

February 7, 2016

St. Mary's Parish

13 Marvin Street
Clinton, New York 13323



PARISH STAFF:

Rev. John P. Croghan – Pastor
Sister Ruth Dowd – Parish Associate
Carol Marshall – Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper
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Director of Faith Formation
Susan Cambridge – Preschool Director
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Superintendent of St. Mary's Cemetery
Valerie Wright – Director of Music/Organist
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Parish Center 853-6196
Sister Ruth Dowd 853-1849
Cemetery Superintendent 794-0154
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, February 6 - Vigil Mass
 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
Wednesday, February 10 - Ash Wednesday
 7:00 AM For the People of the Parish
 6:30 PM Caryl Galinski by Robert & Linda Kurtyka
Thursday, February 11 - Our Lady of Lourdes
 7:00 AM Bill & Margaret Burns by Carol Fobes
Friday, February 12
 7:00 AM Bethany Adams by Uncle Bob & Mary Beth
Saturday, February 13
 8:00 AM Rhayalene Perry by Jim & Ann Marie Jenkins
 5:15 PM O'B O'Brien by Betty & Family
Sunday, February 14 - 1st Sunday of Lent
 8:00 AM Lucille Falk by Bill Falk
 10:30 AM Eric Boland by His Family

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - (2/13)
 Jan Rishel & Deb Prody

Counters - (2/14)
 Evelyn Micciche, Bill & Linda McComb

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....	\$5,750.75
Christmas.....	100.00
Memorial Fund.....	140.00
Faith Formation.....	56.00
Fuel.....	235.00

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.

Special & Second Collections

The annual Church in Central & Eastern Europe collection will be taken up on Ash Wednesday. Next week-end the annual Black & Native American collection will be taken. Thank you for your continued generosity!

A Family Perspective

In today's gospel Jesus asked Simon to start by "going a short distance." Later he asked Simon to "go into deeper water." The first step toward reconciliation is usually a "short distance" which gives us the courage to go further "into deeper water." Reconciliation starts with the first short step!

Country Pantry

Today is Soup'er Bowl Sunday, did you remember to bring your can(s) of soup? If not, our need for soup is on-going and soup may be brought in any time.

Other needs for February are personal care items: shampoo, toothpaste, bar soap, disposable razors, shaving cream, Kleenex toilet tissue and dish detergent.

Thank you for your support of the Pantry. Enjoy your Soup'er Bowl day!

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
6:30 PM (2/10)	Samantha Gaffney, LeeAnn & Lauren Chesebro	Jim Winkler	Host - Jim Winkler & Sue King Cup - Marybeth King, Pam Sprague, Ann Wilkinson & Barb Blatz
8:00 AM (2/13)	Lydia DeTraglia & Madison Steates		
5:15 PM (2/13)	Melina Korfonta, Lily Collins & Montana Decker	Mary Lou Lauchert	Host - Elizabeth Tantillo & Barb Blatz Cup - Carla Pascucci, Anne Debraggio, Marybeth King & Annette Foley
8:00 AM (2/14)	Alicia Amuso, John & Hannah Slawson	Joseph Ellis	Host - Ed Kaido & Carole Byrne Cup - Kate Krumdieck, Bob Burns, Fran & Gwen Lallier
10:30 AM (2/14)	Adam Schneider, Lily Collins & Jesse Dombrowski	Susan Yaworsky	Host - Peggy Schweitzer & Maryalice Hogan Cup - Karen Brewer, James Suchy, Carol Fobes & Joanne Joseph

FAITH IN ACTION (Meeting Feb. 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.

Saturday "Souper" Supper this week following the 5:15 PM mass. 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 5:15 PM Mass this Saturday. The next gathering will be Sunday, February 21.

Third Thursday Group

Third Thursday Group will meet Thursday, February 18, 12:15 PM, at Sister Ruth's home (26 Marvin Street). We begin with a communion service followed by a bring-your-own bag lunch and socializing. Dessert and beverage provided. All adults are welcome!

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City & Zip: _____
 Telephone: _____
 Please check one:
 I am new in the parish & wish to register
 I am unsure if registered or not, please check
 I am previously registered and wish to receive envelopes.
 I moved to the above address.

Lent 2016

Ash Wednesday - Ashes will be distributed at St. Mary's during the 7 AM and 6:30 PM Masses. Fr. Croghan will also distribute ashes at a noon Mass in the Hamilton College Chapel. (Parking is very limited and in remote locations.)



Lent Fast & Abstinence - Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and ALL Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years and older.

Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. "The law of fasting allows only one full meal a day, but does not prohibit taking some food in the morning and evening, observing - as far as quantity and quality are concerned - approved local custom.

Stations of the Cross - Every Friday evening at 7 PM during Lent we will gather in Church for a time of prayer and meditation on the Stations of the Cross. This service is a great chance to reflect on the meaning of Jesus' sacrifice for us. Please join us for this peaceful time of prayer.

Operation Rice Bowl - St. Mary's will again participate in this official Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services. Proceeds benefit the poor both in our diocese and in the developing world. Material and information on this year's campaign can be found at the Church entrances.

Spiritual Reflection - Also at the entrances of the Church are booklets of daily reflections on the readings for Lent. Please feel free to pick one up for yourself or someone special.

Lenzen Community Reflection

Every Thursday during Lent, beginning February 18, 6-7:30 PM, at the Clinton United Methodist Church, Utica Street, Clinton, the Clinton area churches are sponsoring a Lenten series. Each evening will begin with a supper of soup and bread followed by a segment of the video "Who is this Man? The Unpredictable Impact of the Inescapable Jesus" by John Ortberg and group discussion.

- February 18, "Who is This Man?"
Rev. Jeff Hale
- February 25, "A Revolution of Humanity",
Rev. John Croghan
- March 3, "The Power of Forgiveness",
Scott Leonard, CLP
- March 10, "Why It's a Small World After All".
Patsy Glista & Rev. Janet Griffiths
- March 17, "Three Days That Changed the World",
Rev. Jeff McArn

