

January 29, 2017

# St. Mary's Parish

13 Marvln Street  
Clinton, New York 13323



## PARISH STAFF:

*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  
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

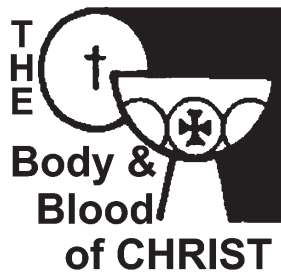
If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, please call Margaret – 853-5280, or Pat – 853-5229.

## 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, January 28 - Vigil Mass**  
5:15 PM Edward Heintz by His Family  
**Sunday, January 29 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:00 AM Richard Ellis by Jean O'Shea  
10:30 AM Joseph Yanchan by His Wife & Family  
**Wednesday, February 1**  
7:00 AM Mary Laska by Her Family  
**Thursday, February 2 - Presentation of the Lord**  
7:00 AM For the People of the Parish  
**Friday, February 3 - Sts. Blaise & Ansgar**  
7:00 AM Kathleen Phillips by Her Estate  
**Saturday, February 4**  
8:00 AM Mary Gurtowski by Hearts & Hands  
5:15 PM Stephen & Caroline Vangura by Their Family  
**Sunday, February 5 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:00 AM Jerry LaLonde (3rd) by His Family  
10:30 AM Robert Caister by His Family

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

**Altar-Rosary Cleaners (2/4)**

Deb & Jessica Gurdo

**Counters (2/5)**

Jim Winkler, Dan Gale & Matt Bashant

**Collection for Last Weekend**

Ordinary Collection.....\$5,136.00  
School Assessment.....45.00  
Faith Formation.....120.00  
Fuel.....634.00

**2016 Tax Statement**

For a statement of your 2016 donations for tax purposes, please put a note on your envelope, drop a note in the collection basket, or call the parish office at 853-2935 Monday - Friday, 10-3 PM (parishoffice@stmmarys-clinton.com).


**A Family Perspective**

It is in our family where we learn to be merciful and comforting to others. The Beatitudes of the Kingdom of God begin at home and depend on you. Parents lead the way.

**Country Pantry**

Next Sunday, February 5, while much of America is celebrating SUPER SUNDAY with parties and plenty of food, we at St. Mary's are holding a SOUP'ER SUNDAY canned food collection. Since many of our families are struggling to put food on the table, we are trying to assist them by asking you to donate cans of soup. Soup is a staple during these cold winter months and so **mm-mm good!**

There will be boxes at the altar rail and in the back of church for your donations. In our SOUP'ER BOWL our families are the winners. Thank you for caring and sharing.



<b>Liturgical Ministers</b>			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
8:00 AM (2/4)	Clare Kelly & Ella Stephens		
5:15 PM (2/4)	Madeline Surace, Madison & Matt Steates	Jim Winkler	Host - Annette Foley & Mary Paul Cup - Sue King, Ann Wilkinson, Bob McQueen & Marybeth King
8:00 AM (2/5)	Alicia Amuso, John & Hannah Slawson	9th Grade Class	Host - Bob Burns & Chris Kielar Cup - Elizabeth Tantillo, Carole Byrne, Joe & Tina Lallier
10:30 AM (2/5)	Adam Schneider, Caleb Stanco & Jesse Dombrowski	Maryalice Hogan	Host - Melinda Leising & Carol Fobes Cup - Karen Brewer, Jim Suchy, Joanne Joseph & any available

**Faith In Action**

Jesus tells us, we are blest. And, if we are merciful, try to make peace, and try to be holy, we will be consoled and rewarded not with riches, or power, or influence but by God, by joy, by peace.

**Monday Movie Shorts** - Pop-in on **January 30, 6:30 PM** as we wrap-up our series by Matthew Kelly on *Living with Passion and Purpose*. On **February 6** we will begin a series of short presentations by Rob Bell - great for teen audiences, too! (visit NOOMA YouTube for more information).

**Saturday Soup'er Bowl Supper- 2/4, 6 PM.** Don't miss this opportunity to sample some delicious soups and sandwiches while enjoying a time of fellowship with other parishioners! Please bring a salad or dessert to share if you are able, or contact Amy if you would like to bring a pot of soup. Games to follow dinner- please bring your favorites!\*

**NEW! Book group for 3rd-5th graders!** The **Chime Travelers** series features fun-filled, time-travel adventures with a **Catholic message** that takes kids to long-ago times and faraway lands. Children are asked to read the first book *The Secret of the Shamrock* and then join us for discussion and pizza on March 13, 5:15-6:15 PM. Please contact Mrs.Lauchert to register and obtain a book (\$7).

**Presbyterian Home looking for volunteers** to help residents attend their Sunday service. Check the bulletin board in the front vestibule for information.

**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 at the Supper, February 4.

**Hearts & Hands Meeting Rescheduled**

Due to the weather, the Hearts & Hands meeting has been changed to Tuesday, January 31, at 6:30 PM. All new and former members are welcome!

**St. Mary's Preschool Open House**

St. Mary's Clinton Preschool at 5 Prospect Street, Clinton, will be having an Open House Tuesday, February 7, 5:30-7 PM. Three and four year-old classes are available. Full and half days offered. Before and after care is available. For more information, call 853-6196 or 794-1071.

**Notre Dame Open Houses**

Jr./Sr. High School (Grades 7-12) February 2, 7 PM.  
 Elem. School (PreK-Grade 6), February 12, 10 AM  
 For more information, call the Admissions Office at 315-749-7060.

**Area Events**

2/23, 1 PM till gone - VFW Soup Sunday - Choice of 4 soups - \$4 bowl with bread or \$6 for unlimited refills. Also 50/50 raffle. Proceeds to benefit Homeless Veterans.

**Good News!**

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Zep 2:3; 3:12-13, 1 Cor 1:26-31, Mt 5:1-12a

To follow Christ is to seek lowliness, humility, mercy, and righteousness. The Ten Commandments summarize God's teaching to his people. Jesus gives us a new law that builds on the old. Before it was "You shall not..."; now it is, "Blessed are you when..." He calls us to greater happiness, greater blessing, but it comes with a challenge. Saint Augustine says that Jesus went up the mountain to preach the Beatitudes because he was preaching a higher moral doctrine: "greater precepts of righteousness."

The new law contradicts what our wounded human nature tends to think and feel. We are challenged to believe blessings can come from tears, meekness, and poverty; that living meekly leads to strength and security. Appreciating these truths requires transforming our minds and hearts. Faith is required. Deeply desiring and living in the right does bring satisfaction. There is consolation in mourning the things that sadden Christ's heart.

If we live by the beatitudes, many will treat us more generously. We know people who are merciful, and we are quick to show them mercy. When our hearts are clean, we can see God more clearly. Those who seek and create peace are considered by all to be children of God. They are not without trials and suffering, but they are blessed and happy.

Christ calls us to store up treasures in heaven, spiritual blessings that cannot be taken away. Even if we experience difficulty, we will still receive the highest and greatest gift: the kingdom of heaven.

**For Reflection**

Am I renewing my heart and mind in Christ? How do I live out the beatitudes?

*Fr. Mark Haydu, LC*

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