

# Historic St. Mary's Church

Capitol Hill—Albany, New York



## 28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God."  
- Mk 10:26-27

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### RECTORY HOURS AND CONTACT NUMBER:

Mon-Thurs : 8:30 am– 4:00 pm, Fri : 8:30 am– 1:00 pm  
(518) 462-4254

### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday - 8:00, 10:30am , 12:30 pm (Latin) (suspended temporarily)

### DAILY MASSES:

7:00 a.m., (Mon, Wed and Fri)

### HOLY HOUR

Thursdays - 6:30-7:30pm

### CONFESSIONS:

Saturday from 3:15 to 3:45 p.m.

### BAPTISMS:

Infant baptisms are scheduled on the first and third Sundays of the month after masses. Please call the Rectory for details and scheduling.

### MARRIAGE:

Arrangements made 6-8 months in advance and prior to scheduling a reception. Please call the Rectory for details and scheduling.

[www.hist-stmarys.org](http://www.hist-stmarys.org)

Facebook: *Historic St. Mary's Church*

### HISTORIC ST. MARY'S STAFF:

#### PASTOR:

Rev. Michael Flannery

#### WEEKEND ASSOCIATES:

Rev. John L Moyna

Rev. Julian Davies

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#### OUTREACH: Food Pantry, Next to New Shop

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#### OUTREACH: Sick, hospitalized and homebound

Marion Zrelak– Call the Parish Office for Info.

#### BUILDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN:

James Elacqua

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



**SATURDAY, October 9**

- 4:00PM † Eileen E. John(3rd Anniversary) by The Family  
 † Patrick McHenry by The Family  
 † Linda Martino Rucinski (30th Anniv.) by Bob & Eileen Martino  
 † Emma Mary Valenti by Joey & Holly Hayes & Family  
 † Marie McCarthy (30th Anniv.) by The Family

**SUNDAY, October 10**

- 8:00AM † Marty, Mary Ellen & Brian Hughes by The Family  
 † Tom Kelly by Richard Zaccardo  
 10:30AM † John Ryan Chillingworth by Patricia Bryce  
 † Joseph J. Maiello by Joe Bonacquisto  
 † Edmund J. McMahan by His Son

**MONDAY, October 11**

- 7:00AM Celebrant's Intention

**WEDNESDAY, October 13**

- 7:00AM † Richard F. Gulnick by Lawrence Clarke

**FRIDAY, October 15**

- 7:00AM Stephen and Doreen Truesdell (33rd anniv) by the Family  
 † Ann Maloy by The Family

**SATURDAY, October 16**

- 4:00PM † Mary O'Grady by Barbara O'Grady  
 † Carmella & Vincent Ponticello by Judy Abraham  
 † John & Barbara Zupan by Marion Zrelak  
 † Kathleen Bentley Rosch by Bob & Patti Lynch and Family  
 † William Blake Murray by Karen & Andy Hess

**SUNDAY, October 17**

- 8:00AM † Beatrice Hopkins by The Memole Family  
 † William Klose by Deb & Andy Phelan  
 10:30AM † William "Bill" Picotte by Friends from St. Mary's Church  
 † Joyce Keating by Coworkers of James Keating  
 † Salvatore & Angela Rappoccio & Rocco Russo by The Family  
 † Richard Burns by The Family

**FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE**

Please join in this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion from September 22nd through November 8th. Volunteer to pray for an end to abortion at a church or chapel near local abortion sites. Sign up at [40daysforlife.com/Albany](http://40daysforlife.com/Albany)

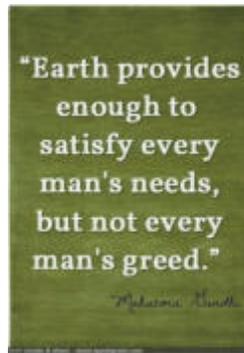
**"ADOPT A STUDENT"**

Dear Parishioners: Twenty nine years ago we embarked on a worthwhile project entitled the "ADOPT A STUDENT" PROGRAM. "The ultimate goal of a Catholic education is salvation in Jesus Christ," said our late Holy Father, St. Pope John Paul II. He further stated that "Catholic schools are the heartbeat of the Catholic Church." A gift to one adopted student helps him/her to receive the quality academic education needed to prepare him/her to learn, love and share his/her faith with others. The aim of this Program is to assist one or two children at Blessed Sacrament School with their tuition. It is designed specifically to financially assist children in grammar school who wish to receive a Catholic education but find it difficult to meet tuition. This year we come to you again for the "TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL ADOPT A STUDENT PROGRAM." If you wish to contribute to this Program, please clip the coupon below, attach your check and mail it to the Rectory, or place it in a separate envelope in the collection basket.

**ADOPT A STUDENT PROGRAM**

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St. Mark's gospel is the shortest and probably the first of the gospels to be written down. Yet, St. Mark's writings can easily be distinguished from those of Matthew and Luke because Mark's writing style is filled with details.

One detail found only in Mark is that Jesus "looked at the man and loved him." This is the only place in Mark where Jesus is said to love anyone. It's not said of Mary, Peter or anyone else.

Just this man, no longer a youth, who runs up to Jesus, kneels down before him and questions what he must do to inherit eternal life. Mark leaves little doubt that Jesus loves this man because Jesus not only tells him the one thing he must do – sell what he has and give it to the poor – but Jesus also invites the man to join him. He receives the same invitation that the apostles had: "Come, follow me." We are told the man doesn't. With typical detail Mark says that "his face fell and he went away sad for he had many possessions.

How about us? Jesus looks at us today with love. He promises us eternal life if we help the poor and don't let our rich possessions come between us and him. Next weekend, World Mission Sunday, we'll have the opportunity to share our wealth with Catholic missionaries worldwide. They, in turn, will use our money to help the poor for whom they are now giving their lives in the hope of bringing them to Jesus.

These are perilous time for missionaries, especially in far-off places where the followers of Jesus are few in number and influence. Each year the Holy See publishes a "roster of martyrs," those religious who have been assassinated in the past year simply because they are followers of Jesus. The total number is astonishing.

We must not forget what we heard Jesus promise Peter and the other apostles in today's gospel – each of whom would die a martyr – that those who leave their homeland and families for his sake and the sake of the gospel will face persecution. Jesus also promised them "eternal life in the age to come," just what the rich man sought guidance for when he knelt before the Lord.

Mark also writes that the disciples were amazed when Jesus told them that it is hard for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God. They were not the destitute poor. Most of us might feel a bit uneasy each time we hear these words of Jesus because we may have a sufficiency of possessions and financial security as well. If we are generous to the poor, we need not be anxious.

**BE A PRAYER PARTNER WITH POPE FRANCIS**

For those who have made the commitment to pray every day for the monthly intentions of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis: For October he asks that we pray for **Missionary Disciples:** We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

**DIOCESAN MARRIAGE JUBILEE CELEBRATION**

The 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Celebration will be held Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 2:00 PM at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany. Couples celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger will celebrate the Mass at 2:00 PM and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the gathering area at the Cathedral immediately following Mass. Please register through our parish office or by email to Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org.

**PERSONAL CARE CLOSET COLLECTION**

Historic St. Mary's is participating in a *Personal Care Closet* drive for Catholic Charities Care Coordination Services during the month of October. Your assistance will help in filling unmet needs for their clients living with HIV/AIDS and/or other chronic illnesses including substance use and mental health who they serve throughout all of their programs.

Clients served by Catholic Charities Care Coordination Services generally have a fixed, limited income. Once basic needs are met, they have little or no money left for other necessary items such as personal care products, toiletries, and laundry supplies. The *Personal Care Closet* provides personal care products, toiletries, and laundry supplies. These types of items that cannot be purchased with food stamps and are not usually available through food pantries or other sources and are difficult to obtain for free or reduced cost. Please consider making a donation during the month of October. **A bin is available near the main door. Your assistance is appreciated. Call Holly in the office for details.**

**SAINT KATERI TEKAKWITHA NATIONAL SHRINE & HISTORIC SITE, Fonda, NY**

**Fall Calendar of Events:**

**Oct 9-10 – Indigenous Peoples Weekend**

- 4:30pm Saturday Vigil Mass with Traditional Purification rite and Blessing with the relic of St Kateri
- 10:30am Sunday Mass with Traditional Purification rite and Blessing with the relic of St Kateri
- 11:30am Sunday Solemn Offering and Burning of Prayer Intentions

**Oct 30-31 - Season Closings**

- 4:30pm Vigil Mass
- 10:30am Sunday Mass – Closing of the Summer season

**Nov 11 - Veterans Day Mass 11:00am in Grassmann Hall**

**Dec 4 - Outdoor Candlelight Service**

- 4:00pm Outside by the Crucifix followed by reception (gift to be open)

**CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH**

Bishop Edward B. Scharfenberger is invited everyone to join him in a Consecration to Jesus through St. Joseph which began September 29 (but you can still participate) For the faithful who are preparing for the Consecration to St. Joseph, Bishop Ed has chosen Fr. Donald H. Calloway's book *Consecration to St. Joseph: The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father*. The daily reading takes only 3-5 minutes and then is pondered during the rest of one's day. The preparation can be done alone or in a group. It concludes on November 1 at 5:15pm in the Cathedral with mass and the consecration. For information or to obtain book (discounted) go to: [www.rcda.org/offices/parish-services/consecration-st-joseph](http://www.rcda.org/offices/parish-services/consecration-st-joseph)

**OCTOBER 24TH IS MISSION SUNDAY  
A SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN UP**

**CURRENT COVID PROTOCOLS**

The Diocese recently issued new recommendations from the Bishop's Office that state: "Regrettably, several of the counties of our diocese are experiencing a substantial uptick in COVID cases. Out of an abundance of caution, and consistent with CDC recommendations, our parishes may want to consider re-instating masking protocols. At the Pastoral Center (Bishop's Office) we are asking all personnel to wear a mask upon entering the building, in all common areas, and when social distancing is not possible, regardless of one's vaccination status. We further encourage all to do their part to stop the spread by washing their hands frequently, sanitize their workspace regularly and social distance when possible."

**Respectfully, we ask that all follow the recommendations of the Diocese that strongly recommend and encourage the wearing of face masks (by all—including those who have been fully vaccinated) whenever we are inside church. In addition, we encourage the use of hand sanitizers and ask that all continue to follow the directions of the ushers. The church continues to be completely sanitized after each mass in order to provide a safe environment.**

Unless you are arriving with a group or are part of a family we ask that you choose your seating in order to maintain a respectful distance from others. When possible, try to maintain a safe distance by leaving an empty pew between groups. Ushers will be glad to assist you in locating appropriate seating (this may include seats upstairs).

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**Diocesan  
Appeal**

**BISHOP'S APPEAL 2021-2022**

The Diocese is revamping the annual Bishop's Appeal with a new name and a new logo. In addition the annual campaign will now begin in the Fall each year and conclude in June 2022. In the coming week you will receive a appeal request as we begin another campaign to reach our \$110,000 assessment. Please call Holly for more information.

**Welcome New Parishioners!**

Please complete and drop in the collection basket or mail to the Rectory Office:

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Check one: **New registration** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address change** \_\_\_\_\_

Feel free to call the Rectory office at (518) 462-4254 with any questions.

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