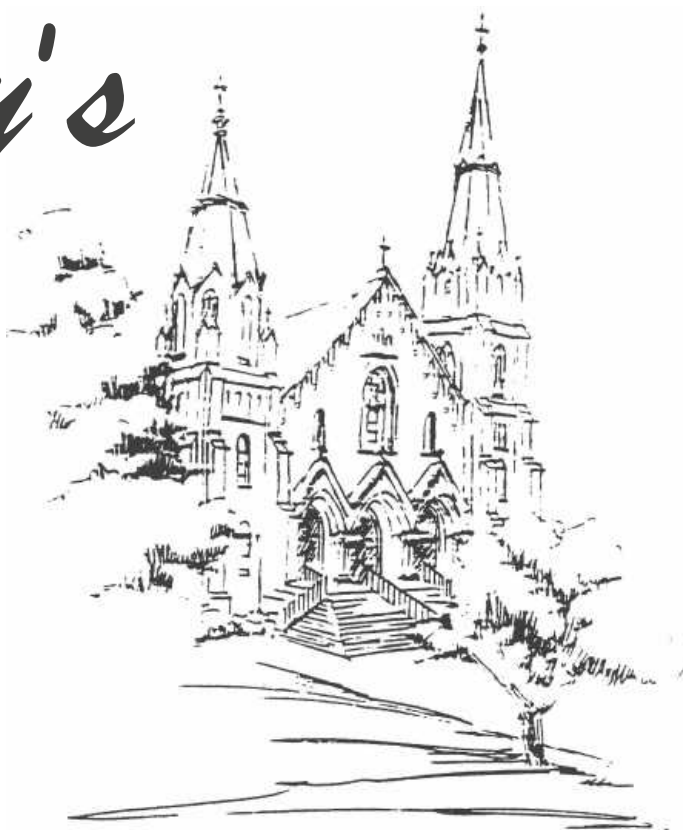


June 3, 2012

St. Mary's Parish

**13 Marvin Street
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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

We joyfully welcome all into our Church family through this sacrament. Parents are asked to please call the rectory 853-2935 to make arrangements. Baptismal preparation meetings are held with the Baptismal Team the first Sunday of the month at 9 AM at St. Mary's School.

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

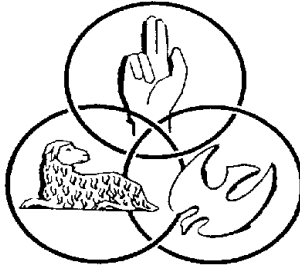
If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, please call Margaret – 853-5280, or Pat – 853-5229.

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.



Saturday, June 2 - Vigil Mass
 5:15 PM Catherine Dawes (1st) by Mary & Larry Combs

Sunday, June 3 - The Most Holy Trinity
 8:00 AM For the People of the Parish
 10:30 AM Leo J. Crane, Jr. by Ed & Dorothy Buckley

Wednesday, June 6 - St. Norbert
 7:00 AM Andy Fobes (12th) by His Family

Thursday, June 7
 7:00 AM Catherine Davies (51st)
 by Carol & Bernie Burns

Friday, June 8
 7:00 AM Alice Burns (51st)
 by Bernie & Carol Burns

Saturday, June 9
 8:00 AM Linda Schachtler Vesley
 by the Kurt Schachtler Family
 5:15 PM - Vigil Mass - Lewis Balon (16th)
 by His Family

**Sunday, June 10 - The Most Holy
 Body and Blood of Christ**
 8:00 AM Loretta Kaido by Her Family
 10:30 AM Anthony Gurdo, Sr. by His Family

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DECEASED, HOSPITALIZED,
 SICK & SHUT-INS OF OUR PARISH**

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 6-9
 Dee & Deb Gurdo

dear Padre

June 3, 2012

"So that we might become God"?

I cracked open my *Catechism* the other day and came across the following puzzling quote: "For the Son of God became Man so that we might become God" (460). Does the Church really teach that we can become God?

Joshua

Dear Joshua,

The Church teaches that through Christ and the sharing of his Spirit, we can become such intimate participants in God's life that we are fully united with our Lord and Father. One way of talking about this is through the language of divinization. That's what you came across in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. The concept of *divinization*—human beings "becoming God"—is one the Church took on strongly during its first few centuries of life, and it continues to be a way to understand God's saving grace.

You can hear the language of divinization used regularly in the writings of many Church Fathers, early significant teachers of the faith like Saint Athanasius, whom the *Catechism* quotes in this passage. Divinization talk might sound odd to some Roman Catholic ears, but it is a traditional Christian way of speaking about growth in holiness and salvation that is kept alive vibrantly in the Eastern Byzantine branches of Christ's Church.

Only God can ultimately be God, but in Christ we've been offered a participation in God's life that can so thoroughly transform us, change us, and unite us with God that it is appropriate to speak of our being "divine."

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Liturgical Ministers

Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
8:00 AM (6/8)	NO SERVERS		
5:15 PM (6/8)	J.P. Wade, Kate Schlosser & Marilyn Cirrincione	Jim Winkler	Host - Mary Lou Lauchert & Barb Blatz Cup - Tim Lashinger, Mary Paul Barb Bohrer & Elizabeth Tantillo
8:00 AM (6/9)	Jenny Maxam, Madeline Krasniak & Meradith Thayer	Ron Roback	Host - Tina & Joe Lallier Cup - Bob Burns, Ed Kaido, Jeanne Roback & Mike Howard
10:30 AM (6/9)	Ricky Heintz, Will Eisenhut & Jesse Dombrowski	Mike Cosgrove	Host - Maryalice Hogan & Sister Johanne Cup - Karen Brewer, Michele Beach, Don & Jane Conniff

Faith Formation

We are called by Jesus to draw others to the family of God, sharing Jesus' message with those around us. As we begin to plan for the new school year, our need for volunteers is ever growing. Would you consider giving 2 or 3 hours a month to sharing your faith with our young people? If you need information to help make this decision, please contact Mary Lou Lauchert at faithformation@stmarys-clinton.com or 853-7631.

TGIF (Teens Gathered in Faith) Youth Group

The next meeting will be Sunday, June 10, 6:30 PM. Plans for our summer activity will be discussed. All high school teens are invited, so please come check us out.

St. James' Rite 13 (middle school group) and TGIF will be sponsoring a family game night here at St. Mary's Friday, June 15. Wiffle ball, gym activities or board games will be available. Refreshments will be served. Come for a carefree evening of recreation.

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 next Sunday. Next session 6/24.

Ice Cream Social and Bake Sale

St. Mary's Hearts and Hands will be having an Ice Cream Social Sunday, June 17, after the 10:30 AM Mass in the school gym. Won't you come and bring Dad (since it is Father's Day) so he can enjoy a "sundae" also. We will also be having a Bake Sale with the proceeds going to the Country Pantry for back to school supplies. If you are able to bake for this sale, please bring your baked goods to the school gym on Saturday, June 15 after 4 PM. The bake sale will be after all Masses and coffee will be served after the 8 AM Mass only. So please mark your calendars to join your parish community for this Ice Cream Social as well as to purchase your favorite baked goodie for a very worthwhile cause.

Safe Environment Program - Did You Know?

Parents and guardians play a key role in the success of parish programs for young people. Parents and guardians who are involved in parish programs and events will be in the best position to protect their own children as well as all the children in the parish community. Involvement and communication are important factors in helping to ensure safe environments for all of our children.

Baptized in Christ

We welcome the following children to our Catholic faith: Hodey Jon Davison, son of Jon & Stacy, Khloe Lynn Davis, daughter of Sarah, and Andrew John Williams, son of Gregory and Rebecca.

Please keep these children in your prayers.

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection	\$5,603.50
Holy Day.....	26.00
Faith Formation.....	110.00
School Assessment.....	25.00
Country Pantry	30.00
Memorial Fund.....	140.00
Diocesan Collections.....	96.00

Second Collection Next Weekend

The annual Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) will be taken up at Masses next weekend. (2nd Sunday of June) Thank you for your continued support.

HOPE Appeal

Thank you to our generous parishioners who have made a pledge to the annual HOPE Appeal. So far we have received \$10,520 in pledges towards our assessed goal of \$31,181 - only \$20,661 to go!

Completed pledges may be placed in the collection basket mailed or dropped off at the parish office. Thanks to all of you who are returning your pledge cards this weekend. Extra envelopes are available next to the bulletins. You can also make a secure online gift or pledge at www.syrdio.org.

The Country Pantry

The **Kid's Pak** bags are available in the pamphlet rack at the back of church through June and July. Our first distribution will be June 26. We encourage you to take a bag and fill it with the items listed on the outside of the bag. We need to fill 175 bags for each distribution in June, July and August. If you prefer to donate just some of the items listed on the bag, please place them in a separate plastic grocery bag. Please do not include outdated items as we cannot use them. Hunger never takes a vacation. Thank you!

Attention Gardeners

The flowers have been planted. Once again we need your help to care for them during the hot summer months. There is a sheet in the back entrance of the Church for you to sign up for a week to water and weed our garden. If you have any questions, please call Terry Howard at 853-2886. Thank you for your help.

Area Events

6/5, 6 PM, Utica College - Hospice Butterfly Release Celebration. Music/refreshments. \$25/butterfly or 5/\$100. Info, 735-6487 ext. 238.

6/6, 5-8 PM - Burger & Dog Night at the American Legion Post 232 (Wednesdays 6/6 - 9/5)

6/9, 8-1 PM - Blood Drive in the community room, Martin Luther Home Building.

6/9, Village Storytelling Festival, Village Green

6/10, 10-3 PM - Clinton Fire Department's Cruise In and Chicken BBQ in the Clinton Village Park.

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