

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF SAINT MARY

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St. Mary's School

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

Sacrament of Penance – Drive Thru Confessions on Tuesdays 5:45+ and Saturdays 3:45pm—4:45pm

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 during normal office hours.



12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows." - Mt 10:31

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Our Vision and Mission

We the members of
St. Mary's Catholic Church,
in order to become the saints
God calls us to be:

- ◇ Welcome the wanderer to the Way
- ◇ Educate the seeker with the Truth
- ◇ Worship the beauty of Christ's Life

PARISH STAFF:

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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 21, 2020

Pastor's Corner

Blessings to Dads, Grads, and First Communicants!

Happy Father's Day to all the **Dads**. Thank you for sharing life with us. Congratulations to all the **St.**

Mary's School kids who joined us for our end of the year celebration on Thursday evening in the SMS parking lot. Hopefully you were able to hear us on the radio. No question at all, there were some teary eyes as we had to say goodbye, but I know that we did the best we could to give these students (and students for the past 90 years) a good foundation for their next step in the journey of faith. And speaking of our young parishioners, the **First Communion** season is under way. At the time of printing, we're expecting that two will be receiving Holy Communion for the first time today!

"Talk about a site for sore eyes!" That was my impromptu first line from last Sunday's homily. It was so good to have 65 of you back at church for the 9:00 AM Mass. If you were with us in person or watching online, you know we had a cantor, a deacon, a short period of adoration, and most especially the Sacred Mysteries of our God and Lord coming to us. What a beautiful site.

There were just a couple practical points we need to do better as we continue to move forward:

- There needs to be one communion line. If you choose to come forward to receive Holy Communion, please form a single file line coming forward (this will keep you from walking side by side with someone else. When you get to the front, then you again split off to your respective side.
- When in the aisles, mind the hashmarks on the floor. They are at 6' intervals to help you space yourselves out on your way up to Holy Communion or on your way in/out of church.
- Singing: While we only need to be 6' apart for social distancing, singing requires a little more. When projecting your voice, the scientists tell us that particles can reach 12' distances. Therefore, a physical barrier (a plexiglass screen for our cantor or facemasks for the rest of us) is in order. And it is a good idea to plan to sing (as most of us do as a rule) in a reserved way.
- Reserving spots: It worked well for most of you. We'll continue asking you to make sure to save one of our 75 spots by signing up on Flocknote, on the parish website, or by calling the office.

Have a blessed week!

—Fr. Bryan Stitt



Saturday evenings are coming back!

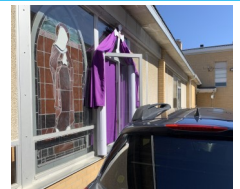
Starting next week, June 27th, we'll be offering our 5:00 PM Mass again! Please sign up to save a spot by clicking on the Flocknote message, using the tab on the parish website, or by calling the parish office. As with the 9:00 AM our magic number is 75!

Father's Day Blessing

As we do each year, the parish is honoring our fathers by making a donation to a local charity that supports men and fatherhood. (You'll remember we did the same for the mom's by donating to \$250 to Catholic Charities' Mother's Day Appeal.) This year we're donating the same amount to support a local Men's retreat that will be offered in Saranac Lake this year. Fathers, please stay tuned for more information. This might be a great chance for you.

Drive-Thru Confessions

Following our normal Confession schedule of Tuesday (5:45+ and Saturday (3:45-4:45), we continue to use the alley between the chapel and the church. Confession can be heard behind the screen or face to face, presuming there are masks! (Of course, if there is more than one person in the car, we'd ask people to step out.



Sunday Mass shared online! St. Mary's Church is continuing to show Sunday Mass online every Sunday. Visit our Facebook page: [www.Facebook.com/CantonCatholics](https://www.facebook.com/CantonCatholics) at 9am on **Sunday** to watch Mass at St. Mary's Church live-streamed. After the Mass has been recorded, we will upload the video on our website, www.cantontholics.com. It should be posted by 11:00 AM. Check back weekly for new Masses or visit our YouTube channel.

FOR YOUR PRAYER for Married Couples
MARRIAGE Almighty and eternal God, You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with his Church: look with kindness on them. Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



Congratulations to our 5/6th Grade SMS Graduates!

Paul Ames
 Everett Palmer
 Eleanor Bailey
 Calvin Townsend
 Alexander Stone
 Chloe Gardner
 Nicole White





Thank you! Thank you for your support of last weekend's collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign and the Catholic University of America. Gifts support communication efforts in our diocese, communication efforts by the U.S bishops and the preparation tomorrow's Church and national leaders at Catholic University of America. If you missed your opportunity and would like to give, please visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections or engage.Catholic.edu/giving/how-give/national-collection.

Food for the Hungry

Given the stress and uncertainty of the times we are in, the need for food and support has never been more urgent. The Church and Community Program is being faced with unprecedented requests for help. Here at St. Mary's, the food collection boxes will remain at all of the entrances to the church. Please consider additional food donations if your own situation allows. If you are unable to make a donation, won't you remember your neighbors in your prayer?

We're at the corner of Main and Riverside. To help keep everyone safe during this virus crisis, we've changed our method of distributing food. It's fast and easy. Come to the parking lot in back and knock on the inside door so we know you're here. We'll sign you in and prepare a big box of food while you wait in your car.

HOURS: Noon-3pm Wed at Main Street and Riverside, Canton
Noon-2pm Thurs at United Methodist Church, DeKalb. You can only go twice a month total, but you have two days to choose.

How do we sign up to attend Mass?

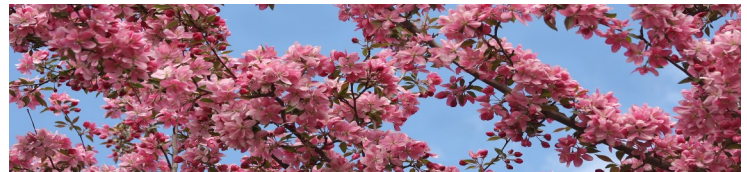
All are welcome to participate at Mass, but we can only allow 25% occupancy, which accounts for approx. 75 people per Mass.

For more information on how to sign up to attend Mass, please visit our Facebook page or website, and follow the link to Flocknotes, Signups. This will allow you and your party to sign up for a Mass time and date.



Religious Freedom Week 2020: June 22-29

Beginning June 22, the Feast of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops celebrates Religious Freedom Week. Join us in promoting religious freedom for the good of all. More information, including daily prayers and reflections, prompts to take action, and bulletin inserts can be found at USCCB.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek and will also be shared on diocesan social media channels.



Prayer for Spiritual Communion

While many of us continue to celebrate Mass online, let us remember that while we are away, we are still able to make a spiritual communion with our Lord. We can pray the following prayer after the Liturgy of the Eucharist, and before the final blessing. In a similar way to how we receive him in the Eucharist, this allows Jesus to come into our hearts. Perhaps try praying the prayer aloud the next time you watch Sunday Mass (or daily Mass) online.

*My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen*



The Chapel Sanctuary Lamp burns this week to

The Glory of God

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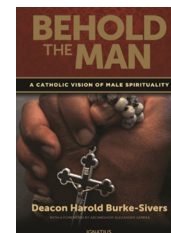
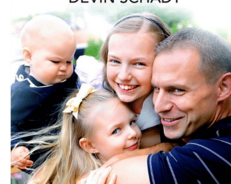
www.cantoncatholics.formed.org

Listen: *Pure Fatherhood* with Devin Schadt

Listen/Read: *Behold the Man: A Catholic Vision of Male Spirituality* by Dcn. Harold Burke-Sivers

Catholic Parenting Program: *Me and My House* with Patrick Sullivan
When you see something you like on FORMED, share it!

PURE FATHERHOOD
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We Need Your Help...

While there are no public Masses, the ministries of St. Mary's continue. Your parish, like your household, still has bills to pay (insurance, maintenance, salary, utilities, etc.). Any support you might offer is much appreciated. If you wish to write a check, you can mail your envelope or drop it off at the rectory, located at 68 Court St. or consider making an online donation.

ONLINE giving

Simply follow these easy steps:

- 1) Visit the parish website at www.cantoncatholics.com
- 2) Click on the ABOUT tab
then click on HOW CAN I CONTRIBUTE
Then click on DONATE NOW
- 3) Follow the onscreen instructions



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.

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. Amen.

Nolan Joe Redmond	Peggy Cashman	Natalie teRiele
Doni Peters	Sam Bisonette	Camille Brown
David Datush	Shirley Lamendola	J.J. Crooks
Debbie Gainey	Carol Gainey	Fred Rycroft
Phyllis Cunningham	Katie Coakley Ba	Judy Ruddy
Leward Lucia	Betty Lucia	Helen Hilts
Kyle Emerson	Laurence McKenna	Dan Mullin
Renee LaSalle	Steven George	Joe Guarino
Abuse Victims & their Families Victims of Covid-19		

Parish Support

Week of June 14	2019	2020
Envelopes	\$4,674.00	\$4,609.00
On-Line Giving	\$210.00	\$1,080.00
Plate	\$587.00	\$41.00
Children's Envelopes	\$1.00	
Ascension Thursday		\$35.00
Catholic Charities		\$105.00
North Country Catholic	\$27.00	\$35.00
Catholic Communications Campaign	\$115.00	\$255.00
Catholic Home Mission		\$28.00
Total	\$5,614.00	\$6,188.00

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

**Many thanks to those who have dropped their
envelopes off at the Rectory and to those who have signed
up for Online Giving!**

MASS & PARISH SCHEDULE

Sunday, June 21: 9:00 am Mass	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Myrtle Burke by Judy Wilson and Family
Monday, June 22: 7:30am Mass 8:15 am (Facebook) In Private	Weekday/ St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs For All the People of the Parish Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena for the Family (Go to the Liturgy tab on parish website)
Tuesday, June 23: 8:15 am (Facebook) 5:15 pm Mass In Private 5:45 pm+	Weekday Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer Francis Butler, Jr. by his Family Holy Hour for Vocations Confession (Drive Thru/ Walk up)
Wednesday, June 24: 7:30 am Mass 8:15 am (Facebook)	The Nativity of St. John the Baptist Pat Dalton by Helen and Dick Hilts Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer
Thursday, June 25: 8:15 am (Facebook) In Private	Weekday No Mass in the Parish Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer Rosary for Life
Friday, June 26: 7:30 am Mass 8:15 am (Facebook)	Weekday Shane H. Simpson, II by Henry Sieg Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer
Saturday, June 27: 5:00 pm Mass 3:45—4:45 pm	Weekday/ St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church Fran and Vincent and Kneil Ruddy by Judy Ruddy and Family Confession (Drive Thru/ Walk up)
Sunday, June 28: 9:00 am Mass	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Edward J. Kurish by his Children (55th Anniversary)



The Church Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for
All the COVID-19 victims and their families
 If you desire to have the Vigil Lamp lit for a loved one or for your
 intention, please contact the Rectory.

Readings for June 21

Jer. 20:10-13
 Ps.69: 8-10,14,17, 33-35
 Rom: 5:12-15
 Matthew: 10:26-33



Readings for June 28

2 Kgs. 4:8-11, 14-16a
 Ps. 89:2-3,16-17,18-19
 Rom: 6:3-4, 8-11
 Matthew: 10:37-42