## St. Mary of the Assumption

119 Broad Street Waterford, New York 12188

Sunday, February 7, 2021 | Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Monday - Thursday • 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Friday • 8:30 ~ 12:00

#### Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (Fulfills Sunday Obligation)

Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

Mon.-Fri: Open for Private Prayer from 7 am to

11:00 ~ No mass at this time.

First Saturday & Holy Days Only: Mass at 7:45 a.m.



## Sacrament of Baptism Sundays at 1:00 p.m. by appointment and after preparation with Mrs. Webster

## Sacrament of Reconciliation By appointment

#### Sacrament of the Sick

In case of emergency, at any time. Whenever someone is seriously ill, in the hospital or homebound, please notify the parish office.

#### Sacrament of Matrimony

Bride and groom must meet with the pastor at least one year before date, be registered parishioners and must present a recent baptismal certificate.

#### "One in Mind and Heart, Intent Upon God" ~ Ott. Augustine



#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

For the week of February 8, 2021

#### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

Clement Perrier Lynda Muscatiello

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11** 

Stanistaw Surowiec Grace Weiss & Family

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13** 

Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

Armando & Rose Reo Family

Gil Roy Teresita Cuevos-Ariza

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14** 

Estella & John Pulcher Louise O'Brien

Thank you to everyone who continues to support our parish.

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#### Volunteers Needed!

As we begin the season of Lent and look ahead to Holy Week and Easter, we recognize the need for additional greeters and cleaners for the masses and services that will take place those four consecutive days.

PLEASE consider assisting with one or both of these tasks!

They are necessary based on our parish's reopening plan and we cannot ensure the health and safety of our parishioners without the assistance of volunteers doing these jobs.

IF you are willing to lend a hand, please contact Michael Cuomo at mcuomo@nycap.rr.com

# Calendar of Events February

2/7 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2/11 Our Lady of Lourdes

2/13 Public Masses Resume

2/15 President's Day ~ Office Closed

2/17 Ash Wednesday

#### Weekend Liturgies to resume February 13th/14th

As we prepare to return to mass (currently planned for Feb. 13/14th) there are a few items to keep in mind:

† Register for mass, beginning each Monday prior to the weekend, either by phone or online at Signup Genius.

† Wear a face covering/mask, since it is required.

† Please help yourself to the hand sanitizer available at every entrance.

† Keep 6 feet of distance between yourself and others attending who are not in your household.

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#### Lenten Schedule

## Ash Wednesday: at St. Mary's

7:45 am Mass with distribution of Ashes 7:00 pm Mass with distribution of Ashes

#### at St Augustine's in Troy

12:00 Noon Mass with distribution of Ashes 7:00 pm Mass with distribution of Ashes

#### **DAILY MASSES:**

St. Mary's ~ Mondays only at 7:45 am St. Augustine's ~ Wednesdays only at 12:00 Noon

Join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. here at St. Mary's.

### LITURGICAL LIFE

#### QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

#### First Reading

We hear how Job struggled to find meaning and hope in his life. How does your faith help you get through difficult times in your life?

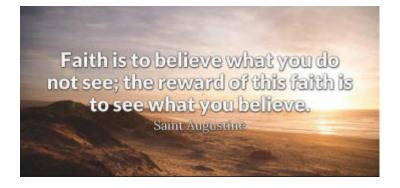
#### Second Reading

Paul speaks of his singular desire to preach the "gospel" (the Good News of Jesus Christ). When do you share the gospel message with others?

#### Gospel Reading

changes.

We learn that from the beginning of his public ministry Jesus was very purpose-driven: healing the sick and preaching the good news. How intentional is the practice of faith in your daily life?



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#### RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Audacity of Holiness

Do you know a holy person? I'm not talking about piety — that's important, too, in its own way. But right now, I'm speaking of holiness.

St. Therese of Lisieux called holiness "a disposition of the heart that makes us humble and little in the arms of God, aware of our weakness, and confident — in the most audacious way — in His Fatherly goodness."

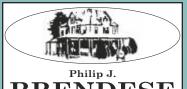
The holy person sees a storm on the horizon of life, and rather than give themselves over to fear and despair (natural and understandable reactions), regards the gathering winds as an opportunity to rely more fully on God. The holy person takes a bad situation and sanctifies it with charity and understanding that defies our fallen human nature.

Peter's mother-in-law was still in the throes of a fever when Jesus grasped her hand. It wasn't until she took his hand and allowed him to help her up that "the fever left her and she waited on them." Before the fever could leave her, she had to commit to holiness — to put her trust in him in a most audacious way. She had to find it within herself to lift her weakened hand to grasp his — and as soon as she did, she was rewarded. Her bodily health restored, she gave thanks, and attended to his needs.

God's hand is always outstretched to us. Will we take it, even if the fever of sin and pride and worldly concerns rages in our souls? Will we muster the strength? Will we be audacious enough to have confidence in His Fatherly goodness?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Please pray for all the sick and suffering and for anyone close to death; for those troubled in body, mind, or heart, and for their care givers in a special way: Carol Travis, Anna Papperman, Alexa Papperman, Marcia Trombly, Margaret Rose DeLucia, Connie Laviolette, Muriel Smith, Patricia Komoroski, Jack Neumann, Mary Beth Woodard, Carol Hervieux-Potts, Althea Alger, Sandee Murphy, Irene Marra, Maria Pascarella, Robert R. White, Judith M Hervieux, Cathy Powers Vanina, Andrew Melville, Christopher Goyette, Brady Sullivan, Bill Dame, Michael Clune, Ginny Grigoliet, Randy Morley, Melissa Rice, Paula Navojosky, Nicholas Muscatiello, Scott McGowty, William Hagadorn, Father Joseph Getz O.S.A.,
Fr. Jorge Reyes, O.S.A. Please help us keep our list up to date, and call the office (518.237.3131) with any



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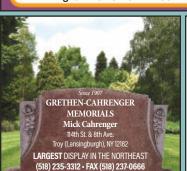
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