

May 8, 2016

# *St. Mary's Parish*

*13 Marvoin Street  
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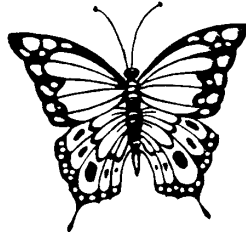


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## **Congratulations to our 2016 First Communion Recipients**

Leah Alteri, Martin Amuso, Ella Brehaut,  
Daniel Casatelli, Lucas Clausen,  
Vincenza Constantion, Elena Cook,  
Lees Divine, Lucas Galinski,  
Tyler Grube, Samuel Hepler, Peter Maier,  
Vincent Martino, Chloe Matteo, Ronan Milne,  
Julia Nessel, James (JP) O'Brien, Stephanie O'Neil,  
Leah Randall, Kayla Sciorilli,  
Elizabeth Shaver, Ryan Squires, Ryder Stilz,  
Lilli Stoich, Gavin VanSlyke,  
Hannah Williams, Dian Youker  
& Justin Zalewski



**Saturday, May 7 - Vigil Mass**

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

**Wednesday, May 11**

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

**Thursday, May 12 - Sts. Nereus & Achilleus**

7:00 AM Rhayalene Perry by Bob Galinski

**Friday, May 13 - Our Lady of Fatima**

7:00 AM - Fred Lomanto by Kevin & Laura Griffin

**Saturday, May 14**

8:00 AM Joan Reichard by Ken & Michelle Denison

5:15 PM Charlotte Heintz by Her Family

**Sunday, May 15 - Pentecost Sunday**

8:00 AM Donna J. Walker by the Rishel Family

10:30 AM Guy Fanfarillo by Brenda Heintz

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

**Collection for Last Weekend**

Ordinary Collection.....	\$6,590.00
Holy Day.....	247.00
Memorial Fund.....	167.00
School.....	114.00
Faith Formation.....	136.00
Fuel.....	30.00
Country Pantry.....	125.00
Diocesan Collections.....	23.00

**HOPE Appeal 2016**

The Annual HOPE Appeal will kick off next weekend in our parish. The programs, services and ministries supported by the Annual HOPE Appeal help meet the needs of all of us in different ways. Your financial support is needed to further the good works of the Appeal.

**A Family Perspective**

Jesus tells us today, "you are my witnesses" and guarantees the "promise of the Father" to "clothe us" with the power to accomplish this mission. It is the power of the Kingdom of God to live in peace, forgiveness, compassion, service to others, love of enemies and care for the poor and defenseless.

**Country Pantry**

Happy Mother's Day to all our mothers, grandmothers and special women in our lives. God's blessings on us all!

We are continuing to collect items for our June distribution of Kid's Paks. Our needs include canisters of pre-sweetened Koolaid or Lemonade, small jars of jam/jelly, single stacks of saltine crackers, regular or small boxes of kid-friendly cereal. Help us provide extra food items for kids on vacation who no longer have access to school lunches. Summer is no vacation for hungry children!

**Altar-Rosary Cleaners (5/14)**

Joan Scoones & Karen Winkler

**Counters (5/15)**

Peggy Schweitzer, Don & Jane Conniff

**New Lector and/or Eucharistic Minister Training**

We will be holding a training session for those interested in becoming a Lector and/or Eucharistic Minister in the near future. Becoming a Minister is a wonderful way to serve God and our parish. We are especially in need at the 10:30 mass. If interested, please call Carol at the rectory, (853-2935), Jim Winkler (853-6355) or Sue King (725-5631) and leave your name and number. Please consider serving in this important ministry!

**Liturgical Ministers**

Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM (5/14)	Taylor Arndt, Samantha Gaffney & Bianca Siepiola	Bill Waldron	Host - Pearl Gapp & Barb Bohrer Cup - Bob Scarlata, Tim Lashinger, Annette Foley & Elizabeth Tantillo
8:00 AM (5/15)	Garret, Connor & Tyler Frank	Joe Ellis	Host - Kate Krumdieck & Sister Ruth Cup - Fran Lallier, Carole Byrne, Julie Wagner & Bob Burns
10:30 AM (5/15)	Raine Boehlert, LeeAnn & Lauren Chesebro	Susan Yaworsky	Host - Don & Jane Conniff Cup - Mary Stuttard, Anita Fitzgerald, Carol Fobes & Karen Brewer



**Happy Mother's Day to our Mom's,  
Grandmothers and "Special Moms".**

### Faith in Action

We need to recall Jesus' promise: "I am with you always." His Spirit will provide the strength we need to continue on. We are not to waste time trying to judge our success or failure as we go. Jesus asks only for our faith in him and the best effort we can give today.

Congratulations to the 28 young ones who received the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time this weekend. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

**Parish Breakfast- May 22, 9 AM, \$5/person, \$20/family.** Pancakes, eggs, sausage, potatoes, fruit & drinks. Tickets available after all masses May 14-15. Volunteers needed, please sign-up on the board at the main entrance.

Have you been thinking of signing-up to help at **Hope House** but just aren't sure of what to expect? Join our **meeting on May 17, 6:30 PM** to gain a better perspective on this rewarding experience and how to become involved. Past volunteers, please attend so that you may share your insight. Teens/families are welcome. We still need volunteers for July and August!

There is still time to join the upcoming short-study: **A biblical walk through the mass.** This three-session course will include viewing a dvd, group discussion and personal study. Please contact Amy asap to receive course materials. Classes will be held May 12, 19 & 25 from 6:30- 8 PM.

### Liturgy of the Word for Children

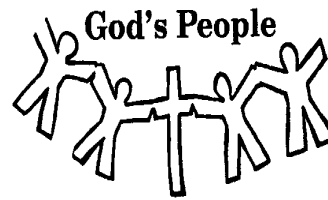
Your children, ages 4-9, are invited to join in Liturgy of the Word for Children at the 10:30 AM Mass this Sunday. The next gathering will be Sunday, May 15.

### 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!



**Our People**

### Face Time

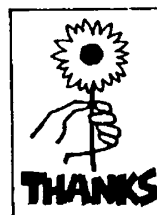
I never truly understood what it meant to bear witness until I stood in a room with 250 refugees staring at me. I thought I had a better grasp of it. After all, I'm a journalist, who listens to and tells people's stories. And I'm a Catholic, who is called to testify to God's truth. But the idea of bearing witness always struck me as somewhat passive and not terribly difficult. Then again, I'd never before confronted anything as extreme as the desperation and hopelessness of these refugees - Iraqis who had fled to Jordan and were being sheltered by a Christian parish near Amman. They can't go home, they can't stay, and there's little chance they'll get to the West. I was there to write about them, as part of a press trip, but I felt so useless.

However, they didn't expect me to do anything for them other than my job; that is, listen and tell others about them. They wanted to be seen, heard, and acknowledged. They needed their experience, their existence, their truth to be shared. I realized how important this act is, and how tough when you can't do much else. I can hope that my work moves hearts and leads others to help, but ultimately I learned how much just being present matters.

*Jennifer Tomshack*

### Thank You From Sister Ruth

It is with deep appreciation that I extend my sincere thanks to each and everyone of you. Your prayers, letters, cards, flowers, food, running errands, phone calls, getting me to appointments, rescuing me, watering plants and taking care of the mail, visiting the sick, communion calls, all this while I was out of commission - I am so grateful. Also to our Hamilton Football team who helped clean the yard. I am very happy to be home here at St. Mary's. Shalom.



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