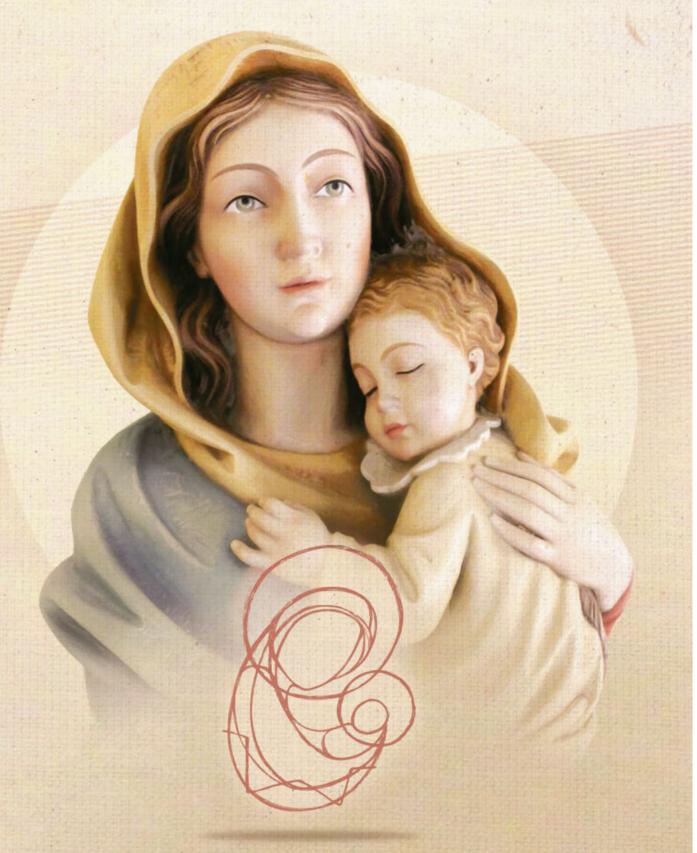
THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD



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Mass Schedule

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

Weekday Mass

Thursday & Friday 8:30 am at St. Mary's

St. Mary's open for Private Prayer from 7 am −11 am (M-F)

St. Mary's Livestreams 8:00 a.m. Sunday. To view, visit stmaryswaterford.org and click on the link "Watch St. Mary's Online"





December 29, 2024 Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph "May the nations be glad and exult because you rule the peoples in equity" Psalm 67

Wed. Jan. 1 - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

10:00 AM

Nicholas Barna The Oliver Family Frances Kippen Family

Fri. Jan. 3 8:30 AM Living and deceased of our parish

Sat. Jan. 4

8:30 AM Priest's Intentions

4 PM

Joan Kimble (2nd Anniv.)

Sydney Marie Dooley

Linda Joly

Anne Gabriel

Loraine & Ray Zawistowski

Rushkoski Family

Husband & children

Sun. Jan. 5 8:00 AM

Ronald Muscatiello Pearl & Ken Perrier
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Gifts Received for the St. Mary's Restoration Fund

January Sanctuary Candle

In Loving Memory of Lee Salisbury by Wife Susan

January Bread & Wine ~ Available

January Mother of Good Counsel Candle In Loving memory of Fr. David J. Kelley, O.S.A. by Staff



Sacrificial Giving Dec. 15, 2024
Regular Offertory \$ 3495.00

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Immaculate Conception \$ 1240.00

Thank you to all who continue to support St. Mary's Church. We value your commitment to our parish community!

Calendar of Events

12/29 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph 8:00 am

12/30-1/1 Office Closed

- 1/1 **Mary, Holy Mother of God** 10:00 am Mass World day of Peace
- 1/2 Office Reopens
- 1/3 **The Most Holy Name of Jesus**First Friday School Mass @ 8:30 AM
- 1/4 **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton** 8:30 AM Mass & 4 PM Vigil Mass
- 1/5 Epiphany of the Lord
- 1/6 St. Mary's School returns in sessionAltar Society Mtg. Lucky Bucket Planning Mtg.7 PM Rectory

Breakfast Buffet and Omelet Station -- Waterford Knights of Columbus

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Sunday, January 5th, 8:00am - 11:00am & Every 1st Sunday of the Month

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\$12.00 adult - \$6.00 children (Children under 4 free)

When you are considering remembering someone, celebrating an occasion, or offering thanks, please consider a Bread or Wine memorial, a Sanctuary candle, or a contribution to our Restoration Fund. Stop by the parish office or call us at 518-237-3131 to make arrangements!



May God's peace be upon you and remain with you throughout the year.

All in the Family

At first glance, we can often find the image of the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph and the Christ Child intimidating — who are we to aspire to that level of discipleship? How could we ever hope to conform ourselves to that mold? Sometimes, it can even be painful — perhaps we hail from a broken family or struggle with a broken relationship within our family, or perhaps we long to be a mother or a father ourselves and that state in life has eluded us.

But the image of the Holy Family is, in reality, a beautiful invitation to us all, no matter our vocation or our state in life, and the example of Mary, Joseph and Jesus is rich with the symbolism of stewardship.

You need not be a biological mother who has carried a child in her womb to be a mother in spirit. Who in your world needs you to love them with the heart of a mother?

The same goes for fatherhood. The Church and the world are crying out for the courageous witness of Christian men like St. Joseph. Who can you love with the steadfast, selfless protection of a father?

Who in your life needs you to love them with the faithful, unconditional love of a son? Who needs your gentle and constant love as a daughter?

We are the Body of Christ, friends. Those of us rejoicing in heaven, those of us suffering in purgatory, and those of us struggling here on earth. We are the great family. Let us love each other well. Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Upcoming Special Collection Envelopes

1/1 Solemnity of Mary

1/9 Fuel Offering

1/26 St. Mary's School Support

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, Irene & Frank Marra, 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, Carla Salmon, Joann Guertin, Bill Dame, Bernard & Francoise Ouimet, John Neilson, Kathleen Walsh, Daniel Kelly, Mary Ann Daly, Mary Landor, Christine Mulligan, James Flynn. Please help us keep our list up to date, and call the office (518.237.3131) with any changes.



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