

February 14, 2016

# St. Mary's Parish

13 Marvln Street  
Clinton, New York 13323



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*Rev. John P. Croghan* – Pastor  
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## Phone Numbers:

Parish Office ..... 853-2935  
(Office Hours: 10-3 PM, Monday - Friday)  
Faith Formation Center.. 853-6196 or 853-7631  
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 13 - Vigil Mass**

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

**Wednesday, February 17**

7:00 AM Karol Laska by His Family

**Thursday, February 18**

7:00 AM Kathleen Lucak by Sr. Ruth

**Friday, February 19**

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

**Saturday, February 20**

8:00 AM William J. Hameline (2nd) by His Family

5:15 PM Walter & Elizabeth Stefanik by Their Family

**Sunday, February 21 - 2nd Sunday of Lent**

8:00 AM George Ellis (24th Ann) by His Family

10:30 AM Albert Griffin by Betty & Family

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

**This Week During Lent**

Thursday, 2/18, 6 PM - soup/bread dinner at Clinton Methodist Church - Session 1- "Who Is This Man" with Rev. Jeff Hale

Fridays of Lent, 7 PM - Stations of the Cross here at St. Mary's

**Altar-Rosary Cleaners - (2/20)**

Sally Glouse & Sue King

**Counters - (2/21)**

Jim Winkler, Dan Gale & Matt Bashant

**Collection for Last Weekend**

Ordinary Collection.....	\$5,547.00
Holy Day.....	5.00
Christmas.....	55.00
School.....	11.00
Memorial Fund.....	199.00
Faith Formation.....	25.00
Fuel.....	20.00
Country Pantry.....	190.00
Diocesan Collections.....	39.00

**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.

**Second Collection This Weekend**

The annual Black & Native American collection will be taken up at Masses this weekend. Thank you!

**Country Pantry**

Thank you for your generous response to our Soup'er Sunday appeal. We received over 325 cans of soup which included donations from the Soup'er Saturday Supper. Soup and other non-perishable canned and boxed items are always needed at the Pantry. We also accept monetary donations which we use to purchase needed items from local stores and the Food Bank of CNY. Checks may be made payable to The Country Pantry, PO Box 76, Clinton OR made payable to St. Mary's Church (for tax credit) with the notation Country Pantry and put in the regular collection. Thank you for helping us assist those in our community who are struggling to put nourishing food on their tables.

Our present need is for hygiene products which will be distributed this month along with the regular food supplement. Can you help? God bless!

**Liturgical Ministers**

Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
8:00 AM ((2/20)	Joe DeTraglia & Dominic Pascucci		
5:15 PM (2/20)	Michael, Carina & Dominic Pascucci	Annemarie Moffitt	Host - Pearl Gapp & Brianne Siepiola Cup - Jim Winkler, Barb Scarlata, Rick Pascucci & Sue King
8:00 AM (2/21)	Will Eisenhut, Connor & Tyler Frank	Steve Clark	Host - Evelyn Micciche & Joseph Ellis Cup - Kate Krumdieck, Chris Kielar, Tina & Joe Lallier
10:30 AM (2/21)	Caleb Stanco, Rick & Deanna Heintz	Rebecca Collins	Host - Joanne Joseph & James Suchy Cup - Peggy Schweitzer, Karen Brewer, Don & Jane Conniff

**Faith in Action**

Thank you to everyone who has signed-up to prepare meals at *Hope House* in the coming months. We will continue to need volunteers (teens/adults) as we have committed to the 2nd Sunday of each month; please sign-up on the sheet located in the front vestibule, where you will also find more info about this program.

Continue to check the bulletin for future opportunities to serve at the *Presbyterian and Lutheran Homes'* - weekend activities like helping with onsite mass, hymn sings, bible studies, bingo, crafts; families with children are encouraged!

**Winter break fun!**

The school gym will be open for games and crafts on Tuesday, 2/16, 10:30- noon (tots-2nd grade w/adult) and Thursday, 2/18, 1-3 PM (3rd-6th grade, drop-off). Bring a friend and have some fun! Teen and adult volunteers needed.

The **Good News of God's Mercy** bible study began this week, but there is still room for you! Classes run Thursday's through lent, with a possible weekend morning class beginning next week; contact Amy if you are interested in either class.

For more information on any of these topics, please contact Amy Bashant at [amybashant@gmail.com](mailto:amybashant@gmail.com) or Mary Lou Lauchert at [mllauchert@roadrunner.com](mailto:mllauchert@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 next Sunday, February 21. The next gathering will be Sunday, February 28.

**Parish Coffee Hour**

There will be a Parish Coffee Hour next Sunday, February 21 following the 8 AM and 10:30 AM Masses in the Parish Center. Please stop by and visit with fellow parishioners and enjoy a cup of coffee along with bagels and donuts.

**St. Mary's Hearts and Hands**

Hearts and Hands will meet this Wednesday, February 17, 6:30 PM, in the Parish Center. We will finalize the Lenten series dinner along with planning other spring social events for the Parish. We always look forward to new ideas - come join us and be part of the planning process. Thank you everyone.

**A Family Perspective**

Jesus "was led by the Spirit in the wilderness." What is the wilderness in your life to which the Holy Spirit is leading you this Lent? Perhaps there are uncharted areas in your marriage or family relationships. Spend this Lent in your "wilderness" with God's work. Where is the Spirit leading you this Lent?

# Good News!

February 14, 2016

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT (C)**

Dt 26:4-10 / Rom 10:8-13 / Lk 4:1-13

When I was on a pilgrimage to Israel, we visited Masada, the last stronghold of the Jews after the Romans destroyed Jerusalem. The temperature hit 117 degrees the day we came. We wandered around and wondered what it must have been like to hold out for a long time. When we returned to our bus, we couldn't wait to get to the cold water that awaited us. The priest said, "The Jews were in the desert for forty years; Jesus was in the desert for forty days; you've been in the desert for forty minutes. Think about that."

I have no doubt that Jesus was tempted to give himself food and water when he was enduring the desert heat. I have no doubt that in his agony he might also have thought about seizing power for himself. These are the things that tempt us when we are worn out, beaten down, or simply think we are not getting enough of what we believe we deserve.

Lent begins with the temptation of Jesus. Like us in all things but sin, he knew about being and feeling deprived and weak. And while his temptations came while he was in an actual desert, our harsh and barren places may be physical, psychological, or spiritual. We may feel lost, alone, helpless, and sometimes hopeless. In our times of weakness, evil can find a foothold and convince us that we must control our lives, that we can and should have whatever we want. In this account, we find in Jesus an example of how to resist temptation—patiently, humbly, with trust in God's promise of salvation.

Mary Katharine Deeley  
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