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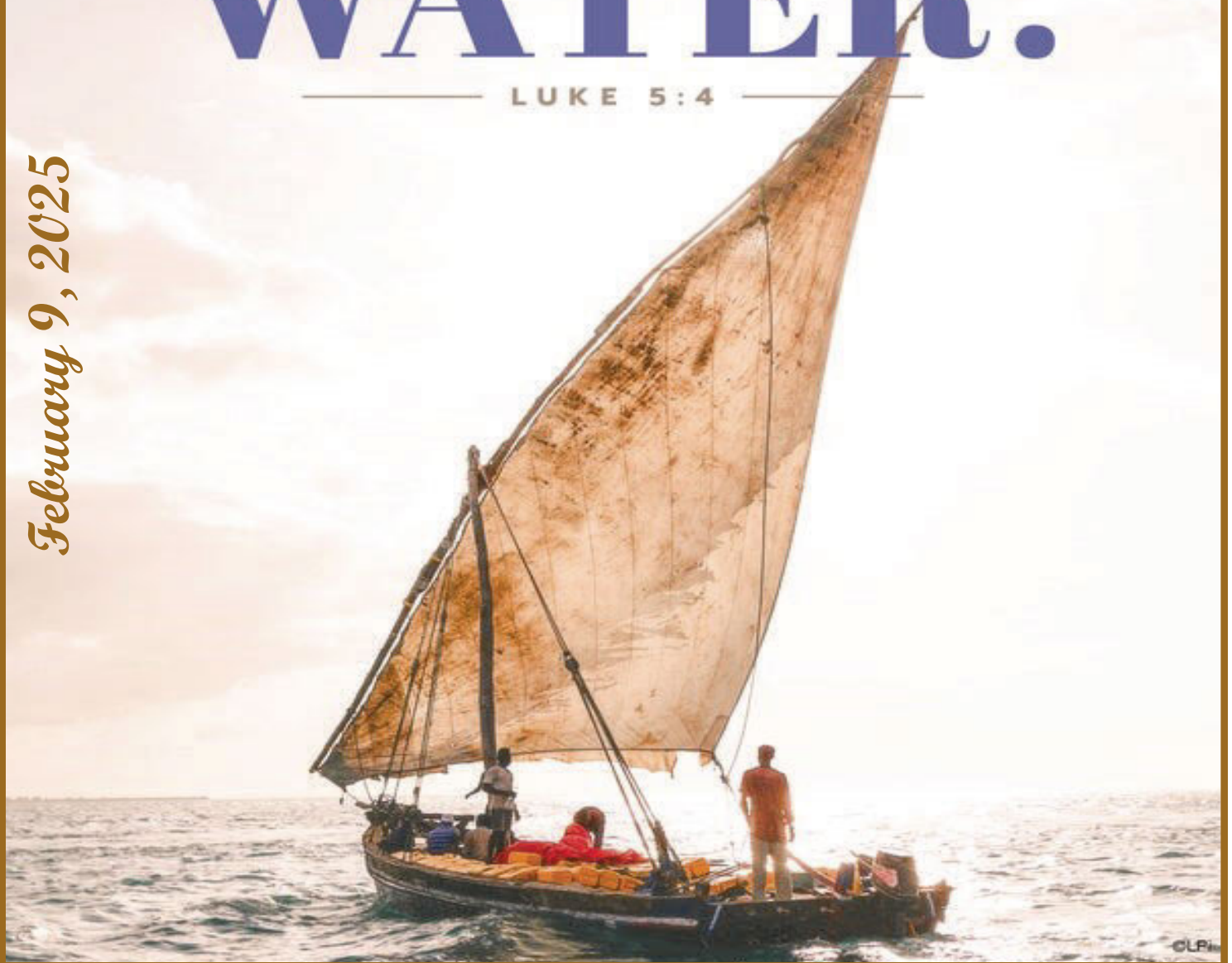
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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# PUT OUT INTO DEEP WATER.

— LUKE 5:4 —

*February 9, 2025*





## Weekly Offering

### February 2

- \* **St Matthew's**                   \$ 5,210
- \* **St Mary**                         \$ 2,896
- \* **St Francis**                   \$ 2,234

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\* **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.**

### Finance Councils

- |                     |                   |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>St Matthew's</b> | <b>Saint Mary</b> | <b>St Francis</b> |
| Rosemary            | Dan Barowski      | Laura             |
| Backenstross        | Toni Carguello    | Cavanaugh         |
| Jim Donnelly        | Kathy Lanphear    | Darlene           |
| Mike Riley          | Jim Mostrom       | Cristantielli     |
| Jean Sajna          | Joe Group         |                   |
|                     | Mike Stocker      |                   |

Finance Council receives all bank statements  
and advises pastor on fiscal matters.

### PARISH TRUSTEES

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|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>ST MATTHEW's</b> | <b>ST MARY</b>    | <b>ST FRANCIS</b> |
| Jean Sajna          | Toni Carguello    | Mike Stocker      |
| Mike Riley          | Kathleen Lanphear | Joe Group         |

Trustees and pastor must sign resolutions  
seeking approval of bishop for any outlay  
spending over \$25,000.

**ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION LETTER:** if you need a  
copy of your total contributions for 2024 for tax  
purposes, please fill out the form below, place it  
in the collection basket, and one will be mailed to  
you. **PLEASE do not submit a request by**  
**phone.** If this form is not submitted, you will *not*  
receive a letter automatically. Statements will go  
out starting February 1, 2024.

Thank you for your consideration.

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|------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <b>St Matt's</b> | <b>St Mary</b> | <b>St Francis</b> |
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## FISCAL YEAR July 1, 2024 ~ June 30, 2025

### Summary of Income For December 2024 St Matthew's Church

	Current Month	Fiscal Yr-to-Date
Income	Actual	July 24-Dec 24
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 35,883	\$ 153,437
Auxiliary Receipts	\$ 1,836	\$ 13,357
Other Income	\$ 4,269	\$ 31,872
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 41,989</b>	<b>\$ 198,665</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Payroll & Benefits	\$ 16,361	\$ 82,013
Office / Admin	\$ 1,581	\$ 11,028
Program Services	\$ 11,542	\$ 44,545
Building & Utilities	\$ 2,489	\$ 14,132
Diocesan Assessments	\$ 9,223	\$ 55,339
Other Expenses	\$ 489	\$ 4,309
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 41,685</b>	<b>\$ 211,365</b>
<b>Net Income for Dec 24</b>	<b>\$ 304</b>	<b>\$ -12,700</b>

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### Summary of Income For December 2024 St Mary of the Assumption Church

	Current Month	Fiscal Yr-to-Date
Income	Actual	July 24-Dec 24
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 26,573	\$ 93,383
Auxiliary Receipts	\$ 4,216	\$ 24,493
Other Income	\$ 0	\$ 4,585
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 30,789</b>	<b>\$ 122,461</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Payroll & Benefits	\$ 9,555	\$ 58,248
Office / Admin	\$ 1,341	\$ 8,400
Program Services	\$ 2,181	\$ 7,029
Building & Utilities	\$ 10,100	\$ 41,816
Diocesan Assessments	\$ 3,414	\$ 20,482
Other Expenses	\$ 446	\$ 4,796
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 27,037</b>	<b>\$ 140,770</b>
<b>Net Income for Dec 24</b>	<b>\$ 3,752</b>	<b>\$ -18,309</b>

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### Summary of Income For December 2024 St Francis of Assisi Church

	Current Month	Fiscal Yr-to-Date
Income	Actual	July 24-Dec 24
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 14,991	\$ 62,293
Auxiliary Receipts	\$ 30	\$ 255
Other Income	\$ 17,529	\$ 64,701
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 32,550</b>	<b>\$ 127,249</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Payroll & Benefits	\$ 9,729	\$ 61,305
Office / Admin	\$ 816	\$ 7,218
Program Services	\$ 1,952	\$ 6,902
Building & Utilities	\$ 5,197	\$ 25,607
Diocesan Assessments	\$ 1,303	\$ 7,856
Other Expenses	\$ 8,875	\$ 22,899
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 27,872</b>	<b>\$ 131,789</b>
<b>Net Income for Dec 24</b>	<b>\$ 4,677</b>	<b>\$ -4,539</b>

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
16 <b>WINTER BREAK</b>	17 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store  10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM  OFFICE CLOSED President's Day	18 9:30-noon SMFP  1-3 Rosary Makers  6:30pm SFAPC Choir Practice SMA & SF	19 10-11 & 6-7 Heaven's Ptry 9:30-11:30 & 4-5:30 Bport FP  1-3 Connections  6:30 Men's Grp	20 9:30-noon SMFP  2-4 Craft Club  6-8 Women's Group  7pm BINGO	21 <b>February</b>	22
23	24 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store  10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM  6pm OCIA SMAPC	25 9:30-noon SMFP  6:30pm SFAPC Choir Practice SMA & SF	26  3pm Fresh Food Giveaway SFAPC  6:30 Men's Grp	27 9:30-noon SMFP  2-4 Craft Club  6-8 Women's Group  7pm BINGO	28	1  3 Pantry Donation Wkend  <b>MARCH</b>
2 3 Pantry Donation Wkend  KofC Breakfast 8:30-12:30 SMAPC 9:30-noon Rel Ed SMAPC	3 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store  10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM  6-7 Rel Ed SMAPC	4 9:30-noon SMFP  1-3pm Rosary Makers  6:30pm SFAPC Choir Practice SMA & SF	5  1-3 Connections  6:30 Men's Grp	6 9:30-noon SMFP  2-4 Craft Club  6-8 Women's Group  7pm BINGO	7 Adoration 9am-3pm	8



The Confirmation students along with the help of the Knight's of Columbus raised \$1,900 at the 'Breakfast with Santa' They presented the check to Sleep in Heavenly Peace where they have volunteered in the past to make beds for children who otherwise wouldn't have one.

GREAT JOB !!!



If any St. Francis parishioners are in need of prayers, there is a new person to contact: Marilyn Dempster @ 315-633-2438.

### Crafter's Get Ready!

We will be doing another craft project on ...



**SUNDAY,  
March 9th  
St Mary  
Parish  
Center—  
Minoa**

**1pm and the cost is \$40**

RIGHT MIND SYRACUSE will be hosting our project. They travel to different locations to teach all sorts of crafts and have tons of wonderful ideas. We have chosen a Pressed Flower Wall Art Workshop.

All reservations must be made and paid for by Wednesday, February 26th. Please call the parish office to reserve your spot today.  
(315) 437-8318



**WORLD  
Marriage  
DAY**

Sunday, February 9th  
at the Cathedral  
2pm Mass

### St Mary's CEMETERY OFFICE HOURS

@ St. Mary's Parish Center  
MONDAY EVENINGS  
6pm~7pm or by  
appointment  
Laura Cavanaugh  
@ 315-345-8007



# Saint WHO??

## SAINT Gobnait February 11

Gobnait (also Gobnata or Abigail) lived in Ireland in the 6th century. While her story comes to us mostly through legend, devotion to her is ancient and well established. Driven from home by a family feud, she fled to an island, where she stayed until an angel appeared telling her: "This is not the place of your resurrection." Following the angel's instructions, Gobnait set off on a long pilgrimage of sorts, marked by churches and wells which now bear her name. The journey ended in Ballyvourney, where Gobnait settled down and established a convent. She became a beloved figure, renowned for healing and protection.

Her name (said to be the equivalent of the Hebrew "Deborah") means "Honey Bee," and she had a special affinity with bees. It is thought that she used their honey in her healing remedies. It is said that they also assisted her by attacking thieves who stole the nuns' cattle, forcing them to return the stolen livestock. In Celtic culture, bees were also associated with the departure of the soul from the body. Perhaps Gobnait kept them as a reminder of the resurrection she sought after.

After her death, Ballyvourney became a popular pilgrimage destination and remains so to this day. Many invoke her for healing, and the large number of crutches left in the churchyard testify to her loving intercession.



The Knights of Columbus will be taking pizza orders after masses on the weekends of February 1/2 and 8/9. They will sell cheese pizza for \$13 or pepperoni pizza for \$14. Pizza will be delivered after masses on March 15/16.



Do you have a sewing machine that you aren't using?

Used sewing machines are being collected and given to new refugee women along with sewing notions and fabric. Those who don't know how to sew are being taught. They meet on Thursday from 12:15 to 2:45pm at 501 Park St on the north side of Syracuse. Contact



**Jennifer Roberts Crittenden at 315-345-9217** with any questions or to donate a machine, notions or fabric or to become a basic sewing teacher. The project is called *Women Transcending Boundaries* ~ [www.wtb.org](http://www.wtb.org).

**Murder  
Mystery**  
*Dinner Theater*

**CALLING ALL ACTORS...**  
We will be putting on the play "Murder on the Miss Fortune" that our very own Anne Kolozsvary wrote and will direct.

If we have any aspiring actors out there (16 or older) who would like to be on stage or even behind the scenes. Come see what it's all about.



**The Winterfest ~ Chili / Mac & Cheese / Soup / Favorite Dish Cookoff**  
Was a huge success! It was very well attended and brought in a profit of \$750.

AND the winners were:

Chili Doug / Lorenda Mohorter  
Mac & Cheese Fred Seeburger  
Soup (Beef Barley) Mike Stocker  
'Other' (Chop Suey) Teresa Koch  
Congratulations! So yummy.

Thanks to all who attended, organized and worked this event.



### RAFFLE BASKETS

Our Lenten Fish Fry Committee is looking for donations of raffle baskets. Any theme... Coffee, Chocolate, Toys, Games, Crayola, Tea, Sports, Easter, wine, baking, soup, crafts, nail polish / makeup, donate to a lottery basket. The possibilities are endless. Drop off at tri-parish office during office hours [M-TH 9am—4pm] or at Mass on the weekends. Thank you for your help.



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

**Monday, February 10 @ St Mary**  
9am Saundra Macindyn

**Wednesday, February 12 @ St Mary**  
9am Tri-Parish Women's Scripture Group

**Friday, February 14 @ St Matthew's**  
9am Frances Donnelly ~ Anniversary / Family

### Weekend Mass Schedule

**Saturday February 15 @ St Matthew's**  
4:30pm James Brown ~  
*Mary & Ron Schermerhorn*  
Jane Wilcox ~ Family  
Bud Temple ~ Anniversary / Family

**Sunday, February 16 @ St. Matthew's**  
8am Mike Russell ~  
*Birthday / Nieces & Nephews*  
William May ~ Son & Daughter  
Pro Populo

**Sunday, February 16 @ St Francis**  
9:30am Fr Nevin Hammon ~ Mike, Rita & Peter  
Josephine Mills

**Sunday, February 16 @ St Mary**  
11am Chris Bergan ~ Mom & Tony  
Antonio DiGiacomo ~ Wife Rose  
Margie Bowhall ~  
*Tri-Parish Women's Scriptue Group*

A candle has been lit at **St. Matthew's** for **Angela Anastas** (Natalie)



Angela Anastas, Fred Bennink, Helen Berger, Frank & Sandy Bryant, Dee Buell, Nancy Cassella, Michelle Cayea, Joanne Colosi, Tiffany Conboy, Chuck Davidson, James, Pat & Debora Dygert, Teddy Emch-Paone, Louise Flynn, Chuck Gaspe, Terri Gonsiewski, Brian Lynch, 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



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED**  
*Josephine Mills*



After assessing attendance, from now on: **MONDAY** and **Wednesday** Mass will be held at **St Mary Church** in Minoa at **9am**. **FRIDAY** mass will remain at St Matthew's. Fr. Wirkes



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



**St Mary Cemetery, Minoa**  
A Sacred Place "Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord..."

Single grave	\$ 1,100
Single Cremation Grave	\$ 750
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Contact Laura Cavanaugh at (315) 345-8007

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Assistant Coordinator	Anne Karkruff	akarkruff@syrdio.org	315-437-8318	
Cemetery Director	Laura Cavanaugh	lcavanaugh@syrdio.org	315-345-8007	
Music Directors	SM Mike McClelland SMA / SF Lynne Stocker		315-278-7862 315-725-8510	


**St Mary's CEMETERY  
OFFICE HOURS**  
@ St. Mary's Parish Center  
MONDAY EVENINGS  
6pm~ 7pm or by appointment  
Laura Cavanaugh @ 315-345-8007



 **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**  
Monday ~ Thursday 9am ~ 4pm  
OR by appointment —

**PARISH OFFICE MAILING ADDRESS:**  
(at St Matthew's)  
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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.  
**REGISTRATION/NEW MEMBERS:** Please call the office.

**HELP OUR**  You can make cash or check donations payable to specific pantry and drop in collection basket or mail to parish office at 229 W Yates Street East Syracuse, NY 13057

 **Bridgeport Food Pantry**  
at St Francis Church  
3rd Wednesday of the month  
9:30-11:30am & 4-5:30pm  
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4th Wednesday of the month @3pm

**HEAVEN'S PANTRY**  
at Minoa United Methodist Church  
3rd Wednesday of month  
10-11am & 6-7pm 

**St Matthew's 2nd Time Around Store / Food Pantry**  
600 W Manlius Street 315-438-8635  
 **PANTRY HOURS:**  
T / Th 9:30am-noon  
**2nd TIME AROUND STORE HOURS**  
Mondays 9am ~ 12:30pm 

**PARISH TRUSTEES**

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**Finance Councils**

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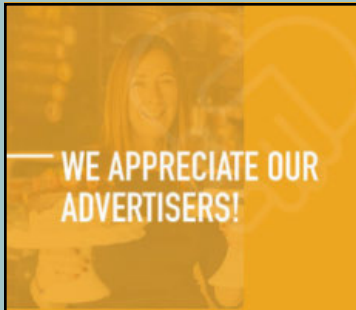
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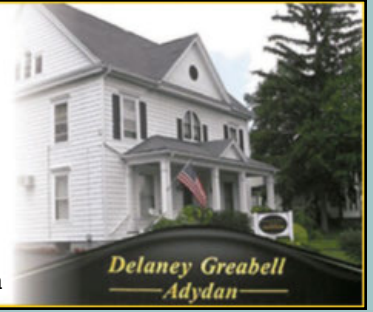
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