

May 1, 2016

# St. Mary's Parish

13 Marvln Street  
Clinton, New York 13323



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*Rev. John P. Croghan* – Pastor  
*Sister Ruth Dowd* – Parish Associate  
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Director of Faith Formation  
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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, April 30 - Vigil Mass**

5:15 PM Esther Welch by Bill & Mary Welch

**Sunday, May 1 - 6th Sunday of Easter**

8:00 AM Joseph Fink by Steve & Charlotte Knight

10:30 AM CSJ Jubilarians by Sr. Ruth

**Wednesday, May 4**

7:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Family

**Thursday, May 5 - The Ascension of the Lord**

7:00 AM Robert Haight by Hearts & Hands

6:30 PM Caryl Galinski by Ted & Helen Kruk

**Friday, May 6**

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

**Saturday, May 7**

8:00 AM Margaret Burns by the McLellan Family

5:15 PM Caroline M. Vangura (19th) by Her Family

**Sunday, May 8 - 7th Sunday of Easter**

8:00 AM Joan Hutchison by Barbara & Roger Cresswell

10:30 AM Catherine Dawes by the Jama Family

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

**Collection for Last Weekend**

Ordinary Collection.....	\$5,258.50
Holy Day.....	85.00
Memorial Fund.....	233.00
Faith Formation.....	217.00
Fuel.....	138.00
Home Missions.....	653.00

**Country Pantry**

Once again it is time to start planning ahead for our summer **Kid's Paks**. Hunger never takes a vacation!

This supplemental bag of food helps moms satisfy those ravenous appetites when school lunches are no longer available. Our first distribution will be June 28 and additional distributions in July and August. Each month we need to fill 150 bags. We can use: pre-sweetened Koolaid or Lemonade Mix, single serve Nutella snack paks, available at Wal-Mart for \$1 each, canned pasta and breakfast/snack bars. If you wish to make a monetary donations, checks may be made payable to St. Mary's Church with The Country Pantry in the memo line. Cash may be placed in envelopes marked The Country Pantry and either donation may be placed in the regular collection.

In addition to donated items, the Pantry will supplement bags with one milk card per child (for 1/2 gal), hot dogs or bologna, loaf of bread, yogurt, cheese, raisins and dried cranberries to help provide nourishing lunches for our kids. Your monetary donations will help defray some of the cost of these additional items.

Thank you for all you do to help us in assisting our families who are in need. God bless the givers and receivers.

**Altar-Rosary Cleaners (5/7)**


Barb Kennard & Kristen Dombrowski

**Counters (5/8)**

Pat Balon, Bob & Linda Kurtyka

**Holy Day Thursday**

This Thursday is the Ascension of the Lord. Masses will be held on Thursday at 7 AM and 6:30 PM at St. Mary's. There will also be a noon Mass on campus - parking is limited!



**ASCENSION**

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
6:30 PM (5/5)	Carina Pascucci, Kate Schweitzer & Alicia Amuso	TBA	Host - Julie Wagner & Bob McQueen Cup Jim Winkler, Sue King, Patty McComb & Melinda Leising
5:15 PM (5/7)	Ella Stephens, Montana Decker & Melina Korfonta	Mary Lou Lauchert	Host - Bill & Bonnie Waldron Cup - Mary Lou Lauchert, Brianne Siepiola, Jan Slawson & Marybeth King
8:00 AM ((5/8)	Will Eisenhut, John & Hannah Slawson	Steve Clark	Host - Evelyn Micciche & Joe Ellis Cup - Mike Howard, Jeanne Roback, Tina & Joe Lallier
10:30 AM ((5/8)	Joe DeTraglia, Deanna & Rick Heintz	Maryalice Hogan	Host - James Suchy & Maryalice Hogan Cup - Karen Brewer, Mary Stuttard, Carol Fobes & Melinda Leising

### Faith in Action

The Gospel of John tells us that Jesus is the Good Shepherd, the One who cares for each of us. He dwells within us. He nurtures us with the Eucharist. God is not out there. He is in here. Wherever we go, we bring God with us. Whatever we do, we do together with Him. He is not just the man upstairs. He is the presence within. We have 29 young ones who have been preparing to be nurtured by the Gift of the Eucharist for the first time next Saturday at 10:30 Mass. Please keep them in your prayers.

### Service Sundays

The second Sunday of the month is becoming Service Sunday at St. Mary's. We will continue our mission of preparing meals for Hope House and assisting residents at The Presbyterian Home to their in-house church service once a month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday as well from 10-11:30 AM. Sign up sheets for the coming months for both these service projects are located in the front vestibule.

### A Biblical Walk Through the Mass

.....by Dr. Edward Sri. For adults and teens. If you have not joined one of our studies, we hope that you will strongly consider this important one! In only 3 sessions, participants will "learn the biblical background to the words, prayers and gestures of the Liturgy, all in the context of the revised Mass translation." May 4, 11 & 18<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8 PM in the school.

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 [mlauchert@roadrunner.com](mailto: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 Sunday, May 8.

### A Family Perspective

Today Jesus gives this advice: "Do not let your hearts be troubled." Worry and anxiety can consume our lives preventing us from seeing the love which surrounds us and binds us to one another. Don't miss the forest for the trees. We are living today what we worried about yesterday.

### Area Events

5/14, 8-1 PM - Kirkland Community Bloodmobile at the VFW on Franklin Ave. Call 853-6300 for an appointment.

5/15, 11-1:30 PM, Annunciation Family Volunteers Pasta Buffet. Tickets: \$10/adults, \$7/kids 6-12, under 5 free.

5/27,28 & 29 - St. Paul's, Whitesboro, Annual Spring Bazaar (Friday - 6-11 PM, Saturday - 11 - 10 PM & Sunday, 12-8 PM. Rides, Food, Games & FUN!

## Questions Catholics Ask



### Does Catholic Doctrine Change?

In the story from the Acts of the Apostles, the leaders of the early church changed what they had previously taught in light of new circumstances. Does Catholic doctrine do the same?

Catholic teaching isn't uniform, though many folks think it is. The heaviest layer of teaching is called dogma, Greek for "what seems right." Dogma is an infallible teaching of the church and will not be revoked. Past councils and canon law determined that dogma must meet three conditions. First, it must be time-tested-rooted in scripture or post-biblical tradition and divinely revealed. Second, the church must explicitly propose it as dogmatic. That protects us from some leader who makes a lone interpretation. Third, such proposals are made in solemn decrees or universal teachings by an ecumenical council of the church that includes the pope or by the pope himself.

Interestingly, the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith has declared that dogmas are influenced by the "changeable conceptions of a given epoch." While the central meaning of a dogma cannot change, its expression can and must be reevaluated in each age to preserve the clarity and applicability of its revealed truth (see the document *Mysterium Ecclesiae*, 1973).

Alice L. Camille

*Adapted from [vocationnetwork.org/blog/questions\\_catholics\\_ask/2013/01/can\\_catholic\\_doctrine\\_change\\_in\\_light\\_of\\_new\\_information](http://vocationnetwork.org/blog/questions_catholics_ask/2013/01/can_catholic_doctrine_change_in_light_of_new_information)*

### Sr. Ruth

Sister Ruth is feeling much better and hopefully returning to us this weekend.

Thank you all for your prayers and help!

### HOPE Appeal 2016

The 2016 Annual HOPE Appeal Commitment weekend will be May 21/22. A letter will be sent to all families asking for support. We are all called to consider the gifts God has given to us and to return a portion of them for good works.

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