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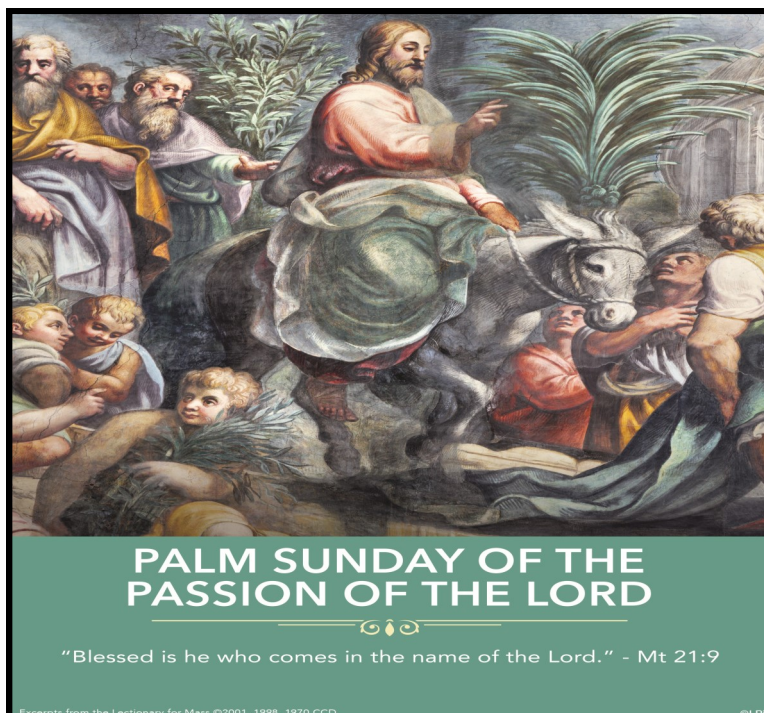
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St. Mary's Rectory Office hours :
M, W, Th, F 9am– 2pm



March 29, 2026



Eucharistic Liturgies

Weekend Mass Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM
Sacrament of Reconciliation **
Confessions will be offered **Thursday** 4:30pm –5:30pm

Sacrament of Baptism

We joyfully welcome all into our Church Family through this sacrament. Parents are asked to call **Victoria@ 315-527-7247** to make arrangements to attend preparation meetings.

Sacrament of Marriage

Couples planning to be married are asked to schedule an appointment with the Parish Priest at least 6 months before the desired date. One of the parties being married and/or their parents must be registered members of St. Mary's

Sunshine

For a card of get well, support or cheer, call Peggy Jury at (315)922-7007

New Parishioners

We welcome new Parishioners! We are very excited to see so many familiar faces returning to St. Mary's. Please contact us @ 315-853-2935 so we can share all we have to offer.

Prayer Line...If you or any of your loved ones are in need of prayer, Please call:
Margaret* 315-853-5280, or **Karen *** 315-853-6355

Bulletin Deadlines: Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday the bulletins were sent in early.
315-853-2925

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we begin the most important week of the Church's year. It is full of wonderful celebrations as we reflect upon the central mysteries of our Faith.

Today, Passion (Palm) Sunday, we begin by celebrating the Lord's triumphant entry into Jerusalem, where He is welcomed by the crowds. However, by the time the Passion is proclaimed, these crowds have turned on Him and seek to have Him crucified. Perhaps there is a lesson there for all of us, who may at one moment acknowledge Christ's kingship and at the next moment seek to crucify Him in our sinfulness.

The "heart" of the Church's liturgical year, The Sacred Triduum ("The Three Days"), begins on Holy Thursday with the celebration of the Mass of the Lord's Supper. On that day we commemorate two lasting gifts of the Lord to His Church, The Sacred Priesthood and the Holy Eucharist. The Mass of the Lord's Supper that evening will be at 7:00. The Mass ends with the reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The Church will be open until 9:00 PM so that people can come and pray in the presence of our Blessed Lord. We are invited to reflect on how on that first Holy Thursday, in the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus asked His disciples to stay awake with Him as He prayed.

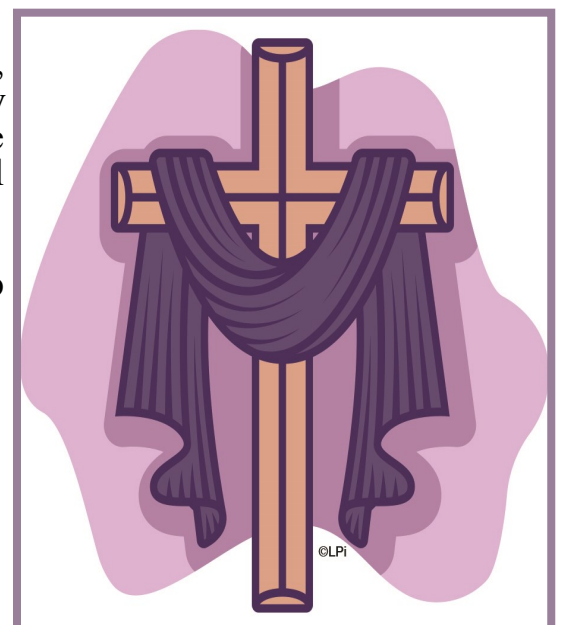
Good Friday is the only day of the year when Mass is not offered. The Good Friday service is the Commemoration of the Lord's Passion. It consists of the Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, and a Communion Service (using the Eucharist consecrated the night before). It is one of the starkest, simplest, and most moving services in the Church year. The Commemoration of the Lord's Passion will be celebrated at 2:00 PM at St. Patrick/St. Anthony's Church in Chadwicks. This celebration will be for both parish communities.

The only Mass celebrated on Holy Saturday is the Easter Vigil. The Church waits anxiously to celebrate Christ's glorious victory over sin and death. It is a beautiful celebration that includes the lighting and blessing of the new fire, the blessing of the Easter water, and the renewal of Baptismal promises. This year we will be receiving seven new members into the Church. Four of these will include adult Baptism. It is the grandest of the Church's celebrations. The Easter Vigil will be celebrated at 8:00 PM at St. Mary's. This will also be a combined celebration for St. Mary's and St. Patrick/St. Anthony parishes.

I encourage you to join us in prayer throughout this week, especially if you have not been able to join in the past. May we seek to walk together with Jesus this Holy Week on the road that leads to Calvary, to the Empty Tomb, to Eternal Life!

You will be in my prayers during Holy Week; please keep me in yours.

In Christ,
Fr. Dan



LENTEN**CONFESSIONS****SCHEDULE**

Monday, March 30: Light is on for You at Mary, Mother of Our Savior (4-7 PM)

Tuesday March 31 from 4:30 to 5:30 at St. Mary's

Wednesday April 1 from 4:30 to 5:30 at St. Patrick/St. Anthony's

Please Note: There are no Confessions on Holy Thursday or Holy Saturday

Prayer for Palm Sunday

Blessed be your name, oh Lord my God! As we enter this week of your Passion and Death, keep me in lock-step with you. Help me to be attentive to every word you would have me hear, every lesson you would have me learn. I want to journey with you. Amen.

Mass Intentions

Sat	March 28th	5:30pm	Phil Lacelle
	By:		Loving wife & family
Sun	March 29th	9:00am	Laurie Madonia
	By:		Deborah & Russell Haynes
Wed	April 1st	12:10pm	Jane Ellen Hogan
	By:		Family
Thur	April 2nd	7:00pm	The Mass of the Last Supper
Fri	April 3rd	2:00pm	Good Friday
	(Commemoration of the Lord's Passion) @ St. Patrick/St Anthony's Church –Chadwicks		
Sat	April 4th	8:00pm	Holy Saturday
			Maj. Mark Demerest & all deployed soldiers
	By:		Rita Demarest
Sun	April 5th	9:00am	All Parishioners

Liturgical Ministers

April 2nd
Holy Thurs
7:00pm

H M. Leising	CH B. Blatz
H S. Peck	CH R. Pascucci
L G. Leising	CH C. Pascucci
C S. King	CH J. Winkler

April 3rd
Good Friday
2:00pm

H Deacon Jim
H Deacon John
L Steve Clark
L St P/St A

April 4th
Holy Sat
8:00pm

H Father Caruso	CH R. Pascucci
H Deacon Jim	CH TBA
H Deacon John	CH St P/St A
H Kathy Poupart	CH St P/St A
L Jim Winkler	
L Sue King	
L Carla Pascucci	
C Karen Brewer	

**Good Friday Mass @
St Patrick's / St Anthony's**

April 5th
Easter Sunday
9:00am

H S. Peck	CH K. Lane
H S. Glouse	CH A. Bashant
H B. Bohrer	CH TBD
L K. Krumdieck	CH TBD
C TBD	

Altar Servers

Holy Thursday 7pm

Jude Leising
Andrew Bashant
Elizabeth Bashant
Vincent Jackson
Edmund Jackson
Augustine Vanderhoof
Gabriel Vanderhoof
Eliana Bentley
Aliyah Bentley
Elijah Bentley

Good Friday 2pm

Andrew Bashant
Elizabeth Bashant
Declan Broadbent
Savannah Broadbent
Tristan Broadbent

Easter Vigil 8 pm

Eli Siepiola
Serafina Givens
Andrew Bashant
Elizabeth Bashant

Easter Sunday 9am

Rose Jackson (Happy Birthday!)
Vincent Jackson
Edmund Jackson



**ST. MARY
&
ST. PATRICK/ST. ANTHONY
ANNUAL
EASTER MONDAY
CELEBRATION**

Join your Brothers & Sisters in Christ
To celebrate Jesus' victory over Death!
MONDAY, APRIL 6th

Evening Prayer with Benediction
In St. Patrick/St. Anthony's Church at 6:30 PM
Followed by an Ice Cream Social in
The Church Hall.

**Prepare for Next Sunday: Easter Sunday**

A good prayer practice to get into, is to reflect on Scripture readings for the upcoming Weekend!

First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Psalm Psalm 118:1-2,16-17,22-23

Second Reading: Col. 3:1-4

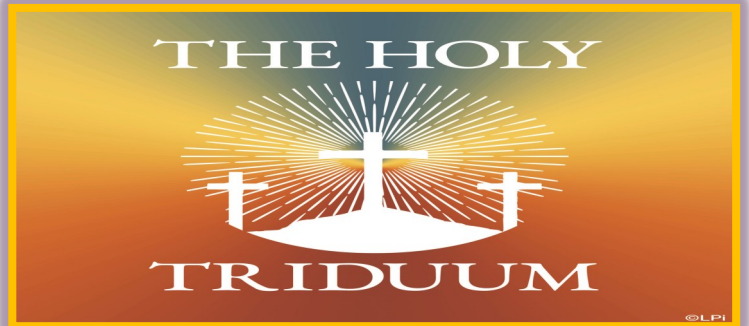
Holy Gospel: John 20:1-9



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Ordinary Collection	\$5103	
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Diocesan Collection	\$2865	
	Actual	Budget
Year to date 3/22/26		
	\$234,992	\$250,511

News from St. Mary's Clinton Preschool

St. Mary's Clinton Preschool has opened registration for 3 to 5 year old children for our Summer Program and our 2026-27 School Year! Full and Half day sessions are available in both Programs. Registered, active members receive a discount on the tuition cost. Check out our website at stmarysclintonpreschool.org Call 315 853-6196 for more information.



THE COUNTRY PANTRY

We are currently in need of shelf stable, non-perishable food especially canned meats, tuna fish, peanut butter, soups and cereal. No time to shop, monetary donations are always welcome. Our mailing address is The Country Pantry, PO Box 76, Clinton 13323. Donations may also be placed in the collection basket in an envelope marked Country Pantry. Thank you for caring and sharing.

JOIN US THIS HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday, March 28, 2026 - 5:30 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, March 29, 2026 - 9:00 AM Mass

HOLY THURSDAY

April 2, 2026 - 7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

(Church will remain open until 9:00 PM)

GOOD FRIDAY

April 3, 2026 - 2:00 PM Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

(at St. Patrick/St. Anthony's, Chadwicks)

HOLY SATURDAY

April 4, 2026 - 8:00 PM Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY

April 5, 2026 - 9:00 AM Mass



2025 Hope Appeal

Our parish dollar goal: **\$31,702**

Our parish participation year to date: **\$31,781**

We did it!!!

Congratulations !!!!!

Way to go!!!



Egg-Tastic Family EASTER Egg Hunt April 4th 11am Parish Hall (GYM)

Join us for a Fun Filled Day of Egg-citement!! Bring the whole family and enjoy the adventure filled with laughter, sweet treats, and precious memories. If you would like to donate candy for the event, reach out to Victoria at vcesarini@syrdio.org or call 315-527-7247



Palm Sunday

Question:

Where do Palm Sunday palms come from and where should they go?

Answer:

The Palm Sunday celebration has ancient origins. Beginning the liturgy “outside” the church, we symbolically reenact Christ’s entry into Jerusalem. The crowds in ancient Israel waved palm branches – a symbol of royalty – to welcome Jesus. These days, obtaining palms takes a lot of planning and coordination, as hundreds of thousands of churches worldwide need them on the same day! Many in the United States order palms from Florida, California, Texas, or Central America. Many companies stress the sustainability of their production and the just wages paid to their workers.

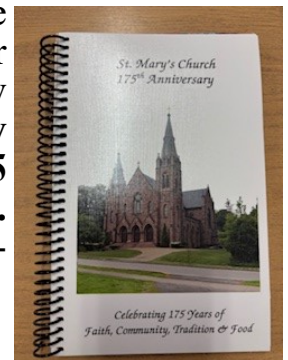
The palms used on Palm Sunday are blessed at Mass. This means they shouldn’t end up in the trash! Many people weave palms into crosses or families display them in their homes. If you do not plan on displaying your palms throughout the year, they should be burned, buried, or left at the church. In the final case, the palms are burned to provide the ashes for next year’s Ash Wednesday service.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: In addition to St. Sebastian, who is the patron saint of police officers?

Answer: St. Michael the Archangel.

Please stop by **The Artisans’ Corner**, 1 College Street in the heart of Clinton. Our **175th Anniversary Cook Book** is presently on sale there for **\$15 cash or check only**. Please share with everyone!



Virtues, Explained! Forgiveness

Mini Explanation —

Forgiveness is love in action. It is mercy extended for no other reason than a desire to be like God, who forgives us out of sheer goodness. The Catechism says that forgiveness proves that “love is stronger than sin.”

Forgiveness, Explained!

The virtue of forgiveness is described to us in detail by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 18, when he tells Peter that he must forgive his brother “not seven times, but seventy-seven times” before relating the parable of the unforgiving servant. Here we see that exercising forgiveness is an absolute requirement of the Christian life. What we have received from God through no merit of our own, we must likewise extend to others.

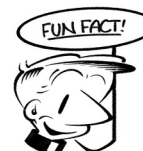
Forgiveness is love in action — and as is the case with most virtues, if we find it hard to practice, that means we’re doing it right. The Catechism says that forgiveness “bears witness that... love is stronger than sin” (CCC 2844) and points out that it “is not in our power not to feel or to forget an offense; but the heart that offers itself to the Holy Spirit turns injury into compassion and purifies the memory in transforming the hurt into intercession.” (CCC 2843)

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“Why couldn’t the grandma find her prayer book?”



“She forgot it was Lent.”



The 40 days before Easter are also known as “Lent,” where we focus on praying, fasting, and giving alms. One could also lend books during the 40 days, though.

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