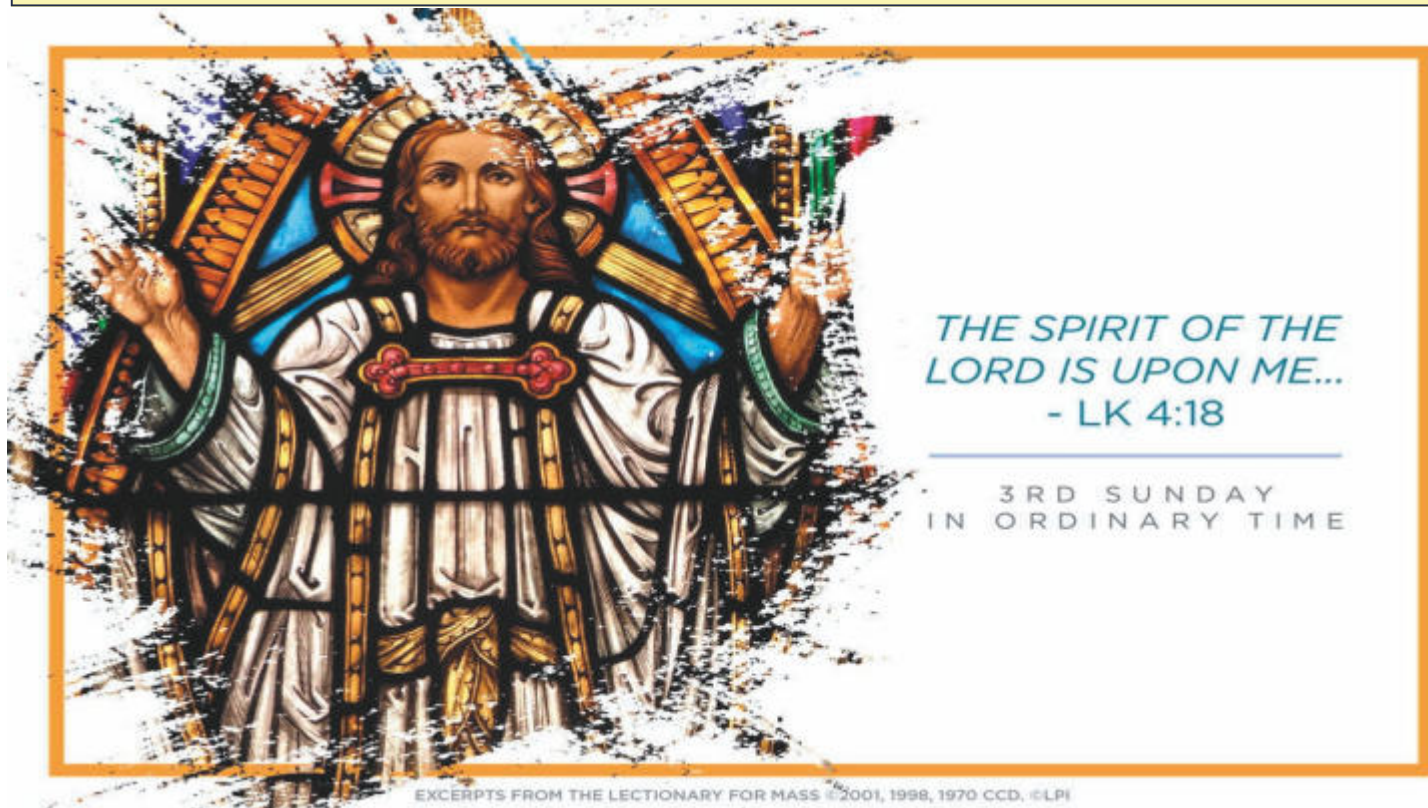


# Historic St. Mary's Church

Capitol Hill—Albany, New York



## 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

### DEACONS:

Walter Ayres

Aaron Tremblay

### TRUSTEES:

Joanne Maloy

Mary Nash

### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:

Holly Hayes ([Holly.Hayes@rcda.org](mailto:Holly.Hayes@rcda.org))

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John Rodier (518-466-1405)

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

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Sr. Mary Ellen Owens, RSM 518-462-4357

### OUTREACH: Sick, hospitalized and homebound

Marion Zrelak– Call the Parish Office for Info.

### BUILDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN:

James Elacqua

# Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



**SATURDAY, January 22**

- 4:00PM † Maureen McGill by Barbara O'Grady
- † Ken Olivan by The Olivan Family
- † Angelina & George Abraham by Judy Abraham
- † John Ikenhoffer Jr by his sister Nancy

**SUNDAY, January 23**

- 8:00AM † Rosemarie Flannery
- 10:30AM † Daphne Joseph Cole by Children & Grandchildren
- † John Flahive by Jack & Karen Graber
- † Cynthia Gillette by The Olivan Family
- Stephen H. Truesdell (Birthday) by The Family

**MONDAY, January 24**

- 7:00AM Celebrant's Intention

**WEDNESDAY, January 26**

- 7:00AM † Rosemarie Flannery by The Family

**FRIDAY, January 28**

- 7:00AM † Rosemarie Flannery by her Nieces & Nephews

**SATURDAY, January 29**

- 4:00PM † John McGill by Barbara O'Grady
- † Thomas McTague by the Parente & McVeigh Families
- † Frank Houle(6th Anniv) by The Family
- † Jack Maloy Sr. by The Family
- Sr. Donna Maria of the Holy Face of Jesus, OCD (Birthday) by The Family

**SUNDAY, January 30**

- 8:00AM † Rose Marie Flannery by Nick & Delores Mazzola
- 10:30AM † Mary Curran (1 yr anniv) by The Family
- † David Bertrand by Kim, PJ, Chelsea and Jarred
- † Mrs. Rosemarie Flannery by Betty Barbolla

**ORDINARY TIME: WINTER**

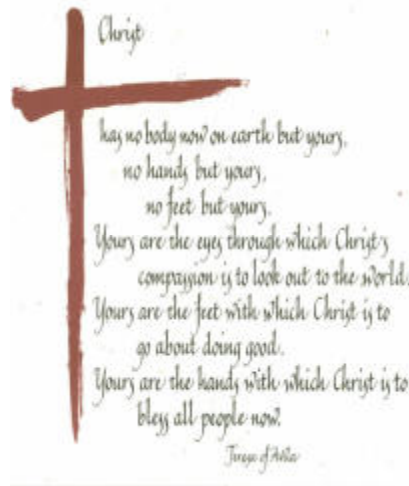
What do the words Ordinary Time mean? Dorothy Day said, "The words 'Ordinary Time: in our prayer books put me in a state of confusion and irritation. To me, no time is ordinary.'"

She was right, The Ordinary in Ordinary Time refers to ordinal—counted—time, not to a lack of something celebrate. The Roman document *General Norms for the Liturgical Year and Calendar*, says: "Apart from those having their own distinctive character (Advent, Christmas, Lent, Triduum, and Easter), 33 or 34 weeks remain in the yearly cycle that do not celebrate a specific aspect of the mystery of Christ. Rather, especially on the Sundays, they are devoted to the Mystery of Christ in all its aspects." (#43)

How do we celebrate "the mystery of Christ in all its aspects"? We gather every Sunday. Sunday is our original feast day. Christians gather on Sunday—the day of Christ's resurrection, the first day of the week—ever since there were Christians.

Each year there are two blocks of Ordinary Time, one in winter between Christmas and Lent, and the other in summer and fall from Pentecost through Christ the King. When we gather on Sundays in Ordinary Time, as always we hear the scriptures proclaimed. We systematically read through the gospels. The first readings from the Old Testament were chosen for their relationship to the gospel passages. The second readings come from the various letter of the New Testament. The mystery of Christ "in all aspects" unfolds.

What is the heart of our Sunday celebration? We do our Eucharist that is we do our thanksgiving. We praise and thank God for all creation, we pray for the whole world, as we remember Christ's life, death and resurrection. We share the bread and wine, the body and blood. We are sent forth to be the body and blood of Christ in the world.



**JESUS' ACTION TODAY**

The purpose of an inaugural address is to announce a president's ideals and goals at the beginning of the administration and to do so in such a way that those ideals and goals capture the minds and hearts of those who hear it. In announcing his ideals and goals Jesus, through the prophet

Isaiah, wanted to bring glad tidings to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord. Surely, those things would be pleasing to everyone who heard them.

The words of Scripture were fulfilled by Jesus during his lifetime, for at his baptism the Spirit of God empowered him for his lifelong mission to God's people. His Spirit-filled words and deeds would be spirit and life for all in need.

Jesus truly fulfilled the words of Isaiah during his early lifetime. But what about now? How will it be fulfilled in our hearing today? The only way it will be fulfilled is for Jesus to fulfill it in us. Today, is there any human need, any need at all, where the saving presence of Jesus is required? If there is, then we have to be there to do the work of Jesus. Jesus has eyes and ears in this world, no hands and feet for service but ours. If we do not make God's favor in Christ seen and heard and felt in this world, it will not be seen or heard or felt here.

Our words and deeds are to be Jesus' spirit and life for all in need today. That is how his mission is fulfilled today in our world. We have been empowered for this service by the same Spirit who empowered Jesus at his baptism

**YOUR HELP IS NEEDED**

We are looking for some volunteers to help count the weekly collection on Sundays. Several of our counters are headed south for the winter and others have some health issues. The commitment is once a month for about 3 hours on a Sunday morning. Training available. Call Holly in the office if you can help. Your assistance would be much appreciated.

**ST. MARY'S SENIOR PROGRAM**

Please call our Parish Office if you know of a Parishioner who is sick, hospitalized or has moved to an assisted living facility or nursing home. Our Senior Program seeks to bring communion to the homebound or in health care facilities. They also have a telephone committee that checks in on the homebound as well as a committee that sends cards to these parishioners.

**THE WAY—A HEALING RETREAT**

The Way: A Healing Retreat for Female Survivors of Abuse will be conducted on May 20-22, 2022 at Pyramid Life Center, Paradox, NY. This retreat, based on the Stations of the Cross, will be led by Sue Stubbs the Victims Coordinator for the Archdiocese of Atlanta along with local team of professionals. For more Information or to request an Application contact us at: email:pyramidlifereservations@gmail.com or go to [www.pyramidlife.org](http://www.pyramidlife.org) or phone 518-585-7545. This is a Christian based retreat. Women of all faiths and traditions are invited and welcomed. Register Now!

**BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL**

Blessed Sacrament School has a new opportunity for individuals and small businesses to become a "Blessed Sacrament Angel" who would help a student with a portion of their tuition, and in exchange, the Angel would receive updates on their student's progress, attend concerts, school masses, graduation and a special luncheon. Contact Maureen Daurio, at 518-438-5854.

**FABULOUS FEBRUARY FUNDRAISER**

Blessed Sacrament Parish is sponsoring its' annual fundraiser for their school. A \$10 donation provides 28 chances to win cash in daily drawing. If you would like more information and/or a chance to participate contact Barbara Collen at 518-482-3375.

**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 January he asks that we pray for **FOR TRUE HUMAN FRATERNITY:** We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

**CAMP BREAKAWAY 2022**

Since 2015, Camp Breakaway has been the premiere Catholic summer camp experience for young people in middle and high school. We are pleased to announce registration is open for Camp Breakaway 2022 June 26-July 1 at Pyramid Life Center. This camp led by volunteer youth ministers from throughout the diocese, includes small group sharing, hiking, boating, prayer experiences, ropes course, archery, Mass, Reconciliation, and more to help our young people dive deep into a meaningful faith experience. I have included registrations forms for middle school and high school. Early bird registration expires February 1. Pyramid Life Center's youth and family ministry is committed to provide quality extended event programming that facilitates a deeper experience of faith for young people and families. Recent research shows that extended time away from daily life for young people and families is an important component for developing life-long faith. In addition to Breakaway, we offer Mom's Camp, Dad's Camp, F.O.A.M (family service weekend) and a Family Retreat in October. To see a full listing of our programs please visit [www.pyramidlife.org](http://www.pyramidlife.org).

**CHARISMATIC MASS AND HEALING SERVICE**

A Charismatic Mass and Healing Service will celebrated at Christ Our Light Parish Loudonville on Wednesday, February 9. 7pm: Prayer and Praise—7:30: Mass & Healing Service. All invited

**NEW DIOCESAN COVID PROTOCOLS**

Having conferred with Fr. Flannery, we share the following: Our Bishop has issued a mandate requiring face masks be worn by everyone entering and attending mass at St. Mary's. The Bishop states "since a vaccine verification requirement would be difficult, if not impossible, for churches to implement, we believe the mask mandate is the most efficient option for parishes of the Diocese of Albany. While we realize that this may not be convenient or comfortable, we want to do all we can to ensure the safety of those who celebrate, assist at and attend Mass throughout the remainder of the Advent and Christmas season. This mandate is effective now through February 1, 2022, at which time we will reassess its effectiveness based on public health conditions."

Respectfully, we ask that all (over 2yrs old), including those who have been fully vaccinated to properly wear a mask 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.

At this time, we will not be checking vaccination status, reintroducing 6 foot social distancing or gathering of information for contact tracing. Therefore, the wearing of masks is that much more important to maintaining 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 and when receiving communion. Ushers will be glad to assist you in locating appropriate seating (this may include seats upstairs).

**BISHOP'S APPEAL 2021-2022**

The Diocese has revamped the annual Bishop's Appeal with a new name and a new logo. In addition the annual campaign now begins in the Fall each year and conclude in June 2022. Hopefully you will have recently received a appeal request from Fr Provost as we continue our campaign to reach our \$110,000 assessment. If not or for information, call Holly. Be sure to mention Historic St. Marys when donating!



**Diocesan Appeal**

**Welcome New Parishioners!**

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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