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January 12, 2025



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— LUKE 3:21 —



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* St Matthew's	
December 22, 2024	\$ 4,287
December 29, 2024	\$ 5,963
January 5, 2025	\$ 7,264
* St Mary	
December 22, 2024	\$ 3,702
December 29, 2024	\$ 1,420
January 5, 2025	\$ 3,513
* St Francis	
December 22, 2024	\$ 1,675
December 29, 2024	\$ 1,677
January 5, 2025	\$ 1,912

* The Sunday envelope, loose and on-line donations. This, and all other sources of income (and expenses) are found in the detailed Profit / Loss Statement listed in the bulletin monthly.



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St Matt's

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St Francis

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We pray, O gracious Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that we all may be one as you are one. In your community of complete unity, we have our beginning and our end. To you we pray, asking for the gift of visible unity among all who believe in your Christ.

As we commemorate this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we are reminded by your Word that all human beings are our neighbors and that we are to love them like ourselves and in the same way we love you. Help us to overcome the barriers and divisions we have nurtured against your will.

Grant to us, O Lord, a new Spirit of love and solidarity, that we may proclaim your good news to all of creation. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit are one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

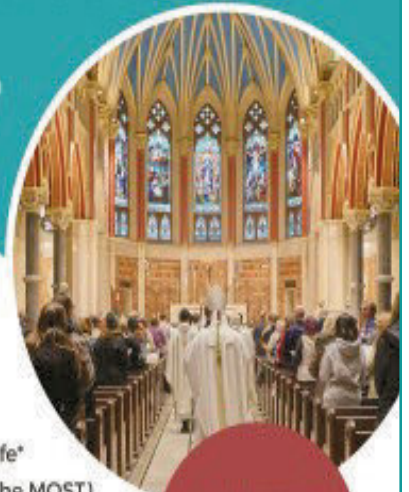
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
12 9:30-noon Rel Ed SMAPC Gr 7-10 1pm Baptism	13 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM 6-7pm @ SMAPC Gr 1-6 Rel Ed	14 9:30-noon SMFP 6:30pm SFAPC Choir Practice SMA & SF	15 1-3 Connections 6:30 Men's Gr	16 9:30-noon SMFP 2-4 Craft Club 6-8 Women's Group 7pm BINGO	17	JANUARY
19	20 OFFICE CLOSED 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM	21 9:30-noon SMFP 1-3 Rosary Makers 5:30-7pm Heaven's Ptry 6:30pm SFAPC Choir Practice SMA & SF	22 9:30-11:30 & 4-5:30 SFFP 10-11 & 6-7 Heaven's Ptry	23 9:30-noon SMFP 2-4 Craft Club 6-8 Women's Group 7pm BINGO	24	
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Syracuse March for Life

A Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children



Join us at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception for:

- Holy Hour- 9:30am
 - Mass- 10:30am
 - Syracuse March for Life* 12:00pm (starting at the MOST)
- *Sponsored by Syracuse Right to Life

Bishop Douglas J. Lucia
 Presider and Homilist

Saturday
 January 18, 2025

Co-Sponsored by the Offices of Family/Respect Life Ministry and Adolescent Catechesis & Discipleship



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Children's Christmas Pageant

The Christmas Eve Vigil Mass was blessed with a living nativity of our own little angels. They were wonderful.



Saint WHO ??

SAINT ANTHONY of Egypt
Feast Day: January 17

According to his biographer, Saint Athanasius, Anthony of Egypt was something of a homebody. A pious and dutiful son, in his youth he desired only "to live a plain man at home." But shortly after his parents' death, he was inspired to give away his wealth. Then he sought out men of virtue and learned to imitate them. In his early twenties he became a hermit.

The devil strove to dissuade him, and at last resorted to open warfare: At one point Anthony was found beaten unconscious and his friends removed his lifeless body from the old tomb where he lived. But in the night Anthony awoke and asked to be taken back. Unable to stand, he challenged the devil: "Here am I, Anthony; I flee from your stripes, for even if you inflict more nothing shall separate me from the love of Christ."

Faithful to daily discipline, he became well-nigh impervious to the enemy, perfectly convinced of the devil's powerlessness in the face of Christ's grace. His followers often heard him sing: "Let God arise and let his enemies be scattered" (cf. Ps 68:2). Anthony advised, "Let us heed not [the devil's] words, for he is a liar: and let us not fear his visions, seeing that they themselves are deceptive."

He died in the year 356.



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

Monday, January 13 @ St Francis
9am Pro Populo ~ For the People

Wednesday, January 15 @ St Mary
11am Tri-Parish Women's Scripture Group
Charles Keast ~ Family

Friday, January 17 @ St Matthew's
9am Joyce McDonough ~ Family

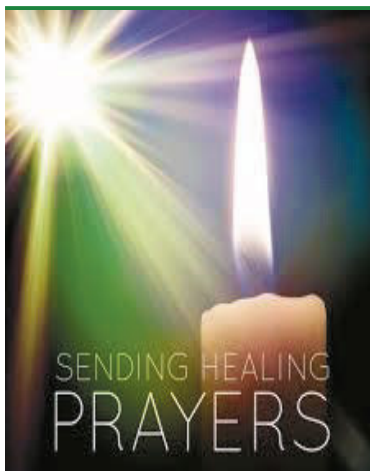
Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday January 18 @ St Matthew's
4:30pm Don Raesky ~ Birthday / Flo, Gloria & Jim
Mary Rovall ~ Joan Habegger
Peg Green ~ Charles Green

Sunday, January 19 @ St. Matthew's
8am Vince Stagnitta ~ Fish Cove
Val Gagnon ~ Family
Lexie Whelan ~ 3rd Anniversary / Family

Sunday, January 19 @ St Francis
9:30am Jim Chavoustie ~
1st Anniversary / Daughter
Pro Populo ~ For the People

Sunday, January 19 @ St Mary
11am Chris Bergan ~ Mom & Tony
Robert Kelly ~ Tom & Ellen Julian
Mary & Floyd Lindsay ~
17th Anniversary / Family



**PLEASE PRAY
FOR OUR
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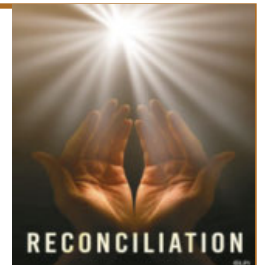
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Teddy Emch-Paone, Louise Flynn, Chuck Gaspe,
Terri Gonsiewski, Sam Magari, Anne McCarthy,
Josie Mills, Andrew Paulus, Bev Petterelli
MaryJo Russell, Pat & Chuck Samora,
Al Smith, Richard Spagnolo, Helen Timmins,
Sandy & Dennis Van Auken, Chet Waskiewicz

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)

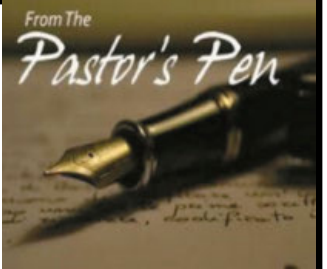
Saturdays @ St Matthew's
3:30-4:15pm
Sundays @ St Mary
after 11am mass



A candle has been lit at
St. Matthew's for
Toni Barber
(Family)



I want to thank you for the many Christmas cards and gifts you sent me (both edible and monetary). It is a joy for me to serve all of you in our journey of faith.
God bless you all, Fr Wirkes



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MONDAY EVENINGS
6pm~ 7pm or by appointment
Laura Cavanaugh @ 315-345-8007





PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday ~ Thursday 9am ~ 4pm
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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.
COMMUNION: to sick/shut-in at anytime.
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