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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)

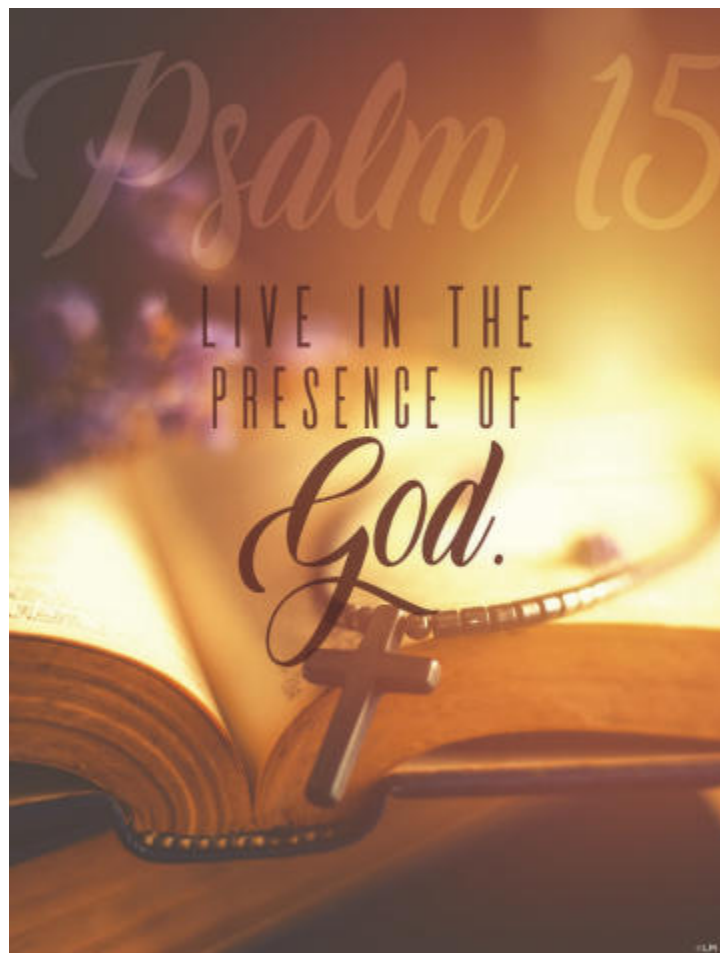
Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

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.



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 29, 2021 ~

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Helen Guzy

Kathleen Judge

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

Frank Cerqua

Joni & Family

Marilyn Galarneau

Husband & Family

Joyce Jones

Pearl & Ken Perrier

John Fay

St. Vincent de Paul Society

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Victoria Perrier (Birthday)

Pearl & Ken Perrier

Wolf & Matthews Families

Claire & John Neilson

William Hagadorn

Maryann & Tom Benedetti

Janice Goyette

Salvi Family

IT'S NOT TOO LATE

St. Mary's Catholic School is still
accepting registrations for 2021-2022!

There are limited openings at St. Mary's in some
grade levels for the 2021-2022 school year
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Call 518.237.0652 for more information!




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Thank you to everyone who continues to support our
parish.

Aug. 8, 2021

\$ 8243

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SEPTEMBER	SEPTEMBER	SEPTEMBER
BREAD In Memory of JOHN REO Given by FAMILY	SANCTUARY CANDLE In Memory of FRANK CERQUA Given by JONI & FAMILY	MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL In Memory of VICTORIA PERRIER Given by CHILDREN
WINE In Memory of JOHN SWAINE Given by FAMILY		
		



*Love is a fruit in season
at all times, and within
the reach of every hand.*

~Mother Teresa

Calendar of Events and Observances

- 8/28 Feast of St. Augustine
- 8/29 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 9/3 Feast of St. Gregory
- 9/6 Labor Day ~ Parish Office Closed
- 9/8 St. Mary's School ~ 1st Day of School (1st-8th)
- 9/11 Patriot Day ~ K of C Block Party
- 9/14-16 Drop off dates for Parish Garage Sale
- 9/18 Parish Garage Sale

The Spirit of St. Mary's "Sales" Again!

*Parish Wide Garage Sale and
\$1000.00 Give Away are back....*

Saturday, September 18th.

Volunteers are needed!

Contact the parish office

(518-237-3131) or Gerry Brendese

(518-237-8296) if you can assist.

~ \$1000. Raffle Give Away ~

If you did not receive a booklet of five raffle tickets
but would like to, or would like more tickets, please
contact the parish office. Additional tickets are
available to sell. Tickets are due into the
parish by 9/11/2021.



**Knights of
Columbus**

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When: Saturday, September 11th, 1-6PM

Where: Waterford K of C
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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



FIRST READING

In your observance of the commandments of the LORD, your God, which I enjoin upon you, you shall not add to what I command you nor subtract from it. (Dt 4:2)



PSALM

The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord. (Ps 15)



SECOND READING

Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves. (Jas 1:22)



GOSPEL

"You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition." (Mk 7:8)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Albert Einstein said that the "true measure of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination." Being a disciple of Jesus Christ requires a great deal of imagination. It is not enough to simply attend to facts, rules and rituals and consider the job done. Quite contrarily, the Gospels demands creativity, of trying to discern how to put flesh on the Beatitudes and properly serve God's children. Jesus never doled out a top down agenda. Not once did he ever demand conformity over conversion or sacrifice over mercy. The Gospel is always about putting people in touch with their compassionate, forgiving, and unconditionally loving God and meeting them where they are.

For Jesus, it often meant breaking a few rules. Well respected and time-honored traditions had to be set aside in order to attend to what really mattered. God's compassion, mercy and true conversion were always the trump cards. The story of the Good Samaritan, healing on the Sabbath, and bypassing of purification rituals all display this theme. Human beings can get too hung up on protocol and tradition. This is so much so that often preserving all of these things is of greater concern than the beggar knocking on our door or the sinner looking for mercy. It is no wonder, then, that we can easily become hypocritical. Many can see us on our knees in prayer while our true heart and actions, rooted in judgment and self-preservation, are hidden from others. It is a trap into which we can easily fall. Who cares how we live our lives as long as our hands are properly washed!

Here enters the need for imagination and the distinction of truly being a wise and intelligent person. It takes a good measure of creativity and a lot of guts to really be a doer of God's word and not merely a hearer. Being a person who doesn't just tell people about God but shows people God requires courage and ingenuity. That's why people like St. Francis of Assisi and St. Teresa of Calcutta are timeless. Their genuineness speaks volumes generation to generation. It's risky business taking the step to allow God into our hearts. Permitting God to release us from the grip of our evil thoughts, infidelity, greed, malice, sexual improprieties, licentiousness, envy, arrogance, folly, and the like takes courage. That's why we prefer to spend our energy rearranging the future rather than take measures to secure a foundation that is most certainly crumbling.

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, 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, Lucille Primeau 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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