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Parish Office Hours

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

Mass Schedule

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

Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass: 7:45 am every Tuesday morning

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

Church open for Private Prayer from 7 -11 am (M-F)

Liturgy is livestreamed each weekend, primarily at 4:00 p.m. Mass each Saturday, occasionally 8:00 a.m. on Sunday. To view, visit our Youtube channel, search st. mary of the assumption church.



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

"From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly."
- Lk 1:48b-49, 52

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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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00-3:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Sundays at 1:00 p.m. by appointment and after preparation with Mrs. Webster. Contact Mrs. Webster at 518-237-3131 ext. 23

*"One in Mind and Heart, Intent Upon
God" ~ St. Augustine*



MASS INTENTIONS

~ August 15, 2021 ~

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

Rosanna Germain

Lynda Muscatello

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21

Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

Frank Pfitz III

Phyllis Pfitz

John J. Dinardo

Jeff & Marlene Oliver

Salvadore & Ann Cerqua & Joan Cerqua

Family

Mary Vadney

Kathy Judge

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

William Elliott

Joyce Ragone

John Daly

Mary Ann & Family

Eugene Kromrey

William & Carol Hervieux Potts &
Judith Hervieux

Registrations still being accepted for 2021-2022!




There are limited openings at St. Mary's in some
grade levels for the 2021-2022 school year
from Pre K through Grade 8.

Call 518.237.0652 for more information!

A Community of Faith, Tradition, and Excellence.

Thank you to everyone who continues to support our
parish. Aug. 1, 2021 \$ 5327

Thank You

AUGUST	AUGUST	AUGUST
BREAD & WINE	SANCTUARY CANDLE	MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL
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August Calendar of Events and Observances

- 8/14 Altar Society Reception after the 4:00 pm mass
Parish Hall
- 8/15 **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
Altar Society Reception after the 8:00 am mass
- 8/21/22 Catholic Home Missions Appeal- 2nd collection
- 8/27 St. Monica
- 8/28 St. Augustine

2021 Catholic Home Mission Appeal August 21/22 Strengthening the Church at Home

Our second collection next week will be for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40% of the dioceses in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities. Your support of this appeal eases the struggle and assists in forming vibrant faith communities. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal Thank you for your continued support.

*The St. Anne's Society is holding
its annual*

School Supply Drive
*to benefit the students of
St. Mary's School for the
2021-2022 school year.*

*Donations of either school supplies or gift cards
to stores that sell school supplies, such as
Staples, Target or Walmart are welcome.*

*Donated supplies/ gift cards may be dropped off
in the collection box in the back of church.*

*If you are not attending public masses but
would like to assist the drive, you can mail
donated gift cards into the parish office. Please
indicate "St. Anne's Supply Drive" on the
envelope.*

*Thank you, in advance, for your support of this
drive and of our students.*



WWMD?

WWJD bracelets were all the rage about 25 years ago in Christian circles. I've always wondered if a WWMD bracelet might not make just as much sense, and maybe more. What Would Mary Do?

I would argue that Mary was the most exemplary steward who ever lived. Her answer was always "Yes." Yes, Lord, I am Your handmaiden. Yes, I will visit Elizabeth, and help her in the last difficult months of pregnancy. Yes, I will bring my son up in the Mosaic law and present him at the Temple of Jerusalem. Yes, I will give him to the crowds and to public ministry. Yes, I will offer him on this Cross, if it is Your will.

Yes, yes, yes.

Well, I can't be like Mary, we think to ourselves.

There's an intimidation factor with the Blessed Mother and Catholics sometimes — one that almost exceeds that of Christ. Perhaps it's because we are in awe of the fact that she was not divine in any way — she was a mere creation, like us — but somehow, she always had the courage to say yes. How could she do it, when we find it so hard?

Well, God certainly lavished on Mary extraordinary graces. Her lack of original sin liberated her to conform her will to God's.

But God is impatient to give us, too, all the graces we need to be a steward in the example of Mary. He's waiting for us simply to ask. Just as in Adam we died, so in Christ — through Mary — we live.

What can we say yes to today, in Mary's example?

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

WHAT ARE WE CELEBRATING ON THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY?

The Assumption, along with the Immaculate Conception, are two Marian dogmas that have been infallibly defined by the church.

The Assumption proclaims the reality that Mary was taken up body and soul into heaven. This was God's special gift to her in response to her total giving of self to God's plan and will.

The church believes that Mary was immaculately conceived, that is, conceived without original sin. This led the church to believe that she did not suffer one of the key consequences of original sin, death and corruption. The Orthodox Church celebrates the Dormition of Mary, the belief

that Mary did not die but rather fell asleep and was thus assumed into heaven.

What significance does this feast have for our lives as Christians today? This feast is above all an assurance and hope of our continued life with God. Modeling ourselves on Jesus and living the

Christian life molded by Jesus' values is certainly the sure path to God. As a result, God will not leave us orphaned or alone to suffer the emptiness of death. Rather, we believe that death is merely a transformation of our present state into an even more glorious and eternal relationship with God.


This is the hope and assurance that Mary's assumption celebrates. It is a celebration of our

assumption as well. She is one of us, providing a model of what God has in store for all who love and give of themselves to God.



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, Robert R. White, Judith M Hervieux, Andrew Melville, Christopher Goyette, Brady Sullivan, Michael Clune, Ginny Grigoliet, Randy Morley, Melissa Rice, Bianca Razzano, Nicholas Muscatiello, Scott McGowty, Ruth Brand, Jeffrey Oliver, Matthew Dame and Father Joseph Getz O.S.A. **Please help us keep our list up to date, and call the office (518.237.3131) with any changes.**





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