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St Francis St Mary St Matthew
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

LET US CELEBRATE WITH **A FEAST.**

— LUKE 15:23 —



March 30, 2025



Weekly Offering

March

- * **St Matthew's** \$ 4,067
- * **St Mary** \$ 2,679
- * **St Francis** \$ 1,391

* **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.



You may have noticed larger than normal deficits for fiscal year July 1, 2024—February 28, 2025. That is because each parish has had major (and expensive) repairs, projects or purchases during the past six months. These are one time expenditures. The projects will be listed in the bulletin in the coming weeks.



Corporal Works of Mercy

We are collecting items for:

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%.



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



A great big **THANK YOU** to all those who participated in the hugely successful, hilarious Irish Variety Show. Molly and her crew raised over \$ 1000 to be split with St Matthew's, Bridgeport and Heaven's Pantries.
 Great Job!!!



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 9:30-noon Rel Ed SMAPC	31 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10-12 Craft Club 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM 6pm OCIA SMAPC 6-7 Rel Ed SMAPC	1 APRIL 9:30-noon SMFP 1-3 Rosary Makers 6:30 Rosary / Divine Mercy 6:30pm SFAPC Choir Practice SMA & SF	2 1-3 Connections 5:15 Soup & Scripture @ 1st UMC Minoa 6:30 Men's Grp	3 9:30-noon SMFP 6-8 Women's Group 7pm BINGO	4 9-12 Adoration Noon Stations of the Cross @ SMA and SM 1:30-6 SF Blood Drive 4-7 Fish Fry	5 9am-noon SM 2nd Time Around Store 1st Communion Retreat Donation Wkend 5:30 NO Wine & Cheese
6 Donation Wkend Breakfast the Easter Bunny 9:30-noon Rel Ed SMAPC	7 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10-12 Craft Club 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM 6pm OCIA SMAPC 6-7 Rel Ed SMAPC	8 9:30-noon SMFP 6:30 Rosary / Divine Mercy 6:30pm SFAPC Choir Practice SMA & SF	9 5:15 Soup / Scripture N Manlius United Ch 6pm Altar Rosary 6:30 Men's Grp	10 9:30-noon SMFP 6-8 Women's Group 7pm BINGO	11 9-12 Adoration Noon Stations of the Cross @ SMA and SM 4-7 Fish Fry	12
13 SPRING BREAK	14 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10-12 Craft Club 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM 6pm OCIA @SMAPC	15 9:30-noon SMFP 1-3 Rosary Makers 6:30 Rosary / Divine Mercy 6:30pm SFAPC Choir Practice SMA & SF	16 9:30-11:30 & 4-5:30 Bport FP 10-11 & 6-7 Heaven's Ptry 1-3 Connections 5:15 Soup / Scripture N Manlius United Ch 6pm Baptism Class @ SM 6:30 Men's Grp	17 HOLY THURSDAY 7pm Mass of the Last Supper	18 GOOD FRIDAY 3pm SFAPC Service of the Passion 4-7 Fish Fry	19



BLOOD DRIVE
 St Francis of Assisi
 Parish Center
 7820 Bridgeport Minoa Road
Friday, April 4, 2025
1:30pm to 6pm
 Please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit
 RedCrossBlood.org and enter St Francis
 to schedule an appointment.

**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 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



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DONATION WEEKEND

April 5/6

at ALL 3 parishes

The pantry is always in need of cereal,
canned hash and Chef Boyardee

NO WINE & CHEESE

April 5

after 4:30pm Mass at St Matt's



BREAKFAST w/ the EASTER BUNNY

Sunday, April 6

8:30am—12:30pm

at St Mary Parish Center



Saint WHO ??

SAINT HUGH of Grenoble
Feast Day: April 1

The son of noble and devout parents, Hugh received a fine education, became a canon at the cathedral of Valance, France and was named Bishop of Grenoble at the young age of twenty-eight. Still a layman at the time, Hugh was ordained and sent to Rome to be consecrated. While there, he shared with Pope Gregory VII how he suffered from frequent temptations to blasphemy. The pope assured him that these were for his purification and encouraged him to go forward in his work. Hugh continued to suffer the temptations until his dying day, throughout a long life of humble service.

In Grenoble, Hugh faced great challenges in reforming the clergy and defending the Church against the encroachment of the emperor. A man of humanity and prudence, he was tender to the brokenhearted, yet stern with the unrepentant.

Hugh felt the great weight of his office and repeatedly tried to leave or resign. Once he managed to get into a Benedictine monastery for a year before the pope ordered him back.

Hugh gave Saint Bruno the mountain property for the Grande Chartreuse, the motherhouse of the Carthusian order and he retired to a cell there at the end of his life. After having served fifty-two years as bishop, he suffered a dramatic loss of memory, yet he could still recite the Our Father and the Psalms, which he did faithfully until the day of his death.



Easter flower requests are due by April 13 in order to see your loved ones name in the bulletin. Please get you donation envelopes in early.

Welcome

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US



- 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

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

Monday, March 31 @ St Mary
9am Dee Buell ~ Diane Geloff

Monday, April 2 @ St Mary
9am Pope Francis

Friday, April 4 @ St Matthew's
9am Intentions of Peg Kurak

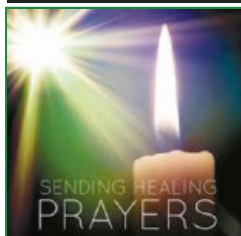
Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday April 5 @ St Matthew's
4:30pm Mary Marsello ~ Anne Kolozsary
Richard Chernosky ~
66th Birthday / Emily & Gary Chernosky
Theresa Adiano ~ Friends

Sunday, April 6 @ St. Matthew's
8am The Intentions of the Altar Rosary Group
Blaise Salerno ~ Suzanne DiLella
William Cooney ~
Suzanne DiLella & Florine Bonacci

Sunday, April 6 @ St Francis
9:30am Deceased Keefe Family ~
Ed & Helen Timmins
Robert Sayles ~ Cavanaugh Family
Patricia Spencer ~ Diane & John

Sunday, April 6 @ St Mary
11am Pro Populo
Veronica Perrino ~ Daughter
Diana Family ~ Linda & Charlette Diana



PLEASE PRAY
FOR OUR
RECENTLY DECEASED

Arnold Bitterman

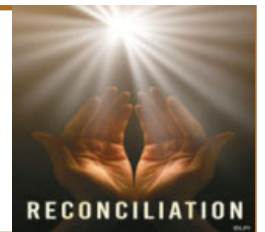
A candle has been lit at
St. Matthew's for
Arnie Bitterman



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 Gaspé, Terri Gonsiewski,
Peggy Kurak, Brian Lynch, Sam Magari, Anne Marie
Maskulinski, Michael Maskulinski, 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



Saint Matthew's



Saint Mary

HELP Bishop Lucia and the clergy serve
you better in nourishing your faith.
Please take the on-line survey for
your parish.



Saint Francis

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 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
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 

PARISH TRUSTEES

ST MATTHEW	ST MARY	ST FRANCIS
Jean Sajna	Toni Carguello	Mike Stocker
Mike Riley	Kathleen Lanphear	Joe Group

Finance Councils

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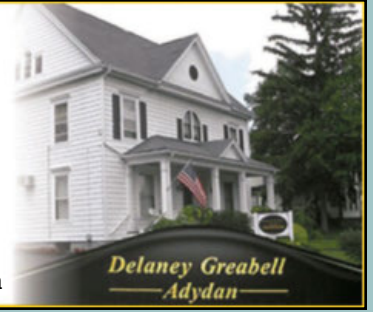
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