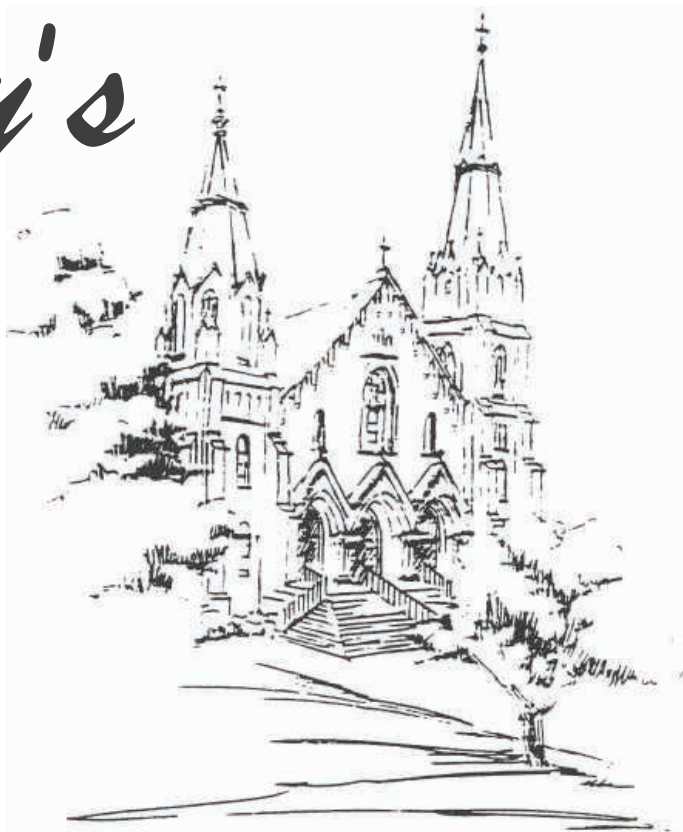


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Eucharistic Liturgies

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, October 27 - Vigil Mass

5:15 PM Carolyn Vangura by Her Family

Sunday, October 28 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Leo J. Crane, Jr. by the Krasniak Family

10:30 AM Frances & Leona Lallier by the Lallier Family

Wednesday, October 31

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

Thursday, November 1 - All Saints

7:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Family

6:30 PM Thomas P. Dressel by Barb & Roger Cresswell

Friday, November 2 - All Souls

7:00 AM Anthony Veschusio by His Wife, Angela

Saturday, November 3

8:00 AM Stephen Chute (5th) by His Family

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

Sunday, November 4 - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Maeve Dugan by Her Family

10:30 AM Don Hamlin by Carm & Fred Foster

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

Holy Day

Thursday, November 1, is All Saints Day. Our Masses will be held at 7 AM and 6:30 PM.

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 11/11.

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....	\$4,855.00
Faith Formation.....	42.00
School Assessment.....	58.00
Memorial Fund.....	1,435.00
Diocesan Collections.....	901.00

Second Collection Next Weekend

The annual Seminary collection will be taken up at Masses next weekend. Thank you again for your continued generosity!

A Family Perspective

When Jesus asked the blind man "What do you want from me?" he asked for sight. If Jesus asked you the same question, what would you say? Okay, that is your prayer.

The Country Pantry

Our Thanksgiving distribution will be the week before Thanksgiving, Tuesday, November 13. At that time we will be giving each family either a chicken or a turkey. We will also be giving cranberry sauce, stuffing and gravy along with fresh vegetables for a holiday meal. We appreciate whatever you can do to help us with any of these items. Monetary donations may be made to help defray the cost of the chickens/turkeys. Thank you for helping us to assist our friends and neighbors in the Clinton-Clark Mills-Westmoreland area. May God bless the givers and receivers.

St. Mary's Cemetery

The Cemetery Committee wishes to thank those thoughtful families who have designated St. Mary's Cemetery as their desire for gifts in memory of loved ones and those generous people who have responded.

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 11-3

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Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
6:30 PM (11/1)	LeeAnn Chesebro, Georgia Zoller & Kendell Arndt	Jim Winkler	Host - Jim Winkler & Sue King Cup - Evelyn Micciche, Marybeth King, Bob Scarlata & Annette Foley
8:00 AM (11/3)	Daniel & Gerrett Frank		
5:15 PM (11/3)	J.P. Wade, Dominic Pascucci & Tyler Frank	Mike Debraggio	Host - Colleen Kannainen & Annette Foley Cup - Mary Paul, Mary Lou Lauchert, Tim Lashinger & Marybeth King
8:00 AM (11/4)	Jane Hughes, Georgia Zoller & Nathan Gale	Jerry Dawes	Host - Gwen & Fran Lallier Cup - Ed Kaido, Carole Byrne, Evelyn Micciche & Sister Johanne
10:30 AM	Ricky Heintz, Jesse & Jacob Dombrowski	Karen Brewer	Host - Anita Fitzgerald & Sister Johanne Cup - Joanne Joseph, Michele Beach, Phyllis Moore & Maryalice Hogan

Faith Formation

Being Jesus' disciple sometimes requires courage. The support of family and friends buoys us for this challenge.

Grade 9 meets this Sunday, October 28, 6:30-8 PM
No classes this Wednesday, October 31

TGIF (Teens Gathered in Faith) Youth Group

The next meeting for TGIF will be Sunday, November 4, 6:30-8 PM, in the school. All high school students in grades 9-12 are invited and welcome! This is a great opportunity for teens to be with peers who are all experiencing the same challenges in life. Recreation and refreshments are included - all for no cost!

Fun Facts

This church was completed near the end of 1912 and dedicated on January 5, 1913 by Bishop Grimes of Syracuse

Scouting For Food

11/3 door tags will be distributed to residents seeking donations of food hard goods (cans, boxes, plastic packages (no glass). Donations will be picked up 11/9 before 9 AM. Items may also be brought to Clinton United Methodist Church parking lot before 6 PM, or their front entrance before 11 AM 11/11. After, to 35 Mulberry Street front porch. Your donations will be brought to the Country Pantry. Thank you!

Bells of St. Mary's Christmas Fair

The Bells of St. Mary's Christmas Fair will be ringing on the weekend of November 10/11. We need many "elves" to do any of the following: be a baker, candymaker, craftmaker, woodmaker or put together a "theme" basket for our Basket Raffle. All of our parishioners have many talents and we look forward to receiving many wonderful items to sell at our Fair. The last day to drop off your Attic Treasures will be Saturday, November 3, at the school gym from 10-4 PM. Remember, NO clothing is accepted and all other items must be in clean and usable condition. Have you completed your raffle tickets and put them either in the collection baskets at Church or sent them directly to the Rectory? The last Sunday for the collection baskets is November 4th, otherwise, please bring your tickets to the Fair. We have lots of winners every year and this year YOU could be a winner! Also, volunteers are needed to assist the week before the Fair and also on the weekend of the Faith. Please call Evelyn at 853-2190 to sign up for a couple of hours as it takes many hands to have a successful Fair. We thank you all in advance for your cooperation.



Good News!

October 28, 2012

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 31:7-9 / Heb 5:1-6 / Mk 10:46-52

I'm generally a morning person, but I'm far from perky before I put in my contact lenses. That brief period in which I stumble out of bed toward the bathroom to "put my eyes in" is the closest I've come to being blind, and it's not pleasant.

Though I go through this ritual every morning, I unfortunately still take the gift of sight for granted. Probably many of us do. When we open our eyes each day, we simply expect to be able to see. What a shock it must be to gradually or suddenly lose that gift.

We don't know how Bartimaeus lost his sight—whether it was gradual or sudden, whether he was born blind. But though he lacked physical sight, he possessed an even greater gift—the eyes of faith. Somehow he'd heard about Jesus, and he believed.

The crowds couldn't discourage Bartimaeus from calling out to Jesus. And when Jesus answered, Bartimaeus "threw aside his cloak." As a beggar, Bartimaeus gathered alms in his cloak, so he was leaving behind all the money he'd gathered that day—such was his trust in Jesus. For his great faith, he was given his sight, and he responded in gratitude by following Jesus.

I'm guessing we take for granted not only the gift of sight, but also the gift of faith. Having eyes of faith isn't our own doing—it's truly a gift from God. Are we using this gift as well as Bartimaeus did, trusting in God wholeheartedly no matter who or what discourages us?

If we need help, we need only call out to Jesus. If we're stumbling and need help "putting our eyes (of faith) in," we can say today with Bartimaeus, "Master, I want to see."

Janel Esker

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Area Events

11/1 (and all Thursdays), 10-6:30 PM - Building Stones Fair Trade Shoppe at Stone Presbyterian Church.

11/4 - noon-4 PM - Ham Dinner at Sacred Heart-St. Mary's, NY Mills. Adults \$10, Children \$4.50

11/9-11 - Trinity Institute National Theological Conference at Martin Community Home, Lutheran Home - *Christian Life: Equipping Ourselves for Social Change*, 9th - 7-8:30 PM, 10th - 9-5 PM and 11th - 2:30-5 PM.

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