

July 30, 2017

# St. Mary's Parish

13 Marvln Street  
Clinton, New York 13323



**PARISH STAFF:**

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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 29 - Vigil 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

**Wednesday, August 2 - Sts. Eusebius & Peter Julian Eymard**

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish

**Thursday, August 3**

7:00 AM Jack Lane by a friend

**Friday, August 4 - St. John Vianney**

7:00 AM Will Coleman

by Kelly Crane Liddell & Family

**Saturday, August 5**

8:00 AM Emily Phillips by Her Family

5:15 PM Joseph Yanchan by His Wife & Family

**Sunday, August 6 - The Transfiguration of the Lord**

8:00 AM Mabel Sheehan by Her Family

10:30 AM Carol Davis Burns by Ed Duffy, Jr.

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

**Altar-Rosary Cleaners (8-5)**

Jan Rishel & Deb Prody

**Counters (8-6)**

Evelyn Micciche, Ed Kaido & Kernan Kennedy

**Collection for Last Weekend**

Ordinary Collection.....	\$5,471.50
Memorial Fund.....	85.00
Faith Formation.....	5.00
Fuel.....	443.00
Country Pantry.....	55.00
Mission CoOp.....	175.00
School Assessment.....	10.00

**June 2017 Financial Summary**

Total Support	\$31,579.19
Total Expense	\$63,194.25

**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!!!

**Country Pantry**

Last Tuesday was our second distribution of the Kid's Paks, much to the delight of our kids. Only one more to go! For our last distribution on August 22 we are still in need of juice boxes, individual fruit and pudding paks, canned pastas and cereal bars. Thank you for helping us to provide additional food items so moms can help satisfy those voracious appetites during summer vacation.

Hunger never takes a vacation. God bless!

<b>Liturgical Ministers</b>			
<b>Time</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>
5:15 PM (8-5)	Madison Steates & Madeline Surace	Annemarie Moffitt	Host - Sue King & Bob Scarlata Cup - Barb Blatz, Pearl Gapp, Bonnie & Bill Waldron
8:00 AM (8-6)	Joseph & Carina Pascucci	Bob Burns	Host - Pam Sprague & Carole Byrne Cup - Nan LaBrecque, Julie Wagner, Fran Lallier & any available
10:30 AM (8-6)	Adam Schneider & Caleb Stanco	Karen Brewer	Host - Joanne Joseph & Maryalice Hogan Cup - Jim Suchy, Anita Fitzgerald, any available & any available

**Faith In Action**

In Matthew's Gospel, he wants Christians to understand that seeking, working, and praying for the Kingdom of God is the heart of Jesus' Good News. When we seek the Kingdom before all else, we are like a merchant who sells everything to buy a pearl of great price. Like Jesus, we value God's love and God's will above any earthly treasure.

**Potluck picnic** for all parishioners and water games at the Kirkland Town Park - Wed, 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** for the 2017-18 school year has been mailed. If you are new to the parish or have a child entering 1<sup>st</sup> grade please contact Mary Lou Lauchert. We are always looking for adults willing to share their faith with the youngest members of the parish. Please contact Mary Lou Lauchert for more information about this rewarding opportunity!

Still accepting enrollment for **Summer Faith Camp** (Vacation Bible School) for children age 5-12 being held at St. Johns in New Hartford Aug 7-11, 9:30 AM-12 PM.

Please contact Mary Lou Lauchert at [mlauchert@roadrunner.com](mailto:mlauchert@roadrunner.com) or 315-853-7631 for more information.

**A Family Perspective**

The man in today's gospel "sold all he had" for the treasure he found. Family relationships are "treasures" and demand our total personal investment. Invest yourself in the "treasure" of your family.

**Theology Uncorked**

Theology Uncorked, talk, food, wine\* free! 2nd Tuesday of every month (August 8), at 6:30 PM, Mohawk Valley Winery, 706 Varick St., Utica. Adults 40+ - No commitment necessary. This program is sponsored by the Diocese of Syracuse McDevitt Evangelization Grant awarded to St. Joseph & St. Patrick Church, Utica. For information, call Deborah Sullivan at 315-735-4429 x 4. (\*first glass of wine free).

**Good News!  
July 30, 2017**

The richly decorated portrait *The Vision of Saint Helena* by Paolo Veronese is immediately impressive. Helena, a woman of humble origins, became the wife of Constantius Chlorus (Rome's emperor from 293-306). An innkeeper's daughter in an outback town, her beauty caught the eye of the most powerful man on earth. She went from rags to riches.

Here she wears lush, Eastern fabrics with woven prints and royal colors. The gold and blue details of her dress and the valour of her crimson cape broached under her chin denote the wealth her position afforded. She rests on a high-back leather throne; an elegant textile wall covering provides a background from floor to ceiling.

The softly flowing fabrics and her serene posture exude calm and focus our attention on her tranquil face and beauty of the world surrounding her. Helena has forsaken all to pursue the true treasure she possesses as a Christian and values more than the rest. Helena traveled from Rome to Jerusalem to bring back the relics of Christ's passion. These reminders of Jesus' love for sinners became the most important treasures of Christendom.

Veronese wants to convince us that through prayer we come to understand our treasure is not found in wealth but in the glorious vestment of baptismal faith. As adopted sons and daughters of the king, we become like St. Helena: poor commoners raised to royalty! Thank God for his gift of life in Christ and allow your heart to follow the inspirations he shares with you.

**For Reflection**

*St. Helena left the comfort of her home to search for the cross of Christ. What are you searching for? What are you willing to give up for it?*

Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

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