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Pastor: Rev Stephen P. Wirkes

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Pray
for
Them.



May 21, 2023

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Weekly Offering

St Matthew's NEEDS* \$ 8,700
May 14 \$ 4,695

St Mary NEEDS* \$ 4,650
May 14 \$ 2,571

St Francis NEEDS* \$ 3,300
May 14 \$ 1,217

- Needed each week to balance the books and pay our bills. Any shortfall must be made up with fundraising.

PENTECOST SUNDAY ~ MAY 28TH

What is Pentecost Sunday?

When the Holy Spirit came to the Upper Room where the disciples and the Blessed Mother were praying, ten days after our Lord's Ascension into Heaven, it was with great power, in the form of a driving wind and "tongues as of fire" (Acts 2:3) descending on each of them.

The Holy Spirit (also referred to in older texts and prayer books as the Holy Ghost) immediately transformed the timid disciples on Pentecost and enabled them to proclaim Christ's Word with apostolic zeal!

What does Pentecost mean?

The name comes from the Greek word **pentekoste** which means fiftieth. The holiday is celebrated on the 7th Sunday after Easter which is also 50 days after Easter, hence the name.

Prayer to the holy spirit.

Come Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful,
and enkindle in us the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit
and we shall be created,
and you shall renew
the face of the earth.
Amen.

Prayer for Pentecost:

We beseech you, O Lord,
let the power of the Holy
Spirit be always with us;
let it mercifully
purify our hearts, and
safeguard us from all harm.
Grant this through
Christ our Lord, Amen.



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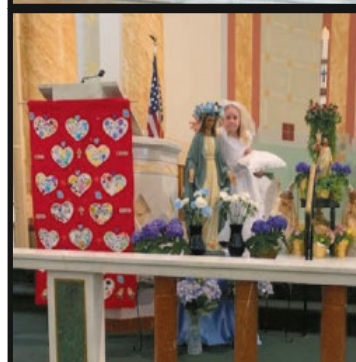
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PANTRY HOURS:
T / Th 9:30am-noon
2nd TIME AROUND STORE HOURS
Mondays 9am ~ 12:30pm



St Matthew's Food Pantry is in need of
'reusable bags'. If you have bags
extras, consider
donating them to the pantry at
600 W Manlius Street. THANK YOU



The Blessed Mother
was honored by our
First Communicants
during May crowning at
all three of our parishes
last Sunday.

SAINT WHO?

Saint Rita of Cascia

FEAST: May 22

St. Rita of Cascia (1381 – 1457) had the opportunity to live her life as a wife, mother, widow, and eventually, member of a religious community. Born in central Italy, St. Rita felt the calling to become a nun, but was pressured at a young age into marriage. During her 18-year marriage to a cruel man, she raised two sons. When her husband was killed in a brawl and her sons died, St. Rita decided to go back to her first love and attempted to join the Augustinian nuns in Cascia. Her status as a widow caused some complications to her entering, but she eventually succeeded in professing vows.



Throughout her lifetime, St. Rita of Cascia was known for her prayerfulness and charity. She also experienced stigmata on her forehead, meditated frequently on Christ's passion, and cared for the nuns of her religious community and those in the lay community who came to her for counsel.

God of Infinite Goodness, watch over expectant mothers as they await the birth of their child.

Grant these women confidence and strength to dispel their anxiety and fear. Bless them with the courage and faith of Mary, always listening to your will and trusting in your loving care. As they prepare to bring new life into the world, grace them with good health and great joy. We look to you and your Son, Jesus Christ, as a sign of mercy and joy. We ask this through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes in the name of your Son, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **AMEN.**

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BABY SHOWER

How can our parish community build a culture of life? One way is by meeting the needs of expectant mothers / parents in our area. St Matthew's, St Mary and St Francis will again be organizing a joint

parish collection of items for the local pregnancy care centers, **Birthright and New Hope Family Services** in Syracuse around Mother's Day from May 14– May 26. Any donation big or small is greatly appreciated. Most needed items include: infant formula (store brand formula with iron is recommended in 12 oz powder), diapers (NB and sizes 3, 4 5 and 6), layette items, socks, baby bottles, snow jackets (used and new), clothing for boy or girl for 12, 18 and 24 month any season (used or new). Please place gifts in designated cribs / baskets. Let's shower these precious lives with our love and care. Thank you for your generosity. Questions ~ please call Betsy Mostrom 315-637-4611 or 315-345-9982.



(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Seeking Christ in One Another

The funeral luncheon, the Irish wake, the vigil at an ailing loved one's bedside: in times of crisis, people gather. In moments of sadness, fear, and confusion, we gravitate toward one another. For some reason, the feelings are so much more bearable when we are not alone.

I'm sure that the disciples and their companions, gathered in the upper room after the Lord's Ascension, did all of the things we typically do at these functions. I'm sure they hugged and talked and shared food, processing together the remarkable events they had witnessed.

But we don't hear about any of that. We hear only that they prayed — fervently, and together.

Saint John Paul II famously said that "it is Jesus that you seek when you dream of happiness; He is waiting for you when nothing else you find satisfies you." And I think that, whenever we gather, in good times or in bad, we think we are seeking companionship — but we are actually seeking God.

As I think back on the last few crisis-gatherings my family has had, I try to remember when we have stopped everything to pray together. I can think of a few times, but to be honest, they are too few. We are usually occupied with more practical tasks: planning the funeral, talking to the doctor, making the decisions, ordering the food. Just trying to survive through it.

But this is the busywork of sorrow, and it is a waste of our time. We would do better to follow the example of the disciples and remember that, in these dire moments, God is waiting for us.

"Of you my heart speaks; you my glance seeks." — Psalm 27



Ask GOD for more priests

God our Father, from eternity You appointed Your only begotten Son to be the High Priest of the human race. Pour forth, we beseech You, Your Holy Spirit upon our families, that vocations to the priesthood may be multiplied.

Lord Jesus, give us holy priests:

To offer up the sacrifice of the Mass;

To lead the little ones to You;

To strengthen the faith of believers;

To preach the Gospel to all peoples;

To bring forgiveness to sinners;

To feed souls the Bread of Life;

To comfort the suffering & dying and to spread Your Kingdom in our midst.

Mary, Mother of our High Priest, pray for us and obtain for us an increase of holy priests.

Amen



St Matthew's is trying to get their 'White Light' Ministry back in action. They put on receptions after funeral Masses for those family interested in having a gathering for their loved one. We are in need of volunteers to set up, bakers, cooks, clean up and organize these events. Please call the office at (315) 437-8318 to volunteer.

ST MARY'S CEMETERY IN MINOA PRICE INCREASE

We last raised the cemetery prices 4 1/2 years ago.

We must now increase our prices, as the costs of maintaining the cemetery continue to increase, while remaining comparable with other local cemeteries.

The price increase will go into effect June 1st. If you are interested in purchasing a plot, please contact the cemetery director, Laura Cavanaugh at (315) 345-8007 (leave a message on voicemail) or email: lcavanaugh@syrdio.org to make an appointment to choose a plot or plots prior to price increase. We only accept checks or cash payments. Checks may be made payable to ST MARY's CEMETERY.

COMING SOON:

A 96 niche above ground columbarium for cremations. Each niche holds two (2) urns. Price \$3,100 / niche.

Contact Laura Cavanaugh at (315) 345-8007.

PLOTS & SERVICES PROVIDED	2019	2023
Grave (plot)	\$ 900	\$ 1,100
Single Cremation Grave (plot)	\$ 500	\$ 750
Infant grave (plot)	\$ 500	\$ 600
Full burial opening (weekday)	\$ 700	\$ 900
Full burial opening (Saturday)	\$ 700	\$ 1,000
Cremation opening (weekday)	\$ 400	\$ 600
Cremation opening (Saturday)	\$ 400	\$ 700
2nd use of plot fee		\$ 550
Infant opening fee	\$ 400	\$ 500
Veterans plaque installation	\$ 175	\$ 200



St Mary's Cemetery
Office Hours:
MONDAY
EVENINGS
6-7pm
or by appointment

Laura Cavanaugh
(315) 345-8007

Please pray for the souls of the people for whom
Mass will be offered this coming week

Monday, May 22 @ St Francis

9am **NO MASS**

Wednesday, May 24 @ St Mary

9am **NO MASS**

Friday, May 26 @ St Matthew's

11am **NO MASS**

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday May 27 @ St Matthew's

4:30pm **Special Intention**

St Anthony ~

prayers answered / Art & Anne Civilette

Martha Schmidt ~ Mike & Sue McKean

Edna Hale ~ Mary Cooper

Sunday, May 28 @ St. Matthew's

8am **Howard Lang ~ Crowley Family**

John Joa ~ Crowley Family

Phyllis Scalzo ~ Angelo & Sharon Maggi

Sunday, May 28 @ St Francis

9:30am **John Bertrand ~ Mona Bertrand**

Mary Suchewski ~ Marie Behr

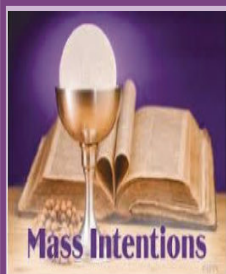
Sunday, May 28 @ St Mary

11am **Thomas Iovannisci ~ Andrea Maleki**

Jim Hallihan ~ Kathy & Jack Staub

Fr Dominic McGee OFM, Conv ~

Tri-Parish Women's Scripture Group



If you would like to request specific dates for Mass intentions (i.e. anniversary, birthday), please call or send your request at least 2-3 months in advance. If preferred Mass dates and times are unavailable, the next available Mass time will be scheduled.

God our Father,
walk through my house and take away all
my worries. Please watch over and heal my
family. Please protect our freedoms and
watch over our troops, who are defending
those freedoms. AMEN

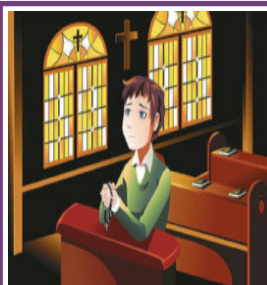


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Davidson, Nancy Davidson, James
Dygart, Pat Dygart, Teddy Emch-
Paone, Kathy Eno, Chuck Gaspe,
Enrico Geremia, MaryAnne Hayes,
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Joyce McDonough, Henry Pfaff, Pat Piwinski,
Mary Rovall, Richard Spagnolo, Lenore Stone,
Helen Timmins, Chet Waskiewicz



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED



**Reminder: St Mary and
St Matthew's churches
are open
Monday—Friday
from 9am to 3pm.**

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)

Saturdays @ St Matthew's
3:30-4:15pm

Sundays @ St Mary
after 11am mass



A candle has been lit at
St Mary's for
Ina A Davis
(Ina Simiele, Sharlita Bell & Niles Bell)



A candle has been lit at
St. Matthew's for
Ken Viertel
(Brandon)

Banns of Matrimony:

At Saint Matthew's

(1) Kathleen O'Connor

/ Jackson O'Connor



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St Mary's CEMETERY OFFICE HOURS

@ St. Mary's Parish Center

MONDAY EVENINGS

6pm~ 7pm or by appointment

Laura Cavanaugh @ 315-345-8007



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Monday ~ Thursday 9am ~ 4pm

OR by appointment —

PARISH OFFICE MAILING ADDRESS:

(at St Matthew's)

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St Francis of Assisi

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Please call the parish office regarding any of the following:

BAPTISM: arrangements made 2 months prior and parents required to attend baptism class for the 1st child prior to Baptism.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements made at least 6 months in advance.

HOSPITALIZED PARISHIONERS: Please notify the rectory when a family member is admitted to a hospital or nursing home so the clergy can provide for their spiritual needs.

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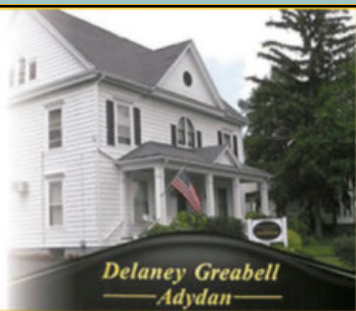
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