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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday • 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

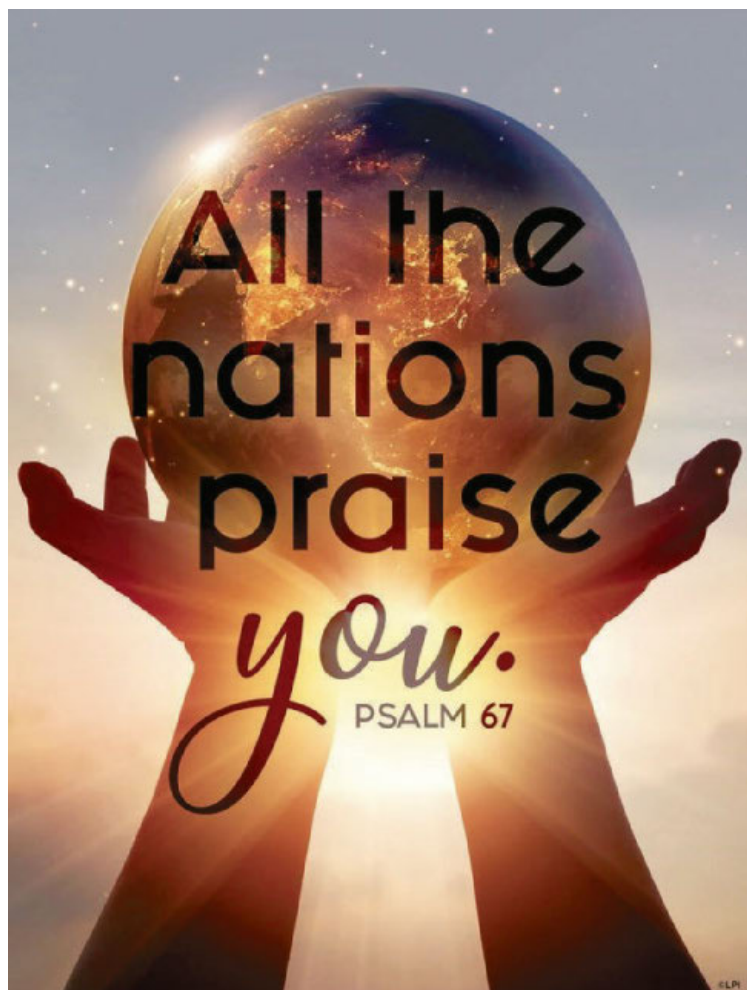
Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Holy Days of Obligation TBD

Weekday Mass

Monday at St. Augustine's ~ 8:30 am
Tuesday at St. Mary's ~ 7:45 am
Wednesday & Friday at St. Augustine's ~ 8:30 am
Thursday at St. Augustine's ~ 12:00 pm
First Saturday of each month at St. Mary's ~7:45 am
St. Mary's open for Private Prayer
from 7 -11 am (M-F)

St. Mary's Livestreams 4:00 p.m. Saturday. To view,
visit stmaryswaterford.org and click on the link
"Watch St. Mary's Online"



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

Third Sunday of each month at 1:00 p.m.
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 20, 2023 ~ 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22

7:45 am

Pat Reo

Family

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23

7:45 am

Communion Service

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26

4:00 pm

Edmund F. Becker

Brother, Joe

Frank Cerqua

Joni

Bianca Razzano

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Corligan

Lucille Primeau

Claire Halliday

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27

8:00 am

Danny Smith

Mom & Dad

Maria Jez

Chris & Grace Weiss

Philip Kopach (1st Anniv.)

Family

Fannucci Family

Owen Family

10:30 am

Ricardo "Pat" Reo

Judith Hervieux & Bill Potts

Living & deceased members of our Parish

**Thank you to all our families who continue to
support the parish so generously.**

**July 30, 2023
Peter's Pence**

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thank you



Calendar of Events

8/20 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8/21 **St. Pius X, Pope**

8/22 **The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8/27 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Catholic Home Missions Appeal

8/28 **St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor**

SPECIAL
COLLECTION

9/3 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
St. Mary's School Support Collection

9/4 Labor Day- Office Closed

9/8 **The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9/10 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Grandparent's Day




9/11 Patriot's Day

Bible Sharing resumes Monday

The St. Mary and St. Augustine Bible Sharing Group will resume Monday evening, September 18 at 7:15 PM in the St. Rita's Room at St. Augustine's. Each session begins and ends with prayer, and focuses on the Mass readings for the *following* Sunday. It lasts for 80 to 90 minutes. You do not have to attend every week to benefit.

Please bring your Bible!

If it's your first time, please call Father Liam at 518.237.3131, ext. 18 and leave your name and phone number.

<p>AUGUST BREAD</p> <p><i>In Memory of EUGENE A. KROMREY</i></p> <p><i>Given by FAMILY</i></p> <p>WINE</p> <p><i>In Memory of O'BRIEN & ST. ONGE FAMILY</i></p> <p><i>Given by FAMILY</i></p> 	<p>AUGUST SANCTUARY CANDLE</p> <p><i>In Memory of DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE ALTAR SOCIETY</i></p> <p><i>Given by PARISH</i></p> 	<p>AUGUST MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL</p> <p><i>In Memory of DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</i></p> <p><i>Given by PARISH</i></p> 
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YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...

- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?

Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not yet celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. You are welcome to participate in the process with your questions, your insights, and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

If you or someone you know is interested in finding out more, please contact Father Liam at 518.237.3131, ext. 18.

SUPPLY DRIVE

St. Anne Society is collecting school supplies for the students at St. Mary's School. 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. School supplies will be collected until August 27. Thank you in advance for your support!

NOW HIRING!

St. Mary's School is seeking candidates for the position of Elementary Teacher. Interested applicants should send their letter of interest and resume to Mr. Matt Murphy at principal@smswaterford.org

REMINDER ABOUT PARISH GARAGE SALE**DROP OFF DATES/TIMES**

TUESDAY, SEPT 12	9-5 pm
WEDNESDAY, SEPT 13	9-7 pm
THURSDAY, SEPT 14	9-5 pm

We will be accepting items in good condition – small furniture, paperback books, household items, etc. We will not be able to accept electronics, TV's, microwaves, clothing, large furniture (couches, dinette sets, credenzas etc.), or anything else that cannot be sold at our sale on **Saturday, September 16, 2023**.

Please do not leave items outside the hall in advance.

Cemetery News.....

REMINDER: PLEASE DO NOT to place items on the ground at the base of a monument.

Items on the ground are a problem for groundskeepers as they attempt to mow and trim grass around headstones. Items can get caught under the deck of the mowers and cause damage to the equipment and harm to others who are nearby.

These items will be removed and placed in a "Lost and Found" container near the cemetery garage. Items MAY be affixed to the stone.

Thank you, in advance, for your cooperation!

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

The Prayers God Always Answers

When I was a child, my mother bought a book called "The Prayers God Will Always Answer." I remember my anticipation as I cracked the spine and turned to the first page.

I had been spending a lot of time asking God — begging God, actually — over and over again for some specific things that were not materializing. Frankly, it was beginning to feel a lot like that time I asked Santa Claus for a new house, only to wake up on Christmas morning to find ordinary, non-house-shaped presents under the tree — and a growing sense of suspicion that my faith had been ill-placed.

To the great disappointment of my pre-teen heart, my mother's book was not a directory of magical phrases God is compelled to obey. It was a list that included things like "Forgive me" and "Help me." I tossed it aside, disappointed.

I marvel at the wisdom and the confidence of the Canaanite woman who persists in begging Jesus to heal her daughter. She is ignored, and still she will not be deterred. The disciples try to dismiss her — still, she presses on. Christ himself challenges her, and her faith makes her ready with a reply.

Somehow, I am sure that even if Christ had said, "No, it cannot be done for you as you wish," she would have still dropped to her knees and worshiped him, because she knew what I did not: God is not a vending machine, and he's not the genie from "Aladdin." Prayer is not a negotiation, but a relationship.

The story of the Canaanite woman is not a story about how to get God to give you what you want. It is a story about the prayers God always answers.

"Then Jesus said to her in reply, 'O woman, great is your faith!'" — Matthew 15:28

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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, Alexa Papperman, Marcia Trombly, Patricia Komoroski, Jack Neumann, Mary Beth Woodard, Sandee Murphy, Irene Marra, Robert R. White, Judith M Hervieux, Andrew Melville, Christopher Goyette, Brady Sullivan, Michael Clune, Ginny Grigoliet, Randy Morley, Nicholas Muscatiello, Joe Cotrofeld, Cindy Vandiver, Loretta Fredricks, Sr. Maura Rhode, C.S.J., Michelle Weitz, Mary Beth Rockwell, Carla Salmon, Betty Rourke, Joann Guertin, Phyllis Pfitz, Bill Dame and Fr. David J. Kelley, 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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