

January 31, 2016

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, January 30 - Vigil Mass
 5:15 PM Caryl Galinski by Kris & Joe Slivonik
Sunday, January 31 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Lucille Falk by Bob Galinski
 10:30 AM Jeanne Jones by Carl
Wednesday, February 3 - St. Blaise
 7:00 AM Mary Laska by Her Family
Thursday, February 4
 7:00 AM For the People of the Parish
Friday, February 5 - St. Agatha
 7:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Family
Saturday, February 6
 8:00 AM Robert Stricker by His Family
 5:15 PM Lucille Falk by Paul Edic
Sunday, February 7 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Jerry LaLonde (2nd) by His Family
 10:30 AM Edward Heintz by His Family

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - (2/6)
 Joan Scoones & Karen Winkler
Counters - (2/7)
 Pat Knapp, Barb & Pat Grimes

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....\$6,320.00
 School.....65.00
 Memorial Fund.....25.00
 Faith Formation.....66.00
 Fuel.....501.00

2015 Tax Statement

For a statement of your 2015 donations for tax purposes, please put a note on your envelope, drop a note in the collection basket, or call the rectory at 853-2935 (10-3 PM, Monday - Friday).

If you are receiving envelopes and don't use them, or if you don't receive envelopes and wish to, please drop a note in the collection basket or call the rectory.

A Family Perspective

Mary and Joseph must have been proud when their village "all spoke well of Jesus and were amazed at his words." But they probably felt shame when the same people drove him out of town. Like Mary and Joseph, the highs and lows of parenting are our path to being a Holy Family.

Country Pantry

Next Sunday, February 7, folks across America will be celebrating Super Bowl Sunday. Here at St. Mary's we will be celebrating our annual **SOUP'ER BOWL** Sunday. We will be collecting all varieties of canned and boxed soups to be distributed to the clients of the Country Pantry. Soup is a winter staple for many of our families - quick and easy to prepare and mmm-good! We ask that when you are shopping this week, please pick up a can(s) of soup to donate to the Pantry. In our **SOUP'ER BOWL** everyone is a winner! Thank you for supporting us. God bless!

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
8:00 AM (2/6)	Michael & Carina Pascucci		
5:15 PM (2/6)	Joseph, Dominic & Carina Pascucci	Pearl Gapp	Host - Mary Lou Lauchert & Bob McQueen Cup - Barb Bohrer, Tim Lashinger, Jan Slawson & Ann Wilkinson
8:00 AM (2/7)	Alicia Amuso, Deanna & Rick Heintz	9th Grade Class	Host - Jeanne Roback & Pam Sprague Cup - Patty McComb, Julie Wagner, Ed Kaido & Bob Burns
10:30 AM (2/7)	Raine Boehlert, Samantha Gaffney & Kate Schweitzer	Duffy Burdick	Host - Melinda Leising & James Suchy Cup - Karen Brewer, Carol Fobes, Don & Jane Conniff

FAITH IN ACTION-

Meeting February 8, 6:30 PM. We will discuss a variety of volunteer opportunities in our community, review our first experience at Hope House, and hear a presentation provided by the Presbyterian Home. Volunteers of all ages are welcome!

Parishioners of all ages are invited to an hour of **crafting special Valentine's for the home-bound** members of our parish, **Sunday February 7th, 1 PM**, in the Parish Center. Feel free to bring any materials you would like to share.

Please join us as we study the Gospel of Luke through **The Good News of God's Mercy** by Kevin Perrotta, Thursdays in Lent 2/11-3/17. Materials provided.

The next **Saturday "Soup" Supper** will be **February 6** following the 5:15 PM mass which includes children's liturgy. A casual meal of soup, sandwiches and salad, followed by "game night" for kids and adults; bring your favorite game to share. Cost of admission is a can of soup, to be donated to the Country Pantry.

Hope House. We have committed to prepare a meal at the Hope House on the second Sunday of each month and we are looking for volunteers to help 3 or 4 times a year. A sign up sheet is located on the family bulletin board in the front vestibule.

For more information on any of these topics please contact Amy Bashant at amybashant@gmail.com or Mary Lou Lauchert at mlauchert@roadrunner.com

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Your children, ages 4-9, are invited to join in Liturgy of the Word for Children at the 10:30 AM Mass this Sunday. The next gathering will be Saturday, February 6.

St. Mary's Prayer Shawl Ministry

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry would like to remind our parish community that items (lap blankets, shawls) made in love and prayer are available for those in need of comfort and are available for any one free of charge. Call Barbara Bohrer at 853-6016.

2016/17 LeMoyne College CYO Scholarship

The CYO Scholarships will be conferred to 8 deserving students in the geographical Diocese of Syracuse who have demonstrated leadership abilities and performed outstanding service to their school, community and parish.

Application packets are available in the Parish Office and must be submitted by February 15.

Area Events

1-31, 11-1:30 PM - Roast Pork Dinner Buffet at Church of the Annunciation Parish Hall, Clark Mills. \$10/adults, \$7/kids 6-12), 5 and under free. Take outs available.

2-4, 7 PM - Notre Dame Jr/Sr High School Open House.

Questions Catholics Ask**WHAT IS A "CALL"?**

HOW CAN YOU find what God is calling you to in life? Let's hear from a few of the VISION Catholic Religious Vocation Discernment Guide's "experts."

Sister Anita Louise Lowe, O.S.B. recommends these steps: "Become aware. You are called to listen to God, to yourselves, and to those around you. The second step . . . is to gather information and investigate the many options in front of you. This step calls you to choose what you sense to be God's will as you can best understand it at this moment. You look for confirmation of your choice."

Father Andrew Carl Wisdom, O.P.: "The best definition of contemplation I have ever heard is: 'a long, lingering look at God.' You can't make that happen. It is a pure gift of God."

Father Michael Scanlan, T.O.R. suggests "Nine ways to open up God's will for you": 1. Use your mind. 2. Look at the options. 3. Ask: What does God want? 4. Will it help conversion of heart? 5. Is it consistent with the way God has dealt with me before? 6. What confirms the wisdom of the proposed action? 7. Interpret spiritual signs. 8. Ask: What does your heart say? 9. Pray.

—Joel Schorn

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