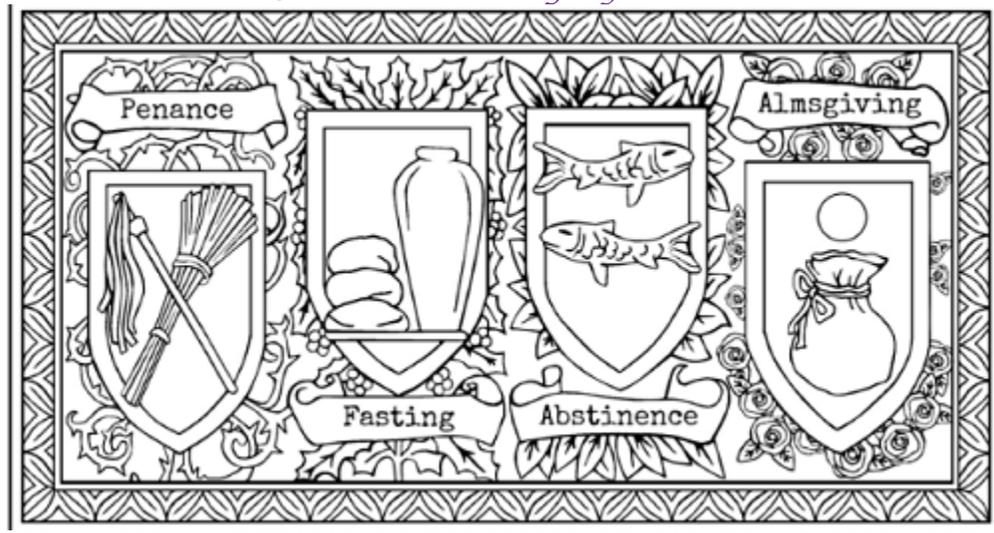


*A Very Warm Welcome to
St. Mary of the Assumption Parish
A Traditional Parish in the Diocese of Syracuse*

February 21st, 2021

First Sunday of Lent



**Today's Novus Ordo Mass will be celebrated by
*Bishop Douglas J. Lucia***

O God, You Who purify Your Church by the yearly Lenten observance, grant to Your household that what they strive to obtain from You by abstinence, they may achieve by good works. Amen.

We invite you to visit our website at: www.stmarysoswego.com

*The website is updated frequently with a weekly schedule of
Opportunities for Prayer and Sacraments at St. Mary's*

Please meet our Staff, who along with all our generous volunteers, help keep our parish open to serve the Lord, provide access to the sacraments, and serve our parish community.

Pastoral Administrator:

Fr. James A. Schultz - jschultz@syrdio.org

Office Manager:

Mrs. Kristie Pauldine - kpauldine@syrdio.org

Parish Maintenance Supervisor:

Mr. Bob Demm - rdemm@syrdio.org

Interim Music Director & Organist:

Mr. Alan Lynch - alynch@syrdio.org

Sacristan: Mr. Tim Weber

Altar Boys: Dustin Mulcahey, Jon, Noah,
& Jesse; Gregory and
Nicholas, & Dominic

Trustees:

Mary Beth Docos - marybethdocos@gmail.com

Byron Smith - byron.smith@oswego.edu

Office and Church Volunteers:

Mr. Jim Schneider

Mrs. Patty Demm - Mrs. Connie Murabito

Mrs. McGee Maniccia - Mr. Peter Peloquin

Mr. & Mrs. Donovan

Cantors:

Mr. Nick Blaney

Mrs. Kelsey Mulcahey

Mr. Tim Weber

Please email kpauldine@syrdio.org if you would

St. Mary's Parish Office Hours:

Mon-Thursday: 11:00-4:00

(closed from 3:00-3:30 for Rosary on Tue/Wed/Thurs)

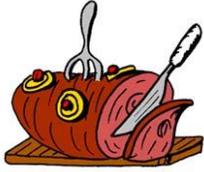
****Friday: The office is open for appointments only.***

Please call the office at 315-343-3953 or email kpauldine@syrdio.org or jschultz@syrdio.org to schedule an appointment with Fr. Schultz on Fridays

- ❖ ***Please remember that masks are required at all times for the Sunday Noon Mass, the 5:30 Daily Mass, the 12:10 Daily Mass, and all other Masses that may be added to the schedule.*** If you have a medical reason that does not allow you to wear a mask, you are welcome to sit up in the choir loft, however, you will still be required to wear a mask upon entering the church, when going up to receive Communion, and at all other places within the Church (besides for the Choir Loft). Thank you for your consideration of others and the NYS and Diocesan guidelines as we all work together to get through these extraordinary times.

If you need Holy Communion brought home to a loved one, please contact Fr. Schultz to set up a day/time by calling the office at 315-343-3953 or email Fr. Schultz at jschultz@syrdio.org.

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish will not be continuing the use of a pyxe and Father Schultz will instead deliver Holy Communion to anyone who is homebound. Thank you and God Bless! Please contact Fr. Schultz with any questions.



Parish News!

Drive Through Ham Dinner Fundraiser!!! **March 13th from 2:00-4:00**

Meal will include Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Peas, Rolls, and Desert. *Pick up from Hopkin's Hall*

\$10 a meal. \$7 for seniors

Contact Michele Merritt for tickets or to volunteer:

Michele: 315-806-1312



All proceeds will go directly towards supporting the music ministry.

25 meals will be donated to Victory Transformation to help feed those who are hungry here in Oswego. If you would like to donate money towards additional meals for Victory, please contact Michele.



YOUTH EVENT

February 27th from 11:00-4:00

11:00 – sledding at Fallbrook

1:00 – Lunch in Hopkin's Hall

1:45 – Opportunity for Confession

2:00 -Stations of the Cross with Fr. Schultz

2:30-4:00 – Group games / Social Hour

Please Contact Kristie Pauldine at kpauldine@syrdio.org for more information, to sign up, and to receive the permission slip. A parent will need to stay for sledding and transport. You may also choose to skip the sledding and come to St. Mary's for lunch, Stations of the Cross, and Games – Church will be open for prayer starting at 12:00 Noon.

This is a "Pull- Out Sheet"! Please take this sheet out and hang it up on the fridge to help you remember the schedule 😊

Fridays at St. Mary's for Lent

Come spend the day, or part of your day, with the Lord



Traditional Latin (Low) Mass: 12:15 pm

Benediction and Adoration is from 1:00-5:00

Please come spend time with the Lord! There are many prayer books to assist you with spending an hour in prayer. It is also a great opportunity to pray the Rosary or sit in Silence leaving time for the Holy Spirit to speak to YOU.

Confession: 11:55- 12:10 and 2:30 pm and 5:00pm

Stations of the Cross: 5:30 – 6:00 *Plenary Indulgence*

St. Mary's is open for Prayer

Monday-Friday: from 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

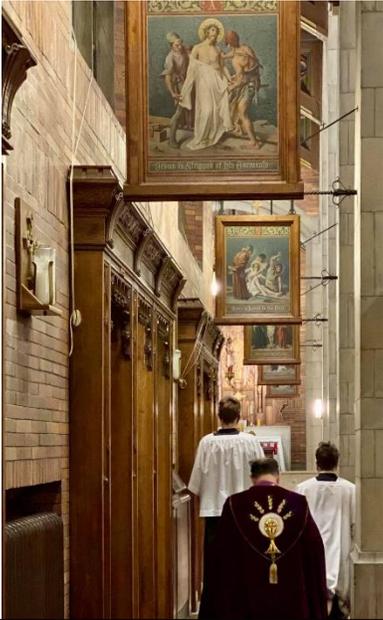
Saturday: from 12 Noon-3:00 pm

Stop by to light a candle, say a prayer for your loved ones, keep Jesus company, say the rosary, read through the available meditation books, and find some peace during these troubled times ...

Opportunities for Group Prayer this week:

Tuesday and Wednesday and Thursday

at 3:00 the **Rosary Group** meets at St. Mary's – all are welcome to join as we pray together for many different intentions – *Divine Mercy Chaplet as well during Lent*



***PLEASE
COME***

Did You Know That You Could Gain a Plenary Indulgence This Coming Friday? *The Stations of the Cross are an opportunity to gain an indulgence.*

A plenary indulgence is received every time the devotion is completed with the usual conditions.

The conditions for gaining them are: (otherwise it's a partial indulgence)

1. Walking from Station to Station when making the Way of the Cross privately; when making it publicly, it suffices for the priest with the altar boys to do so.
2. Meditate at each Station on the sufferings of our Lord.
3. Confession 20 days before or after
4. Receiving Communion
5. Be free from the attachment of sin
6. Prayers for Pope Francis

An indulgence is not a quick ticket to heaven, as St. John Paul II once said; rather, it is an aid for the real conversion that leads to eternal happiness.

Sins are forgiven through the sacrament of penance, but then there is a kind of punishment still due the sinner, the late pope explained during a general audience in 1999.

God's fatherly love "does not exclude chastisement, even though this always should be understood in the context of a merciful justice which reestablishes the order violated," he said.

The pope had said the "temporal" punishment that remains after forgiveness is a grace aimed at wiping away the "residues of sin," offering the reformed sinner the chance of complete healing through "a journey of purification" that can take place in this life or in purgatory.

By God's grace, participation in a prayer or action that has an indulgence attached to it brings about the necessary restoration and reparation without the suffering that would normally accompany it. It frees a person from the punishment their sinfulness warrants as it is a remission of the temporal punishment a person is due for sins that have been forgiven.

The granting of an indulgence by the church is "the expression of the church's full confidence of being heard by the Father when, in view of Christ's merits and, by his gift, those of Our Lady and the saints, she asks him to mitigate or cancel the painful aspect of punishment by fostering its medicinal aspect through other channels of grace," the late pope said.

An indulgence, then, is the result of the abundance of God's mercy, which he offers to humanity through Jesus Christ and through the church, he said.

But this gift cannot be received automatically or simply by fulfilling a few exterior requirements nor can it be approached with a superficial attitude, St. John Paul said.

The reception of an indulgence depends on "our turning away from sin and our conversion to God," he said.

Mass & Prayer Opportunity Schedule for February 21th - February 28th

Mass Today (02/21/21) is offered for:

The Repose of the Soul of Nora Smith - from Family

Monday 02/22/21:

3:00-5:00 PM: Adoration & Benediction

- spend some time with the Lord prior to Mass

5:15 PM – Traditional Latin Mass –

- offered for the Repose of the Soul of Logan Camacho

6:00 PM – Rosary with Fr. Schultz

Friday 02/26/21:

12:15 PM – Daily Mass -Traditional Latin

-Offered for Sister Ilaria, Sister Julia, Sister Alfonsina, Sister Irene, and Sister Stefana; Tammy Ezzi, Stephen Waterford, and Jennifer Lee

11:55-12:10 and 2:30 and 5:00 - Confession

1:00-5:00 pm Adoration:– come Adore the Lord!

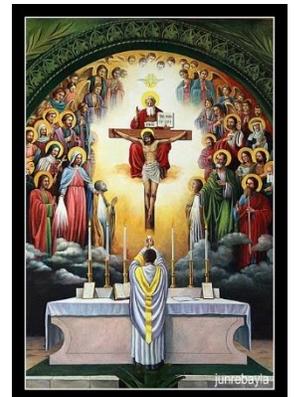
02/28/21: at 12 NOON: Sunday Mass

Traditional Latin Mass celebrated by Fr. Schultz

- offered for the repose of the Soul of John Bonner from The Bonner Family

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*** You may Register for All Masses directly at the door – or by going to www.stmarysowego.com**



Online Giving is available at www.stmarysoswego.com

Thank you for your generous support!

Collection from 2/14/21:

Envelopes: \$1,264.00

Loose Cash: \$57.00

Online: \$185.00

Other: \$50.00



Candles in front of the Blessed Mother Statue are lit for:

Denise McCann from The Pauldine Family

Please remember Denise in your prayers this week



Fr. Schultz's Column

Pax Christi!



The Holy Season of Lent is upon us and so let us look upon this season as a great opportunity. Not always easy to do! St. Paul tells us that when he was a child he thought like a child and when he became a man he thought like a man. Spiritual writers say that this childhood signifies the life of pleasure and this world. Maturing to adulthood spiritually, we seek the Kingdom of God and aim to please God – to Love God and our Neighbor. This entails putting acts of love into action; the prerequisite for Charity is to be in God's grace (state of grace - free of serious sin (serious sins are forgiven in the Sacrament of Penance)).

There are tricks of the trade in the spiritual life and one of the least appreciated (Lost habit of it) and most powerful is the Sacrament of Penance. Penance is a sacrament of mercy, healing, love, forgiveness, hope, faith-keeping and growth! It ensures we are in God's grace and that we are ready to receive Holy Communion worthily. St. John Vianney, the patron saint of priests, who would spend 12 hours a day in the confessional said: 'The holiness of a church is not known by the length of its communion lines but by the length of its confessional lines.' It is this sacrament that puts a person back into the grace of God if they have fallen into mortal sin. It also provides many more benefits—including peace and hope. It is the sacrament that makes the world so much better! I like to say that 70 percent of the problems would go away if we approached this sacrament regularly. If it is hard to go – I hope you will! I like to think of those who make it through that barrier as MVPs. The church recommends frequent confession.

Truly, I hope we may be drawn into the Love of God in a special way this Lent. Thank you for all you do and your goodness to me! Our Lady keep you.

God bless!

Fr. James Schultz

Remember thou are dust and to dust you shall return...

If you have found a Home...

...at St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, please consider registering with us. Please register online at www.stmarysoswego.com or use the forms found in the back of church. You can return the forms by placing them in the donation box or donation slot in the back of church.

Welcome and God Bless!

Your donations pay the bills to keep St. Mary of the Assumption Parish financially healthy. Your generosity is necessary and vital to our mission to allow for frequent access to the Sacraments, traditional teaching based on the catechism and dogma of the Catholic church, prayer opportunities, and helping bring souls to Christ. Thank you! All gifts are tax deductible according to law. Help us keep track of your giving:

- 1) Please consider using online giving at www.stmarysoswego.com for automatic electronic payments using a credit or debit card, or direct debit to your bank account. This is the preferred method of giving because it is accurate, dependable, and reduces volunteer workloads. See our website for the signup link.
- 2) If you give via check (payable to St. Mary's Church or St. Mary of the Assumption Parish) or cash, it is important that you use your pre-printed envelopes. If you forget your Envelope, or are an unregistered guest, please use a blue envelope, provided on the donation tables, and include your name, address, and phone number. (When registering, choose "envelopes.")
- 3) You may want to set up online banking to send paper checks on the cycle of your choice to: St. Mary of the Assumption Parish/St. Mary's Church at St. Mary's Church, 103 West 7th Street, Oswego NY, 13126. Please include the word "donation" and your parishioner number, if known, in the memo or note section.
- 4) Anonymous cash donations or loose checks can be put into the collection basket; however, despite our volunteers' best efforts, loose checks may not be properly matched to parishioner accounts or recorded for year-end statements. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the parish office.

To request and schedule intentions for both of our Masses, contact the parish office at **315-343-3953** or **stop in during office hours**, to reserve a date **before paying for a Mass**. The stipend check *must be made out in the exact amount* of **\$10** per Mass and made payable to **St. Mary's Church**. **Mass intentions can be for those who are living, for those who have passed away, and for those who may be sick.**

CANDLES burn on the **Sacred Heart Altar, Holy Family Altar, the St. Joseph Altar, and in front of the Blessed Mother Statue**. Would you like to have a dedicated candle burn in memory of a loved one **OR** for a special intention? To schedule a dedicated candle intention call **315-343-3953** or **stop in during office hours**. Donations for 7 day Sacred Heart, Holy Family, and St. Joseph Altar Candles are **\$10.00** each.

ALTAR FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS: You may dedicate altar flower arrangements on the altar to family and friends or in loving memory of a deceased loved one. Please call the parish office at **315-343-3953** or **stop in during office hours** to arrange for a floral arrangement dedications. Altar flower donations are \$50.00 (for two on either side of Tabernacle).