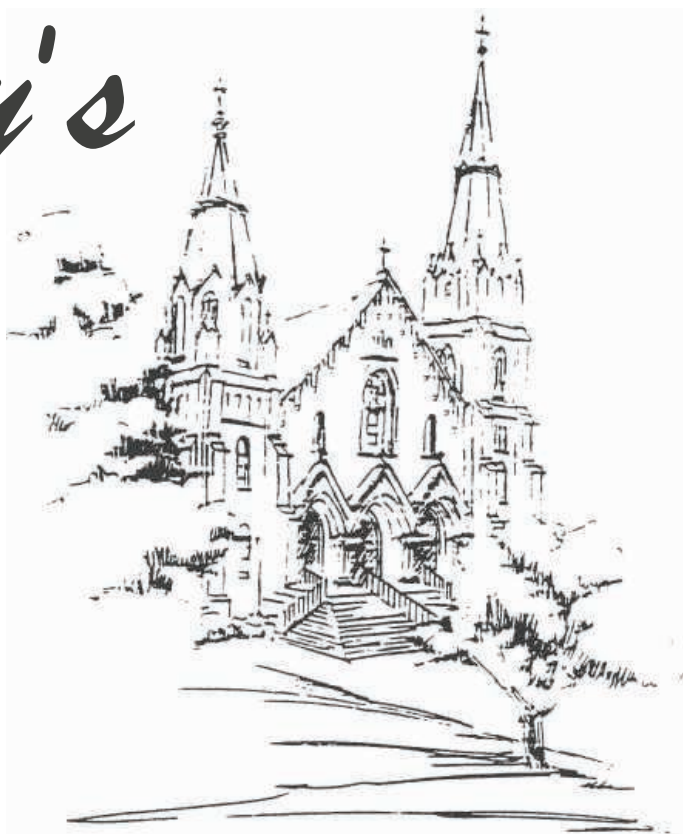


# St. Mary's Parish

**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, September 22 - Vigil Mass**  
 5:15 PM Don & Helen Hamlin by Carol Fobes  
**Sunday, September 23 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 AM Frank Owens by His Family  
 10:30 AM Anthony Veschusio by Wife, Angela  
**Wednesday, September 26 - Sts. Cosmas & Damian**  
 7:00 AM John & Kathleen Wilkinson by Ann  
**Thursday, September 27 - St. Vincent de Paul**  
 7:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Family  
**Friday, September 28 - Sts. Wenceslaus & Lawrence Ruiz**  
 7:00 AM For the People of the Parish  
**Saturday, September 29 - Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael**  
 8:00 AM Anne Gale by  
 Rich & Bonnie Maxam & Family  
 5:15 PM - Vigil Mass - Susan Madore Knodel  
 by Joyce & Denny Bojdak  
**Sunday, September 30 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 8:00 AM Jean Ahearn by Gail Lawton  
 10:30 AM Linda Knepka by Tom Waters

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 SICK & SHUT-INS OF OUR PARISH**

**Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 9-29**  
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# Good News!

**September 23, 2012**  
**Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Wis 2:12, 17-20 / Jas 3:16-4:3 / Mk 9:30-37

The day will come when an instruction I give my daughter—"Please make your bed," "Don't forget your lunch money," or "Stop hitting your brother over the head"—will go in one ear and out the other: Five minutes later the bed will be unmade, the lunch money forgotten, the brother still getting a bruising. I'm sure most parents have wondered how their child can misunderstand perfectly clear instructions.

I imagine Jesus felt similarly about his disciples in today's Gospel. Jesus teaches about his suffering and death—a time of utter vulnerability and humiliation. Yet not moments later, his disciples are arguing about who is the greatest—as if they hadn't heard anything he said. He must have been shocked. But as a good teacher, he reiterates his message with an example. He brings a child forth and actually identifies himself with the child. "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me."

In Jesus' time, those who were dependent and couldn't provide for themselves had no social status or importance. Children fall into that category. Jesus claimed to be one of the vulnerable and dependent—in stark contrast to his disciples' arguments about who is the greatest.

Today, who are the vulnerable people Jesus identifies with? Perhaps a single parent who relies on the welfare system for survival. Perhaps a lonely elderly woman plagued with illness in a nursing home. Perhaps the man who's a regular at your parish's food pantry. Do we recognize Jesus in these people, or do we dismiss them as burdensome to society as we seek more for ourselves?

Does Jesus need to reiterate his message to us again, just as he did to his disciples?

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Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
8:00 AM (9/29)	Joseph Pascucci & Ricky Heintz		
5:15 PM (9/29)	J.P. Wade, LeeAnn Chesebro & New Server	Bill Waldron	Host - Elizabeth Tantillo & Ann Wilkinson Cup - Barb Bohrer, Bob McQueen, Pearl Gapp & Ron Newman
8:00 AM (9/30)	Jenny Maxam, Madeline Krasniak & Ricky Heintz	Ron Roback	Host - Ed Kaido & Chris Kielar Cup - Mike Howard, Jeanne Roback, Joe & Tina Lallier
10:30 AM (9/30)	J. Slawson, Connor & Tyler Frank	John Burdick	Host - Don & Jane Conniff Cup - Michele Beach, Anita Fitzgerald, Karen Brewer & Maryalice Hogan

**Faith Formation**

Well, we are off and running with a wonderful start to our new year. Thank you to Mr. Shawn Ingalls who has stepped forward as a teacher and Shaelyn Winkler as an aid on Wednesday evenings! We still need a teacher or at least someone willing to substitute on Monday mornings. Classes are from 7:45-8:45 AM. Please contact Mary Lou Lauchert at 853-7631 for more information.

**Next Sunday**

Confirmation Retreat for 10th Graders, 10:30 Mass - 5 PM.  
9th Grade Parent Meeting, 6:30-8 PM in the school gym.

**TGIF (Teens Gathered in Faith) Youth Group**

Our group is growing!! Regular meetings and activities will begin in October. Brochures with the year's schedule are available in the information panel at the back of church.

**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 10/14)

**The Country Pantry**

At present we are in need of shampoo, dish soap and laundry detergent. We can also use any canned or non-perishable food items. Our distribution this month is on Tuesday, September 25. Thank you for all that you do to assist our needy families in the Clinton-Clark Mills-Westmoreland area.. God bless!

**A Family Perspective**

Disagreements are common in families. But what would you say if Jesus posed the same question "What are you arguing about?" Is it silly and petty? Is it an attempt to impose your will and control on another. Today, Jesus tells us and his disciples to give it up. We are meant to serve each other, not control.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Prayer Shawl Ministry will resume meeting for 2012-2013 on the fourth Thursday of the month, beginning September 27, at 28 Utica Street, at 7 PM. We meet in prayer and fellowship, working on our knitting or crocheting projects. Anyone interested in joining, please contact Roseann Suhr at 853-2029.

**Collection for Last Weekend**

Ordinary Collection .....	\$5,637.50
Holy Day.....	1.00
Faith Formation.....	260.00
School Assessment .....	16.00
Country Pantry .....	25.00
Memorial Fund.....	520.00
Diocesan Collections.....	614.00

**Permanent Diaconate**

There will be a seminar for men interested in the Permanent Diaconate Sunday, September 30, at Holy Cross, Dewitt. For more information, see Father.

**Come Join the Dorcas Group**

The Dorcas Group of St. Thomas Church sews dresses for children in Haiti. They meet on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month, 9-noon, at St. Thomas Church, New Hartford.

Everyone is welcome. If you don't know how to sew, they will teach you. If you can't come but would like to work from home, they will provide materials. For more information, please call Michelle Bennett at 542-6917.

**Good News Foundation**

For information on upcoming events taking place at the Good News Foundation, call (315)735-6210 (www.thegoodnewscenter.org).

**Hospice & Palliative Care Bereavement Groups**

For information on Bereavement Support Groups (Grief 101, Spousal Loss, Adult Parental Loss, Pet Loss, Passages, What About Me, Children & Grief, Young Widows, Suicide, Coping with Holidays, etc.) call (315) 735-6484 (www.hospicecareinc.org)

**Area Events**

9/23, noon until gone - Clinton VFW Chicken & Biscuit Dinner & Dance. Dinner until gone, dance 2-5 PM. Combo price \$13, dinner alone \$8, dance (Nelson Brothers) \$6. Call 853-6822 for information.

**Registration In Our Parish**

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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