

August 9, 2015

St. Mary's Parish

13 Marvin Street
Clinton, New York 13323



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Parish Center 853-6196
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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

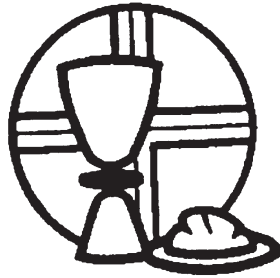
If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, please call Margaret – 853-5280, or Pat – 853-5229.

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 8 - Vigil Mass
 5:15 PM 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
Wednesday, August 12 - St. Jane Frances deChantal
 7:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Family
Thursday, August 13 - St. Pontian
 7:00 AM For the People of the Parish
Friday, August 14 - St. Maximilian Kolbe
 7:00 AM All Souls Day Intentions
**Saturday, August 15 - The Assumption of
 The Blessed Virgin Mary**
 8:00 AM Rev. David Looney by His Family
 5:15 PM - Vigil Mass - Beverly Geiser
 by the Balch Family
Sunday, August 16 - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM William Stricker by Mary Stricker & Family
 10:30 AM Gerald Carroll by Marion

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - 8/15
 Deb & Jessica Gurdo
Counters - 8/16
 Pat Balon, Bob & Linda Kurtyka

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....\$5,982.00
 School Assessment.....6.00
 Memorial Fund.....246.00
 Faith Formation.....182.00
 Fuel.....385.00
 Country Pantry.....10.00

Back-To-School Collection Next Weekend

The annual Back-to-school collection for the school age children served by the Country Pantry will be taken up at Masses next weekend. Thank you!

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.syradio.org. Thanks to those who have made their pledge, **we only have \$6,475.39 to go!**

Country Pantry

Have you noticed the gospel readings have referred to food and feeding the hungry? Here at St. Mary's and the other 12 churches that form the Country Pantry, we strive to carry out the gospel by providing nourishing food to those in need through our monthly food supplement.

Our Kid's Pak program during the summer is another way we aim to fulfill that mission. Please return your bags or items to be included in the bags, by **August 23**. We still have need of individual pudding cups and pre-sweetened canisters of Koolaid or lemonade.

At our August distribution we also provide new basic school supplies and new socks to school-age children. This can be a major expense for struggling families. In order to purchase necessary items to fill the donated backpacks, we need your help. Next weekend, August 15/16, will be our annual Back-To-School collection. Checks may be made payable to the Country Pantry or St. Mary's Church with the Country Pantry noted.

Thank you for your generosity to our friends and neighbors who are struggling. Do you know of anyone in need of our help - please contact Jeanne Roback (737-7650) or Mary Zimble, Coordinator at 371-5789. Bless the givers and receivers.

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM (8/15)	Madeline Surace, Matt & Maddie Steates	Annemarie Moffitt	Host - Ron Newman & Barb Blatz Cup - Bob McQueen, Bob Scarlata, Jan Slawson & Tim Lashinger
8:00 AM (8/16)	Will Eisenhut, Connor & Tyler Frank	Pam Sprague	Host - Fran & Gwen Lallier Cup - Ed Kaido, Carole Byrne, Joseph Ellis & Patty McComb
10:30 AM (8/15)	Raine Boehlert, Lauren & LeeAnn Chesebro	Karen Brewer	Host - Peggy Schweitzer & Anita Fitzgerald Cup - James Suchy, Maryalice Hogan, Don & Jane Conniff

Faith Formation

God awakened Elijah twice, providing food and water for his dejected messenger. The refreshments and the knowledge of how much God cared for him gave Elijah the strength to continue his journey to "the mountain of God." We are strengthened by the Eucharist and our knowledge of how much God cares for each one of us.

To Register

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.

To Volunteer

Here is your opportunity to feel rewarded as you touch a young one's life: Catechists needed in the following grades: Monday morning 1st grade, Monday evening 4th grade, and Wednesday evening 8th grade. For more information contact Mary Lou Lauchert.

St. Mary's Hearts and Hands Meeting

Hearts and Hands will meet this Monday, August 10, at 7 PM, in the Parish Center.. We will discuss the upcoming picnic and begin plans for the Christmas Fair. Please join us and bring a friend.

Parish Picnic

Mark the date -St. Mary's Annual Parish Picnic will be held Sunday, August 23, 12-3 PM, at the American Legion on Route 12B in Franklin Springs. For a nominal price, you will receive your choice of hot dog, hamburger or sausage patty. All the salads, salt potatoes and desserts are free. There will be games for the children and a 50/50 raffle for the adults. Come join your parish family at this fun event! We hope to see all of you there.



A Family Perspective

"Stop murmuring" Jesus told the disciples in today's gospel. Complaining is a dead-end and constant complaining is nagging. We might feel better but others feel bitter. Silence or grumbling will not resolve the problem. Address differences honestly and respectfully. Don't make them personal attacks.

Hospice & Palliative Care

Hospice & Palliative Care is pleased to offer bereavement support groups and educational workshops that are free and open to the community. For further information contact Kate Doran at 735-6487 X240 (www.hospicecareinc.org).

Good News!

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

1 Kgs 19:4-8 / Eph 4:30-5:2 / Jn 6:41-51

I have a clear memory of leaning over to the classmate in the next row and complaining about an assignment we had just been given. I wasn't the only one. Throughout the classroom, pairs of heads came together in a wave of rolling eyes and muttered remarks. I suppose we thought it went unnoticed. "Is there anything you would like to share with the rest of the class?" the teacher asked. "No, thank you," was the general response. We were a little embarrassed at having been found out.

That long-ago recollection surfaced as I read that the crowd "murmured" when Jesus said that he was the bread that came down from heaven. The word is also used of the Israelites who "murmured" about their hunger in the desert. Jesus calls them out by answering the question they thought he didn't hear. When he explains that he is greater than the manna that kept them alive in the desert, they can't believe their ears. They couldn't see that Jesus was far more than they understood him to be and they did not have faith in him because of that.

Has there ever been a time when you have murmured to yourself or someone else about God? Maybe God called you to ministry and you didn't believe him. Maybe he asked you to give up something and you complained like I did in that class of years past. Maybe you think God has been unfair to you. Save you breath; God hears you. Instead, go to him. Pour out your questions and fears and, with an open and willing heart, listen to the promise of life he alone can give you.

Mary Katharine Deeley
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