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August 16, 2026



• 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

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YOUR FAITH!**

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Weekly Offering

August 9

- * **St Matthew's** \$ 6,458
- * **St Mary** \$ 2,309
- * **St Francis** \$ 1,953

* 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.

Heartfelt thanks to all those who donated to the Diocese of Aitape, Papua New Guinea. Through your generosity \$8,760 was collected to help with their education, healthcare, vocational training, care for school dropouts, and pastoral and evangelization programs.



On behalf of the Knights of Columbus, Council 5186, representing St. Matthews (East Syracuse), St. Francis (Bridgeport), St. Mary's (Minoa) and Holy Cross (Dewitt), we want to thank all the parishioners who contributed to the June donations for Birthright of CNY. We collected about \$1,200 and wrote a check to Birthright for \$1,500 to help support young mothers and their children. Thanks again.



A wise man once said:

"Hate has 4 letters but so does Love.
Enemies has 7 letters but so does Friends.
Lying has 5 letters but so does Truth.
Cry has 3 letters but so does Joy
Negativity has 10 letters but so does Positivity.
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Women's Bible Study at St Patrick's Church in Chittenango

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***Starting September 22 @ 7pm
Blessed is She Women's Group
will be offering
Hebrews: The New and Eternal Covenant***

An 8 session video based study led by Catholic Biblical scholars Andrew Swafford and Jeff Cavins, that explores one of the most theologically rich books of the New Testament.

The Book of Hebrews reveals the depth of God's plan of salvation and the meaning of the New Covenant fulfilled in Jesus Christ.

To sign-up for the study and get directions to our meeting room contact Blessed is She at BlessedisShe.stpats@gmail.com

Participants will need to purchase their own study guide from AscensionPress.com

Saint WHO??

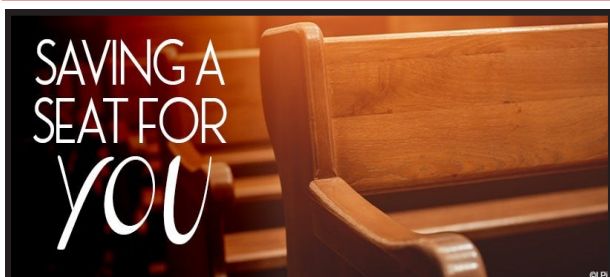
SAINT PIUS X
FEAST DAY: August 21

St. Pius X (1835 – 1914), born Giuseppe Melchiorre Sarto, was from the Austrian Empire in what is now modern-day Veneto, Italy. He was the 257th Pope and served from 1903 until his death in 1914. St. Pius X's love for the Eucharist was evident from a young age and he carried this devotion throughout his life. As Pope, he emphasized the importance of fostering a personal relationship with Jesus through the Sacrament, advocating for its accessibility to all Catholics, regardless of social status.

One of St. Pius X's most significant contributions to the Church was the role he played in lowering the age of eligibility for First Communion. Recognizing the significance of early spiritual formation, he sought to enable children to receive the Eucharist as soon as they reached seven years old. He believed that children could experience the profound graces of the Eucharist, grow in their faith at an early age, and that the reception of Holy Communion regularly in a child's life would set the foundation for a lifetime of spiritual growth.

His papacy was also marked by his efforts to combat the rising tide of modernism — a movement that challenged traditional Catholic teachings. He wrote an encyclical entitled "Pascendi Dominici Gregis," subtitled "On the Doctrines of the Modernists," condemning modernist errors and safeguarding the integrity of Church doctrine. His commitment to preserving the traditional scope of Catholicism, especially the teachings of Christ's true presence in the Eucharist, earned him the epithet "Pope of the Eucharist."

Despite his rejection of modernism, St. Pius X was the first Pope to use a typewriter for his encyclicals, signaling an embrace of modern technology during his time as Pope. St. Pius X, Pope of the Eucharist, pray for us!



20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

I KEEP MYSELF
PURE FROM
THOSE WHO
DON'T BELIEVE
THE SAME AS
WE DO.



THAT'S NOT
PURITY.
THAT'S A
QUARANTINE!



Tri-Parish Women's Scripture Group

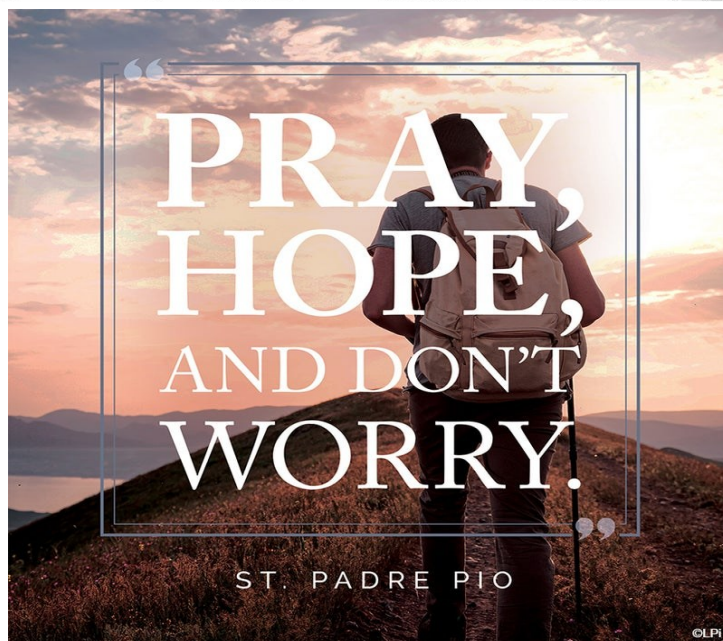
EVERY Thursday 6:30-8pm

Social Time 6-6:30pm

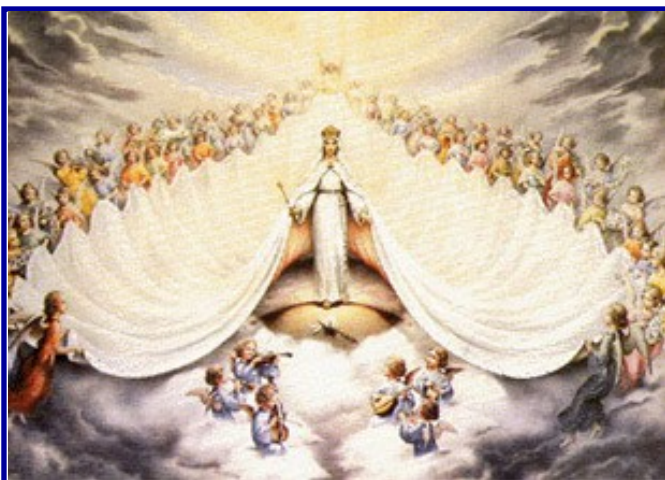
Meetings are held at St Mary's Parish Center
in Minoa or via Zoom.

- ♦ Gospel readings for the coming weekend are read and discussed using the lector book.
- ♦ Prayers for those in need are said.
- ♦ Conclude with Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be.

For questions or to join the group call
Sharon Bartholomew 656-8910



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
16 AUGUST	17 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10-12 Craft Club 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM	18 9-:30-Noon SM Food Pantry 1-3 Rosary Makers	19 9:30-11:30/4-5:30 SF Food Pantry 10-11/6-7 Heaven's Pantry 1-3 Prayer Shawl 6:30 Men's Group	20 9-:30-Noon SM Food Pantry 3-4:30 Grief Support 6-8 Wm's Scripture Group 7pm Bingo	21	22
23	24 9am-12:30 SM 2nd Time Around Store 10-12 Craft Club 10:30am SF Book Club ZOOM	25 9-:30-Noon SM Food Pantry 1-3 Rosary Makers	26 3pm SF Fresh Food 6:30 Men's Group	27 9-:30-Noon SM Food Pantry 3-4:30 Grief Support 6-8 Wm's Scripture Group 7pm Bingo	28	29
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"Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
our life, our sweetness, and our hope.
To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve.
To thee do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.
Turn then, most gracious advocate,
thine eyes of mercy toward us,
and after this our exile,
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.
Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,
that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Amen."

The Feast Day of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

is celebrated on **August 22** each year.

It marks the octave day of the
Solemnity of the Assumption and honors Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth.

Established in 1954: Pope Pius XII

Date Change: It was first set for May 31, but Pope Paul VI moved it to August 22 in 1969
to link it closely with the Assumption of Mary.

It reflects the Annunciation, where Jesus is given an everlasting kingdom,
and Old Testament traditions of the mother of the king.

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

Monday August 17 @ St Mary

9am Fr Jude & Brother Anthony ~ *SM Friends*

Wednesday August 19 @ St Mary

9am Dc Wayne Ashe ~ *Wife & Family*

Friday August 21 @ St Matthew's

9am Tom Russell ~ *Binion Family*

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday August 22 @ St Matthew's

4:30pm Julian Stanczyk ~

14th Anniversary / *Wife Nancy*

Marilyn Robillard ~ *Sister Nancy*

JoAnne Perry ~ *Sister Nancy*

Sunday, August 23 @ St. Matthew's

8am Russ Brandon ~ *Lydia & Family*

Sandra Hough ~

Diana, Michael & Keith Bortle

Salvatore Zarrella ~ *Pam Dooling*

Sunday, August 23 @ St Francis

9:30am Melissa Hart ~

Tri-Parish Altar Rosary Group

Kathy Panebianco ~ *Cavanaugh Family*

Ellen Micho ~ *Martin Family*

Sunday, August 23 @ St Mary

11am Katherine Sears ~ *Janet Pantoliano*

Chet Waskiewicz ~

Dean & Sharon Bartholomew

Frank & Lorraine DeForge ~

Jim & Pat Piwinski

A candle has been lit at
St. Matthew's for
Tom Russell



**PLEASE PRAY
FOR OUR RECENTLY
DECEASED**

PRAYER Requests

Chris & Mary Ashe, Angela Anastas, Johannah Bailey,
Bernie Beck, Fred Bennink, Helen Berger, 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 Larobardiare,
Jack Law, Ken Loope, Tom Loughlin,
Michael & Brian Lynch, Sam Magari, Mike McBride,
Mia, Joan Moore, Agnes Murnane,
James Owen, Andrew Paulus, Bev Petterelli,
John Petrilli, Jim Piwinski, Pat & Chuck Samora,
Marsha Shoemaker, Richard Spagnolo, Stacey,
Helen Timmins, Sandy & Dennis Van Auken

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)

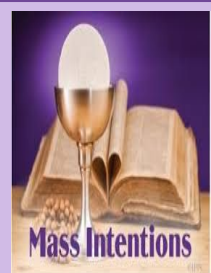
Saturdays @ St Matthew's
3:30-4:15pm

Sundays @ St Mary after
11am Mass



**When you feel like
you're drowning
in life, don't worry,
your lifeguard
walks on water.**

If you would like to request specific
dates for Mass intentions (i.e.
anniversary, birthday), please call or
send your request at least **3-4
months** in advance. *If preferred
Mass dates and times are
unavailable, the **next** available Mass
time will be scheduled.*



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

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Deacon	Dc Dean Brainard
Deacon	Dc. Joseph Lupia, Jr.
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Administrative Assistant	Anne Kolozsvary
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Laura Cavanaugh

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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.

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Bridgeport Food Pantry
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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



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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

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@ St. Mary's Parish Center

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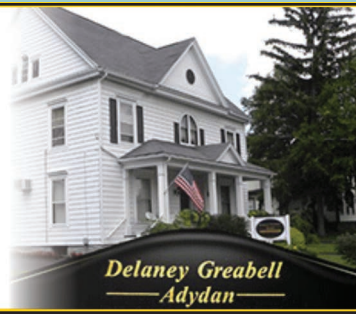
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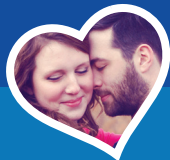
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