

St. Mary's Parish

September 15, 2013

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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 14 - Vigil Mass
 5:15 PM Thomas Moffitt by Rose Calidonna
Sunday, September 15 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Bob Sheridan (B'day) by His Family
 10:30 AM Joanne Eisenhut by Gail Lawton
Wednesday, September 18
 7:00 AM NO MASS
Thursday, September 19 - St. Januarius
 7:00 AM For the People of the Parish
Friday, September 20 - Sts. Andrew Kim, Tae-gon, & Paul Chong Ha-sang
 7:00 AM Claire Anne Gregoire
 by Peter, Rosemary & Chris Morin
Saturday, September 21
 8:00 AM Ann Gale by the Wildenger Family
 5:15 PM - Vigil Frank Dugan by His Family
Sunday, September 22 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Anthony Veschusio by Angela
 10:30 AM Ed Buckley by Ernest & Jeanie Janus

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 9-21
 Joan Scoones & Karen Winkler

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....\$7,121.00
 Faith Formation.....245.00
 School Assessment.....55.00
 Memorial Fund.....125.00
 Country Pantry.....50.00
 Catholic University.....5.00

Second Collection This Weekend

The annual Catholic University of America collection will be taken up at Masses this weekend. Thank you for your continued generosity!

A Family Perspective

Parents are like the shepherd in today's gospel, for they don't give up and can't rest if one of their children has wandered away. A parent's persistent love provides a glimpse of the unconditional love of God, our Father, for each of us. A parent is a window to the Divine.

The Country Pantry

Our needs this month at the Pantry include cereal, macaroni and cheese, crackers and canned pastas. Please consider picking up one or more of these items when you are grocery shopping. Our families thank you for thinking of them. God bless!

Father Away

Father Croghan will be attending the Clergy Conference this week, Monday thru Wednesday. Please note - NO MASS Wednesday morning.

The office will be open as usual from 10-3 PM, Monday - Friday. Please feel free to leave a message and we'll get back to you ASAP.

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
8:00 AM (9/21)			
5:15 PM (9/21)	Cheyenne Eisenhut, Meradith Thayer & Will Eisenhut	Mike Debraggio	Host - Jim Winkler & Jan Slawson Cup - Marybeth King, MaryLou Lauchert, Colleen Kannianen & Anne Debraggio
8:00 AM (9/22)	Nick, Tyler & Danny Frank	Anna Berney	Host - Kate Chute & Jeanne Roback Cup - Bob Burns, Carole Byrne, Fran & Gwen Lallier
10:30 AM (9/22)	Lily Collins, LeeAnn & Lauren Chesebro	Maryalice Hogan	Host - Phyllis Moore & Joanne Joseph Cup - Mary Stuttard, Carol Fobes, Don & Jane Conniff

Faith Formation

Across the nation Faith Formation classes begin this week celebrating with the theme of "Open the Doors to Faith". We are very excited to be doing the same to 319 (and counting) young members of our parish. While all of us are catechists to the children by the example of our lives, a very special thank you to our volunteer catechists in the classroom who exemplify this message: Jodi Frank, Carla Pascucci, Katie Schlosser, Susan Yaworsky, Maria Taft, Anne Debraggio, Pam Sprague, Amanda Ingalls, Mary Heintz, Elizabeth Tantillo, Kathy Williams, Anna Berney, Shaelyn Winkler, Jordan and Taylor Reese, Brianne Sepiola, Courtney and Addie Zoller, Maureen Hughes, Dave Schulz, Lisa Rizzo, Gabe Martini, Lisa Bohling, Richard Hunt and Mike and Lisa Jeffery.

TGIF

The first meeting for the year will be Sunday, September 22, 5:30-7 PM. All high school students are welcome. Please join us for recreation and a light dinner before the

St. Mary's Hearts and Hands Meeting

There will be a meeting of St. Mary's Hearts and Hands this Tuesday, September 17, at 6:30 PM, in the school. The meeting will concentrate on the upcoming Pie Sale as well as preparations for the Christmas Fair. Everyone is encouraged to attend and bring a friend. We hope to see everyone there. Thank you.



Parish Picnic Thank You

We want to thank all of the people who helped make the parish picnic a wonderful day. We thank all those who donated food, helped set up (including the teenagers), cooked, cleaned and helped in any way associated with the picnic. We especially want to thank all the parishioners who came to the picnic and had a bite to eat while visiting with their parish community.

Congratulations to Brendon Lalor who won the 50/50. A special thank you goes to Savicki Farms for their generous donation of salt potatoes, onions and peppers.

Thank you again to everyone and we look forward to next year's picnic!

Permanent Diaconate Information Seminar

An Information Seminar about the Permanent Diaconate will be held Sunday, September 22, 2013, 2-4:30 PM, in Holy Cross Church, 4112 East Genesee Street, DeWitt, NY. For further information, please contact Fr. Louis F. Aiello, Diocesan Director, Office of the Permanent Diaconate, The Chancery, 240 East Onondaga Street, Syracuse, NY 13202 (315-470-1479).

dear Padre

September 15, 2013

What is an icon?

How is an icon different from a regular painting of a saint?

In general usage, the word *icon* means any symbol or image. In the Church, however, it refers to an image that depicts Bible stories or holy people. According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, icons spread the Gospel with images instead of words (1160). The word *icon* comes from the Greek word *eikēnai*, "to be like." Icons originated with the Eastern Church.

Even though an icon is an image created with paints, icons are *written*, not painted. Icon writing, called *iconography*, is a vocation as well as a talent.

The difference between a painter and an iconographer is that iconographers follow strict rules and standards set forth in Eastern Church canon law and Christian tradition. Rooted in God's Word, icons are rich in symbolism. The colors, gestures, and shapes speak spiritually to invite us to pray and worship.

Icons can be written on almost any surface, but historically most were written on wood and had a gold-leaf background. One example of this type of icon is Our Lady of Perpetual Help, which is believed to have been written in the thirteenth century and was given to the Redemptorist order in 1865 by Pope Pius IX, who told them to "make her known throughout the world." It currently hangs in the Church of Sant' Alfonso in Rome.

To see the original icon in real time, go to omphicon.org.

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