

February 8, 2015

St. Mary's Parish

13 Marvln Street
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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, February 7 - Vigil Mass
 5:15 PM Jeanne Jones by Carl

Sunday, February 8 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Jerry LaLonde (1st) by His Family
 10:30 AM Elizabeth & Walter Stefanik
 by Their Children

Wednesday, February 11 - Our Lady of Lourdes
 7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

Thursday, February 12
 7:00 AM Joseph Moran by His Wife & Family

Friday, February 13
 7:00 AM Karol Laska by His Family

Saturday, February 14
 8:00 AM Karol Laska (70th Ann) by His Family
 5:15 PM - Vigil Mass - Hugh McKeegan
 by the Debraggio Family

Sunday, February 15 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Beverly Alteri by Judy & Ed Bentley
 10:30 AM Annita K. Brown by the Kopytowski
 & Murphy Families

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 2-14
 Laurie Calhoun

Counters - 2-15
 Evelyn Micciche, Ed Kaido & Kernan Kennedy

Collection for

Ordinary Collection.....	\$6,570.50
School Assessment.....	20.00
Memorial Fund.....	108.00
Faith Formation.....	140.00
Fuel.....	218.00
Country Pantry.....	65.00

2014 Tax Statement

For a statement of your 2014 donations for tax purposes, please put a note on your envelope, drop a note in the collection basket, or call the parish office at 853-2935, Monday - Friday, 10-3 PM (parishoffice@stmmarys-clinton.com.)

A Family Perspective

In today's gospel, Jesus went to the "house of Andrew and Simon" to relax but discovered that "Simon's mother-in-law was very ill." Like Jesus, we come home to relax but are confronted with problems. Take a tip from Andrew and Simon who "told Jesus about it at once." Pray for patience, strength, wisdom.

The Country Pantry

Thank you for your generous response to our Soup'er Sunday soup collection. Over 300 cans of soup were donated. This will be a wonderful addition to our monthly food supplement.

Our need for food is ongoing and this month we can use canned peaches, canned pineapple, chili and hot chocolate. Thank you for continuing to help us to combat hunger in the Clinton-Clark Mills-Westmoreland area. God bless!

Baptized in Christ

We welcome the following children to our Catholic Faith: Jared James Burdick, son of Richard & Mary, and Daniel Joseph Ziesenitz, son of Kevin & Sara.



Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM (2/14)	Nate Gale, Joseph & Dominic Pascucci	Annemarie Moffitt	Host - Sue King & Ann Wilkinson Cup - Annette Foley, Bob Scarlata, Barb Blatz & Bob McQueen
8:00 AM (2/15)	Will Eisenhut, John & Hannah Slawson	Bob Burns	Host - Joe & Tina Lallier Cup - Ed Kaido, Kate Chute, Patty McComb & Mike Howard
10:30 AM (2/15)	Jesse Dombrowski, Adam Schneider & Caleb Stanco	Susan Yaworsky	Host - Karen Brewer & Carol Fobes Cup - Maryalice Hogan, Joanne Joseph, Don & Jane Conniff

Faith Formation

Mark describes for us how Jesus' day begins and ends with taking care of others. He heals Simon's mother-in-law, he cures others who are sick, he drives out demons from those who are possessed. He comforts the down-hearted and discouraged. The crowds follow him wherever he goes. Even when he goes off to a lonely place to pray and be renewed, Jesus is tracked down by his disciples who say, "Everybody is looking for you!" Without complaint, Jesus responds at once by heading for the nearby villages to heal and preach and comfort.

BINGO fun at St. James's Church

.....on Friday February 13 from 7-8:30 pm. This is a community event that promises to be a great evening of fun for our church families and friends. Come out and play a game or two, maybe you will even win a prize! Refreshments available. \$10 donation/family

Rediscover Catholicism

.....by Matthew Kelly is the current title for our parish book study. Discussion groups are meeting either on Wednesday evenings 6:30-7:30 or Saturday mornings 8:30-9:30 in the school for anyone interested in enhancing their reading experience. Please feel free to stop in. More information about this title can be found at <http://dynamiccatholic.com/rediscover-catholicism>

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Your children, ages 4-9, are invited to join in Liturgy of the Word for Children at the 5:15 PM Mass this Saturday. The next gathering will be Sunday, February 15.

Third Thursday Group

The Third Thursday Group will meet this Thursday (The Second Thursday), February 12, 12:15 PM, at Sister Ruth's house, 26 Marvin Street. We meet for a communion service at 12:15 PM followed by a BYO (bring your own) bag lunch as we gather to socialize. Dessert and beverage provided. All adults are welcome!

World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life

.....is taking place today, February 8. You are cordially invited to join with Religious Sisters at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Utica, for an afternoon of conversation, stories of vocations and service. Please come and join us for prayer and thanksgiving, refreshments and a POTLUCK MEAL from 2-4 PM.

Area Events

2/18, 4-7 PM - Holy Trinity Church - Ash Wednesday Pierogi Dinner. \$6

Good News!

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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 / 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 / Mk 1:29-39

Illness, depression, and misfortune can make us feel alone and afraid. We wonder whether anyone can understand what we're going through or help us.

The first five chapters of Mark's Gospel give us several healing stories in which Jesus, by touch or word, restores individuals to wholeness. He casts out demons, as we heard last week. He cures the sick, like Simon's mother-in-law. The stories confirm what our faith tells us—that God's healing power is for all people and that Good News lifts us and gives us joy.

But for those touched by the loneliness of infirmity of mind, body, or spirit, the stories alone might not be enough. Instead, the fervent prayer of the psalmist might be our grace: "The Lord...[heals] the broken-hearted" (Psalm 147:2-3). Or, our peace might rest in the simple knowledge of two often overlooked lines in the Gospel: "They brought him many who were possessed by demons" (Mark 8:16) and "The whole town was gathered at the door" (Mark 1:33).

Simply put, everyone came, and no one was alone. No matter *what* our condition, we are not alone. Christ is there in our pain and suffering to give us the grace to endure. We're not always cured by human standards, but Christ helps us find wholeness no matter what we suffer—and in him we find our peace and our joy.

Isaiah told us that the name given to the Messiah was *Emmanuel*, which means "God with us."

In Christ, we see the evidence that God's promise has come true.

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