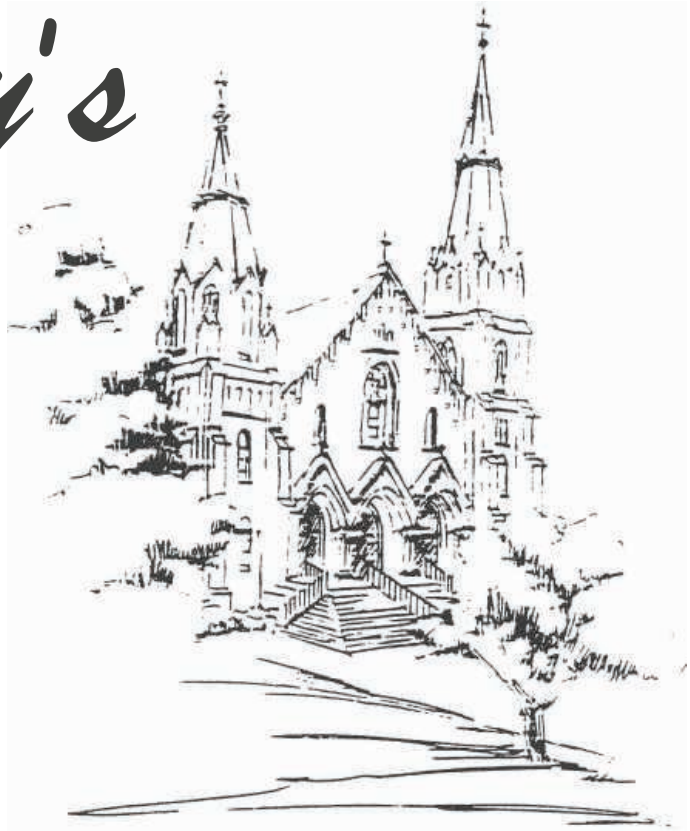


February 24, 2013

# St. Mary's Parish

**13 Marvin Street  
Clinton, New York 13323**



## **PARISH STAFF:**

*Rev. John P. Croghan* – Pastor  
*Sister Johanne McCarthy, CSJ* – Parish Associate  
*Carol Marshall* – Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper  
*Mary Lou Lauchert* –  
    Director of Faith Formation  
*Susan Cambridge* – Preschool Director  
*Chris Ellis* –  
    Superintendent of St. Mary's Cemetery  
*Valerie Wright* – Director of Music/Organist  
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## **Phone Numbers:**

Parish Office .....853-2935  
Faith Formation Center.....853-6196 or 853-7631  
Parish Center .....853-6196  
Sister Johanne McCarthy.....853-1849  
Cemetery Superintendent .....939-3058  
Music Director .....292-0368

## **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, February 23 - Vigil Mass**  
 5:15 PM Elizabeth & Walter Stefanik by Their Family  
**Sunday, February 24 - 2nd Sunday of Lent**  
 8:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Family  
 10:30 AM H. Blake Burdick by His Family  
**Wednesday, February 27**  
 7:00 AM Leo J. Crane, Jr. by Vincent Vangura  
**Thursday, February 28**  
 7:00 AM Anne Gale by Theresa & James Cabo  
**Friday, March 1**  
 7:00 AM For the People of the Parish  
**Saturday, March 2**  
 8:00 AM Matthew Weimer by Carol Foote  
 5:15 PM - Vigil Mass Tom Moffitt by Pat Balon  
**Sunday, March 3 - 3rd Sunday of Lent**  
 8:00 AM Anne Gale by Dr. John & April Costello  
 10:30 AM Daniel Barrett by Don & Carla Barrett

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

**Stations of the Cross**

Please join us for Stations of the Cross Friday evenings of Lent at 7 PM.

**Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 3-2**

Barb Kennard & Kristen Dombrowski

**Collection for Last Weekend**

Ordinary Collection.....\$4,145.50  
 Faith Formation.....126.00  
 School Assessment.....39.00  
 Memorial Fund.....11.00  
 Diocesan Collections.....2,660.00  
 Holy Days.....7.00  
 Fuel.....120.00

**The Faithful Revolution: Vatican II**

This Tuesday evening we continue with the second video titled "Inspired Awakening". Major Themes: Pope Paul VI, The Council Continues under Pope Paul VI, The Role of Women in the Church, Religious Vocations, Ecumenism, and The Lefebvre Movement.

We will begin at 6:30 PM in the classroom wing of St. Mary's School. Each session starts with a meal of soup, bread, coffee, tea & dessert. Discussion will follow.

We look forward to having you join us!

**The Country Pantry**

Our needs this month are cereal, canned pineapple, peaches and pears. Do you know of anyone who may be in need of our services due to illness, job loss or shortened working hours? If so, please contact Jeanne Roback (737-7650) or Mary Zimble (371-5789). Thank you for your ongoing support of the Pantry.

**Altar-Rosary Cleaners**

Deb Gurdo is currently working on the next schedule for cleaners. If you have schedule preferences, or wish to be removed from the list, please call Deb ASAP. New volunteers are always welcome and needed. If you would like to volunteer as a partner to clean, please call Deb at 725-3675.

<b>Liturgical Ministers</b>			
<b>Time</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>
8:00 AM (3/2)	NO SERVERS		
5:15 PM (3/2)	Cheyenne Eisenhut, Will Eisenhut & Meradith Thayer	Karen Brewer	Host - Marybeth King & Bob McQueen Cup - Jim Winkler, Ann Wilkinson, Tim Lashinger & Bob Scarlata
8:00 AM (3/3)	Jenny Maxam, Madeline Krasniak & John Slawson	Ron Roback	Host - Kate Chute & Ed Kaido Cup - Carole Byrne, Jeanne Roback, Tina & Joe Lallier
10:30 AM (3/3)	Abby Hyde, LeeAnn Chesebro & Raine Boehlert	John Burdick	Host - Don & Jane Conniff Cup - Anita Fitzgerald, Carol Fobes, Peggy Schweitzer & Phyllis Moore

## Faith Formation

Classes resume next week!

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults News

Last Sunday at the 10:30 AM Mass, our RCIA persons participated in the Rite of Sending. At this service Fr. Croghan invited those involved in our program since September to come forward into the sanctuary. He then prayed over them and asked the congregation to pray for them. After the liturgy, these individuals, along with family, sponsors and team members, proceeded to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Syracuse for the Rite of Election and Call To Continuing Conversion. There they were greeted by Bishop Cunningham and all others participating from the parishes throughout the Diocese.

Those involved in this process from our Parish are: Cody Doyle, Sara Arntson, Brianne Siepiola and Walter Jury. We also had the pleasure of two parishioners from Annunciation as part of our group this year.

In the months ahead we will continue meeting weekly with our RCIA Team and make a retreat at the Good News Center. At the Easter Vigil Mass all will become members of the Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Your prayers are asked as they complete this journey.

### From Sister Johanne

In planning for our 100th anniversary of our church, I was reminded again about the many Sisters of St. Joseph, who have ministered to the people of St. Mary's. Because of numbers, a long tradition of CSJ's may be ending. Thankfully, modern technology has come up with ways to keep in touch through the years to come.

Our Community has a web page and different publications such as CSJ Newline, written by our sisters. Also there is a prayer line where you can request prayers from our sisters. Our Provincial House in Latham, houses well over 200 retired CSJ's whose full-time ministry is now to pray for the needs of the world and any intention requested by others.

In the back of the Church, near the Food Pantry drop off box, is a sample of the publication I mentioned. The quantity is limited, so please only take one if you are interested.

In conclusion I want all of you to have the web sites, etc. of our community: [www.csjalbany.org](http://www.csjalbany.org), Prayer line: [www.prayersplease.com](http://www.prayersplease.com).

### A Family Perspective

Jesus "Went up the mountain to pray" and he was "changed." Prayer has the power to change us. This Lent set aside a few minutes each day to pray for members of your family. Pray before each meal and if you are married, spend five minutes in prayer together.

# Good News!

February 24, 2013

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT (C)

Gn 15:5-12, 17-18 / Phil 3:17-4:1 or 3:20-4:1  
Lk 9:28b-36

I think people can be divided into two categories: detail people and vision people. Some people are both, but many of us lean one way. Some are vision people, good at seeing the big picture. Others are detail people, focused on carrying out each small step to make the big picture happen. I am, undoubtedly, a detail person. I love a good to-do list (or several), and I'm often consumed with crossing off as many items as possible. It feels oh so good!

My near-obsession with details and to-do lists came to mind when I read Saint Paul's description of "enemies of the cross of Christ." He particularly notes, "Their minds are occupied with earthly things." Oh dear. My lists are nothing *but* a bunch of earthly things. They're not all problems, but they can be distractions from God.

On the other hand, today's Gospel story of Jesus' transfiguration is all about vision. The disciples are given a privileged glimpse into Jesus' glorified body and the glory of eternal life. What an incredible moment—no wonder Peter wanted to build tents and remain there. I'm sure the apostles believed they'd never forget that experience. Yet we know Peter later betrayed Jesus, and the others abandoned him. They lost sight of the vision in the face of earthly concerns, which is easy to do.

This Gospel challenges us to keep the vision of eternal life always in front of us, especially as we navigate the mess and muck and to-do lists of everyday life. Our earthly concerns are ever before us, but so too should be our hope of sharing in Jesus' glory.

Janel Esker  
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### St. Mary's Cemetery News

Despite a couple of heavy snow storms this winter, our expert management has performed all requested burials as of late February. We are looking forward to Spring clean up in late March and early April. We appreciate your removal of Christmas decorations before Easter.

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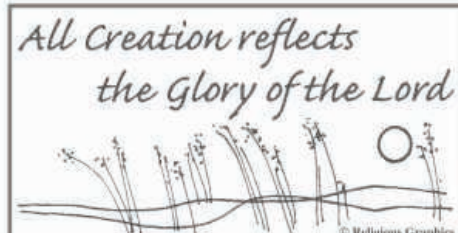
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