

July 26, 2015

St. Mary's Parish

13 Marvin Street
Clinton, New York 13323



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Parish Center 853-6196
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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 25 - Vigil Mass
 5:15 PM Richard & Mary McCabe by Their Family
Sunday, July 26 - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Ormond Ewers by Caryl & Bob Galinski
 10:30 AM Rose Mary Moran by Pat Sheridan
Wednesday, July 29 - St. Martha
 7:00 AM NO MASS
Thursday, July 30 - St. Peter Chrysologus
 7:00 AM NO MASS
Friday, July 31 - St. Ignatius of Loyola
 7:00 AM NO MASS
Saturday, August 1
 8:00 AM NO MASS
 5:15 PM - Vigil Mass - Margaret Stanley
 by Parish Council
Sunday, August 2 - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Caryl Galinski by Fred & Cindy Feola
 10:30 AM Family of David Timian by Their Family

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 8/1
 Jan Rishel & Deb Prody
Counters - 8/2
 Evelyn Micciche, Bill & Linda McComb

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....\$5,441.00
 School Assessment.....26.00
 Memorial Fund.....365.00
 Faith Formation.....180.00
 Holy Day.....45.00
 Country Pantry.....20.00

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 only have \$6,650.39 to go!**

A Family Perspective

In today's gospel, Phillip worried about "enough food" for the crowd. What is ENOUGH? When does our ENOUGH deprive another family of their fair share? Jesus performed today's miracle because one child was willing to share and risk living with less. Can your family live more simply so that other families can simply live?

Country Pantry

Tuesday will be the 2nd distribution of Kids Paks. Our next and final distribution will be August 25. You still have time to fill a bag or donate some of the items used in the bags. We can use pre-sweetened KoolAid or lemonade mix, deviled ham, individual puddings and cocoa mix packages. Thank you to all that have contributed this summer, your generosity is most appreciated. We ask that if you haven't contributed, please consider doing so, in order that we will be able to fill all the bags needed for our last distribution. Our kids and moms rely on these "extras" during the summer vacation when kids are no longer receiving school lunches. Hunger never takes a vacation! God bless.

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM (8/1)	Melina Korfonta, Kate Schweitzer & Samantha Gaffney	Mary Lou Lauchert	Host - Barb Bohrer & Ann Wilkinson Cup - Elizabeth Tantillo, Annette Foley, Beth & Steve May
8:00 AM (8/2)	Will Eisenhut, Daniel & Nick Frank	Ron Roback	Host - Ed Kaido & Patty McComb Cup - Sister Ruth, Ann Kearney, Mike Howard & Jeanne Roback
10:30 AM (8/2)	Raine Boehlert, LeeAnn & Lauren Chesebro	Susan Yaworsky	Host - Don & Jane Conniff Cup - Melinda Leising, James Suchy, Peggy Schweitzer & Anita Fitzgerald

Faith Formation

The daily news is often filled with signs of disunity and discord. On the other hand, today's letter from Paul emphasizes that all who follow Jesus share an unshakable source of unity. His words have echoed through the centuries like an anthem for the Church: "There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all." When we live in a way that preserves this unity, we can contribute to peace and harmony in the world around us.

Registration for Faith Formation forms have been mailed. 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 Tuesday, July 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

We are still in need of volunteers to host **Lemonade on the Lawn** for a couple weeks this summer after the 10:30 AM Mass. Contact Amy Bashant amybashant@gmail.com or 853-4537

Confirmation - 2015

Bishop Cunningham will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation here at St. Mary's , Thursday, October 15, 2015, at 7 PM. St. Mary's will be joined by students from Annunciation Parish, Clark Mills.

Formation for Ministry Program

The Formation for Ministry Program in our diocese prepares individuals to exercise their Baptismal commitment to serve as commissioned lay ministers. This exciting program offers courses, workshops, retreats and supervised field experience which prepare persons to serve as commissioned lay ministers in a wide variety of ministries. Courses are six weeks long and are offered five times a year throughout the Diocese. For more information, contact Fr. Vavonese at formation@syrdio.org or (315)470-1491.

Area Events

8/7 & 8, 5-11 PM - Polish & American Parish Festival, Sacred Heart & St. Mary Our Lady of Czestochowa, New York Mills.

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.

Good News!

July 26, 2015

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

2 Kgs 4:42-44 / Eph 4:1-6 / Jn 6:1-15

My Irish aunt's motto was, "If there aren't leftovers, somebody went away hungry." The motto is shared by aunts, mothers, and grandmothers in nearly every culture. During holidays, our table was a groaning board of food prepared by my mother and aunt, brought by other family members, and shared with everyone. On the many occasions when we had more guests than we realized, the whispered command, "FHB," would make its way through our house. The initials stood for "Family, Hold Back," because our first duty was to make sure that our guests had enough to eat, and there were always peanut butter sandwiches and apples for us later.

Whenever I think of the miracle of the loaves and fishes, I think about holidays at our house. Impossibly, it seemed, everyone had more than enough to eat. There were always leftovers. But Jesus started with far less than we did. The five barley loaves and two fish were a meager beginning, food of the poor. That food became abundant in Jesus' hand. It wasn't the first miraculous multiplication. The Old Testament prophets, Elijah and Elisha, both multiplied scarce resources, but not for so many. Jesus outdoes them all. It is John's way of saying that Jesus isn't just another prophet. He is more powerful than any who came before him. As we will hear in the coming weeks, he is life itself. This is John's eucharistic story. The life that Jesus brings is abundant—we will all be satisfied. Think about that when you next receive Communion.

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