

July 5, 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, July 4 - Vigil Mass

5:15 PM Special Intentions of Nancy McQueen
by Dr. Mark Slavin

Sunday, July 5 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Stephen & Mary Congelo by the Gurdo Family
10:30 AM Helen Hannon (1st) by Her Family

Wednesday, July 8

7:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Family

Thursday, July 9 - St. Augustine Zhao Rong

7:00 AM Ann Laska Moore by Her Family

Friday, July 10

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

Saturday, July 11

8:00 AM Frank Doughty by His Family
5:15 PM - Vigil Mass - Jeanne Doepp
by the Blatz Family

Sunday, July 12 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Michael Falk by Jan & Janice
10:30 AM Keith Knight (7th) by Mom & Dad

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 7-11

Laurie Calhoun

Counters - 7-12

Evelyn Micciche, Bill & Linda McComb

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....\$4,937.50
School Assessment.....20.00
Memorial Fund.....50.00
Faith Formation.....20.00
Fuel.....10.00
Peter's Pence.....842.00

HOPE Appeal 2015

Please return your pledge card ASAP. Your completed pledge may be dropped in the collection basket or mailed to the parish office. For a secure online gift or pledge - www.syrdio.org.

St. Mary's assessed goal is \$34,567.45, a "goal" we must reach or pay the difference. Thanks to those who have made their pledge, we now have \$8,800.39 to go!

A Family Perspective

Today's gospel is so familiar, it hurts! The home town folks couldn't accept the presence of God in Jesus. After all, they had watched him grow up. We can easily make the same mistake if we don't see God present in the ordinary routines of our family. "The Lord be with you" is a statement of fact. Believe it. Live it.

Country Pantry

Last Tuesday at our regular monthly food distribution, we handed out about 140 Kids Paks, much to the delight of our kids.

You will notice at each entrance to the church, brown paper bags with a list of needed items for the Paks we will be distributing during July and August. You can either fill a bag or place some of the selected items in a plastic bag and return them to the church. Our next distribution is Tuesday, July 28. Please consider filling a bag and helping our kids who no longer receive school lunches, have some nourishing food to satisfy those ravenous appetites. Hunger never takes a vacation! Thank you for caring and sharing.

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM (7-11)	Madeline Surace, Madison & Matthew Steates	Bill Waldron	Host - Brianne Siepiola & Elizabeth Tantillo Cup - Pearl Gapp, Bob Scarlata, Beth & Steve May
8:00 AM (7-12)	Ian Nessel, John & Hannah Slawson	Pam Sprague	Host - Ann Kearney & Joseph Ellis Cup - Julie Wagner, Ed Kaido, Carole Byrne & Patty McComb
10:30 AM (7-12)	Caleb Stanco, Nick & Daniel Frank	Rebecca Collins	Host - Don & Jane Conniff Cup - Anita Fitzgerald, Joanne Joseph, Carol Fobes & Peggy Schweitzer

Faith Formation

The purpose of the thorn was to keep Paul from thinking too highly of himself and taking all the credit for his success as an apostle. He prayed and Jesus revealed a wonderful secret to him. When we cooperate with God's grace, in our weakness God's power is perfected. Imagine how happy Paul was to discover that "when I am powerless, then I am strong."

Registration for Faith Formation

.....will begin in mid-July. If you are new to the parish or have a 1st grader starting classes this year please contact Mary Lou Lauchert at 853-7631 or email faithformation@stmarys-clinton.com. Every year I have a need for **new catechists**, if this ministry interests you please contact Mary Lou for more information.

Bible Story and Play Time

.....Tuesdays, July 14, 21, 28; 10-11 am - A time of story, songs, games & crafts that focus on being a child of God. For children ages 3-6 with an adult. We will meet outside on the church steps. Questions? amybashant@gmail.com or 853-4537

Lemonade on the Lawn

We are still in need of volunteers to host **Lemonade on the Lawn** for July 12, 26 and August 9 after the 10:30 am mass. Contact Amy Bashant amybashant@gmail.com or 853-4537

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 next Sunday, July 12.

Thank You from Hearts & Hands

Hearts and Hands of St. Mary's wish to thank everyone who came to the Parish Ice Cream Social on Father's Day. Even though the weather was a little inclement and the Parish Gym was unavailable, everyone had a great time and enjoyed their ice cream sundaes. A big thank you to Stewart's Shops on Route 12B for donating the ice cream. We will use the left overs at the parish picnic in August. Thank you all again.

St. Mary's Annual Summer Bloodmobile

St. Mary's Annual Summer, Kirkland Community Red Cross Bloodmobile will be held Thursday, July 16, 1:30-6:30 PM, at the Schillings Burns Young VFW Post 9591, Franklin Ave., Clinton. New and past blood donors are needed. To sign up, call Marcia Knapp at 737-9376 (redcrossblood.org or 1-800-redcross) to schedule your appointment. Walk-ins are essential to meet increased goals due to summer shortages. Thank you.



dear Padre

July 5, 2015

Should we confess sins of the past?

I keep reading that people with scrupulosity shouldn't confess sins from the past they're sure they confessed, but is that true for the general population?

Scrupulosity is religion-based obsessive-compulsive disorder. People with scrupulosity obsess about sin and thus feel a need to confess past sins over and over. They may fear that they have not confessed correctly or even doubt the mercy and love of God. But the Bible teaches us is that God is slow to anger and rich in mercy (Exodus 34:6).

If a person goes to confession and honestly confesses the sins he remembers, then his sins are forgiven. We all have left the confessional and then remembered something we should have said. As long as this was unintentional, we can trust in God's love and mercy and simply mention the sin at our next confession. God understands that we do not have a perfect memory. However, people who intentionally omit a sin are lying in the confessional and not showing true contrition, so their sins have not been confessed—and still need to be.

It's OK for people who don't have scrupulosity to recall past sins that they've confessed as long as doing so educates them on their weaknesses and sins and helps them avoid those sins in the future. However, people with scrupulosity should trust their confessor when he tells them they've completely confessed their sins and need not confess those sins any more.

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Area Events

7-16-15, 1:30-6:30 PM - Bloodmobile at VFW on Franklin Ave.

8-8-15, 6 AM - Bus leaves for St. John's Men's Club trip to Yankee Stadium as the Yanks take on the Toronto Blue Jays. \$120/person. For information, call Bob Corr at 725-5883.

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