

July 23, 2017

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 – (315)853-5280, or Pat – (315)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, July 22 - Vigil Mass
 5:15 PM James & Mary Kearney
 by Kevin & Ann Kearney

Sunday, July 23 - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM For the People of the Parish
 10:30 AM Arthur Mallett by His Family

Wednesday, July 26 - Sts. Joachim & Anne
 7:00 AM NO MASS

Thursday, July 27
 7:00 AM NO MASS

Friday, July 28
 7:00 AM NO MASS

Saturday, July 29
 8:00 AM NO MASS
 5:15 PM Margaret Stanley by Parish Council

Sunday, July 30 - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 AM Robert Heintz by Hearts & Hands
 10:30 AM Jeanne Jones by Carl

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

Altar-Rosary Cleaners (7-29)
 Joan Scoones & Karen Winkler

Counters (7-30)
 Bob McQueen, Jim & Karen Winkler

Collection for Last Weekend

Ordinary Collection.....\$7,435.00
 Memorial Fund.....108.00
 Faith Formation.....119.00
 Fuel.....2,010.00
 Mission CoOp.....1,729.00
 HOPE Appeal.....40.00

HOPE Appeal 2017

Thank you to those who have made their pledge to this years HOPE Appeal. If you haven't had a chance, **please** do so ASAP

St. Mary's has been assessed a goal of \$34,629.51 which we must make or the parish pays the difference. To date we have received pledges of \$34,078.34 - only \$551.17 to go! We're almost there!!!

A Family Perspective

Parents plant values in their children anticipating the tiny seeds of honesty, respect, commitment and fidelity will grow with their child and one day become "a safe haven" to many.

Country Pantry

Thank you to all who have supported our summer Kid's Paks program. Next Tuesday will be our 2nd distribution during school vacation. We have one more distribution, Tuesday, August 22. We are still collecting food items for the Paks: cereal bars, juice boxes, individual puddings and fruits. Monetary donations will be used to supplement the bags with bologna/hotdogs, milk, fresh fruit, bread and frozen fruit juice. Thanks for caring and sharing. God bless!

Liturgical Ministers			
Time	Altar Servers	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
5:15 PM (7-29)	Henry & Kate Schweitzer	Mary Lou Lauchert	Host - Anne Debraggio & Jan Slawson Cup - Ann Wilkinson, Annette Foley, Bob McQueen & Sue King
8:00 AM (7-30)	Elizabeth & Rebecah Bashant	Ron Roback	Host - Joe & Tina Lallier Cup - Kate Krumdieck, Jeanne Roback, Chris Kielar & Bob Burns
10:30 AM (7-30)	Taylor Arndt & Raine Boehlert	Maryalice Hogan	Host - Karen Brewer & Carol Fobes Cup - Melinda Leising, Jim Suchy, any available & any available

Faith In Action

If we think about St. Paul's words in the second reading, we will never be discouraged by our own weakness. He reminds us that, no matter how weak we are, we can always call on the power of the Spirit within us. Here is a prayer you might like to say every so often. It is called the Breton Fisherman's Prayer, because it comes from Brittany (in northern France):

*"Dear God, be good to me.
The sea is so wide,
and my boat is so small."*

Potluck picnic and water games at the Kirkland Town Park, Wednesday, August 2, 5:30-7 PM. We will fire-up the BBQ - bring your own items to grill and a dish to share. Drinks, watermelon, and paper products provided.

Registration for classes in the 2017-18 school year has been mailed. If you are new to the parish or have a child entering 1st grade please contact Mary Lou Lauchert (mlauchert@roadrunner.com or 315-853-7631).



Summer Faith Camp (Vacation Bible School) for children age 5-12 sponsored by the churches in PCA 8. Please contact Mary Lou Lauchert at mlauchert@roadrunner.com or 315-853-7631 for more information. A list of items needed for camp is posted on the family bulletin board in the front of church if you care to make a donation.

Notre Dame Elementary School

Notre Dame Elementary School has openings in the following classes:

Montessori Pre-K: 3-5 year olds - fill or half days

Universal Pre-K: 4 years old by December 1, Utica

City School District Residents, only, wrap around program, available.

K-6 Grades. Tuition assistance available.

For information, call 315-732-4374

Dear Padre

July 23, 2017

**If I'm late for Mass,
can I receive the Eucharist?**

There is no hard-and-fast rule on how "late" one can be for Mass and still receive Communion. Holy Communion is offered outside of Mass at times, so theoretically you could come during the Communion rite and still receive Communion.

But there is more to be considered with this question. If you are going to go to Mass, you should be there from the beginning to the end. You should be there before the entrance procession begins and you should stay until the last verse of the final song is sung. Things happen, like an unexpected train on the way to Mass or a sick child who needs attention and care. However, if you find yourself always coming late to Mass, you may need to make a change in your routine.

I remember cleaning out a closet of a church I was stationed at, and I found a sign with ropes attached to it. It stated, "Mass has begun, the next Mass begins at" and there was a place where you could list the time of the next Mass. I was told the ropes were tied across the entrance so you couldn't come into Mass late.

Those days are gone, though. It's up to you to follow your conscience. It is important to participate in the entire celebration, but if on the rare occasion you come late to Mass, ask yourself, "*Can I prepare myself to worthily receive Communion at this moment?*" If you can answer "yes" to that question, then I would say it would be OK to receive Communion.

Fr. Patrick Keyes, CSSR

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Telephone: _____

Please check one:

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_____ I am unsure if registered or not, please check

_____ I am previously registered and wish to receive envelopes.

_____ I moved to the above address.

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