

August 2, 2015

St. Mary's Parish

13 Marvin Street
Clinton, New York 13323



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Parish Center 853-6196
Sister Ruth Dowd 853-1849
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Music Director 292-0368

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, August 1 - Vigil Mass

5:15 PM 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

Wednesday, August 5 - Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

7:00 AM Jeanne Doepp by Dan & Vicki Z.

Thursday, August 6 - Transfiguration of the Lord

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

Friday, August 7 - St. Sixtus II

7:00 AM Timothy Maxam by Carole Byrne

Saturday, August 8

8:00 AM Fred Doughty by the Doughty Family

5:15 PM - Vigil Mass - Caroline Vangura (18th)
by Her Family

Sunday, August 9 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Mary Elizabeth Bennett

by St. Mary's Pre-School Staff

10:30 AM Jeanne Jones by Carl

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 8/8

Sally Glouse & Sue King

Counters - 8/9

Jim Winkler, Dan Gale & Matt Bashant

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....	\$5,323.30
School Assessment.....	5.00
Memorial Fund.....	100.00
Faith Formation.....	35.00
Fuel.....	512.00
Country Pantry.....	40.00
Mission CoOp.....	1,459.70
Diocesan Collections.....	230.00

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 \$6,625.39 to go!**

A Family Perspective

In today's gospel, Jesus tells us: "Do not work for what perishes." Give your life to what endures such as the family history you are creating, the love and mutual respect which bonds you together, the memories you share and the forgiveness generously given. These are the true treasures that are worth working and dying for.

Country Pantry

Last Tuesday was our second distribution of Kids Paks for this summer vacation. The kids always enjoy their "special" bag. We are still collecting for the August distribution which will be on Tuesday, August 25. Thank you for caring and sharing. We have distributed approximately 300 bags so far and next month we anticipate another 150 will be given out. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by struggling moms because "hunger never takes a vacation". God bless the givers and receivers!

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM (8/8)	Nate Gale, Adam Schneider & Ian Nessel	Mike Debraggio	Host - Anne Debraggio & Brianne Siepiola Cup - Pearl Gapp, MaryLou Lauchert, Ron Newman & Jim Winkler
8:00 AM (8/9)	Alicia Amuso, John & Hannah Slawson	Anna Berney	Host - Evelyn Micciche & Chris Kielar Cup - Pam Sprague, Julie Wagner, Joe & Tina Lallier
10:30 AM (8/9)	Kate Schweitzer, Lily Collins & Jesse Dombrowski	Duffy Burdick	Host - Maryalice Hogan & Carol Fobes Cup - Joanne Joseph, Rebecca Collins, Melinda Leising & Karen Brewer

Faith Formation

The people had eaten the loaves that Jesus had miraculously multiplied. Now Jesus invites them to consider the "food which endures to eternal life." Finally, Jesus tells them, "I am the bread of life." This bread, then, is the bread they (and we) need in order to be able to "work the works of God."

Registration forms for Faith Formation

.....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. Adults: please consider sharing your faith with our young parishioners. A catechist's work is so rewarding!

Pool Time! Sunday, August 9, 2-6 PM

Spend a lazy Sunday afternoon at the Jack Boynton pool, including lawn games and a picnic potluck from 4-6 PM (sandwiches provided) \$4/person to swim. RSVP helpful, 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, August 9.

St. Mary's - Clinton Pre School

Part-time teacher assistant needed, flexible hours. Please contact Sue Cambridge at 794-1071.



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 & 8/8, 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!

August 2, 2015

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

Ex 16:2-4, 12-15 / Eph 4:17, 20-24 / Jn 6:24-35

Where does food come from? In an effort to teach our children that food didn't come from grocery stores, my husband and I helped them plant tomatoes, cucumbers, and green beans in our back yard. The yield was small, but the reward was great as they tasted the work of their hands. We had somewhat more difficulty explaining the source of our protein, though they did learn how to fish. We cooked what they caught. I think they grew in appreciation of the hard work it took to put food on the table. We also learned the importance of sharing what we had by cooking for others and collecting canned goods for our local pantry.

The Israelites in the desert wondered where food was going to come from as well. The desert they wandered through was a far cry from Egypt. They forgot their enslavement and remembered only the food that they had, which seemed like a banquet compared to what the desert provided. There was nothing to plant and no place to plant it. The Israelites had to rely solely on God. God did not disappoint. First he sent quail, then a miraculous bread that was as much as they needed. It was a lesson in faith we all need to learn.

As city dwellers, we have grown to rely on the farmers, butchers, and fisherman who supply our daily food. As Christians, we again must rely solely on God for our spiritual nourishment. He sent us his Son, Jesus, who is the true bread from heaven. If we come to him, we will never hunger.

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