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The Mission Statement of Saint Mary's Parish



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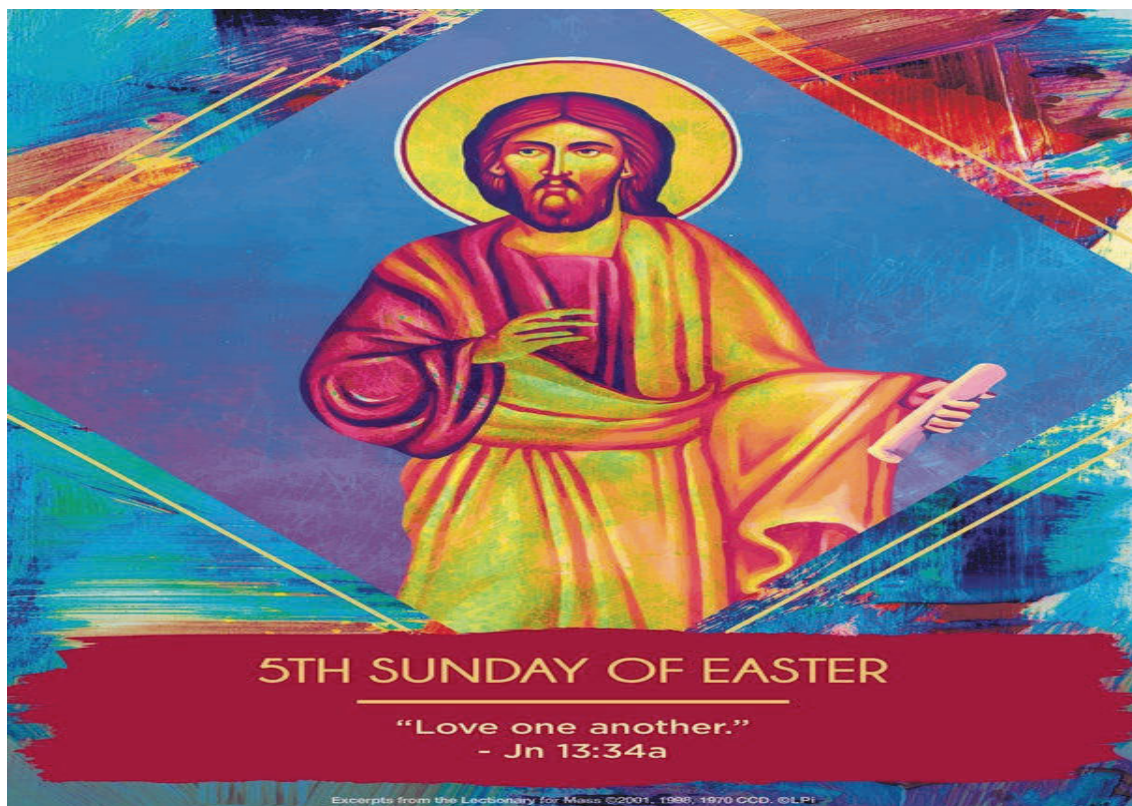
### *Welcome...*

*From wherever you have traveled or have been led on your spiritual journey, we, the Catholic community of Oneonta, are glad that you are among us. We invite you make yourself at home and consider joining in our Christian way of life, worship and service.*

*Students of Hartwick and SUNY Oneonta, welcome! We encourage you to participate and volunteer in all liturgical and service ministries while you are among us*

### *We are home to...*

- ◆ Saint Mary's Newman Catholic Community
  - ◆ Knights of Columbus – Council 4989
  - ◆ Boy Scouts of America – Troop 23





Synod  
2021  
2023  
For a synodal Church  
communio | participatio | missio

**Leatherstocking Vicariate**  
**Synod Listening Session**

**NEW DATE: Monday, May 23, 2022**

**6:30 pm**

**St. Mary's Parish Center—Oneonta**

The Diocese of Albany is excited to announce the beginning phase in the worldwide “Synod on Synodality” initiated by Pope Francis. The diocese will coordinate regional listening sessions, at which everyone is encouraged to share their opinions on what they are looking for from today’s Church. The listening sessions will be guided by a facilitator utilizing universal questions and provide the opportunity for small group breakout sessions. Bishop Scharfenberger will be in attendance, lead the opening prayer, and spend time listening to the faithful.

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts  
of your faithful and kindle in  
them the fire of your love!*

We rejoice with the young people of our parish who were sealed with the Holy Spirit in Confirmation on Sunday May 1:

**Martha Stella Dolan**

**Zachary Christopher Grygiel**

**Bella Cecilia Holleran**

**Brett Bartholomew Holleran**

**Veronika Angelica Madej**

**AlanMichael Michael Rubin**



**PASTA DINNER**

Catholic Charities of Delaware, Otsego and Schoharie Counties is having a Pasta Dinner on **Thursday May 19th from 5-7:30 p.m. at the Quality Inn in Oneonta.** 100% of ticket sales will go to benefit the programs and services of Catholic Charities in the three counties they serve. **Tickets for the “All You Can Eat” dinner are \$10 for Adults, \$5 for Kids (5-12), and free for kids under 5.** Tickets can be purchased by contacting Mary Ann Sturm 607-267-4617 or Karen Sullivan at 607-353-5823. or at the Catholic Charities Office, 176 Main Street Oneonta; the Catholic Charities office in Sidney located at the Sidney Civic Center, 21 Liberty Street; or Catholic Charities Office in Cobleskill located at 49 West Main Street.

Tickets can also be purchased at the door the evening of the event and gluten free pasta is available upon request. Catholic Charities serves all individuals regardless of race, religion, or life style. To find out more information about programs and services offered by Catholic Charities, please visit their website at **[www.charitiesccd.org](http://www.charitiesccd.org)**



## Receptions again being offered after Funeral Masses

Christian hospitality reflects the generosity of Sarah and Abraham to the three strangers who approached their tent [Genesis 18:1 - 15] and the hospitality that Mary, Martha and Lazarus of Bethany offered to Jesus and his disciples [Luke 10:38 - 42].

In this light, Saint Mary's Parish will again begin to offer families, if they desire, the possibility of a reception after the Funeral Mass of their deceased. This ministry had been suspended due to the pandemic. We feel at this time we can begin to move forward. Service teams have been rejuvenated and are ready to go.

At the death of a parishioner, a Liaison will contact a family member to offer this form of hospitality. Though donations are accepted, there is no fee for this reception.



Our hope is to ease the anxiety of a grieving family at a very stressful time in the spiritual journey as scripture teaches: *“Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it”* [Hebrews

## Marian Retreat

The Parish of Mater Christi is hosting a Marian Retreat with well known speaker, Nikki Kingsley, who will share her conversion testimony from Islam to Christianity through the Love of Our Blessed Mother. The day will start with Mass/adoration and conclude with the Rosary and Benediction.

**Location: Mater Christi Church**

**40 Hopewell Street**

**Albany, NY 12208**

**Date: May 21, 2022**

**Time: 9am to Noon**

**Admission: Love offering**

Please contact the Parish Office at 518-489-3204 or [san.iviemahar@mcalbany.org](mailto:san.iviemahar@mcalbany.org) with any questions.

## Our Sacramental Life

### Sacrament of the Eucharist

#### *The Lord's Day (Sunday)*

10:30 am,

Vigil Mass—Saturday at 5:00 pm

**Holy Days** as announced in the bulletin.

### Sacrament of Baptism

#### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Adult baptism is the norm for initiation into the Catholic Faith.

This is accomplished through a process of inquiry, prayer, instruction and introduction to the Christian Life. Please see Fr. David and/or Mel Sperti in regard to beginning the process.

#### Infant Baptism

The Church continues to baptize infants, entrusting their growth in prayer and formation in the faith to parents. Parents who wish to seek Baptism for their children should contact a parish priest.

### Reception into Communion

Baptized Christians from other denominations who desire to come into communion with the Catholic Church do so through a process of inquiry, prayer and preparation for reception and the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Please see Fr. David and/or Kate Johnston in regard to beginning the process.

### Sacrament of Confirmation

Usually celebrated at the 10<sup>th</sup> grade level through participation in the Faith Formation process of the parish. Anyone who has not received the gifts of the Holy Spirit and desires to receive the Sacrament should make their request to Fr. David and/or Kate Johnston at 432-3920

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

- By appointment
- Seasonal Communal Celebrations

### Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament should be requested for anyone who is seriously sick in the hospital, healthcare facility or home. Volunteers visit Fox Hospital, Fox Nursing Home, Chestnut Park Nursing and Rehabilitation, Robynwood Adult Home, and Hampshire House weekly. If you have family members in another area facility please notify the parish office.

### Sacrament of Holy Orders and Religious Life

**Priesthood:** [www.albanyvocations.org](http://www.albanyvocations.org)

**Diaconate:** [www.rcda.org/Offices/deacons](http://www.rcda.org/Offices/deacons)

**Religious Life:** [www.albanyvocations.org](http://www.albanyvocations.org)

### Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact a parish priest 6 months to a year prior to the proposed date of marriage. Please make no other wedding arrangements until initial contact is made.



# MASST INTENTIONS



**SATURDAY**                    **14 May 2022**  
**5:00 pm**                    Ann Mongillo

Margot Ohlsen  
By Marlies Kneis  
Tony DaSilva  
By Alex Irwin

**SUNDAY**                    **15 May 2022**  
**10:30 am**                    James Carter  
By Verna Carter  
Mimi Vagliardo  
17th Anniversary Remembrance  
By daughter Connie

**SUNDAY**                    **22 May 2022**  
**10:30 am**                    Mary Antonucci  
By loving family  
Carl Lusins  
By Vic & Kathy Williams



## Are You Grieving?

*"I sat with my anger long enough...until she told me her real name was Grief".*

Saint Mary's Consolation Group meets on the **THIRD THURSDAY** of each month at 10:00 am, in the rectory. If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, job, life situation, pet, the freedom to travel or anything else important in your life, please join us.

All are welcome—Bring a friend!



*Prayer corner.....*We ask that you remember in your prayers, the following persons who are ill:

**Michelle Lee,  
Kathleen Genzardi, Anna Spencer,  
Marlies Kneis, Norrie Beken,  
Ana Vendemmia, Sharon Wilsey O'Donnell,  
Linda Burch, and Alberto Marcos**

We also ask your prayers for the men and women of our parish and community who are serving in the military, all priests of the Albany Catholic Diocese, and who have died from our families and parish.  
*(Names will remain on the prayer list for four weeks, and then removed unless notified by family-thank you)*

## Pastoral Staff

Rev. David Wm. Mickiewicz, *Pastor*  
Paul Cerosaletti, *Deacon*  
Kathleen Neuer, *Administration*  
Diane DeDominicis & Sandi Milavec  
*Administrative Assistants*  
Trish Dukes, *Financial Assistant*  
Carmel Ann Sperti, *Pastoral Care*  
Linda Burns, *Food Ministry Coordinator*  
Kate Johnston,  
*Faith Formation Coordinator*  
Amy Cerosaletti, *Faith Formation Assistant*  
Matthew Houle, *Campus Ministry*  
Bob Goss, *Buildings and Grounds*



## Stewardship Report

Our total Parish Budget for the year.....**\$605,673.00**  
Less projected Other Income.....**\$253,673.00**  
*(this includes investment income, grants, other donations)*  
Amount needed from collections (annually)....**\$352,000.00**  
Needed from the collection weekly..... **\$6,769.23**

**Collection for May 7-8, 2022.....\$5,487.00**

**Electronic Giving May 2-8, 2022.....\$895.00**



## IT'S TIME TO PLAN AHEAD for THE CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE

The annual Peace and Justice Rummage Sale will be held **June 10<sup>th</sup> and 11th**. To help you plan on organizing your donations for the sale, the following guidelines are for your use.

- Please be sure all items are clean and not moldy
- We cannot take large furniture or sewing machines
- No picture frames or photo albums
- We ask that any dishes donated be in matching sets of at least 4
- No baskets
- No encyclopedias or dated reference books. Other books should be copyrighted no later than 2000.

We appreciate your support and donations to the rummage sale. The guidelines above help the organizing committee plan for both set up and clean up.



Volunteers are needed for the St. Mary's Church Rummage Sale! Help is needed at the following times:

- \* Sat. 6/4 at 4pm to accept donations
- \* Sun. 6/5 at 9:30 am to accept donations
- \* Mon.—Wed., 6/6—8; 9—11 am or 11 am to 1 pm to sort and organize donations
- \* Friday, 6/10 8:30 am—11:30am or noon—2pm to work at the sale
- \* Sat.. 6/11, 8:00 am to 11 am to work at the sale
- \* Sat. 6/11 from 10:30 am until clean-up is completed

If you would like more information or are willing to volunteer, call Marjorie Pietraface at 432-1385.

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!



## Camp Breakaway

### Catholic Summer Camp

Camp Breakaway is the premiere Catholic Summer Camp experience for young people entering grades 6-12 (Fall 2022). Youth participate in prayer experiences, swimming, boating, Archery, ropes course, small groups and much more.

**June 26  
to  
July 1**

For more information on Camp Breakaway, please visit [www.pyramidlife.org](http://www.pyramidlife.org).

## Spiritual Direction

*The role of the Catholic Spiritual Director is to assist an individual on their personal path of spiritual growth. A spiritual director listens and offers insight to assist an individual to discern the unique way God is calling them to live a life of faith in Jesus Christ and to recognize the promptings and guidance of the Holy Spirit.*

For people seeking such spiritual companionship and discernment, contact:

**Spiritual Director, Cindy Korb,**

Website: [www.cindykorb.com](http://www.cindykorb.com); Email:

[listeningpresence518@gmail.com](mailto:listeningpresence518@gmail.com); Phone: 607.267.0539

**Spiritual Director, Diane DeDominicis,**

Email addresses: [Diane@SMCCOneonta.org](mailto:Diane@SMCCOneonta.org) or [pondsideretrievers@gmail.com](mailto:pondsideretrievers@gmail.com)


*The Consultation Center of the Albany Roman Catholic Diocese, offers information about spiritual direction on their website which includes a listing of trained spiritual directors.*

Website: [www.consultationcenteralbany.org](http://www.consultationcenteralbany.org) See the upper menu under Spiritual Direction.

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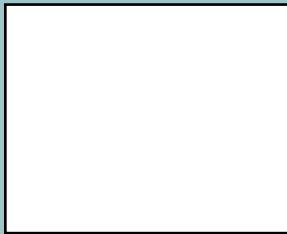
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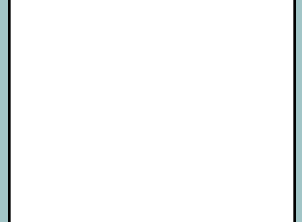
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