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*March 16, 2025*

# Lent

# 2025



## Weekly Offering

March 9

* <b>St Matthew's</b>	\$ 5,762
* <b>St Mary</b>	\$ 5,988
* <b>St Francis</b>	\$ 2,579

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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

#### **St Matthew's**

Rosemary  
 Backenstross  
 Jim Donnelly  
 Mike Riley  
 Jean Sajna

#### **Saint Mary**

Dan Barowski  
 Toni Carguello  
 Kathy Lanphear  
 Jim Mostrom

#### **St Francis**

Laura  
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 Darlene  
 Cristantielli  
 Joe Group  
 Mike Stocker

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

### PARISH TRUSTEES

#### **ST MATTHEW's**

Jean Sajna  
 Mike Riley

#### **ST MARY**

Toni Carguello  
 Kathleen Lanphear

#### **ST FRANCIS**

Mike Stocker  
 Joe Group

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



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

## FISCAL YEAR July 1, 2024 ~ June 30, 2025

### Summary of Income for February 2025

#### St Matthew's Church

	Current Month Actual	Fiscal Yr-to-Date July 24-Feb 25
<b>Income</b>		
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 18,888	\$ 199,062
Auxiliary Receipts	\$ 921	\$ 15,833
Other Income	\$ 2,084	\$ 35,144
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 21,893</b>	<b>\$ 250,039</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Payroll & Benefits	\$ 9,676	\$ 106,825
Office / Admin	\$ 1,590	\$ 13,860
Program Services	\$ 1,749	\$ 56,339
Building & Utilities	\$ 3,316	\$ 19,973
Diocesan Assessments	\$ 9,223	\$ 73,785
Other Expenses	\$ 472	\$ 5,753
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 26,026</b>	<b>\$ 276,536</b>
<b>Net Income for Feb 25</b>	<b>\$ -4,134</b>	<b>\$ -26,496</b>

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### Summary of Income for February 2025

#### St Mary of the Assumption Church

	Current Month Actual	Fiscal Yr-to-Date July 24-Feb 25
<b>Income</b>		
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 11,925	\$ 119,997
Auxiliary Receipts	\$ 3,215	\$ 34,621
Other Income	\$ 0	\$ 4,585
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 15,140</b>	<b>\$ 159,204</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Payroll & Benefits	\$ 8,514	\$ 75,859
Office / Admin	\$ 1,265	\$ 11,782
Program Services	\$ 453	\$ 8,403
Building & Utilities	\$ 5,717	\$ 52,156
Diocesan Assessments	\$ 3,414	\$ 27,309
Other Expenses	\$ 1,130	\$ 8,730
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 20,493</b>	<b>\$ 184,239</b>
<b>Net Income for Feb 25</b>	<b>\$ -5,353</b>	<b>\$ -25,035</b>

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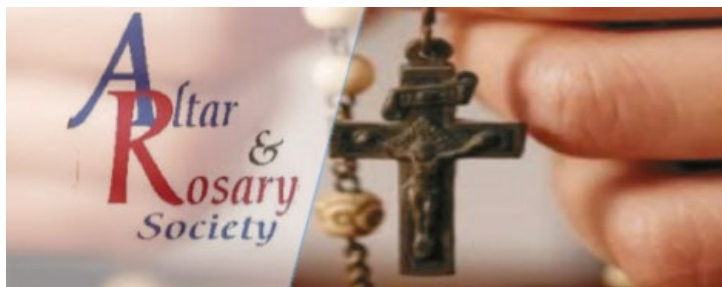
### Summary of Income for February 2025

#### St Francis of Assisi Church

	Current Month Actual	Fiscal Yr-to-Date July 24-Feb 25
<b>Income</b>		
Sacrificial Giving	\$ 7,189	\$ 79,512
Auxiliary Receipts	\$ 405	\$ 690
Other Income	\$ 3,075	\$ 71,078
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 10,668</b>	<b>\$ 151,281</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Payroll & Benefits	\$ 11,245	\$ 86,362
Office / Admin	\$ 1,118	\$ 11,020
Program Services	\$ 633	\$ 7,935
Building & Utilities	\$ 3,540	\$ 33,326
Diocesan Assessments	\$ 1,303	\$ 10,475
Other Expenses	\$ 5,302	\$ 41,839
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 23,142</b>	<b>\$ 190,958</b>
<b>Net Income for Feb 25</b>	<b>\$ -12,474</b>	<b>\$ -39,677</b>



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>16</b> 9:30-noon Rel Ed SMAPC	<b>17</b> 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM 6pm OCIA SMAPC 6-7 Rel Ed SMAPC	<b>18</b> 9:30-noon SMFP 1-3 Rosary Makers 6:30 Rosary / Divine Mercy 6:30pm SFAPC Choir Practice SMA & SF	<b>19</b> 10-11 & 6-7 Heaven's Ptry 9:30-11:30 & 4-5:30 Bport FP 1-3 Connections 6:30 Men's Grp	<b>20</b> 9:30-noon SMFP 2-4 Craft Club 6-8 Women's Group 7pm BINGO	<b>21</b> Adoration 9am-12pm Noon Stations of the Cross @ SMA and SM 4:30-7 Fish Fry	<b>MARCH</b>
<b>23</b> 9:30-noon Rel Ed SMAPC 1pm—Baptisms	<b>24</b> 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM 6pm OCIA SMAPC 6-7 Rel Ed SMAPC	<b>25</b> 9:30-noon SMFP 6:30 Rosary / Divine Mercy 6:30pm SFAPC Choir Practice SMA & SF	<b>26</b> 3pm Fresh Food Giveaway SFAPC 6:30 Men's Grp	<b>27</b> 9:30-noon SMFP 2-4 Craft Club 6-8 Women's Group 7pm BINGO	<b>28</b> 9-12 Adoration Noon Stations of the Cross @ SMA and SM 4:30-7 Fish Fry	
<b>29</b> 9:30-noon Rel Ed SMAPC	<b>30</b> 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM 6pm OCIA SMAPC 6-7 Rel Ed SMAPC	<b>1 APRIL</b> 9:30-noon SMFP 1-3 Rosary Makers 6:30 Rosary / Divine Mercy 6:30pm SFAPC Choir Practice SMA & SF	<b>2</b> 1-3 Connections 5:15 Soup & Scripture @ 1st UMC Minoa 6:30 Men's Grp	<b>3</b> 9:30-noon SMFP 2-4 Craft Club 6-8 Women's Group 7pm BINGO	<b>4</b> 9-12 Adoration Noon Stations of the Cross @ SMA and SM 1:30-6 SF Blood Drive 4:30-7 Fish Fry	
					<b>5</b> 9am-noon SM 2nd Time Around Store 1st Communion Retreat Donation Wkend 5:30 Wine & Cheese	



Thank you to all who  
donated or purchased items  
for our Pre-Lent Bake Sale.  
We made almost \$400.  
Sweet success!

**ALTAR ROSARY MEETINGS**  
**April – December 2025**  
**Meetings 6:00 p.m. @ St Francis Parish Center**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of month (except December)**

April 9, 2025  
 May 14, 2025 – Living Rosary  
 June 11, 2025 – Spring Banquet  
 July 9, 2025  
 August 13, 2025  
 September 10, 2025  
 October 8, 2025 – Living Rosary  
 November 12, 2025  
 December 3, 2025 Christmas Banquet \*

\* Not the second Wednesday in December  
 because of Giving Tree at St. Francis

**All are invited to  
EXPLORE, DISCOVER,  
LEARN**



**Join us for  
Lenten Classes**

**Mondays @ 6pm**  
**St Mary Parish Center**  
 (use cemetery side entrance)

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

## Corporal Works of Mercy

**HEADS UP ~** We are collecting items for:  
**We will be collection:**



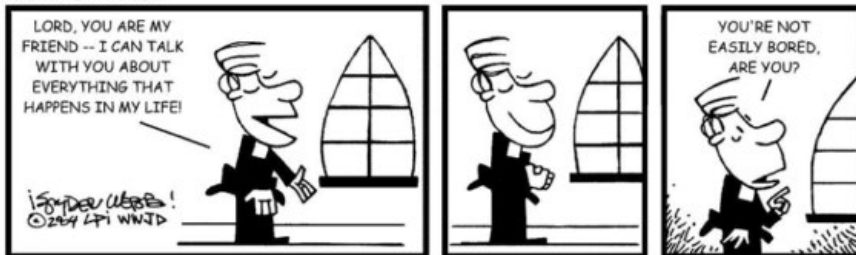
**March 15—March 23 Rise Above the Streets**  
**Men, women and children ~ socks and hygiene products**  
[streetsrecoveryoutreach.org](http://streetsrecoveryoutreach.org)

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** **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%.

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT



- MONDAY** Lenten Classes at SMAPC @6pm (use cemetery entrance)
- TUESDAY** Rosary / Divine Mercy at SMA @ 6:30pm in the Church
- WEDNESDAY** Men's Bible Study at SMAPC @ 6:30pm
- THURSDAY** Tri-Parish Women's Scripture Group at SMAPC @ 6pm
- FRIDAY** Adoration at SMA Church 9am to Noon
- Stations of the Cross  
St Matthew's ~ Noon  
St Mary Church ~ Noon
- Fish Fry at SMAPC 4-7pm

## Saint WHO ??

**SAINT JOSEPH**  
**Feast Day: March 19**

According to one tradition, Joseph was chosen by God to be the husband of Mary, much as Aaron was chosen to be high priest centuries before. It is said that all the eligible young men of the house of David were told to present their staffs to the high priest and the next day Joseph's was found to have blossomed. Thus, God's choice of husband for his daughter Mary was made clear.

Brave, humble, silent, a man of action and hard work, Joseph guided the holy family to Bethlehem, to Egypt, to Nazareth. His confident trust in God manifested itself in his acceptance of Mary's virginity and divine motherhood and of the divinity of the Christ Child. Gloriously united with Mary in heaven, Joseph continues to guide the bride of Christ on earth with humility and power.

Joseph has been venerated as the patron saint of China for over three hundred years. During the 17th century, the emperor sent all Catholic missionaries out of China and into Macau, then governed by the Portuguese. This resulted in a joint conference of Dominicans, Jesuits and Franciscans, who agreed to make Joseph patron of China. Not long afterward, the Chinese Edict of Toleration of Christianity was issued, granting Christianity equal status with Confucianism.



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

**Monday, March 17 @ St Mary**

9am **NO MASS**

**Monday, March 19 @ St Mary**

9am **NO MASS**

**Friday, March 21 @ St Matthew's**

9am **NO MASS**

## Weekend Mass Schedule

**Saturday March 22 @ St Matthew's**

4:30pm **Mary Marsello** ~ *Michael Lavelle*

**Theresa Capria** ~ *Mary Temple*

**Peter Fantinato** ~ *Children*

**Sunday, March 23 @ St. Matthew's**

8am **Ken Viertel** ~ *Brandon*

**Joyce McDonough** ~ *JP*

**Dan Rufo** ~ *Caroline*

**Sunday, March 23 @ St Francis**

9:30am **Rod & Renee Carlson** ~

*William & Lori Lawless*

**Harold Decker** ~ *Mike Decker*

**Ed Harrington** ~ *Peter Suchewski*

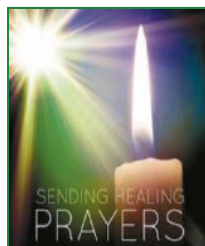
**Sunday, March 23 @ St Mary**

11am **Fran Barone** ~ *Birthday / Rosie*

**Rose & Salvatore Barone** ~ *Family*

**Saundra Macidyn** ~

*Duane & Annie Grosbeck*



**PLEASE PRAY  
FOR OUR  
RECENTLY DECEASED**

A candle has been lit at  
**St. Matthew's** for  
**Robert Gentile**



Angela Anastas, Fred Bennink, Helen Berger,  
Frank & Sandy Bryant, Tony Buffa, Nancy Cassella,  
Michelle Cayea, Tiffany Conboy, Chuck Davidson,  
James, Pat & Debora Dygert, Teddy Emch-Paone,  
Louise Flynn, Chuck Gaspe, Terri Gonsiewski,  
Peggy Kurak, Brian Lynch, Sam Magari, Anne  
McCarthy, Frank Miller, Joan Moore, 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



### Prayer of Listening

Attune the ears of my heart, Lord,  
to the soft and still ways You are inviting  
me today. And then give me the strength  
and courage to respond to what You say.  
**Amen.**

God our Father,  
walk through my house and take away  
all my worries. Please watch over and  
heal my family. Please protect our  
freedom and safety and watch over our  
troops, police officers, fire fighters, first  
responders and all who may be in  
harm's way to keep us safe. **AMEN**



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



### LENTEN FISH FRY

Every Friday during Lent  
including Good Friday  
at St Mary Parish Center  
4 to 7pm





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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



### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday ~ Thursday 9am ~ 4pm

OR by appointment —

### PARISH OFFICE MAILING ADDRESS:

(at St Matthew's)

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St Francis of Assisi

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  
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and drop in collection basket  
or mail to parish office at  
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### Bridgeport Food Pantry

at St Francis Church

3rd Wednesday of the month

9:30-11:30am & 4-5:30pm

FRESH FOOD GIVEAWAY

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



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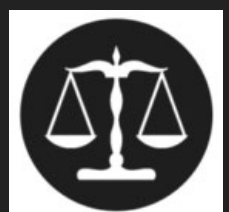


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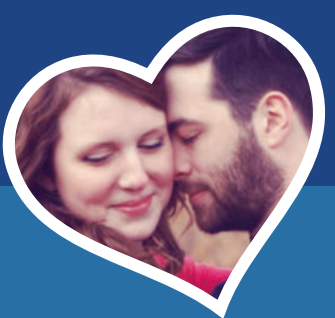
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