

May 10, 2015

# St. Mary's Parish

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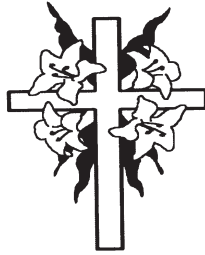


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## Congratulations to St. Mary's 2015 First Communion Recipients

Cassie Adams, Elizabeth Bashant,  
Hannah Castle,  
Casey Clausen, Noah Clausen,  
Wynni Davignon, Quinn DiLauro,  
Dakota Fedore, Dylan Fedore, David Goodfriend,  
Mackenzie Hayes, Natalie Heselton,  
Kalen Hwangpo, Kyle Hwangpo,  
Jack Jacobson, Clara Kelly,  
Louis Klenotiz, Lorrena Martini, Sean McNichol,  
Mackenzie Miller, Mitchell Peck,  
Lauren Rey, Jasper Sammon,  
Sean Schreppel, Henry Schweitzer,  
Bianca Siepiola, Luke Shaw,  
Avery Smith, Kaleb Smith, Zachary Smith,  
Jay Sullivan, Kevin Wadsworth, Amanda Webb,  
Brennen Wightman,  
Andrew Williams & Maxwell Williams



**Saturday, May 9- Vigil Mass**

5:15 PM Clarence Schick by His Wife & Family

**Sunday, May 10 - 6th Sunday of Easter**

8:00 AM Charlotte Heintz by Her Family

10:30 AM Irene Caister by Her Family

**Wednesday, May 13 - Our Lady of Fatima**

7:00 AM Robert Stricker by His Family

**Thursday, May 14 - The Ascension of the Lord**

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

6:30 PM Alfred Phillips by Mike & Margie Crane

**Friday, May 15 - St. Isidore**

7:00 AM William Russell by Jack, Elaine & Mei Cassidy-Heekin

**Saturday, May 15**

8:00 AM Donald Barrett by Thomas Platt

5:15 PM - Vigil Mass - Jeanne Jones by Carl

**Sunday, May 16 - 7th Sunday of Easter**

8:00 AM Eve Plescia Bottoni by Pat & Tom McCraith

10:30 AM William Stricker by Mary Stricker & Family

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

**Holy Day This Thursday**

This Thursday, May 14 we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord, a holy day. Masses will be held at 7 AM and 6:30 PM on that day.

**Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 5-16**

Carole Byrne & Amy Franz

**Counters - 5-17**

Pat Knapp, Barb & Pat Grimes

**Collection for Last Weekend**

Ordinary Collection.....	\$6,850.00
School Assessment.....	16.00
Memorial Fund.....	316.00
Faith Formation.....	35.00
Fuel.....	50.00
Catholic Home Missions.....	11.00

**HOPE Appeal 2015**

You will receive a letter this week from Bishop Cunningham asking for your support of the HOPE Appeal. Please be generous with your pledge. We ask that all pledge forms and gifts be returned next weekend to the parish. You can also make a secure online gift or pledge at [www.syrdio.org](http://www.syrdio.org). Your support helps many in our diocese. (Our parish has been assessed \$34,567.45, a goal we must reach or pay the difference.)

**A Family Perspective**

Today's gospel challenges us to "love one another as I have loved you." Jesus is our model, and he asks us to "lay down our life" (our time, attention, opinions and needs) for each other. This is the sacrament of the family, when God is made visible in our sacrificial love for one another.

**Emergency Relief - Nepal Earthquake**

Please join with the Catholic community across the US in responding to our suffering brothers and sisters through a special collection for the work of Catholic Relief Services in Nepal. Your check or cash in an envelope marked CRS-Nepal may be dropped in the collection basket during May. Thank you!

**Country Pantry**

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers and other special women in our lives from the families served by the Country Pantry. May God shower his blessings on you on your special day. Enjoy the day with your families.

<b>Liturgical Ministers</b>			
<b>Time</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>
6:30 PM (5/14)	Samantha Gaffney, Madison Steates & Madeline Surace	Sister Ruth	Host - Melinda Leising & James Suchy Cup - Jim Winkler, Sue King, Joanne Joseph & Pam Sprague
5:15 PM (5/16)	Dominic, Joe & Carina Pascucci	Annemarie Moffitt	Host - Ron Newman & Brianne Siepiola Cup - Carla Pascucci, Barb Blatz, MaryLou Lauchert & Bob McQueen
8:00 AM (5/17)	Ian Nessel, Nick & Daniel Frank	Bob Burns	Host - Chris Kielar & Jeanne Roback Cup - Ann Kearney, Evelyn Micciche, Joe & Tina Lallier
10:30 AM (5/17)	Jesse Dombrowski, Caleb Stanco & Matt Steates	Karen Brewer	Host - James Suchy & Peggy Schweitzer Cup - Anita Fitzgerald, Maryalice Hogan, Don & Jane Conniff

*Happy Mothers Day  
to our mothers, grandmothers and "special"  
moms. God bless you all!*

### Faith Formation

Christ revealed to the world a God who loves humanity as a parent loves his children, we are to love one another as brothers and sisters. Christ transforms creation's relationship with its Creator. God is not the distant, aloof, removed architect of the universe; God is not the cruel taskmaster; God is not the unfeeling judge who seeks the destruction of the wicked. God is creative, reconciling, energizing love -- and Jesus is the perfect expression of that love.

Congratulations to the 36 young ones and their families who celebrated the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the very first time this weekend. May they always know Jesus, the perfect expression of God's love.

Our formal classes are now done for the year. Watch for special events throughout the summer

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

Your children, ages 4-9, are invited to join in Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 10:30 AM Mass this Sunday. Our next gathering will be Sunday, May 17, at the 10:30 AM Mass.

### St. Mary's Hearts and Hands

There will be a meeting this Monday, May 11, 6:30 PM, in the Parish Center. We will be discussing the Prayer Shawl Ministry, Breakfast Tray Ministry and planning other social events for the Parish. Please join us and share your ideas. All are welcome!

### Parish Council Elections

Once again it is time to find new folks for two seats on the Parish Council. The Council is an advisory group to the Pastor. We meet every other month to discuss issues of importance to our parish. Each term runs for three years. If you have questions or are interested in running, please call Father at the rectory to put your name in for consideration. The selection will take place at the 10:30 AM Mass on June 21.



### Area Events

5-16, 8-1 PM - Bloodmobile, VFW, Franklin Ave., Clinton  
5-17, 2 PM - St. Joseph/St. Patrick Church, Utica. Anwei Skinsnes Law, author & expert on Mother Marianne Cope, Molokai & Hansen's Disease expert will speak.  
5/22, 6-11 PM, 23rd, 11-10 PM & 24th 12-8 PM, St. Paul's Church, Whitesboro, Spring Bazaar.  
8-8-15, 6 AM - Bus leaves for St. John's Men's Club trip to Yankee Stadium for the Yankee/Toronto Blue Jays game. \$120/person. For information, call 725-5883.

# Good News!

May 10, 2015

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 / 1 Jn 4:7-10 / Jn 15:9-17

It's not often we're caught in our prejudices. My moment of reckoning came with the birth of my second daughter. My hospital roommate was a teenager giving birth to her third child. My husband and I were having trouble making ends meet, and even with insurance we'd still have hospital bills.

I resented the free care my roommate was receiving. Why can't you be more responsible? I thought. Because of people like you, my hospital bills are higher.

Reflecting back, I'm ashamed of my attitude. I held the unconscious assumption that I had a "right" to this fine hospital because I was working, could pay bills, and had insurance. Would I deny my roommate's child the level of care I wanted for my own?

The early Church wrestled with that type of question. Could Gentiles be admitted to the Christian community? They were considered unclean, and any Jew who touched or ate with them would be made unclean.

In the encounter with Cornelius, Peter comes to realize that there is no clean or unclean when it comes to people. God shows no partiality. The Holy Spirit makes a convincing argument to the believers by falling on the Gentiles even before they're baptized.

We often decide, consciously or subconsciously, who is worthy of our care or God's. But Jesus commanded us to love one another and to dwell in love, because God is love.

It's our prejudice that gets in the way.

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### St. Mary's Cemetery

Due to increased costs of labor and particularly equipment, our cemetery has been forced to increase the price of a grave space for the first time in three years. Effective July 1, 2015, the price will go from the present \$700 to \$800 per grave. Our prices will still be hundreds of dollars below those of the larger cemeteries in Oneida County. The present price will apply through June 30, 2015.

Our monument cleaning services are still available at most reasonable prices. Please call Joe Schick, our Superintendent, at 794--0154 for a quote.



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