

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF SAINT MARY

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OFFICE HOURS Monday thru Friday 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
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Sacrament of Baptism – For Children to be Baptized, please call the Rectory to schedule a meeting.

Sacrament of Penance – Confessions: Tuesdays 5:45pm–6:15pm, Saturdays 3:45pm–4:45pm, or 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 during normal office hours.



21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." - Mt 16:19

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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:

Rev. Bryan D. Stitt, Pastor

Mr. James M. Snell, Deacon (315) 262-0491

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Mr. Peter J. Mueller, Campus Minister and Assistant for Administration

Mrs. Amanda J. Conklin, Director of the New Evangelization

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 23, 2020

Pastor's Corner

The **bulletin cover** this week shows an unusual picture: Jesus post-resurrection (note the wounds in his hands and side) giving the keys to Peter—as we'll hear in the Gospel today. This is a conflating of two passages. The gospel account happens in Matthew 16—well before the death and resurrection of Jesus. But we, from our vantage point two millennia later know that it is only in the light of the resurrection that Jesus' entrustment of authority to Peter and his successors makes sense. May we always be respectful of that authority and receptive of what the Risen Lord wishes to give to us!



I hope you got to watch the short video we made about the new **Religious Ed program** we're rolling out this Fall. Not only will it enable us to spread the faith from the safety of our children's own homes, but we're also excited that it will enable our kids and parents to grow in faith together. For more info see our website or go to <https://sophiainstituteforteachers.org/spiritoftruth>

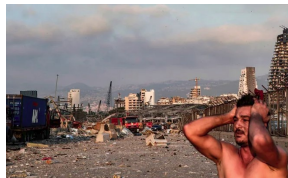
Speaking of the new academic year, September brings with it the return of our **5:00 PM Mass on Sunday** as well as the 4:10-5:10 Holy Hour each Tuesday. Both will be in the main church to allow for social distancing. See the next page for more info about the Holy Hour.

Have a blessed week.

—Fr. Bryan Stitt

Special Collection for Lebanon

The jars near the entrances of church this weekend are for a special collection for the relief of those in Lebanon harmed by the recent catastrophic explosion in Beirut. All funds will go to the relief work of Catholic Charities.



Novena for National Unity & An End to Racism

March for Black Life - August 28



August 28 marks the 57th anniversary of the historic Great March on Washington with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Given the atmosphere in our country these days, it is appropriate to pray for National Unity and an end to racism.

From **August 20 to 28** at noon or at 6 pm at:

<https://www.facebook.com/StMaryWaddington>

you are invited to pray the novena prayer led by members of St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Council.

In addition, on the eve of the March, August 27 at 5 pm at St. Mary's in Waddington, you are invited to come in person (or attend on the Facebook site) to pray for Racial Healing in Our Land. On Aug 28th, we will observe the final day of our Novena. After the 6 p.m. Novena Prayer on Facebook, please join us for an open discussion on the state of racism in our communities and our country. This will be a ZOOM meeting; contact John Tenbusch at aj10busch@verizon.net for meeting details.

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 **gam 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.cantonicatholics.com. It should be posted by 11:00 AM. Check back weekly for new Masses or visit our YouTube channel.



CIVILIZE IT

DIGNITY BEYOND THE DEBATE

Did you know...**Civilize It** is a campaign of the US Catholic Conference of Bishops to promote civility, love of neighbors, and community building. **Civilize It** is about making room in your heart for those with whom you disagree. It is a non-partisan call to focus on the dignity of all people and to put faith in action by bearing witness to a better way forward.

Take the **Civilize It 2020** pledge rooted in civility, clarity, and compassion. For more information or to take the pledge, visit: <https://www.wearesaltandlight.org/civilize-it>



Putting Forgiveness and Love into Practice

This retreat will explore what the Scriptures say about forgiveness and consider some of the barriers and aids to making these teachings a reality in our daily lives. The retreat will be virtual, using Zoom on a computer. It includes presentations, time for personal prayer and reflection, and optional times for sharing. The facilitators will be Sister Bethany Fitzgerald, SSJ, Molly Amoriell, and Jane Wells. Date: **September 19-20**.

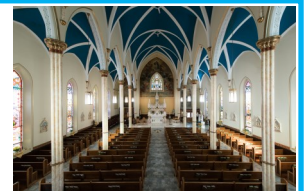
For more information, contact srbethssj@gmail.com or (315-212-6592). Free will offering gratefully accepted.

How do we sign up to attend Mass?

All are welcome to participate at Mass.

To allow for social distancing, we can host approximately **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. (Or you can always call the office!)



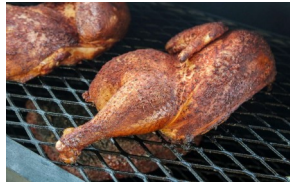


During this time of social distancing, challenge yourself to take the opportunity to call a family member, friend or neighbor who is alone and might be lonely, or perhaps someone you haven't reached out to in some time.

BBQ Totals and TY's

Another big thank you to all the volunteers who made our chicken barbecue a delicious success! Even under the restrictions of the pandemic, which limited us to only pre-orders, we sold 376 dinners and raised over \$3,500 for the parish.

Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for again picking up the tab for all the chicken. Your generosity is both appreciated and an inspiration.



Holy Hour for Vocations



You're invited to come spend an hour with our Eucharistic Lord in Adoration. Looking for the source of peace and love in a world that needs Him so badly, join us each Tuesday from 4:10-5:10. The Holy Hour will consist of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, a rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet, and a scripture reflection on the Sunday Gospel.

The Holy Hours will start again the **Tuesday after Labor Day**.



Ministry Schedule

August 22 and August 23, 2020

Sat. 5:00 pm

Lector: Brenda Sanderson

Sun. 9:00 am

Lector: Norma Jean LaPoint

August 29 and August 30, 2020

Sat. 5:00 pm

Lector: Edd White

Sun. 9:00 am

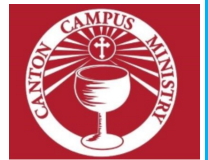
Lector: Pat White

Season of Creation: September 1 – October 4

Season of Creation is an annual ecumenical celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home starting September 1 – the World Day of Prayer for Creation – and continuing to October 4 – the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. This year, the celebration takes place in the 'Laudato Si' Year of celebration called for by Pope Francis, and we are invited to take part.

The 'Laudato Si' group and the Faith and Ecology groups around the diocese are planning opportunities for learning more about the issues presented through **three Zoom discussions: September 3, September 17 and October 1**. All three sessions will run from **7pm to 8pm**. Details are still being finalized and will be posted on the diocesan [Laudato Si' Webpage](#) and [Facebook Page](#).

Campus Corner



Please pray for SLU and SUNY Canton students who are returning to campus this week, especially our Newman Club members: for safe travels, protection from illness, and joy and peace in their studies this year.



Mary Immaculate, our Mother and our Patroness, we ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana.

Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our diocese, our nation and our world, for our families and loved ones, the protection of your Maternal mantle from this dreaded virus.

In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace and healing Presence of Jesus to our land and to our hearts.

We come to you with confidence, knowing that you are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy.

Keep us in the embrace of your arms, Help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus our Lord. AMEN.

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August 28, The Feast of Saint Augustine

Watch the full-length movie
On the life of St. Augustine
Restless Heart



Watch: *Augustine: A Voice for all Generations*
with Mike Aquilina



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	Phyllis Cunningham
Katie Coakley Ba	Judy Ruddy	Leward Lucia
Betty Lucia	Helen Hilts	Laurence McKenna
Joe Guarino	Abuse Victims & their Families	Covid 19 Victims

Parish Support

Week of August 16	2019	2020
Envelopes	\$5,528.00	\$3,028.00
On-Line Giving	\$172.00	\$765.00
Plate	\$745.00	\$52.00
Adopt-A-Student	\$1,898.00	
Children's Envelopes	\$1.00	
Assumption	\$1,710.00	\$305.00
Mission Projects of the Diocese		\$20.00
Total	\$10,054.00	\$4,170.00

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 or have signed up for Online Giving!

MASS & PARISH SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 22:	Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
3:45- 4:45 pm	Confession (NOW IN CHAPEL)
	Vigil, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm Mass	Ivan Wilson by Judy Wilson & Family
Sunday, August 23:	Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am Mass	For All the People of the Parish
Monday, August 24:	Feast of Saint Bartholomew, Apostle
7:30 am Mass	Barbara Scanlin by St. Mary's School Faculty and Students
8:15 am (Facebook)	Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer
In Private	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena for the Family (<i>Liturgy tab on parish website</i>)
Tuesday, August 25:	Weekday (Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest)
8:15 am (Facebook)	Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer
In Private	Holy Hour for Vocations
5:15 pm Mass	Howard & Rita Shannon by their estate
5:45-6:15 pm	Confession (NOW IN CHAPEL)
Wednesday, August 26:	Weekday
7:30 am Mass	Pat Dalton by Helen and Dick Hilts
8:15 am (Facebook)	Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer
Thursday, August 27:	Memorial of Saint Monica
8:15 am (Facebook)	Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer
5:15 pm Mass	Terry Pirrung by Mel and Paul Schrems
In Private	Rosary for Life
Friday, August 28:	Memorial of Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
7:30 am Mass	Margaret Brown by her estate
8:15 am (Facebook)	Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer
Saturday, August 29:	Memorial of the Passion of Saint John the Baptist
3:45- 4:45 pm	Confession (NOW IN CHAPEL)
	Vigil, Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm Mass	For All the People of the Parish
Sunday, August 30:	Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am Mass	John Thompson by Mel & Paul Schrems



The Church Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for

The Memory of Msgr. Griffith J. Billmeyer

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

Readings for Aug 23

Is 22: 19-23
Ps 138: 1-2, 2-3, 6, 8
Rom 11: 33-36
Matt 16: 13-20



Readings for Aug 30

Jer 20: 7-9
Ps 63: 2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9
Rom 12: 1-2
Matt 16: 21-27