

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.

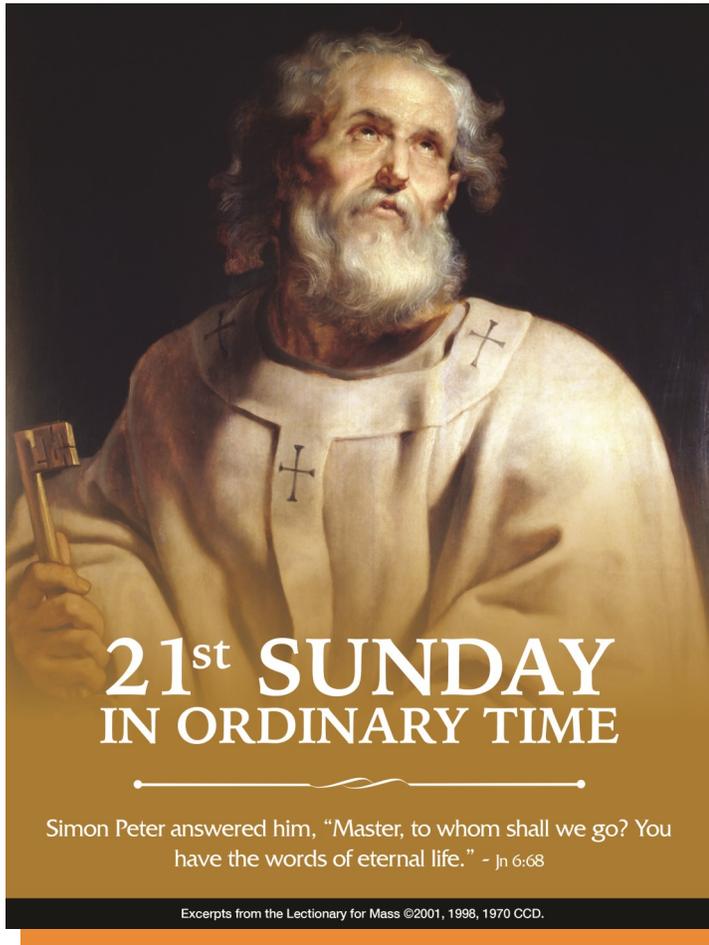
Sacrament of Penance – Tuesday from 5:40pm until done, Saturday 3:45—4:45, pm and by appointment.

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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August 26, 2018

Pastor's Corner



Welcome back **college students** (and families members here to drop them off). The parish is happy to have you here, and we appreciate that you have a lot to offer to this family of faith. We want to be a support to you and a spiritual home away from home. Students, please introduce yourselves on your way out of Mass. Parishioners, as always, please greet our newcomers.

Many of you are familiar with the good work that Miss **Kelly Donnelly** has done in our Diocese as the Youth Director—most memorably here in Canton she coordinated the Youth Rally that we hosted here in April. This Saturday, I'll be witnessing her wedding to Carlisle DeSouza. Sadly we'll be losing her as our Diocesan Youth Minister as they begin their new life in Queensbury, NY where Charlie is a professor. Nonetheless, we appreciate all her good work and ask God's blessing on their union.

Fr. Jack Downs has graciously offered to cover the Saturday evening Mass in case I'm not able to get back in time. Welcome, Fr. Downs!

Thank you to the 15-20 people who gathered at **St. Paul's Oratory** in Pyrites last Sunday to share memories, speak of dreams for the future, and consider the serious damage to the ceiling. Our plan at this time is to get some bids from contractors to see how much a repair would cost and whether it will be feasible.

The stories of the **Grand Jury Report** in Pennsylvania naming 300 priests of sexual abuse continues to hang large in the national news. Even though most of the names mentioned were of priests who were removed from active ministry back in 2002 (or have already gone before the Judgement seat of God), there is so much heart-break and confusion and anger over the news. Please pray for all the faithful in PA and throughout the Church, that there may be genuine healing and sanctification after these terrible crimes, injustices and sins.

I want to thank so many of you for your kind **birthday greetings**. I wasn't able to get home this year, but it's a great pleasure to be with my family of faith, here at St. Mary's. (And don't think I've been abandoned by my biological family. As you may remember, I was with all my family just a couple weeks ago and we had plenty of cele-

BACK TO 5:00 PM SUNDAY MASS

With the return of our college students, we have returned to our old Mass Schedule. This Sunday, August 26th there will be no 10:45 am Mass, but there will be Mass at 5:00 PM (Sat), 9:00 AM (Sun) and 5:00 PM (Sun). Welcome back to the school year!

Fight the good fight of faith. Take a firm hold on the everlasting life to which you are called. Pray for those who are called to run the race as priests, sisters, and brothers. If God may be calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life, talk. If God is calling you, talk to one of the Parish priests or :



Ms. Cathy Russell (315)393-2920, crussell@rcdony.org, or connect on Facebook or at myvocation.net.

"Time is running out to get the discounted rate for the DOVS Pilgrimage to western New York! So if you have been thinking about it, go for it! It will be amazing. There is limited seating still available. For more information, contact Connie at connierandall47@yahoo.com or 315-783-0574.

SURVIVING DIVORCE: 12-week program

The Diocesan Family Life Office is offering the Surviving Divorce Program this Fall in Canton. Surviving Divorce features twelve video presentations that cover topics such as shock and grief, anger and forgiveness, money issues, dealing with children and a former spouse, and annulment and remarriage. This program is for the newly separated and divorced and those still struggling with issues many years later. It will help them find answers to their questions, restore their hope, and begin authentic healing. The twelve-week program will run from Sept. until Nov. The cost of the program for participants includes the Surviving Divorce Personal Guide and all program materials is \$25. For more info or to register, call Steve Tartaglia at (315)393-2920 www.rcdony.org/family-life/surviving-divorcesupport-group.html

FAMILY GUGGENHEIM

"Family - Become What You Are!"

There's still time to register for Family Guggenheim. Bring your family to the most meaningful weekend of the year! Hike, swim, pray, play...be.

Visit

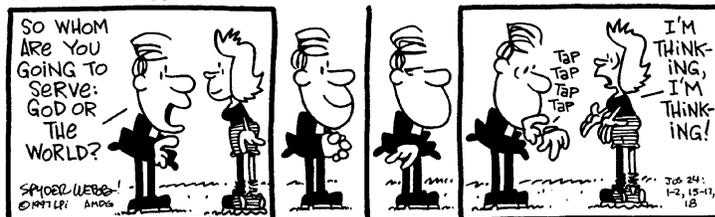
www.rcdony.org/familylife/family-guggenheim.html to register.

One Session remains:
Session 3: Oct 5 - Oct 7

Contact Dcn Henry & Dayna Leader
315-323-0827
dleader@rcdony.org



21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Well summer is almost over and school starts right around the corner!

The first meeting of SMS Education Council is set for 6:45 PM on Tuesday September 11 in the school conference room.

If you would like to sit in and learn about the plans for the next year you are welcome to attend. Please mark your calendar





There is still room!

St. Mary's School still has room for your child. Let your friends know that slots are still available for Nursery, Pre-K, Kindergarten and the upper grades.

Contact the school today: (315)386-3572

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Surviving Spouse Friendship and Support Group

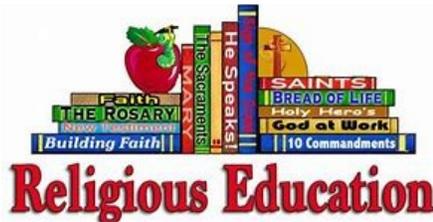
meets the first Thursday of the month:

September 6

at **The Meadows Restaurant** at 9 am. Please join us!

For more information and for restaurant planning purposes, call: Lita 379-1650; Ivy 265-4959; Carolyn 386-4378.

1. Our First Class for Religious Education is on Sunday, September 9th at 10:00am. This will be a family gathering; including a time to "Meet the Catechists".



2. There is a Confirmation I/II parent/student meeting for all those who have children entering 7th grade and who are currently in our Confirmation program. This meeting will be on Sunday, September 9th at 6:30pm in the St. Mary's School Gym.
3. Please remember to send in your registration form/payment or you may register online at cantoncatholics.com, under the Faith Formation tab.
4. If you have not received a registration form/calendar for the 2018/2019 school year, please contact the Rectory at 315-386-2543 and one will be mailed to you.

New Traffic Signs

You may have noticed our new signage around the school. Some people have found them almost as confusing as the picture to the right.



To clarify: we're trying to make the drop-off/pick-ups smoother for our school children. So during an hour in the morning (7:30 to 8:30) and an hour in the afternoon (2:00 to 3:00) every school day, there will be one way traffic starting from the rectory and heading through to the back of the chapel. Again: this is only for during school days. The times are listed on the signs.

Of course, all days we want you driving safely AND staying focused that you are on THE Way!



Are you pregnant and in need of help? Call the local hotline:

(315)244-8232



Bishop LaValley and the U.S. bishops urge our participation each Friday in a nationwide Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life from August 3

-September 28. Participants will receive weekly email or text reminders to pray and fast, along with little-known facts about Roe v. Wade to share with others. Sign up at www.usccb.org/

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.

Nolan Joe Redmond
Sam Bisonette
Annette Hurley
Leward & Betty Lucia
Judy Ruddy
Margaret Johnson
Katie Coakley Ba

Joel Rivera
Trina Anderson
David Datush
Arlene Maroney
Debbie Gainey
Linda Evans
Anne Meadows

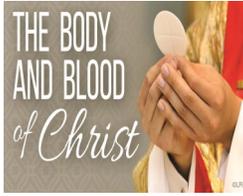


What did he say? There are hearing assistance devices available if you need them. Please see an usher or greeter if you would like to use one during Mass or find a headset on the shelf near the baptismal font.



The Church Sanctuary Lamp burns this week
for the
**The health and safety of our returning
college students**

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



Are you gluten-intolerant or do you
have Celiac Disease? We offer low-
gluten hosts at all Masses. Present your-
self to receive Communion from the cel-
ebrant and indicate that you need a low-



Our Lost and Found here at St. Mary's is in the
front center entrance of the Church. If you've
come to church and left something (besides a
sense of guilt or aimlessness) come look here.
If it hasn't been reclaimed in a couple weeks, we'll
donate it to St. Vincent de Paul.

Schedule

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August 25 and 26, 2018

Sat. 5:00 pm

Lectors: Brad Mintener, Bernie Proulx
Eucharist: Nancy Layhee, Sandy Bartlett,
Carolyn Shelmidine, Brenda Sanderson
Altar Servers: (need)
Greeters: Jim Barry

Sun. 9:00 am

Lectors: Russ Backus, Keith Zimmerman
Eucharist: Cheryl Curry, Joe Tebo, Maureen Howard and
one volunteer
Altar Servers: Nicole White, Gavin Thompson
Greeter: Helen Dominy

September 1 and 2, 2018

Sat. 5:00 pm

Lectors: Carolyn Shelmidine & Lisa Guccione
Eucharist: Freda Michaud, Mike Christy, Cathy and
Carol O'Horo
Altar Servers: Please Volunteer
Greeters: Mary Thivierge

Sun. 9:00 am

Lectors: Maureen Howard & Mel Schrems
Eucharist: Marion Larson, Barb teRiele, Joe Tebo and
Joan Hyde
Altar Servers: Alexa & Nate Romano

Reading for Sunday August 26:

Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-
21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 /Jn 6:60-69

Reading for Sunday September 2:

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18,
21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



MASS & PARISH SCHEDULE

Sunday, August 26:	Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am Mass	For the People of the Parish
<u>10:45 am Mass</u>	Ivan Wilson by Judy Wilson & Family
<i>No 5:00 pm Mass during the Summer</i>	
Monday, August 27:	St. Monica
8:10am	Margaret Brown by her Estate
Tuesday, August 28:	St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
4:00pm	Holy Hour for Vocation
5:10pm	Mary Akley by Robert & Catherine Wilson
Wednesday, August 29:	The Passion of St. John the Baptist
8:10am	Deceased Members of the John J. Ames Family by the Estate
Thursday, August 30:	Weekday
4:45pm	Rosary for Life
5:10pm	Cunningham Sisters by their Estate
Friday, August 31:	Weekday
8:10am	Margaret Smith by her Family
Saturday, September 1:	Weekday/First Saturday
8:10am	All Souls by Parishioners
<i>Vigil Mass: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
5:00 pm Mass	Don Wilson by Maureen Slate & Family
Sunday, September 2:	Twenty-second Sunday Ordinary Time
9:00 am Mass	Joe Loecken by Mel & Paul Schrems
5:00 pm Mass	For the People of the Parish
<i>We're back to 5:00 pm Mass with the return of the college students</i>	

Parish Support

<u>August 14 & 15</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Feast of the Assumption	\$719.00	\$1,903.00
Week of August 19	2017	2018
Envelopes	\$5,429.00	\$4,470.00
Plate	\$736.50	\$829.00
Adopt-a-Student	\$2,531.40	\$1,285.43
North Country Catholic		\$27.00
Assumption		\$125.00
Children's Envelopes	25¢	\$1.40
Total	\$8,697.15	\$6,737.83

*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!*