

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



This weekend throughout the United States, we celebrate the gift of priesthood that comes from the Church and enlivens the Church. Say a prayer of thanksgiving for one or two of the priests who have been a blessing at some point in your faith life...and utter a prayer of blessing for those who have served in tumultuous settings and during very challenging and sometimes painful times that we—as the Church—have faithfully endured. Please remember, too, to pray for those who are ministering in the great fields of the Church with you.

With this celebration of priesthood, it's a very opportune time to reinvigorate the priesthood in our local diocese. Toward the end of November, I will invite all of us to consider how God may be prompting particular men in our own parish to serve in the ordained priesthood. Asking your own input, it is the aim of this new "Called by Name" program by which our diocese hopes to respond to the priest shortage which we are currently enduring. More to come...

This week is a special one in the Church's liturgical life: Thursday is **All Saints** (a holy day) and Friday we will **commemorate all of the faithful departed** from this last year. Please consider sharing these holy days with the rest of our parish family (see next page for details).

Finally, our **parish thanksgiving liturgy and dinner** is fast approaching (Thurs Nov 15th beginning at 6pm). See the vestibule magazine rack for flyers and RSVP forms.

Blessings to all...Fr. David

UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

Sun 10/28	12:00p	Anointing of the Sick
Tue 10/30	7:00p	Lector Training
Thu 11/1	var.	Holy Day: All Saints Masses 6:45a and 5:30p
	7:00p	"Catholicism", episode 3
Fri 11/2	var.	All Souls' Day Masses at 7:00a and 7:00p
Sun 11/4	8:30a	Welcome New Parishioners
Tue 11/13	6:30p	Scripture Study
	7:00p	Altar Server Training
Thu 11/15	6:00p	Parish Thksgvng lit/dinner
Tue 11/20	6:30p	Pastoral Council
Wed 11/21	6:30p	Eucharistic Adoration
Thu 11/22	8:30a	Thanksgiving Liturgy



LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 29, 2012



Tues.	10/30	7 ^{AM}	BROTHER, DONALD By His Sister
Thurs.	11/1	6:45 ^{AM} 5:30 ^{PM}	+ANTONIO MONARDO By Sal Marra
Fri.	11/2	7 ^{AM} 7:30-10 ^{AM} 7 ^{PM}	WORLD PEACE By OLM Prayer Group EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION LITURGY IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONES
Sun.	11/4	8:30 ^{AM} 11 ^{AM} 7 ^{PM}	+JANET A. DODSON By Bill & Flo O'Donnell +JOSEPH & LILLIAN McATEER, 67 th Anniv., By L. Patricia Erkkila +JAMES PATRICK WATSON, 37 th Anniv., By L. Patricia Erkkila +THERESA ELARIO By Her Family +MARGARET & STUART MASTIN By Mike & Donna Mastin +RYAN MASTIN By Dad & Donna FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR AREA PARISHES

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Report for: Commemoration of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

Offertory received from Envelopes & Loose Offerings	\$ 4,111.00
Offertory received from E-Giving	\$ 2,425.75
Total Offertory received for last week	\$ 6,536.75
Budgeted need for last week	\$ 7,741.00
Percentage of budgeted need received in offertory	84.4%
Last Week's Difference ("+" means surplus, "-" means deficit)	- \$ 1,204.25
Diocesan Collection for World Mission Sunday	\$ 1,084.00

Thanks to all of you who show such generous care!
Please remember our parish in your will...we are:
"St. Mary's Church, Clinton Heights, NY"

EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS

K -5th GRADE (elementary)



6th Session: Sunday, 10/28/2012; 9:45AM -10:45AM
Join us in the parish hall at 9:50 for our annual parade of saints as the youth dressed as their favorite saint will celebrate All Souls and All Saints Day. Each young person will receive a bag of candy that reads "Each piece of candy reminds me how "sweet" and good God is to me and I remember the soul of (one of our parishioners who died this past year.)"
7th Session: Sunday, 11/4/2012; 9:45AM -10:45AM
No Session: Sunday, 11/11/2012; Veterans Weekend



6th-8th GRADE (Middle School)

2nd Session: Monday, 11/5/2012; 7:00PM - 8:30PM
Don't forget to bring your Service sign-up sheet with you!

9th-10th GRADE (High School)

2nd Session: Monday, 10/29/2012; 7:00PM - 8:30PM
Don't forget to bring your Service sign-up sheet with you!



ADULTS & YOUNG ADULTS OFFERINGS

- "Catholicism" Series - Thursday, November 1st from 7:00-8:30pm
THE INEFFABLE MYSTERY OF GOD: That than which nothing greater can be thought.
- Scripture Study—Tuesday, November 13th from 6:30-8:00pm
Fr. David LeFort will be our guide as we explore "The Patriarchs & the Exodus."



To register for any or all of the above offerings, please contact Maureen Billa at 449-2232 x12 or maureen@stmaryny.org.

Don't forget to check the website (www.stmaryny.org) for detailed information and additional happenings or contact Maureen Billa at maureen@stmaryny.org or 449-2232 x12.

WE PRAY TO THE LORD

For Our Sick:

Jaime Adams	Michael Gabriel	Mary Murtha
Michelle Beers	Tiffany Gamache	Lorenzo Carling Russo
Nancy Burns	Robert Guynup	David Salzer
Christine Byrum	Louise Kolakoski	Floyd Smith
Hudson Cushman	Kassidy Krenzer	Helen Tencza
Bill Dawson	Theresa Orciuoli Lacy	Ruth Van Dyk
Carole Farrell	Frank Lochner	Mabel Whitcomb
Joan Filkins		

Names will be on our list for 3 months. To request continued prayer, please contact the parish office.



For Our Parish Soldiers and Friends:

Aaron Bentley	Vincent Catalfamo	Caroline Cleveland
Sean Markham	Tera & Tyson Quink	Josh Spath Arthur Thornton

MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS

ST. MARY'S SUPPORT—TO CONCERNS-U

This week our pantry needs are: **canned tuna, dry beans and canned fruit.** Thanks for your support!



ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY

The Rosary Altar Society invites all parishioners and members to attend our annual **Pot Luck Supper** that will be held on **Tuesday, November 13th** in the Parish Hall at **6:00pm**. Please bring a dish to share and, if you'd like to donate, we will be accepting dry and canned goods for Joseph's House. Please contact Polly Aveni at 477-6703 or javneni@nycap.rr.com to reserve your spot. Hope to see you there!



REVERENCE OF LIFE MINISTRY—BABY SHOWER

It was amazing! We had a wonderful response to our month long **Baby Shower**. So many necessities were collected to assist **Community Maternity Services** support families with babies. The financial support will make it possible for us to purchase the larger requested items for **CMS**. A list of donations will be included in an upcoming bulletin. Thank you to all who gave so generously during **Respect Life Month!** Bless you and your families!



REVERENCE OF LIFE MINISTRY—THANKSGIVING "GIVING BAGS"

In a few weeks Thanksgiving will be here and your Reverence of Life Ministry will again be helping Concerns-U, by collecting food for Thanksgiving dinners for families in need. On **Sunday, November 4th**, bags with the list of items needed as well as envelopes for monetary donations will be handed out. Please take a bag, give what you can, then return it, placing it by the food cart. Envelopes with monetary donations may be placed in the collection basket. All donations need to be returned by **Wednesday, November 14th**. With your help many families will enjoy a delicious Thanksgiving dinner.



REST IN PEACE

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of **Barbara K. Bennett**, beloved staff person and parishioner from our neighboring parish of St. John the Evangelist and St. Joseph, who died on Monday, October 22nd as well as **Brendan P. Devane**, nephew of Judy & Ralph Pinto, who died on Friday, October 19th. Apart from us now in body, may they share in the eternal life of the Risen Christ!



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

On Sunday, October 28th at the 11:00am liturgy, we welcome **Quinn Jeffrey Reilly**.



ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS

This Thursday, November 1st is the **Solemnity of All Saints** – a holy day of obligation. Masses will be celebrated in our area parishes as follows:

6:45am – Church of St. Mary at Clinton Heights

8:30am – Holy Spirit, East Greenbush

9:00am – Sacred Heart, Castleton

12:10pm – St. John the Evangelist & St. Joseph, Rensselaer

5:30pm – Church of St. Mary at Clinton Heights

6:30pm – Holy Spirit, East Greenbush.

On Friday, November 2nd, we will commemorate all of the faithful departed (**All Souls Day**). Masses here at St. Mary's will be celebrated at **7:00am** in the chapel followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00am and an evening **Mass and Rite of Remembrance beginning at 7:00pm** in the church for all those who have died during this past year. Please keep the families & friends of our faithful departed in your prayers during these days.



ANNUAL PARISH GALA & AUCTION: SUCCESS

Last week's Gala & Auction was a huge success, **thanks** in part to these generous sponsors, among so many parishioners and local businesses:

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See our "ad of gratitude" in this week's Evangelist!

QUARTERLY UPDATE ON GREEN FIBER RECYCLING

Congratulations! The Church of St. Mary has recycled 6.33 tons of paper in the last 3 months!



July 2.12 tons collected \$53.00

August 2.17 tons collected \$54.25

September 2.04 tons collected \$51.00

A grand total of \$2,098.88 and 83.96 tons of paper since we began collecting in October 2009. GREAT JOB!!!

Come celebrate with us at next year's

Annual Parish Gala & Auction

Saturday, November 9, 2013, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

at the Hilton Garden Inn on Hoosick Street Troy