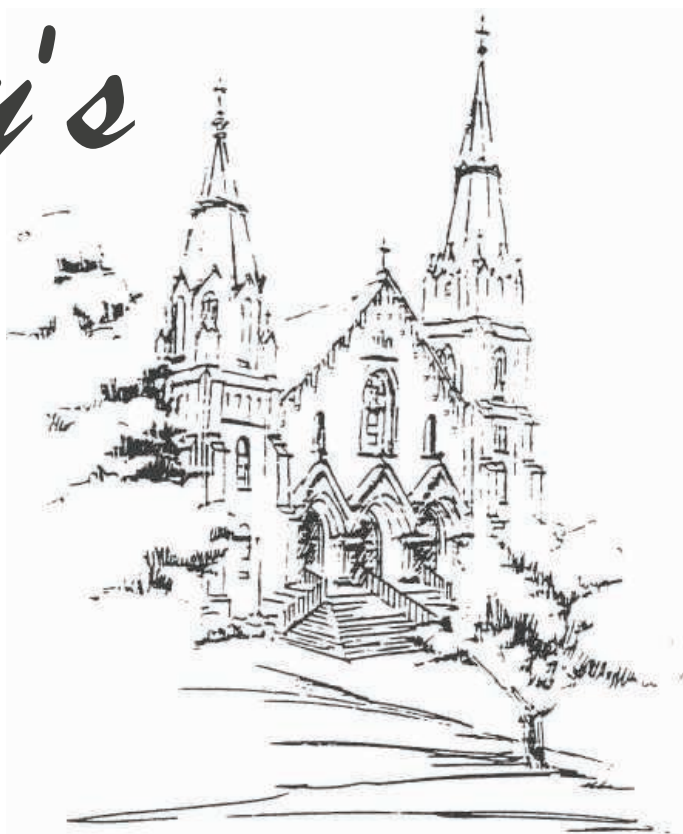


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Eucharistic Liturgies

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

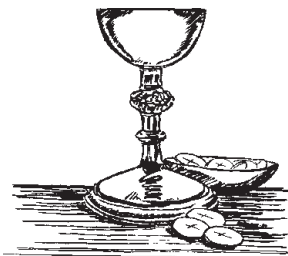
If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, please call Margaret – 853-5280, or Pat – 853-5229.

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 16 - Vigil Mass

5:15 PM M/M Vincent Calidonna by Their Family

Sunday, June 17 - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Michael Buckley by His Family

10:30 AM John Pandolfi (30th) by the Feola Family

Wednesday, June 20

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

Thursday, June 21 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga

7:00 AM Marie Lafountain

by Mrs. Evelyn Gonyo & Tim

Friday, June 22 - Sts. Paulinus of Nola,

John Fisher & Thomas More

7:00 AM Vincent & Sadie Fagan by Carol Ann Byrne

Saturday, June 23

8:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Family

5:15 PM - Vigil Mass - Patricia Haight by Steve Vangura

Sunday, June 24 - The Nativity of St. John The Baptist

8:00 AM Dorothy Ronning Hinde by Her Family

10:30 AM Linda Marsh by Carla & Don Barrett

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 6-23

Sandy & Marilyn Cirrincioni

Good News!

June 17, 2012

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ez 17:22-24 / 2 Cor 5:6-10 / Mk 4:26-34

Throughout my pregnancy, friends shared books describing the week-by-week growth of a fetus. One week the eyelashes are developing, another week the fingernails are fully grown, another week thumb-sucking has begun.

It's fascinating to envision what's occurring within your growing belly. Of course, these books are careful to note that every baby's development is different. Some babies kick harder, some develop faster. As much as we know about fetal development, each child's growth in the womb is still a mysterious, unique process.

Jesus speaks about this kind of mysterious growth in the Gospel today when he compares the growth of the reign of God to agricultural growth. Obviously a farmer scatters seed, cares for it, and harvests it, but how it grows from seed to plant is a mystery the farmer cannot see. It happens underground, known only to God. The mustard seed is a similar mystery—it's a very tiny seed, but it grows into a very large plant. We know it happens and we know how to help it grow, but the actual growing process is mysterious and hidden.

The reign of God in our hearts follows the same pattern. It's a unique collaboration between our efforts and the slow, mysterious work of God. We have to practice patterns of prayer, openness to the Spirit, and gentleness of heart. And then God does the mysterious work of growth—drawing us close and nurturing us with love. As with each unique fetus, the growth is different—we can't look at someone else and berate ourselves for not being as holy as she or as spiritually developed as he.

God takes us where we are and grows us at a pace that is ours alone.

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Liturgical			
Time	Altar Servers	Lect	
8:00 AM (6/23)	NO SERVERS		
5:15 PM (6/23)	Samantha Gaffney, Taylor & Kendell Arndt	Jim Winkler	Host - Colleen Kannianen & Karen Brewer Cup - Ann Wilkinson, Sister Johanne, Steve & Beth May
8:00 AM (6/24)	Tyler, Connor & Nicholas Frank	Steve Clark	Host - Jeanne Roback & Mike Howard Cup - Ed Kaido, Bob Burns, Joe & Tina Lallier
10:30 AM (6/24)	Cheyenne Eisenhut, Meradith Thayer & Will Eisenhut	John Burdick	Host - Carol Fobes & Maryalice Hogan Cup - Joanne Joseph, Michele Beach, Manuel Teodoro & Mary Stuttard

**Happy Fathers Day to
Our Dads, Grandfathers and "Special" Dads.
Thank you for all you do for us!**

Faith Formation

When we walk by faith we are mindful that it is God's plan for our life we are following. By being open and accepting of God's will we are able to truly blossom into the person we were meant to be.

We are always looking for volunteers for our program. If you are interested and have 2-3 hours a month you could donate to our children, please contact Mary Lou Lauchert at faithformation@stmarys-clinton.com. Thank you!

TGIF (Teens Gathered in Faith) Youth Group

Plans are underway for a summer outing. Mr. & Mrs. Jeffery will be in contact by email. If you have not made it to a meeting yet or would like to get in on the fun action, please contact Mary Lou Lauchert ASAP.

Our first family fun evening in conjunction with St. James Episcopal Church was held Friday evening. What a fun night and very inspirational to see families gathered for this event!

The Country Pantry

Happy Father's Day to all the fathers and grandfathers of the St. Mary's community from your friends and neighbors at the Country Pantry!

Our first distribution of Kid's Paks is on Tuesday, June 26. We thank all those who have already returned their filled bags. We will continue to collect the bags throughout the summer for distribution on July 24 and August 28. Bags are still available on the pamphlet rack in the back of church. Thanks for all you do.

Enjoy your day, dads and grandpas. God bless!

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

(Do you know anyone??)

..Who have never been baptized?

..Who have been baptized in the Catholic Faith; but have not received the sacraments of Confirmation and/or First Communion?

..Who have been baptized in another faith tradition and desires to become Catholic?

..Who have questions about becoming Catholic

The RCIA is:

A sacramental process of preparation and formation for adults, youths and children. Initiation into the mysteries of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

A gradual process that takes place within the community of the faithful.

A spiritual journey for those responding to the many forms of God's grace.

If you know of anyone, please invite him/her to call Sister Johanne at the Parish House, 853-1849. A new program will be starting in September.



Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection	\$5,597.00
Holy Day.....	120.00
School Assessment	61.00
Country Pantry	45.00
Memorial Fund.....	28.00
Diocesan Collections.....	436.00

Second Collection Next Weekend

The annual Peter's Pence collection will be taken up at Masses next weekend. Help our Pope give aid to Dioceses and religious communities in need around the world. Thank you!

HOPE Appeal

Thank you to our generous parishioners who have made a pledge to the annual HOPE Appeal. So far we have received \$22,015 in pledges towards our assessed goal of \$31,181 - only \$9,166 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.syrдио.org.

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Your children, grades K-5, are invited to join in Liturgy of the Word for Children next Sunday, June 24 at the 10:30 AM Mass. This is the last session for the school year.

Ice Cream Social and Bake Sale

There will be an Ice Cream Social after the 10:30 AM Mass this Sunday, June 17, along with a bake sale after all Masses.



Won't you stop by the school gym to purchase your favorite baked goodie because all proceeds will benefit the Country Pantry for back to school supplies. Coffee will be server after the 8 AM Mass only.

Third Thursday Group

The Third Thursday Group will meet this Thursday, June 21. We gather in church at 12:15 PM for a communion service. Bring a bag lunch and come to the basement after the service for socializing. Dessert and beverage provided. When you come the 21st, bring a picture of yourself (unlabeled) from your youth (birth to about 20 years old) for a game we are playing.

A Family Perspective

Parenting is a lot like the story of the farmer in the gospel parable today. All growth is the Lord's work. We have no control over the process. In fact, the farmer doesn't even understand it, for the seed grows even when he sleeps. As parents, we can influence our children but nothing we do can guarantee results.

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