

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF SAINT MARY

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Sacrament of Baptism – For Children to be Baptized, please call the Rectory to schedule a meeting.

Sacrament of Penance – Tuesday from 5:40pm until done, Saturday 3:45—4:45, pm and by appointment.

Marriage – Make arrangements with the Pastor at least six months in advance. Pre-Cana instruction is necessary.

Anointing of the Sick – Please advise the parish office of the serious illness or hospitalization of a parishioner.

Communion for shut-ins – Please notify the Rectory if anyone is unable to attend Sunday Mass regularly.

*** **New Parishioners** – Register at the Rectory at any time. ***

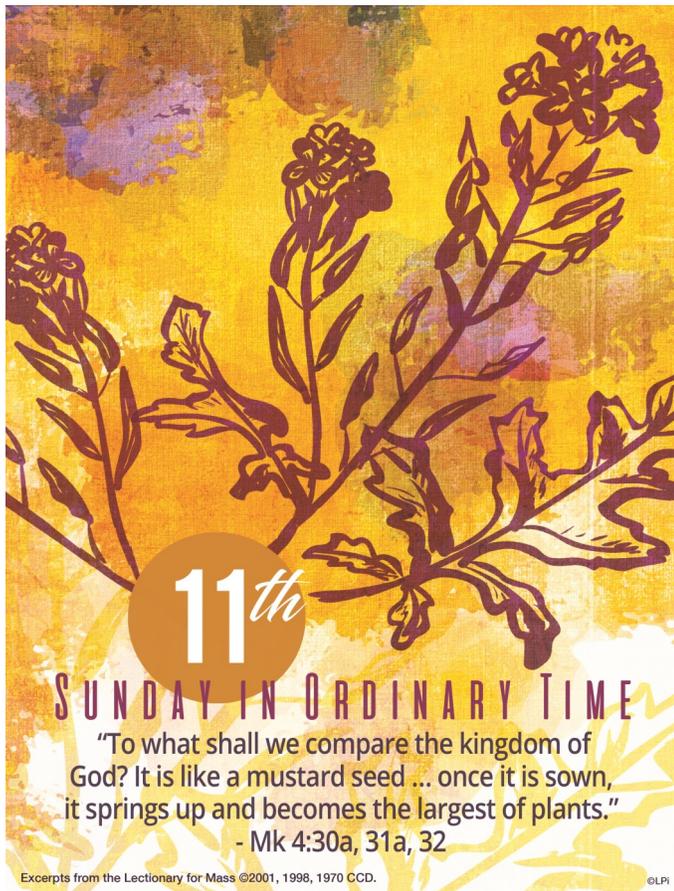
OUR SACRED PURPOSE:

Christ-led,

Christ-fed,

and Hope-filled

The Diocese of Ogdensburg joyfully invites the people of the North Country to the journey of faith through the proclamation of the Gospel, the celebration of the Eucharist and the Sacraments, and the loving service of neighbor.



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June 17, 2018

Pastor's Corner

Grads and Dads! Congratulations to our St. Mary's School 6th graders, who graduated on Wednesday, and to all who are moving up next fall. Congratulations also to Mrs. Meyers and all our teachers for an outstanding year and the prospect of an even better year to come.



Blessings also to all our Dads. Last Friday we had all the fathers of our youngest St. Mary's students over for coffee and donuts, and I spoke of the great challenge they face each day, but how important and inspiring their fidelity is. I encourage them and all of the men of our parish to take part in the menriseup.org program that we are listing below. One of the young participants in the Lenten program enjoyed it so much, he wants to "pay it forward." So there's an offer for a "scholarship" to the program for the first person to get to me.

Have a blessed week! —Fr. Bryan Stitt
 p.s. As just a heads up: I'll be away from the 24th to the 29th as Chaplain of the Catholic Heart Workcamp summer camp.

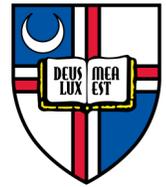


In honor of all the good work, words, and witness of the Fathers here at St. Mary's, the parish is making a \$250 donation to the Men Rise Up program.

If you, or your favorite dad didn't get to take part in the 30 day program in Lent, a second series starts to-

morrow—Monday the 18th. Sign up at the menriseup.org.

Thank you for giving to the Catholic Communications Campaign and Catholic University



Your gift will provide funds to spread the Good News through radio, television and other media and to support Christian Scholarly Studies at the Catholic University of America

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Much gratitude to everyone who helped to make our Chicken BBQ a smashing success. Shout outs to the Knights of Columbus who manned the pit and to Sue Law and her fabulous kitchen crew that served the meals. Recognition also to the many volunteers who assisted in our first ever drive through. Finally thanks to all who purchased meals to benefit our school! *We hope to see you all again next year!*



Gabriel Project Meeting

Wednesday, June 20 at 7:00pm
 For more information call Frieda at 315-347-2364

Traveling this Summer? Going on Vacation?

We never vacation from Holy Mass. Check out the local Mass times at your vacation destination using this great website! www.Masstimes.org One of the great blessings of being Catholic is that you are never far from home; there is a Catholic Church almost everywhere.



Diocesan Capital Campaign

After prayerful reflection on the Diocesan Pastoral Vision and in preparation for the 150th Anniversary of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Ogdensburg (2022), Bishop Terry R. LaValley has announced that a Diocesan-wide Capital Campaign "It's Our Church, It's Our Future" is kicking off.

The It's Our Church, It's Our Future Capital Campaign will have a goal of \$16 million, which will include \$1.3 million for the 2018 Bishop's Fund Appeal. Of the funds raised, 75% will remain at the Parish for its local needs such as programs and capital improvements. The remaining 25% benefits the entire Diocese supporting Retired Priests, Seminarians, Camp Guggenheim and St. Mary's Cathedral.

Guidance In Giving, Inc. (GIG) is working with the Diocese on this endeavor and have begun the groundwork with some parishes participating in the initial Block 1 Phase. "It's Our Church, It's Our Future" will run in three blocks beginning with Block 1 running April to June. Parishes in Block 2 participate from June to September and campaigns in Parishes in Block 3 (including St. Mary's) take place from September to November.

CAMP GUGGENHEIM REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2018 season is now open!

Registration for Camp Guggenheim is OPEN! Weeks 1-5 are open to ages 12-15, and Week 6 is open to 16-18-year-olds. Come for an unforgettable week of friendship, faith, and fun! Register at www.rcdony.org/camp.



St. Mary's Thrift Store

7 Main St. Mon.-Fri. 9am-4 pm
 Come see of our new clothing arriving daily



Do you have a green thumb?

Join the **St. Thérèse Garden Society** here at St. Mary's. We would love to have some gardeners to help with our flower beds around the Church. Please consider sharing your talents with us.

If interested, please call Pat Furgal at 315-322-1836



Principal's Corner

Have a Safe and Wonderful Summer!



Homilies Online

If you're on the road last week and missed the homily here at St. Mary's (or if your kids are just a little too fussy for you to catch what was being said the first time around) you can now hear the homilies online as well. Go to the

parish website cantoncatholics.com. Podcasting is available if you're looking for a portable way to overcome insomnia!

Flocknote Sign Up!

Stay in touch with St. Mary's news and updates Text the single word **Canton** to the short phone number **84576** to subscribe to updates and join the parish groups you're interested in.

You can also sign up on our website:

www.cantoncatholics.com



Would you like an additional copy of our St. Mary's Directory?

They make a great gift for family or friends.

Please call **Lita Maroney** at **315-379-1650** to order more copies. They are only \$10



Ask Father Stitt

This question came in a couple weeks ago: *Why do Catholics make the sign of the cross at the beginning of the Gospel?*

Thanks for asking. I think what you're referring to is what we do right after the deacon says: "A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark," and we respond: "Glory to you, O Lord." It's not what we normally would refer to as the sign of the cross. (The sign of the cross in the Latin Rite Catholic Church is using our right hand, touching our forehead, lower torso, left shoulder, and then the right shoulder while saying, "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.") Instead, before the Gospel, we trace a cross on our forehead, lips, and heart. (In that way, it's kinda like making 3 signs of the cross.) This is to prepare ourselves to receive the proclamation of the Word of God.

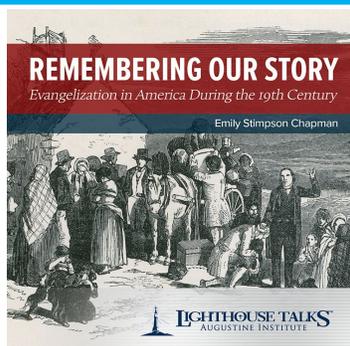
Praying this prayer may help appreciate this ritual more: "May the Word of God be in my mind, on my lips, and in my heart."

There is great power in this simple practice. We want God's word in all three—like the three legs of a stool. If we just have the Word on our lips, then we can sound very Christian, but with no substance. (lip-service, anyone?) If we just have it in our mind, then we can know *about* Jesus, but not really know *Him*. And if we have the Word just in our hearts, then we can still do good things but we and others will loose the motivation behind the actions. We need the Word in all three: in our minds, on our lips, and in our hearts!

And to wrap up, it's worth remembering that the cross is always a sign of redemption in and through Jesus Christ. So the sign of the cross—big or small—is a sign of hope for us all.

Featured CD of the Week

Catholicism in the United States has a challenging but rich history that is rarely told. Emily Stimpson Chapman, an experienced journalist and the author of numerous books, tells of the triumphs and obstacles that Catholics faced in the 1800s when evangelizing. Emily's telling of the immense struggles that bishops, religious, and lay people endured to spread the Gospel in the nineteenth century offers us relatable role models and inspiration as we face challenges in our own day.



Nolan Joe Redmond

- Sam Bisonette Trina Anderson
- Annette Hurley Joel Rivera
- Katherine Ba Katie Coakley
- Judy Ruddy Margaret Johnson



Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.



The Church Sanctuary Lamp burns this week
In memory of

Bev Creasy & Nancy McCluskey

by Nancy Layhee

If you desire to have the Vigil Lamp lit for a loved one or for your intention, please contact the Rectory.

The Chapel Sanctuary Lamp burns this week
In memory of

Francis Butler, Jr.

by Gail Butler & Family



Schedule

June 16 and 17, 2018

Sat. 5:00 pm

Lectors: Lisa Guccione, Brad Mintener
Eucharist: Freda Michaud, Sandy Bartlett, Pat Furgal,
Carol O'Horo
Altar Servers: (need)
Greeters: Mary Evans

Sun. 9:00 am

Lectors: Norma Jean Lapoint, Virginia Burwell
Eucharist: Mel Schrems, Paul Schrems, Maureen Howard,
Marion Larson
Altar Servers: Eleanor Bailey, Nicole White
Greeter: Barb teRiele

June 23 and 24, 2018

Sat. 5:00 pm

Lectors: Edd White, Carolyn Shelmidine
Eucharist: Bernie Proulx, Cathie O'Horo, Michael Christy,
Joan Pope
Altar Servers: (need)
Greeters: Jim Barry

Sun. 9:00 am

Lectors: Russ Backus, Shelly Roiger
Eucharist: Cheryl Curry, Joseph Tebo, Keith Zimmerman,
Joan Hyde
Altar Servers: Joseph Roiger, Zadok Roiger
Greeter: Dan Roiger

Summer Mass Schedule

Saturday Mass
5pm
Sunday Masses
9am AND 10:45am



Reading for Sunday June 17:

Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/2 Cor 5:6
-10/Mk 4:26-34



MASS & PARISH SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 17: **11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 am Mass Jack Regan by the Knights of Columbus
10:45 am Mass Don Wilson, Harold Burke & Ivan
 Wilson by Judy Wilson & Family
 No 5:00 pm Mass during the Summer

Monday, June 18: **Weekday**
8:10 am Mass For the People of the Parish

Tuesday, June 19: **Weekday/St. Romuald, Abbot**
4:00 pm Holy Hour for Vocations
5:10 pm Mass Marie Saucier by Jim & Sharon White

Wednesday, June 20: **Weekday**
10:30 am **(Maplewood)** Joan & Maurice
 Courchesne by the People of
 St. Mary's Parish

Thursday, June 21: **St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious**
4:45pm Rosary for Life
5:10pm **NO MASS**

Friday, June 22: **Weekday/St. Paulinus of Nola,**
 Bishop, Sts. John Fisher, Bishop and
 Thomas More, Martyrs
8:10 am Mass Lucy Brassard by Jim & Lucie Cassoni

Saturday, June 23: **Weekday**
 No Morning Mass
 Vigil: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
5:00 pm Mass Don Wilson by Robert and Sandra
 Santamoor

Sunday, June 24: **The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**
9:00 am Mass Andrew & Mary Gonyea by
 Sam & Nomia Thornton
10:45 am Mass Betty Ames by the Mulvaugh
 Nieces & Nephews of Betty Ames

Parish Support

Week of June 9 & June 10	2017	2018
Envelopes	\$7,198.00	\$4,571.00
Plate	\$810.13	\$645.00
Catholic Charities		\$25.00
Children's Envelopes		\$1.25
Catholic Communications	\$1,212.65	\$815.79
Total	\$9,220.78	\$6,058.04

*Thank you for your support and generosity each and every week!
 Please continue to remember how important your weekly offering is to the
 life of our parish!*