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St Francis St Mary St Matthew

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May 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday



Weekly Offering

May 17

- * **St Matthew's** \$ 4,002
- * **St Mary** \$ 2,267
- * **St Francis** \$ 1,698
- 5/10 \$ 1,318

* 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.



ALL parish members are invited to:
Altar Rosary Society Spring Banquet
Wednesday June 10th
St Francis Parish Center @ 6pm

Bring a dish to pass—
appetizer, side dish or dessert

To reserve your spot & reveal your dish to pass,
Please email diane52@gmail.com or call / text
Diane Brzuszkiewicz (315) 559-0076 by June 5th
Menu: Baked ziti, lasagna and salad will be provided.
Appetizers, sides & dessert
supplied by the good cooks attending!



Pray this
prayer for

Pentecost:

“Come, *Holy Spirit,*
fill the hearts of your
faithful and kindle in
them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit
and they shall be created,
and you shall renew the
face of the earth.

“O God, who have
taught the hearts
of the faithful by the
light of the Holy Spirit,
grant that in the same
Spirit we may be truly
wise and ever rejoice
in his consolation.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.”

Saint WHO??

SAINT PHILIP Neri FEAST DAY: May 26

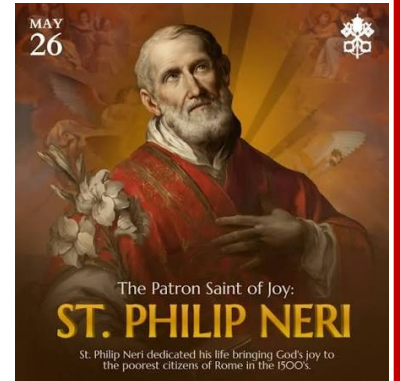
St. Philip Neri (1515 – 1595) was born in Italy and went to school as a child at the Dominican monastery in Florence. His family had hopes that he would work with his uncle, a wealthy merchant, and ultimately inherit his business and fortune but, shortly after beginning his work with him, Neri had a personal conversion. He decided to move to Rome to live a life of service.

For 13 years in Rome, Neri lived as a layperson, daily engaged in prayer and the apostolate. Even as a layperson he brought the Gospel of Jesus to everyone he met. He was eventually ordained to the priesthood and became known as a compassionate confessor, quick to disarm those around him with a joke or a kind word.

He is remembered as extremely approachable and jovial. He was kind, entertaining, and spontaneous in his approach which inspired many. He led prayer groups and excursions to visit other churches which often included music and picnics, and his council was sought by rich and poor alike. He was a strict vegetarian and was known to relocate animals and birds found inside the church back into the wild.

St. Philip Neri founded The Congregation of the Oratory. This secular order included priests and brothers and did not bind them under religious vows, but instead by a bond of charity. These men lived together in community and served those in need with happy hearts.

St. Philip Neri's ability to increase his fellow religious leader's faith coupled with his closeness with the common people in Rome cemented his reputation as the Apostle of Rome, called by God to evangelize the Holy City. His Congregation of the Oratory is still active today accomplishing the same mission. St. Philip Neri, pray for us!



**Death takes the body. God takes the soul.
Our mind holds the memories. Our heart keeps the love.
Our faith lets us know we will meet again.**

St. Philip Neri was an Italian priest who served both the rich and poor of Rome with a jovial spirit. He founded The Congregation of the Oratory, a secular order which includes priests and brothers and does not bind them under religious vows, but instead by a bond of charity.

Congratulations to our 2026 Confirmation Class!

Gracie Lynn Catherine Brazell
Molly Ann Cecilia Doney
Maria Bella Dymphna Paduano
Matthew James Joseph Russo
Edward John Luigi Trew
James William Sebastian Voodre IV
Lucille Jean Regina Zuber



PENTECOST

IT IS ONLY BY THE HOLY SPIRIT THAT THE INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES IS POSSIBLE!

Pentecost

SAME WITH YOUR HAND-WRITING...

Share Your Big Hearts. Give Blood.

American Red Cross

Blood Drive

St. Francis of Assisi

Parish Center
7820 Bridgeport Minoa Rd
Bridgeport, NY 13030

Friday, June 5, 2026
1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--|---|--|---|--|---|
| 24 | 25 Memorial Day Office Closed | 26 9-:30-Noon SM Food Pantry 1-3 Rosary Makers 6:30 Rosary/ Divine Mercy | 27 1-2 Walkers 3pm SF Fresh Food 6:30 Men's Group | 28 9-:30-Noon SM Food Pantry 3-4:30 Greif Support 6-8 Wm's Scripture Group 7pm Bingo | 29 1-2 Walkers | 30 M A Y |
| 31 | 1 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10-12 Craft Club 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM 1-2 Walkers | 2 9-:30-Noon SM Food Pantry 6:30 Rosary/ Divine Mercy | 3 1-2 Walkers 1-3 Prayer Shawl 6:30 Men's Group | 4 9-:30-Noon SM Food Pantry 3-4:30 Greif Support 6-8 Wm's Scripture Group 7pm Bingo | 5 9-Noon Adoration SF Blood Drive 1-2 Walkers 6pm 'Restaurant Wars' (SOLD OUT) | 6 Donation Weekend 9-Noon SM 2nd Time Around Store 6pm 'Restaurant Wars' |
| 7 Donation Weekend 8:30-12:30 Pancake Breakfast | 8 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10-12 Craft Club 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM | 9 9-:30-Noon SM Food Pantry 1-3 Rosary Makers 6:30 Rosary/ Divine Mercy | 10 6pm Altar Rosary Spring Banquet 6:30 Men's Group | 11 9-:30-Noon SM Food Pantry 3-4:30 Greif Support 6-8 Wm's Scripture Group 7pm Bingo | 12 | 13 J U N E |



The time is NOW!

Tickets are being sold through the parish office.
Call (315) 437-8318 for a reservation.

This year's production:
"Restaurant Wars"
Saturday, June 6
St. Mary's Parish Center

Dinner will be served at 6pm with the play to following at 7pm. Tickets are \$30 Cash / Check made out to St Mary Church). Get your tickets early and be prepared for an evening of good food and excellent entertainment! Ciao!

Sorry—Friday evening show is sold out

Tri-Parish Grief Support Group

We have formed a grief support group to accompany those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. The group will meet

every Thursday
3-4:30pm

St Matthew's Parlor

If you are interested in attending please call the rectory office at (315) 437-8318 to register in advance. Peace & blessings ~
Tri-Parish Grief Support Team

Our flowers need your help

We are in desperate need of help with planting flowers and maintaining the grounds at both St Matthew's & St Mary Church and cemetery. Any help that you can give would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact Barb Falkowski at (315) 558-0381 to help out at St Mary or the office at (315) 437-8318

to help out at St Matthew's. Let's make our churches beautiful again. Thank You!



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

Monday May 25 @ St Mary
9am **NO MASS ~ Memorial Day**

Wednesday May 27 @ St Mary
9am **For the recently deceased**

Friday May 29 @ St Matthew's
9am Carmela Colosi ~ Family

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday May 30 @ St Matthew's
4:30pm Neil Killoran ~ Shirley & Elizabeth
Florence Palmiere ~ Rebecca Gumper
Rose & Hank Skurpski ~
Anniversary / Family

Sunday, May 31 @ St. Matthew's
8am Joan Stepien ~ Lauri & Dennis Weyer
Joseph Chiariza ~ Pam Dooling
Mary Agnes Wallace ~ Chris & Don Angell

Sunday, May 31 @ St Francis
9:30am Rybak Family ~ Sharon & John
Jimmy Munger ~
Dean & Sharon Bartholomew
David Blanding ~ Mike & Lynne Stocker

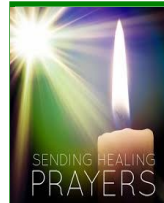
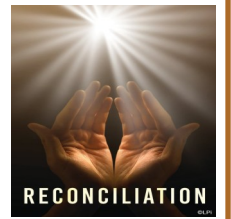
Sunday, May 31 @ St Mary
11am Michael Theobald ~
Dean & Sharon Bartholomew
Joe Law ~ Dean & Sharon Bartholomew
Peg Rybinski ~
Dean & Sharon Bartholomew



Chris & Mary Ashe, Angela Anastas, Johannah Bailey, Bernie Beck, Fred Bennink, Helen Berger, William Bogt, Frank & Sandy Bryant, Nancy Cassella, Tiffany Conboy, Chuck Davidson, Charlotte Diana, James, Pat & Debora Dygert, Teddy Emch-Paone, Erica, Chuck, Dean Genese, Enrico Geremia, Terri Gonsiewski, Jeanine Gottfried, Ryan Hill, Jim Ippoliti, Lisa Lamphear, Trace Larobardiere, Jack Law, Michael & Brian Lynch, Sam Magari, Rita Matthes, Mike McBride, Mia, Joan Moore, Andrew Paulus, Bev Petterelli, John Petrilli, Jim Piwinski, Pat & Chuck Samora, Katherine Sears, Richard Spagnolo, Stacey, Helen Timmins, Sandy & Dennis Van Auken, Chet Waskiewicz

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)

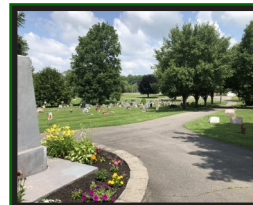
Saturdays @ St Matthew's
3:30-4:15pm
Sundays @ St Mary after
11am Mass



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

William Barrett


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



Please note ~
there are **NO** cemetery office
hours on **MAY 25**

Pentecost Prayer

Come Holy Spirit,
Descend upon us and
fill us with the fire of Your love!
Remind us of Your dreams for us,
ignite us with new zeal,
place new visions on our hearts,
and the grace to work alongside You. Amen

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**Here
for
YOU**

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



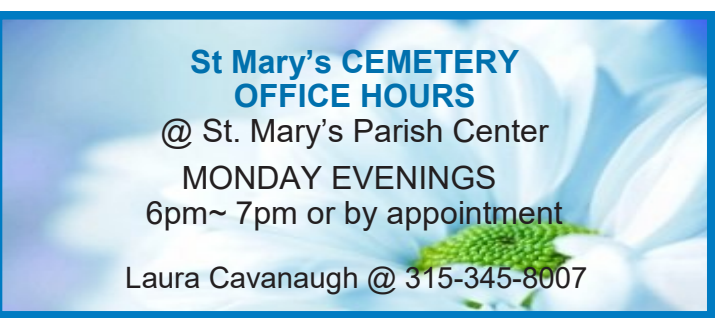
St Matthew's 2nd Time Around Store / Food Pantry
 600 W Manlius Street 315-438-8635

PANTRY HOURS:
 T / Th 9:30am-noon
2nd TIME AROUND STORE HOURS
 Mondays 9am ~ 12:30pm




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

St Mary's CEMETERY OFFICE HOURS
 @ St. Mary's Parish Center
MONDAY EVENINGS
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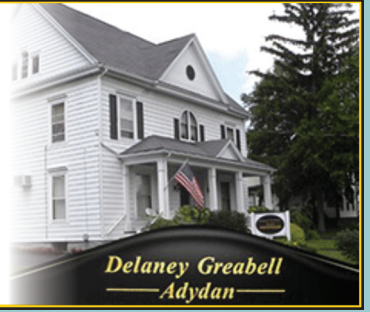
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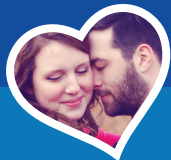
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