

St. Mary's Parish

October 20, 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

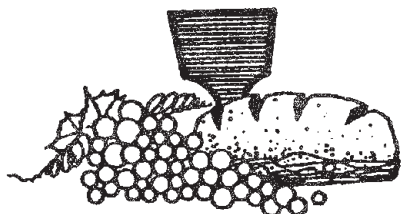
If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, please call Margaret – 853-5280, or Pat – 853-5229.

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, October 19 - Vigil Mass
 5:15 PM Dominick & Mary Calidonna by Their Family
Sunday, October 20 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Hugh F. McKeegan by the Debraggio Family
 10:30 AM Joseph Yanchan, Jr. by Mary Ann & Family
Wednesday, October 23 - St. John of Capistrano
 7:00 AM All Souls Day Intentions
Thursday, October 24 - St. Anthony Mary Claret
 7:00 AM Thomas Moffitt by Chris & Michele Engle
Friday, October 25
 7:00 AM For the People of the Parish
Saturday, October 26
 8:00 AM O'B O'Brien by Julie & Ron Ottesen
 5:15 PM - Vigil Caroline Vangura (B'day) by Her Family
Sunday, October 27 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Edward Buckley by Lucy Burns
 10:30 AM Francis & Leona Lallier by Their Family

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 10-26
 Deb Gurdo & Jessica Beasock

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....	\$6,536.00
Faith Formation.....	60.00
School Assessment.....	20.00
Memorial Fund.....	43.00
Fuel.....	594.00
Respect Life.....	55.00
Christmas Fair.....	888.00
Country Pantry.....	95.00

Second Collections

The annual collection for World Mission Sunday will be taken up at Masses this weekend.
 Next weekend a special collection will be taken up for the Archdiocese for Military Services - USA. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

RCIA Information Meetings

A reminder: The RCIA meetings for those who are interested in learning more about the Catholic religion are Tuesday, October 22, October 29 and November 5. The meetings will be held at 26 Marvin Street at 6:30 PM.

A Family Perspective

The widow in today's gospel is praised for her PERSEVERANCE. In our homes, perseverance is a critical ingredient to resolving differences and teaching lessons and skills to children. Perseverance is always an act of faith in the goodness of the other person.

Virtus Recertification Training

St. Mary's is holding a recertification training for the Virtus program on Wednesday, October 30, 6-7:30 PM. Training will be held in St. Mary's School on Prospect Street. This training is for those who have previously completed the initial three-hour training and need to be recertified as required every five years. Please call Carm Foster at 853-8513 for registration. There is no on-line registration for this class.

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
8:00 AM(10/26)			
5:15 PM (10/26)	Cheyenne Eisenhut, Meradith Thayer & Will Eisenhut	Mary Lou Lauchert	Host - Sue Kielar & Pearl Gapp Cup - Tim Lashinger, Sue King, Bill Waldron & Jim Winkler
8:00 AM (10/27)	Jenny Maxam, Madeline Krasniak & Georgia Zoller	Anna Berney	Host - Chris Kielar & Kate Chute Cup - Mike Howard, Tina Lallier, Pam Sprague & Jeanne Roback
10:30 AM (10/27)	Katie Sullivan, Lily Collins & Samantha Gaffney	Maryalice Hogan	Host - Anita Fitzgerald & Joanne Joseph Cup - Michele Beach, Phyllis Moore, Carol Fobes & Karen Brewer

Faith Formation

Moses did not pray alone. He had help. Do you remember learning about "the communion of saints?" In heaven and on earth, we are united as members of the body of Christ. In this way we pray for and support one another. Congratulations to the teens Confirmed in the Catholic faith during a beautiful ceremony Tuesday evening!

Grades 1-8 meet on regular schedule
Grade 9 meets this Sunday, October 20th

TGIF

TGIF is off to a great start! A special invitation was extended to all 9th and 10th graders. The next meeting will be this Sunday, October 20th, 5:30-7 PM.

KNOW IT LIVE IT SHARE IT

An adult Faith Formation class is being offered on six Wednesdays beginning October 30th at Mt. Carmel/Blessed Sacrament church in Utica. Please contact Mary Lou Lauchert for more information. Faith Formation should be a life long journey.

Bells of St. Mary's Christmas Fair

Our Parish Fair will be held Saturday & Sunday, November 9/10. As you all know, this is our biggest fundraiser of the year for the Church. We will be having our famous Attic Treasures. Items for this (including Jewelry) will be collected Saturdays, October 26 and November 2 in the school gym from 10-4 PM. All items must be in clean and usable condition and **no clothing** will be accepted. In addition to the Attic Treasures, we will be having bake/candy tables, craft/holiday tables, basket raffle tables, grand prize raffle tables, and St. Mary's Café with yummy soups and sandwiches. The grand prize raffle books have been mailed out and we hope that you are all completing them and either mailing them to the rectory, depositing them in the collection baskets or bringing them to the fair. Also, we have many talented parishioners and if your speciality is baking, candy making, crafts, woodworking and Christmas items, we would love to receive an item from you. Also, making a theme raffle basket is great fun. It can be a baking, holiday, pet items, cleaning supplies, gardening, etc. The ideas are endless. So we ask that you begin to think about what you can donate. More information will follow. We thank you in advance for your help for our Church Fair

Area Events

10/20, 12 noon - sold out - Clinton Fire Department Chicken BBQ.

10/20, 11:30-3:30 - Harvest Ham Dinner, Church of the Annunciation, Clark Mills

10/20, 12 noon - sold out - VFW Ladies Auxiliary Meatloaf dinner & dance. Entertainment by "Good Olde Boy"

dear Padre

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Should prayer be given as penance?

Recently my son made his first reconciliation and was told to say some prayers as his penance. Doesn't this make prayer seem like something you do as a punishment for being bad?

I couldn't agree with you more. In fact the new rite of reconciliation suggests that, if at all possible, penance must right the wrong and be clear enough that the penitent knows he or she has fulfilled it. Penance should not just show God we're sorry; it should also put us on the path to a Christian life and correct the harm our sins caused.

For instance, if someone has stolen something and returning it would reveal their sin (this cannot be part of the penance), making a comparable donation might be a fitting penance. When someone confesses gossiping, I challenge them to tell someone else something good about the person they gossiped about. In other words, instead of spreading pain, learn to spread joy. The penance for disobeying parents might be to do something nice for them or do chores without being asked. This type of penance is far more beneficial to the penitent and the community at large.

Using prayer as a penance can send the signal that we pray only when we've been bad or need something from God, like forgiveness. On the contrary, prayer should be constant. We should pray always and in all ways, if for no other reason than to give glory to God.

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The Country Pantry

Interested in learning about the Country Pantry and food safety?

On Monday, October 28, the Pantry will hold a Food Safety Training session at the Pantry located at the Church of the Annunciation, Clark Mills. The session will be presented by the Food Bank of CNY, located in Syracuse. The Food Bank is one of our main sources of food and through them we are able to obtain USDA free food and other food items at greatly reduced prices.

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