

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

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Office Hours: Mon., Tues. & Wed. 9:00-12:00

August 29, 2021

MASS

Mass is now being celebrated
at 12:30 pm every Sunday
and 9:00 am every Wednesday

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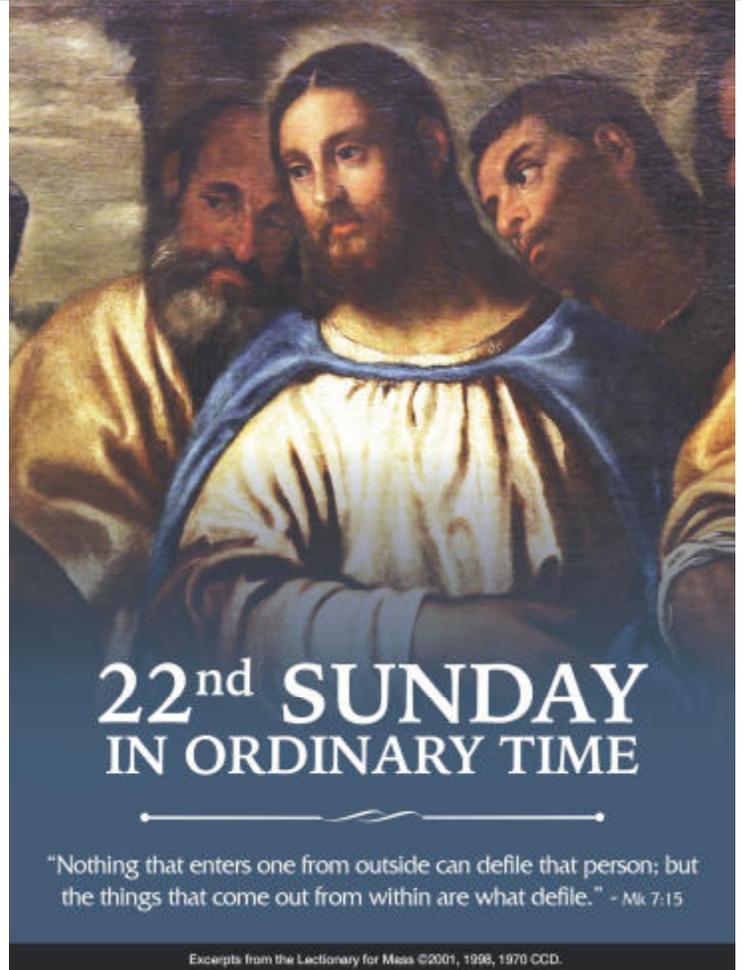
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*Blessed by the assurance of Heaven's
Love,
we, as the people of God,
witness to Christ's life-giving presence
in our
communities and the world,
through Word, the sacraments
and our service.*



St. Mary's Picnic

September 12th, after Mass we are having a
picnic. Hot dogs, hamburgers and pot luck.

Please bring a dish to share.

RSVP to the rectory office 518-642-1262

In your prayers...

Alexandra Babcock, Alice Merold, Annabelle Andrews, Barbara Mazzucco, Betty Fringi, Bret Hilliker, Brian Crawford, Camille Cavagnaro, Carol & Terry Terrance, Carolyn Baker, Casimuro Maningas, Christopher Gauthier, Cynthia Holbrook, Dan Opulski, David Falk, David Schneider, Destiny Dundon, Don Montgomery, Dorothy Jurnak, Dorothy Robertson, Eric & Daniel Campbell, Francis Martindale, Helen Macura, Jamison Stewart, Janice Tucker, Jeanne Tallone, Jessica Schmidt, Joanne Sedgewick, Joe Grottoli, John Beis, Jr., Judi Daigle, Kaiden Munro, Karen Moulder, Karigan Parker, Katrina Foster, Linda Crawford, Loralin Fioretti, Lori Warner, Madeline Losito, Marie Surdukowski, Marie Williams, Marilyn Boyle, Marvin Mondoux, Mary Ellen Favro, Nancy Fish, Nelson Housman, Nick Parker, Nick Ward, Owen O'Brien, Pat Fennell, Richard Allard, Rita Devine, Robert Gordon, Rodney Tarbell, Stephanie Nassar, Stephen Surdukowski, Sylvia Palumbo, Tom Caivana, William Mahlmann, Wyatt Illsley

Sept-Oct 2021



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 09/12– Tom O'Brien 10/03– George Olsen
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Mass Intentions 08-29-21

+ **Francine Jean Goodspeed** by the family
 + **Pauline Grottoli** by Clark & Colleen Hicks
 + And for the People of the Parish

Mass Intentions 09-1-21

+ **Zachery Baird** by George & Celine Olsen



St. Mary's Collection Summary 08/22/21

Sunday Collection	\$906.00
Candles	\$ 25.00
Scholarship	\$40.00
Assumption	\$52.00
Home Missions	\$137.00

We Need Holy Young Men to Serve at the Altar of God!

Why become an altar server?

Altar servers have been granted a privileged place to assist at the altar during Mass. It is a privilege to kneel so close to the altar as our loving Savior, Jesus Christ, becomes truly present – Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity upon the altar. A server is uniquely joined in the Heavenly Supper of the Lamb of God and serves in the company of angels eternally signing "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord."

Being a server is one of the most ancient ministries in the Church; it is entrusted only to those who have completed their training and have the special blessing of the Church. They are a direct link between the people and priest. On behalf of the people, they assist the priest, representing the people in the sanctuary area. This is seen clearly, when the servers assist in the preparation of the gifts at the altar. The gifts of bread and wine are sacred signs of our work and sacrifice. Our sacrifices are offered and united with the perfect sacrifice of Christ.

We are in need of assistance. The altar server ministry is open to all from grade 3 through adult. Please call the parish office at 518-642-1262 or email stmarys.granville@rcda.org



Seeking Enthusiastic Adult Volunteers!

Volunteers and families of participants are asked to call the office or email ffsmg@rcda.org to register with 'Faith Formation' as the subject line.

Faith Formation Registration is open until Sept. 3rd
There will be a fee of \$25/ child with a \$50 max/ family

to defray the costs of the program and materials.

A parent meeting is being held Sept 1st at 7:00PM in the church. At least one parent must attend. Faith Formation begins September 12th, 11AM-12:15PM



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By Dr. Scott Hahn

Today's Gospel casts Jesus in a prophetic light as one having authority to interpret God's law.

Jesus' quotation from Isaiah today is ironic (see Isaiah 29:13). In observing the law, the Pharisees honor God by ensuring that nothing unclean passes their lips. In this, however, they've turned the law inside out, making it a matter of simply performing certain external actions.

The gift of the law, which we hear God giving to Israel in today's First Reading, is fulfilled in Jesus' Gospel, which shows us the law's true meaning and purpose (see Matthew 5:17).

The law, fulfilled in the Gospel, is meant to form our hearts, to make us pure, able to live in the Lord's presence. The law was given that we might live and enter into the inheritance promised to us—the kingdom of God, eternal life.

Israel, by its observance of the law, was meant to be an example to surrounding nations. As James tells us in today's Epistle, the Gospel was given to us that we might have new birth by the Word of truth. By living the Word we've received, we're to be examples of God's wisdom to those around us, the "first fruits" of a new humanity.

This means we must be "doers" of the Word, not merely hearers of it. As we sing in today's Psalm and hear again in today's Epistle, we must work for justice, taking care of our brothers and sisters and living by the truth God has placed in our hearts.

The Word given to us is a perfect gift. We should not add to it through vain and needless devotions. Nor should we subtract from it by picking and choosing which of His laws to honor.

"Hear me," Jesus says in today's Gospel. Today, we're called to examine our relationship to God's law.

Is the practice of our religion a pure listening to Jesus, a humble welcoming of the Word planted in us and able to save our souls? Or are we only paying lip service?

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READINGS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH

Reading I

Is 35:4-7a

Thus says the LORD: Say to those whose hearts are frightened: Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you. Then will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared; then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing. Streams will burst forth in the desert, and rivers in the steppe. The burning sands will become pools, and the thirsty ground, springs of water.

Reading II

Jas 2:1-5

My brothers and sisters, show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ. For if a man with gold rings and fine clothes comes into your assembly, and a poor person in shabby clothes also comes in, and you pay attention to the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Sit here, please," while you say to the poor one, "Stand there," or "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves and become judges with evil designs? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?

Gospel

Mk 7:31-37

Again Jesus left the district of Tyre and went by way of Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, into the district of the Decapolis. And people brought to him a deaf man who had a speech impediment and begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!"—And immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly. He ordered them not to tell anyone. But the more he ordered them not to, the more they proclaimed it. They were exceedingly astonished and they said, "He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

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