

May 29, 2016

St. Mary's Parish

13 Marvln Street
Clinton, New York 13323



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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, May 28 - Vigil Mass
 5:15 PM Clarence Schick by His Family
Sunday, May 29 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)
 8:00 AM Dan DeCotis by Gramma & Grampa
 10:30 AM Mary Morgan by Elizabeth Morgan
Wednesday, June 1 - St. Justin
 7:00 AM For the People of the Parish
Thursday, June 2 - Sts. Marcellinus & Peter
 7:00 AM Robert Haight by the Vangura Family
Friday, June 3 - Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
 7:00 AM Caryl Galinski by Sandra & Dom Trasatti
Saturday, June 4
 8:00 AM Andy Fobes by His Family
 5:15 PM Esther Welch by Bill & Mary Welch
Sunday, June 5 - 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Dennis & Anna Baird by Ken Dennison
 10:30 AM Gerald Carroll by Annette & Don Foley

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

A Family Perspective

In today's gospel Jesus teaches we will find abundance by sharing the little we have. No matter how little time, money or food we have, it is enough to share.

Altar-Rosary Cleaners (6/4)

Deb & Jessica Gurdo

Counters (6/5)

Bob McQueen, Jim & Karen Winkler

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....\$5,708.00
 Holy Day.....2.00
 Memorial Fund.....70.00
 Faith Formation.....103.00
 Catholic Schools.....17.00
 HOPE Appeal.....62.00

HOPE Appeal 2016

Remember to return your pledge card ASAP. You can also make a secure online gift or pledge at www.syradio.org.

St. Mary's has been assessed a goal of \$34,372.41. To date we have received pledges/gifts of \$21,235.83 - only \$13,136.58 to go!

Many thanks to all of you who have returned your pledges.

Parish Council Elections

Once again it's time to find new folks for two seats on Parish Council. The Council is an advisory group to the Pastor. We meet every other month to discuss issues of importance to our parish. Each term runs for three years. If you have questions or are interested in running, please call Father at the rectory to put your name in for consideration. The selection will take place at the 10:30 AM Mass on June 22.



Country Pantry

We are still collecting items for our **Kid's Paks** to be distributed on June 28. Our needs are lemonade and/or koolaid presweetened canisters, small jars of jam or jelly, 4/pks of individual pudding, nutella snack paks, small boxes of crackers and cereals. These will be added, along with other items from nearby area churches, to our bags to help kids, who no longer have access to school lunches and breakfasts, to satisfy those ravenous appetites. Hunger never takes a vacation. Thanks for helping feed our kids! God bless the givers and receivers.

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM (6/4)	Taylor Arndt, Samantha Gaffney & Ella Stephens	Bill Waldron	Host - Tim Lashinger & Pearl Gapp Cup - Elizabeth Tantillo, Jan Slawson, Carla Pascucci & Brianne Siepiola
8:00 AM (6/5)	Garrett, Connor & Tyler Frank	Steve Clark	Host - Fran Lallier & Chris Kielar Cup - Kate Krumdieck, Ann Kearney, Mike Howard & Ed Kaido
10:30 AM (6/5)	Joe DeTraglia, Rick & Deanna Heintz	Maryalice Hogan	Host - Don & Jane Conniff Cup - Anita Fitzgerald, Maryalice Hogan, Jim Suchy & Carol Fobes

Faith In Action

There are four important actions in every account of the first Eucharist: **takes, gives thanks** (or blesses), **breaks**, and **shares**. These four actions are present in our Eucharist today. How can we carry these four actions out into the world as we leave Mass today?

Thank you to all of the parishioners who attended the pancake breakfast last weekend. It was wonderful to see so many of you there, enjoying great food and fellowship. I am grateful for all of the volunteers who helped to make the event a success- set-up/clean-up crews, cooks, hosts, greeters, & bakers, thank you! Amy

Social Justice

Please check the bulletin board in the front for schedules and opportunities!

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, June 5.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry of St. Mary's would like to remind our parish community that items (lap blankets, shawls) made in love and prayer are available for those in need of comfort and are available for any one free of charge. Call Barbara Bohrer at 853-6016.

St. Mary's Cemetery

Since 1854 we have maintained our parish cemetery in its beautiful pleasant rural setting. It has been a cherished community asset, a place of much history and memories and a peaceful green space on the hillside of our village and town. Five of our eight deceased pastors are buried there. Surely all of us want this beautiful legacy to continue for years to come.



The upkeep of our grass, trees, roads, and drainage are becoming more expensive all the time and we are now asking for donations from our parishioners and families with ancestors and loved ones interred here. Keeping annual labor costs to a minimum it is still about 28K per year. Some examples of expenses include \$4,600 for a new lawn mower and about 6K for repair and maintenance of equipment, among so many others.

Diocesan rules dictate strict separation of finances between churches and their cemeteries. Dwindling interest rates in recent years on our minimal Permanent Maintenance fund is very modest.

Please help us continue to preserve this asset for future generations with your tax deductible donation to St. Mary's Cemetery, 13 Marvin Street, Clinton, NY 13323. Of course being remembered in your will is most appreciated.

Thank you for your consideration.

St. Mary's Cemetery Committee

EUCHARISTSTRONG

It was First Communion preparation day at our parish school - a day when the classroom's textbook material comes to life as the children bake bread, sing their special songs, make a craft for homebound parishioners, and participate in a Last Supper reflection. I was in place at the Last Supper station. The children sat in a circle and we talked about how they welcome people to their homes. We read the story of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples. And we talked about what it means to serve. Then they took off their shoes and socks and I helped them wash each other's feet, one little person at a time.



When it was Addie's turn to have her feet washed, I stopped as I looked at her little feet, stretched over the bowl. Around her ankle there was one of those flex-bands, the band that people usually wear on their wrists. The word on Addie's band was MikeStrong. Mike is her dad and he is sick with stage IV cancer. An ache pierced my heart as I thought about her family's journey. But then I looked at her face full of trust and anticipation. And in that moment, I remembered the words her dad recently posted on his Caring Bridge page: "God's love is manifested daily in the caring and supportive people of this parish."

This family is living daily the miracle of the loaves and the fishes. The love and generosity of those who surround them fills them and make God's love visible to them. In turn, they are a sign to all of us of God's generous, incomparable, and inexplicable love. Together, we are Eucharist for one another, nourished at the table and sent to live God's love and generosity in the world.

Peg Ekerdt

Clinton Fire Department BBQ/Car Show

The 5th annual Clinton Fire Department BBQ and Car Show will be held next Sunday, June 5, in the Village Green. Car show 10-3 PM, BBQ noon till sold out.

Area Events

6/4, 8-1 PM - Mickey Adams Memorial Blood Drive, Nolte Auditorium in the Adult Home, LutheranCare Campus. For appointment, call Bill Rudge at 853-6300. Walk-ins welcome!

6/10-12, 4-10 PM - St. Anthony's Festival, 422 Tilden Ave., Utica

6/15, 6 PM - Butterfly Release Celebration at Utica College, Library Concourse. For information or to sponsor a butterfly, call 735-6487 X 238.

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