

March 2, 2014

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

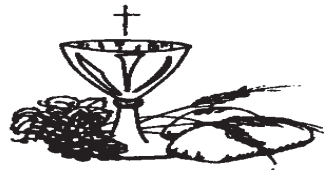
If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, please call Margaret – 853-5280, or Pat – 853-5229.

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, March 1 - Vigil Mass

5:15 PM Jerry LaLonde by St. Mary's Prayer Line

Sunday, March 2 - 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Esther Burns by Betsy Burns

10:30 AM Merritt Bremer by Hearts & Hands

Wednesday, March 5 - Ash Wednesday

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

12:00 PM - Hamilton College

6:30 PM Thomas Moffitt by Chris & Michele Engle

Thursday, March 6

7:00 AM Mary "Betty" Bentley by Betty O'Brien

Friday, March 7 - Sts. Perpetua & Felicity

7:00 AM John & Helen Monohan
by David & Pearl Gapp

Saturday, March 8

8:00 AM Hugh F. Phillips by Pauline Converse

5:15 PM - Dorothy Buckley by Hearts & Hands

Sunday, March 9 - 1st Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM Dan DeCotis by Rose Calidonna

10:30 AM Francis Doughty by Helen Krupa

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 3-8

Deb Gurdo & Jessica Beasock

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....	\$4,853.00
Faith Formation.....	35.00
School Assessment.....	35.00
Memorial Fund.....	10.00
Country Pantry.....	10.00

Second Collections

The annual collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe will be taken up on Ash Wednesday.

The annual Black & Native American collection will be taken up next Sunday, March 9.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

A Family Perspective

Because we believe we can control and create our own world, we attempt to juggle multiple agendas and we pay a price of neglecting those closest to us. Too late we reach the point of asking "Was it worth it?" We really can't serve two masters.

The Country Pantry

Our Easter distribution will be on March 25. At that time we will be giving bags of Easter Candy, such as jelly beans, to each of our families along with their regular monthly food supplement. We also have many clients who are diabetics so we will need bags of sugar-free candies also. If you can help us with any of these items, we would be most appreciative.

Don't forget to keep saving your brown paper grocery bags. Thanks for all you do to assist us in our effort to help those who are in need of food for their families. Do you know of anyone who might need our help? Call Jeanne Roback at 737-7650 or Mary Zimbler at 371-5789. God bless!

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
6:30 PM (3/5)	Madison Steates, Madeline Surace & Carina Pascucci	Jim Winkler	Host - Karen Brewer & James Sultenfuss Cup - Carole Byrne, Sue Kielar, Ron Newman & Kate Chute
5:15 PM (3/8)	Carina Pascucci, Kate & Jack Sullivan	Annemarie Moffitt	Host - Jan Slawson & Barb Bohrer Cup - Pearl Gapp, Elizabeth Tantillo, Brianne Siepiola & MaryLou Lauchert
8:00 AM (3/9)	Jenny Maxam, Madeline Krasniak & Georgia Zoller	Steve Clark	Host - Pam Sprague & Julie Wagner Cup - Chris Kielar, Bob Burns, Fran & Gwen Lallier
10:30 AM (3/9)	Caleb Stanco, Jesse & Adam Dombrowski	Susan Yaworsky	Host - Carol Fobes & Anita Fitzgerald Cup - Maryalice Hogan, Peggy Schweitzer, Don & Jane Conniff

Faith Formation

Paul writes to the Corinthians about being stewards. As Catholics, we have begun to reclaim the notion of stewardship. All of us have been asked to consider the ways we use our time, talents and treasure to further the mission of Jesus carried on by the Church today. But Paul speaks of another kind of stewardship--he says are "stewards of the mysteries of God." In other words, our Catholic faith, all that God has revealed and that the Church has taught, is in our hands. We have the responsibility to care for those mysteries, to share them, to hand them on intact. And when we are good stewards of the mysteries, through evangelization and forming others in faith, then we are also "servants of Christ."

All classes meet this week on our normal schedule
Grade 9 meets next Sunday, March 9

TGIF

We will be meeting next Sunday, March 9th 5:30-7 PM. All teens are welcome. Bring a friend for some fun, food and fellowship!

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. The next gathering will be March 16.

Parish Covered Dish Supper

There will be a Parish Covered Dish Supper THIS Sunday, March 2, 4 PM, in the School Gym. Just bring a dish to pass and enjoy the company of your parish community. Everyone is invited. Plates, silverware and refreshments will be provided. There will also be a 50/50 raffle. We hope to see everyone there - let's party before Lent starts!

Kirkland Community Bloodmobile

The Kirkland Community Bloodmobile will be held Saturday, March 15, 8-1 PM, at the Clinton United Methodist Church. New and Past Blood donors are needed. Call Bill Rudge at 853-6300 (1-800-GIVELIFE) to schedule your appointment or Register on Line. Walk-in are needed to meet our goal. Thank you!

Sisters of St. Joseph Ziti Dinner

The Sisters of St. Joseph invite you to visit their Motherhouse (St. Joseph's Provincial House) in Latham, NY on April 5, for their annual Ziti Dinner from 1:30-5:30 PM. Cost is \$10. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

A Chartered bus will be going to the event. For tickets and reservations, please call 337-8433 after 4 PM or call St. Peter's Rectory at 336-5072, 8-4 PM, Tuesdays or Wednesdays, ASAP.

This is a wonderful opportunity to visit the Sisters of St. Joseph that you may know and may be retired now. Many served the Rome or Utica area and love visitors.



Ash Wednesday - Ashes will be distributed at St. Mary's during the 7 AM and 6:30 PM Masses. Fr. Croghan will also distribute ashes at a noon Mass in the Hamilton College Chapel. (Parking is very limited and remote.) **Lenten Fast & Abstinence** - Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years and older.

Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. "The law of fasting allows only one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food in the morning and evening, observing - as far as quantity and quality are concerned - approved local custom.

Stations of the Cross - Every Friday evening (7 PM) of Lent we will gather in Church for a time of prayer and meditation on the Stations of the Cross. This service is a great chance to reflect on the meaning of Jesus' sacrifice for us. Please join us for this peaceful time of prayer.

40 Days of Hope & Healing - Also at the entrances of the Church are booklets of daily reflection on the readings for Lent. Please feel free to pick one up for yourself or someone special.

Operation Rice Bowl - St. Mary's will once again participate in this official Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services. Proceeds benefit the poor in our diocese and in the developing world. Material and information on this year's campaign can be found at the Church entrances.

"Things for Lent: A History of Christianity in 5 1/2 Objects"

The local Clinton Churches again invite you to join them on three Thursday evenings this Lent - **March 27, April 3 & 10**. Hamilton College Professor S. Brent Rodriguez-Plate will be with us for a close look at Christian history that reveals a deep-seated, perennial love for things. **The gatherings will begin with a light Lenten supper of soup and bread at 6 PM in St. Mary's School gym.** Please mark the dates on your calendars and plan to join us. Look for more information in next weeks

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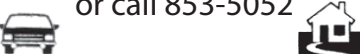


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