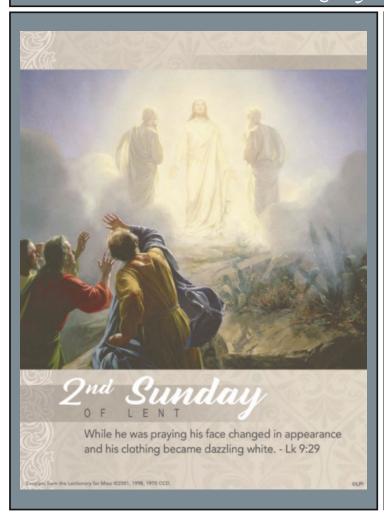
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Closed Friday

Mass Schedule

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

St. Mary's is open for Private Prayer from 7 am –11 am (M-F) First Saturday Devotions 7:40 a.m. Rosary is prayed daily Mon.-Fri. @ 7:40 a.m.

St. Mary's Livestreams 8:00 a.m. Sunday. To view, visit stmaryswaterford.org and click on the link "Watch St. Mary's Online" or visit https://www.youtube.com/@stmaryoftheassumptionwfd Facebook https://www.facebook.com/stmaryassumptionwfd

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm, prior to the vigil mass

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism of adults and youth follows the Church's traditional "Catechumenate," a gradual acquaintance with Catholic life leading to Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil. Baptism of infants and pre-school children is celebrated on the third Sunday of each month at 1:00 PM (except during Lent), and at the Easter Vigil. Parents (or expecting parents) must be registered parishioners, call at least six weeks in advance, and participate in a brief parent preparation with Mrs. Webster. Please call parish office for Mrs. Webster at 518-237-3131 ext. 23

Sacrament of the Sick

Contact the parish office to arrange for a visit for a sick family member. If leaving a message, please leave a call back number.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Bride and groom must meet with the pastor at least six months before date and must present a recent baptismal certificate.



March 16, 2025 ~ 2nd Sunday of Lent

"The Lord is my light and my salvation ." Psalm 27

Sat. March 22, 4:00 PM

Robert "Bob" Gronczniak	Maureen Masterson
The Robbins Family	Murphy Family
Marilyn Galarneau	Husband & Family
Lucille Bertrand	Brother
Marion Riegert	Kathleen Judge

Sun. March. 23, 8:00 AM

Ray Primeau	Family
Jack O'Brien	Joni & Family
Members of the Demayo Family	John Neilson
Claire & Evelyn Neilson	John Neilson
Josephine Dippo	Family
Living and Deceased of our Parish	

Lent is a good time for sacrificing. Let us deny ourselves something every day to help others.

— Pope Francis —

Calendar of Events

3/16	2nd Sunday of Lent
	Lucky Bucket Extravaganza

- 3/17 **St. Patrick,** Bishop and Patron of Ireland Altar Society Mtg. 7PM Lower Hall
- 3/19 **St. Joseph**, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. 6:30 PM Lower Hall
- 3/21 Stations of the Cross 7 PM
- 3/22 REFRESHments after Mass (after 4 pm mass)
- 3/23 3rd Sunday of Lent
- 3/25 **Annunciation of the Lord** Penance Service 7PM here @ St. Mary's
- 3/30 4th Sunday of Lent

THIS WEEKEND Sunday, March 16, 2025 12 – 2:30PM Doors Open at 11:30AM

Raffle Tickets will be available for purchase at the door. Drawings start at 1:30PM

Admission \$10 (Includes Lunch, Beverage, dessert & raffle ticket for the door prize)



There will be a meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society on Wednesday, March 19 at 6:30 PM in the lower meeting room of the parish hall. New members are always welcome to come and learn about the good works the society does for our Waterford and St. Mary's community.

Sacrificial Offerings for February 23, 2025

Regular Offertory

In Church: \$ 4,542.00 Mail In: \$ 975.00

E-Giving: \$ 380.64 through 02/20/25

Total \$ 5,897.64

Fuel

In Church: \$ 2,280.00
Mail In: \$ 45.00
Total: \$ 2,325.00



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March Bread

In Loving Memory of Jack O'Brien By Family

March Wine

In Loving Memory of Matthew Robert Sherman by Family

March Sanctuary Candle

In Loving Memory of Susan Serfilippi by Family

In Loving Memory of Gabrielle Serfilippi By Family

March Mother of Good Counsel Candle

In Loving Memory of Fr. David J. Kelley, O.S.A. By Staff



HELP WANTED! We're seeking to expand our ministries...

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Please consider assisting with our liturgies as either a Lector or a Eucharistic Minister. We will provide instruction. This is a great way to help your parish and those currently volunteering would appreciate the help. Call the office at 518-237-3131 with questions or to sign up.

Student Altar Servers

We are resuming the children's ministry of Altar Servers in the upcoming months. If your son or daughter is in 3rd grade or older, has received his or her First Communion (and whose family is registered with the parish), we invite you to sign up to assist in the mass. Permission slips (for training) can be found in the back of church. Return completed forms to the parish office, either by mail or via the collection basket. Contact either Ken Perrier (ext. 24) or Mary Rushkoski (ext. 20) with questions.

REFRESHments.....

on a Saturday afternoon

Next Saturday ~ March 22, 2025.

This month's social gathering will be hosted by The Faculty & Staff of St. Mary's School.

This is a great opportunity to chat with other parishioners, learn about things going on in our community as well as meet newly registered parishioners.

Altar Society Happenings

The next meeting of the Altar Society will be held on Monday March 17 @ 7pm in the lower meeting room in parish hall.

The monthly meeting of the Augustinian Seculars will be held on Sunday, April 21st at <u>St. Augustine Church</u>, starting with the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Meeting to follow immediately in the Rectory Dining Room.



Faith Formation Program:

This has been a very busy, prayerful and productive week for our First Holy Communicants. They began their Sunday last week with class, Mass, and a rehearsal with Fr. Martin for their First Reconciliation, followed by their actual First Reconciliation on March 13th. Please continue to keep them in your prayers, as their journey continues in the preparation of their First Holy Communion in both Churches. Our 3rd and 4th Graders continue their prayerful service to others in our parishes by sending out their Spiritual Bouquets and working on posters on *The Circle of Grace*. As we continue with classes focusing on our Lenten Observances, our Middle School Class is concentrating on personal reflection and behavior choices as they study the pivotal moments in *Jesus' journey to the Cross*.

Our **Confirmation Program** continues with the commitment to serve our parishes with participation in a Station of the Cross Evening and their continued studies on this Lenten Season.

The Confirmand will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 27th at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Please keep them in your prayers.

"The Sacraments are the manifestation of the Father's tenderness and Love towards each of us." Pope Francis

Lenten Observances

<u>Stations of the Cross</u> Every Friday at 7 PM (Fri. March 14th Stations presented by our Confirmation Students)

Penance Service March 25th @ 7PM

<u>Fasting</u>

Fridays during Lent, including Good Friday, are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members from age 14 onwards.

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, 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, Mary Ann Daly, Mary Landor, Christine Mulligan, Loraine Zawistowski Jim Ziegler and Frank Cupolo. Please help us keep our list up to date, and call the office (518.237.3131) with any changes.



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