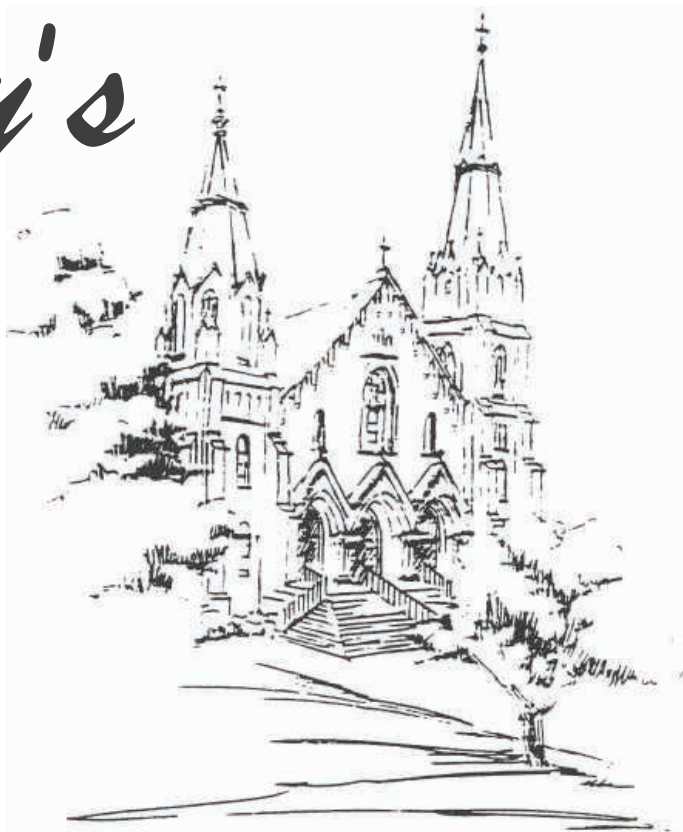


St. Mary's Parish

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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 29 - Vigil Mass

5:15 PM 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 Knepek by Tom Waters

Wednesday, October 3

7:00 AM Dorothy Ronning Hide by Ann Wilkinson

Thursday, October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

Friday, October 5

7:00 AM Leo J. Crane, Jr. by Michael & Andrea Buckley

Saturday, October 6

8:00 AM Don Hamlin by Ann & Kevin Kearney
5:15 PM - Vigil Mass - Anthony Veschusio
by wife, Angela

**Sunday, October 7
- 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM Bob Sheridan by Pat
10:30 AM Marie Lafountain
by Grandsons - Cale, Cam & Caden Engle

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 10-6

Sally Glouse & Sue King

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection	\$5,227.00
Faith Formation.....	410.00
School Assessment	31.00
Country Pantry	25.00
Memorial Fund.....	80.00
Diocesan Collections.....	5.00

Second Collection Next Weekend (10/7)

The annual Respect Life collection will be taken up at Masses next weekend. Many thanks for your continued generosity!

A Family Perspective

The words in today's gospel, "Whoever gives a cup of water in the name of Christ will not lose their reward" hits us at home. As parents we gain our "reward" when we bring water to a frightened child in the middle of the night, or Kool Aid to parched five-year olds, or hold ice chills to the fevered lips of a spouse. It is that simple and that sacred. In our homes, we give until it hurts "in the name of Christ."

The Country Pantry

With increasing demands on our resources, we find ourselves in short supply of many necessary items. Among these are: peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, canned beef stew and chili. Can you help us with any of these items? By sharing what we have, we will be able to help those who need assistance in feeding their families. We thank you for all that you do to make it possible for us to help our friends and neighbors in the Clinton-Clark Mills-Westmoreland area. If you wish to make a monetary donation, it can be placed in an envelope marked Country Pantry and put in the regular collection. Checks may also be sent to the Country Pantry, PO Box 76, Clinton. God bless the givers and receivers.

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
8:00 AM (10/6)	Raine Boehlert & Samantha Gaffney		
5:15 PM (10/6)	Madison Steates, Betsy & Fritz Gale	Dave Welchons	Host - Barb Blatz & Mary Paul Cup - Sue King, Sue Kielar, Jim Winkler & Tim Lashinger
8:00 AM (10/7)	Jane Hughes, Georgia Zoller & Jesse Dombrowski	Anna Berney	Host - Fran & Gwen Lallier Cup - Kate Chute, Chris Kielar, Jack McNamara & Carole Byrne
10:30 AM (10/7)	LeeAnn Chesebro, Taylor & Kendell Arndt	Karen Brewer	Host - Carol Fobes & Phyllis Moore Cup - Mary Stuttard, Peggy Schweitzer, Joanne Joseph & Don Conniff

Faith Formation

Thank you to Mrs. Anna Berney who has generously stepped forward to volunteer on Monday mornings. There is still a need for substitutes, especially on Monday morning and Wednesday evenings, please contact Mary Lou Lauchert at 853-7631 for more information.

This Sunday, September 30:

Confirmation Retreat for 10th Graders, 1

10:30 Mass - 5 PM

9th Grade class meets from 6:30-8 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 on October 14. 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 Mass this weekend. Next session 10/14.

Do You Love To Sing!

St. Mary's Choir resumes singing this weekend, and we'd love to start the season with some new members.

Young singers and instrumentalists from grade 5 and up meet in the choir loft at 5 PM on Saturdays and sing/play for the 5:15 Mass. Adults and older teenagers meet at 9:30 AM on Sundays for rehearsal, and sing for the 10:30 Mass.

Please stop up to the choir loft or call Valerie at 292-0368 for more information.



Pie Sale

St. Mary's Hearts and Hands will be having a Pie Sale after all Masses next weekend, October 6/7, in the school gym. Won't you make plans to stop by and pick up your favorite pie.

Syracuse Catholic Engaged Encounter

Upcoming weekend: November 17/18, at Christ the King Retreat Center, Syracuse. To register visit www.cnyengagedencounter.org or 487-5206.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Prayer Shawl Ministry will resume meeting for 2012-2013 on the fourth Thursday of the month 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.

dear Padre

September 30, 2012

What is convalidation?

My sister was divorced last year after 10 years in an abusive marriage. She's met someone and wants to marry him. She's eager to start her new life and doesn't want to wait for an annulment. She plans to be married next month by a judge and then have her marriage convalidated after her annulment is granted. What does that mean? Is it OK?

Jean

Dear Jean,

When Catholics who were married outside the Church want to have that marriage blessed by the Church, the blessing is performed in a ceremony called *convalidation*.

But don't get the wrong idea—this isn't a way around the rules. A convalidated marriage is sacramental, so your sister must meet the requirements all Catholics have to meet before marrying in the Church: They must be baptized, they can't be too closely related to each other, they need permission from their pastor, they must be legally free to marry, and they must be free to marry in the Church. That last requirement means that if your sister was sacramentally married to her first husband and he's alive, she needs an annulment before her new marriage can be blessed by the Church in a convalidation ceremony.

If her new marriage takes place in a Catholic church and is presided over by a Catholic priest or deacon, rest assured that her new marriage will be valid in the eyes of the Church.

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Area Events

10/7, noon until sold out - St. Thomas Men's Club Chicken BBQ. Adults \$9, Children \$6, Chicken only \$6
10/14, Kirkland Community Crop Walk. Registration 12:30 PM, Walk at 1 PM from Front Entrance Clinton High School. Pledge packets obtained from Bill Rudge, 853-6300 (rudge44@aol.com) or from the Methodist Church Office.

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