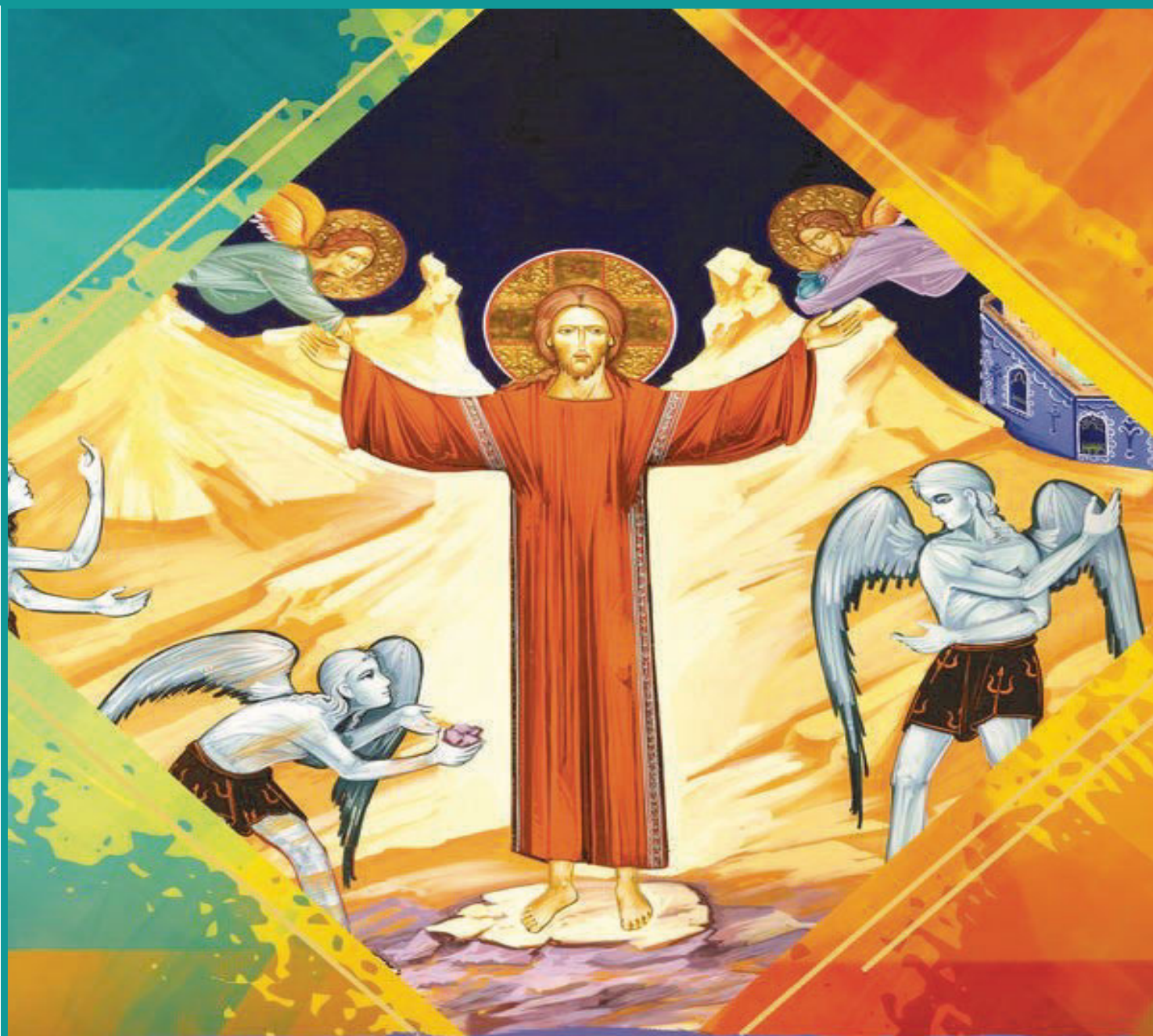




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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

“Him alone shall you serve.”

- Lk 4:8

March 9, 2025



Weekly Offering

March 2

- * **St Matthew's** \$ 6,533
- * **St Mary** \$ 3,415
- * **St Francis** \$ 3,064

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



LENTEN FISH FRY

Every Friday during Lent including Ash Wednesday and Good Friday at St Mary Parish Center 4:30 to 7pm



Knights of Columbus Pizza will be delivered after masses on March 15/16.



During LENT there will be **ADORATION** at **St Mary** every Friday (except Good Friday) from 9am to 12pm.

Fridays of Lent
Stations of the Cross
 St Matthew's @ 12 noon
 St Mary @ 12 noon



Come join us every Tuesday, during Lent, to pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy, at **St Mary's Church**, in Minoa. We will start on March 4th at 6:30 PM. When Lent is over we will meet every First Tuesday, at 6:30. We will pray for any intentions that you have. All are welcome. If you have any questions call Donna at 315-656-2402



LENT 2025



- Mondays:** 6pm Lenten Classes at St Mary Parish Center
- Tuesdays:** 6:30pm Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet @ St Mary Church
- Wednesday:** Men's Ministry 6:30-7:30 Meets every Wednesday St Mary's Parish Center
- Thursday:** Tri-Parish Women's Scripture Group 6-8pm SMA Parish Center
- Fridays:** 9:30-noon Adoration
12 noon Stations of the Cross

Corporal Works of Mercy

HEADS UP ~ We are collecting items for:

We will be collecting:

March 15—March 23 Rise Above the Streets
www.streetsrecoveryoutreach.org

Men, women and children ~ socks and hygiene products



We Rise Above the Streets Recovery Outreach Inc. Delivers high energy messages that encourage people to live up to their full potential by breaking the cycle of homelessness and criminality. Serving 'Sandwich Saturdays'. Helping our community by feeding the homeless, giving food and security, career placement and more.

And **March 29—April 6** for

New reading books for ages 4 thru 13

Roberts Elementary School who lost their summer reading program funding. Roberts K-8 School is a public school located in Syracuse, NY, which is in a mid-size city setting. The student population of Roberts K-8 School is 615 and the school serves PK-8. At Roberts K-8 School, 5% of students scored at or above the proficient level for math, and 13% scored at or above that level for reading. The school's minority student enrollment is 81%.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
9 9:30-noon Rel Ed SMAPC 1pm Pressed Flower Class SMAPC	10 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM 6pm OCIA SMAPC 6-7 Rel Ed SMAPC	11 9:30-noon SMFP 6:30 Rosary / Divine Mercy 6:30pm SFAPC Choir Practice SMA & SF	12 6pm Baptism Class @ SM 6:30 Men's Grp	13 9:30-noon SMFP 2-4 Craft Club 6-8 Women's Group 7pm BINGO	14 Adoration 9am-12pm Noon Stations of the Cross @ SMA and SM 4:30-7 Fish Fry	15 9am-Noon SM 2nd Time Around Store 7pm-9pm Tri- Parish Irish Variety Show	
16 9:30-noon Rel Ed SMAPC	17 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM 6pm OCIA SMAPC 6-7 Rel Ed SMAPC	18 9:30-noon SMFP 1-3 Rosary Makers 6:30 Rosary / Divine Mercy 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 Adoration 9am-12pm Noon Stations of the Cross @ SMA and SM 4:30-7 Fish Fry	MARCH	
23 9:30-noon Rel Ed SMAPC 1pm—Baptisms	24 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM 6pm OCIA SMAPC 6-7 Rel Ed SMAPC	25 9:30-noon SMFP 6:30 Rosary / Divine Mercy 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 9-12 Adoration Noon Stations of the Cross @ SMA and SM 4:30-7 Fish Fry		29



Tri-Parish Irish Variety Show
Saturday, March 15th
7pm to 9pm
St Mary Parish Center

TICKETS at the DOOR \$5

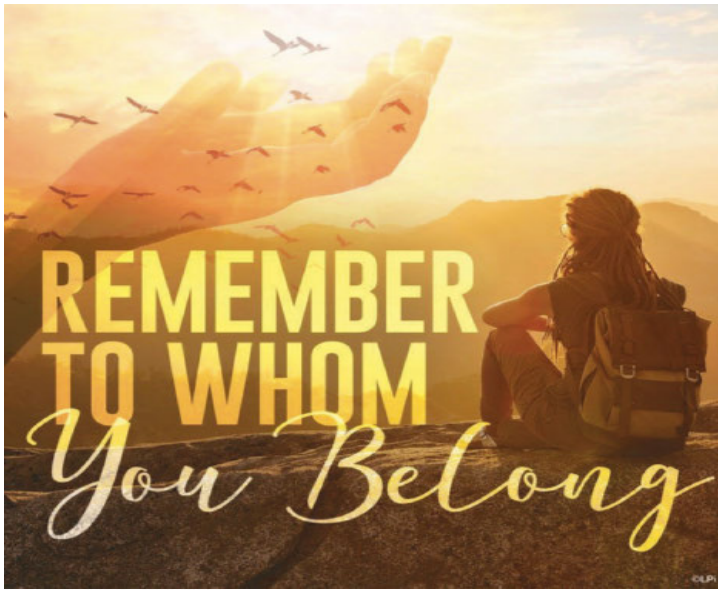
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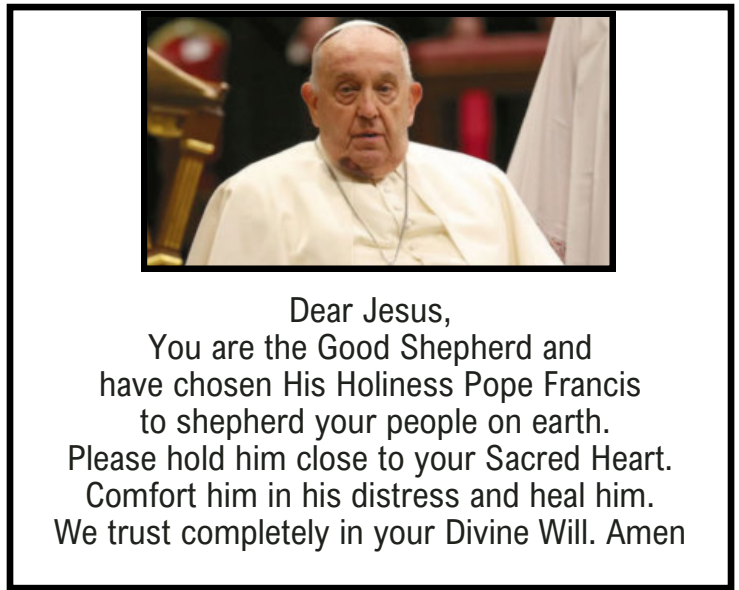


**All are invited to
 EXPLORE, DISCOVER, LEARN**
Join us for Lenten Classes
Mondays @ 6pm
St Mary Parish Center
 (use cemetery side entrance)

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| March 10 | Saying YES to Jesus |
| March 17 | Take a look at yourself |
| March 24 | The Nicene Creed |
| March 31 | The Way of the Cross |
| April 7 | The Lord's Prayer |
| April 14 | The Meaning of Holy Week |
| April 28 | Conversion Process and The
Laity of the Church |
| May 5 | Your Special Gifts & Your
Family Life |
| May 12 | Your Prayer Life |
| May 19 | Holiness & Evangelization |



1st SUNDAY OF LENT



Dear Jesus,
 You are the Good Shepherd and have chosen His Holiness Pope Francis to shepherd your people on earth. Please hold him close to your Sacred Heart. Comfort him in his distress and heal him. We trust completely in your Divine Will. Amen



1st SUNDAY OF LENT




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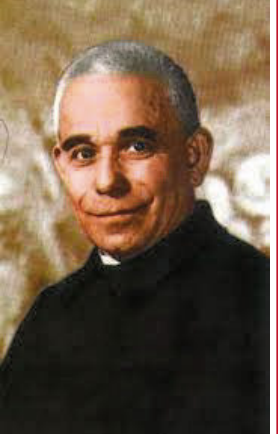
Saint WHO??

SAINT Luigi Orione
Feast Day: March 12

"There is a supreme need and a supreme remedy for healing the wounds of this poor country that is so beautiful but so unfortunate! Take hold of the hearts and affections of the people of the people and enlighten the youth: pour into everyone the great idea of Catholic redemption." Aloysius "Luigi" Orione was born in Italy in 1872. His father dug roads for the living. Luigi joined the Franciscans at thirteen, but left after a year because of poor health. He was a student of John Bosco for three years and entered a seminary shortly after Bosco's death.

At his first Mass, Orione prayed that God would always grant those who came to him "bread, peace and paradise." With ceaseless energy, he cared for the poor and fought for souls. He established a number of religious and lay groups. One such group, the Hermits of Divine Providence, followed the Benedictine motto *Ora et Labora* ("Prayer and Work") and staffed agricultural schools in rural areas, promoting the social and spiritual welfare of the community.

"Our faith," wrote Luigi, "made powerful against every battle, has become the greatest and most divine comfort of human life; it is the highest inspiration of every value, of every holy heroism, of every beautiful art that does not die, of every true moral, religious and civil greatness." He died in 1940 and was canonized in 2004.



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

Monday, March 10 @ St Mary
9am Patricia Campbell ~ Chuck & Julie Greiner

Monday, March 12 @ St Mary
9am Tri-Parish Women's Scripture Group

Friday, March 14 @ St Matthew's
9am John Ducar ~ Family

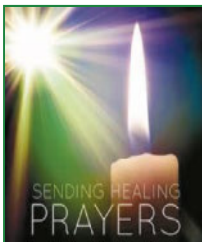
Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday March 15 @ St Matthew's
4:30pm Tony Emmi ~
Dean & Kathy Needle & Family
Pat & Art Bintz ~
Pat Burton & Diane Sidmore
Saundra Macidyn ~ *Altar Rosary Society*

Sunday, March 16 @ St. Matthew's
8am Pro Populo
Colin Dincher ~ *Benz Family*
Joyce McDonough ~ *JP*

Sunday, March 16 @ St Francis
9:30am Pope Francis

Sunday, March 16 @ St Mary
11am Saundra Macidyn ~
Dean & Sharon Bartholomew
Christopher Bergan ~ *Mom & Tony*
Dee Buell ~ *Dean & Sharon Bartholomew*



PLEASE PRAY
FOR OUR
RECENTLY DECEASED

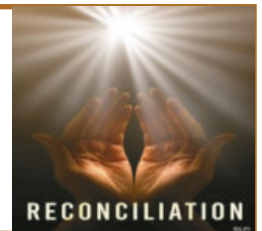
A candle has been lit at **St Mary's** for
Ina A Davis
Ina Simiele, Sharlita Bell & Niles Bell



Angela Anastas, Fred Bennink, Helen Berger,
Frank & Sandy Bryant, Nancy Cassella, Michelle
Cayea, Tiffany Conboy, Chuck Davidson,
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Teddy Emch-Paone, Louise Flynn, Chuck Gaspe,
Terri Gonsiewski, Peggy Kurak, Brian Lynch,
Sam Magari, Anne McCarthy, Frank Miller, Florence
Palmiere, Andrew Paulus, MaryJo Russell, Pat &
Chuck Samora, 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



March 5 - April 13
40 DAYS FOR LIFE

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers! **With God's help**, here are the proven results in 30 coordinated campaigns:
Over 25,000 saved babies
More than **150** closed facilities.
More than **250** converted workers.
Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:

Vigil location: in the public right of way in front of the Syracuse Planned Parenthood abortion center
1120 E. Genesee St.

Vigil hours: 7 am to 7 pm daily.

Local contact: Jeanie 315.956.7772 Shannon
315.664.5067 syracuse40daysforlife@gmail.com

Opening Prayer Service: March 4 at 5:00 pm at our vigil site.
40daysforlife.com/syracuse

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**St Mary's CEMETERY
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@ St. Mary's Parish Center
MONDAY EVENINGS
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 **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**
Monday ~ Thursday 9am ~ 4pm
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Use either of the above email addresses
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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

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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 

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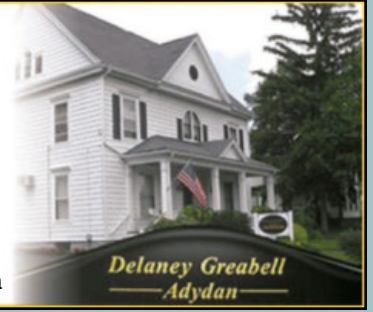
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