

St. Mary of the Assumption



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

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

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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.

Mass Intentions

March 23, 2025 ~ 3rd Sunday of Lent

"The Lord is kind and merciful." Psalm 103

Sat. March 29, 4:00 PM

Fr. David Kelley, O.S.A.	Claire Halliday
Gabrielle Serfilippi	Family
Elsie & James Corr	Family
David Gannon	Kathy & Glenn Lefebvre
Laura & Jack Callaghan	Family

Sun. March 30, 8:00 AM

Tom Gillis	Claudette Gillis
Bernadette Bouchard	Claudette Gillis
Claude Chouinard	Claudette Gillis
Members of the Conners Family	John Neilson
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

- 3/22 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
2nd Collection for Catholic Relief Services
- 4/6 5th Sunday of Lent
- 4/13 **Palm Sunday**
- 4/17 **Holy Thursday** ~7:30 PM Mass
- 4/18 **Good Friday** ~ Lord's Passion @ 7:30 PM
- 4/19 **Holy Saturday** ~ Easter Vigil @ 8 PM
- 4/20 **EASTER SUNDAY** ~ 10:00 AM Mass



St. Vincent de Paul Society News

Our food pantry could use your help. We are running low or are completely out of the following items.....

Campbell Chunky soup, canned pineapple, Children's cereal like Cheerios.



Your generous donations are greatly appreciated!



CRS Rice Bowls are available for the taking and are located in the back of church. These are a wonderful way to incorporate almsgiving in our daily routine during lent while providing live changing assistance to those in need!

Gifts Received for the St. Mary's Restoration Fund

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



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



Sacrificial Offerings for March 2, 2025

Regular Offertory

In Church:	\$ 4,123.00
Mail In:	\$ 1,110.00
E-Giving:	\$ 430.89 through 02/28/25
Total	\$ 5,663.89

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Thank you for your on-going support of St. Mary's parish!



Altar Society Happenings

Thank you to everyone that contributed to making the Lucky Bucket Extravaganza a success once again this year.

We could not have done it without the help of so many. Whether you set up, cleaned up, served food, sold/bought raffle tickets, donated gift cards/ baskets, attended the event - we are grateful.

THANK YOU for helping to create a wonderful afternoon.

LENT CHURCH CLEANING ALL ARE WELCOME

On Monday, March 31st @ 6 pm we will be cleaning the church in preparation for Easter.

Bring a bucket, cloth/rag, gloves if desired, we will provide the soap & water.

This should only take 1 hour or so.

Remember - Many hands make light work.

Thank you in advance.

Ultimate Mac & Cheese Show Down

Knights of Columbus #237

76 Grace Street, Waterford

Saturday, April 12th from 4 to 8 PM

Setup 3:30 pm/Awards at 7 PM

Cash Bar

Competitors: \$20-Tasters \$5 at door



Register to compete at WaterfordKofC.org

ART IN NATURE

To kick off the gardening season, St. Mary's Parent-Teacher Organization is selling flower buds, with all proceeds benefiting St. Mary's School. Orders can be placed via check or credit card through April 6. To pay by check, return an order form (available in the back of the church) in the collection by April 6. To order by credit card, utilize the QR code on the right.



Penance Service



There will be a Lenten Penance Service here at St. Mary's on Tuesday, March 25th @ 7PM. Fr. Jim Belogi, Vicar, Fr. Pat Butler, Fr. Dan McHale and Fr. Anthony Onu will be present to offer the sacrament of Reconciliation to those in attendance.

As we prepare for the upcoming Solemnity of Easter, let the healing power of God's mercy, felt through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, be part of our preparation!

Easter Flower Memorials



As in past years, parishioners are invited to make donations for our Easter Flowers to honor your loved ones. Envelopes can be found in your monthly packets or in the back of Church.

Faith Formation

Our Confirmation Program completed a presentation of the Stations of the Cross on March 14th at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, as they traveled with Jesus' Sorrowful Journey in their hearts and in their prayers.

They will present this journey in prayer on April 11th at 7pm. at St. Augustine's Church.

The Confirmand will attend their Confirmation Retreat on April 12th at Our Lady of Victory Church from 9am until 5pm. The focus on The Lenten Pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving continue in our morning program (Grades 1-8), as children spoke about Jesus' Sorrowful Journey while discussing our gifts to offer Jesus.....love, kindness and service to others.

Our First Communion Class continue to prepare for their Sacrament that will take place at both St. Augustine Church or St. Mary of the Assumption Church on the weekend of May 10th and 11th.

We continue to pray for all of our Prayer Angels, as we continue to be thankful for their prayers.

May God bless you all during this Lenten Season.

Mrs. Debbie Webster

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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, Irene & Frank Marra, Judith M Hervieux, Andrew Melville, Christopher Goyette, Brady Sullivan, Michael Clune, Ginny Grigoliet, Randy Morley, Nicholas Muscatello, 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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