

March 13, 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, March 12 - Vigil Mass
 5:15 PM Edward C. Heintz by His Family
Sunday, March 13 - 5th Sunday of Lent
 8:00 AM Beverly M. Conley by Jan & Janice Pezdek
 10:30 AM Irene Caister by Her Family
Wednesday, March 16
 7:00 AM For the People of the Parish
Thursday, March 17 - St. Patrick
 7:00 AM Bob Cole (12th) by His Wife Joan
Friday, March 18 - St. Cyril of Jerusalem
 7:00 AM Caryl Galinski by Edward & Sheila Alli
Saturday, March 19 - St. Joseph
 8:00 AM Ann Heinrich by Diane & Robert Cifonelli
 5:15 PM Deceased of the Sheridan Family
**Sunday, March 20 - Palm Sunday
 of the Passion of the Lord**
 8:00 AM Catherine Croghan by Her Family
 10:30 AM Jeanne Jones by Carl

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

This Week During Lent
 Thursday, 3/17, 6 PM - soup/bread dinner at Clinton Methodist Church. Session 5 - "Three Days That Changed the World" with Rev. Jeff McArn.
 Fridays of Lent, 7 PM - Stations of the Cross here at St. Mary's.

Altar-Rosary Cleaners - (3/19)
 Barb Kennard & Kristen Dombrowski
Counters - (3/20)
 Walt Jury, Pearl Gapp & Barbara Bohrer

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....	\$6,544.00
Easter.....	25.00
Memorial Fund.....	100.00
Faith Formation.....	106.00
Fuel.....	40.00
Catholic Relief Services.....	882.00
Catholic Sun.....	26.00

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).

A Family Perspective
 Stoning is not just an ancient act of violence. Each day in our homes we throw stones of ridicule, criticism, name-calling and put-downs. All of it is deadly. Hear Jesus in today's gospel: "Whoever is without sin can throw the first stone." Rid your home of violence. Stop verbal stoning!

Country Pantry
 We are continuing to collect candy to be given out at our Easter distribution on March 22. Boxes of chocolate, **sugar-free and regular**, jelly beans, bagged Easter candy, chocolate bunnies and other Easter novelties are needed. These items may be left in the basket on Mary's altar and in the basket in the back of the church. Thank you to those who have already brought in your contributions.
 In addition to the candy, we can use canned pineapple and boxes of cereal.
 Thank you for all that you do in supporting the mission of the Country Pantry. God bless!

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM (3/19)	Dom, Joe & Carina Pascucci	Pearl Gapp Jim Winkler	Host - Marybeth King & Bob McQueen Cup - Rick Pascucci, Sue King, Tim Lashinger & Mary Paul
8:00 AM (3/20)	Connor, Tyler & Garrett Frank	Joseph Ellis Sister Ruth	Host - Kate Krumdieck & Ed Kaido Cup - Patty McComb, Chris Kielar, Jeanne Roback & Pam Sprague
10:30 AM (3/20)	Kate Schweitzer, Lauren Chesebro & Montana Decker	Karen Brewer John Burdick	Host - James Suchy & Karen Brewer Cup - Joanne Joseph, Carol Fobes, Don & Jane Conniff

Faith In Action

Today St. Paul recalls that he has given up everything to make room for Christ in his life. He knows it isn't easy to do this. But in the end he will share in Christ's Resurrection. That is why Paul describes himself as a runner, pushing on toward the finish line. What are you willing to give up in order to be a follower of Christ and to win the best prize of all--life with Christ Jesus, here and for always?

Nationally acclaimed speaker **Chris Stefanick's REBOOT! LIVE!** is coming to St. John the Evangelist in New Hartford Tuesday, April 12th. This is a high-energy, 2 1/2 hour renewal event designed to bring a brand new energy and vitality to your life. For more information on Chris Stefanick visit: www.reallifecatholic.com. Tickets to this event are available through Mary Lou Lauchert mllauchert@roadrunner.com or 853-7631.

Volunteers

This week is our third week of preparing a meal for 150 people at Hope House. Thank you to everyone who has helped make this happen by donating your time or money. There is a sign-up sheet for future months.

Also in the front vestibule are many opportunities to serve at the *Presbyterian Home* - activities like helping with onsite mass, hymn sings, bible studies, bingo, crafts; all are encouraged to help, especially families with children!

Coffee Hour

There will be a coffee hour following the 10:30 AM Mass next Sunday, March 20. Children attending will be making small, non-candy Easter Baskets for the shut-ins.

Come and enjoy watching the children and chatting with your fellow parishioners.

Third Thursday Group

The Third Thursday Group will meet this Thursday, March 17, 12:15 PM, at Sister Ruth's home, 26 Marvin Street. Please use the side door off the driveway. We begin with a communion service at 12:15 PM. Bring a bag lunch and stay for lunch around the dining room table and enjoy lively conversation. All adults are welcome - both men and women.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

There will be a Penance Service *next Sunday, March 20, 3 PM*, at St. Bernard's Church, Waterville.

Monday, March 21, 4-7 PM, confessions at St. Mary's Church in cooperation with Bishop Cunningham's "The Light Is On" offering the sacrament at most parishes within the Diocese.

Saturday, March 26, 10-11 AM at St. Mary's. Note: NO AFTERNOON confession this day.

**The Holy Year
Of Mercy: Reflections**



The Mark of The Sinner

The checkout clerk looked at you kind of funny. "You've got something on your forehead," she said, unaware of Ash Wednesday. We spend the day with a mixture of pride and embarrassment. We're proud to be Catholic, but we're a little uneasy about appearing in public wearing such a strange sign. Some think the ashes mark the righteous, those who go to church. But in reality it expressed our need for repentance. Jesus calls those who need the mercy and compassion of God so that the life-changing power of forgiveness might be experienced. Lent is a time for us to become familiar with that saving power.

As long as we continue to live as if we are what we do, what we have, and what other people think about us...we will remain addicted to putting people and things in their "right" place.

Henri J.M. Nouwen

Craft Workshop at Holy Trinity Church

Sunday, March 20, 12-2 PM, Marion Room, learn Palm Weaving, Butter Lamb making, Pysanky demonstration, pierogi and babka sale, wooden eggs, Swieconka traditional Polish Easter Basket. Bring a pound of butter. Free admission. (for information call 733-5150).

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