



One Catholic Family

St Francis

St Mary

St Matthew

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GIVE THE LORD HONOR AND GLORY.

October 18, 2026



PSALM 96



Weekly Offering

October 11

* St Matthew's \$ 5,113

* St Mary \$ 2,118

* St Francis \$ 1,440

* 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.

Quiet, controlled protesting occurs every Saturday at 10:30am in front of Planned Parenthood at 1120 E Genesee Street in Syracuse. Join the group and you may save a life. This is sponsored by Right to Life.



We Are the
BODY of
Christ

GOALS

St Francis St	\$ 12,634
Mary St	\$ 24,386
Matthew's	\$ 42,386



Together we are building
the Body of Christ!

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults have begun classes. ALL are welcome. Sit in on a topic that you would like to learn more about or join them all year.

WHEN: Monday

WHERE: St Mary Parish Center

TIME: 6pm

Topic schedule ~

10/19 How do Catholics interpret the bible

10/26 The saints and Mary

11/2 Places in the Church

11/9 Who's who in the church & Catholics & pray

11/16 Catholic practices & Catholics & church

11/23 The Sacraments

11/30 Baptism

12/7 Confirmation

12/14 The Eucharist



Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser
November 3, 2026 St Francis
Assisi Parish Center

Cost: Adults \$ 14
Senior (65+) \$ 12
Youth (5-12) \$ 7
Children 4 & under FREE
Time: Noon—7pm
Take Out Available

Basket Raffles / Mystery Bags / 50/50 Raffle
Songs by Jeneane

Dear Bishop Lucia, please accept my support of the 2026 HOPE Appeal. I would like to contribute \$_____ With the one-time enclosed payment.
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Enclosed is my check, payable to HOPE Appeal

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___ Circle of Hope	\$10,000+

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Parish Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Signature: _____

SAINT WHO ???

SAINT PETER OF ALCANTARA
FEAST DAY: OCTOBER 19

St. Peter of Alcantara was born in Alcantara, Spain, in 1499. His father was the Governor of the province, and his mother came from a noble family. He received private tutoring and attended the University of Salamanca. After he returned home from university, he was accepted as a Franciscan Friar of the Stricter Observance in 1515. He was ordained as a priest in 1524, and in 1525 he became Guardian of the friary of St. Mary of the Angels.

Throughout his life, St. Peter of Alcantara took up his spiritual cross and preached with great success to the poor, but also spent much of his time in solitude. From 1553 to early 1555, he spent this time alone in meditation and prayer. Soon after, St. Peter made a pilgrimage to Rome, barefoot the entire way. While in Rome, he obtained permission from Pope Julius III to establish friaries.

St. Peter was known for frequently experiencing ecstasy, a state where he was entirely consumed with the warmth and light of the Holy Spirit. These euphoric moments were common during his prayer and meditation.

When he was near death, St. Peter took to his knees and prayed. When he was offered water, he refused it, saying, "Even my Lord Jesus Christ thirsted on the Cross." He died while in prayer on October 18, 1562. On April 18, 1622, Pope Gregory XV declared him blessed, and Pope Clement IX canonized him on April 28, 1669.



Blessing for World Mission Sunday

O God,
You never cease to call us to Yourself, bless the
mission fields where we sow, tend, and reap. Give
us your grace and strength as we share Your love
with families and friends, strangers and
sojourners. Give us the right words, the right
inspirations, the right invitations, the right love.

Your love, shared. Amen



Want some light exercise?

Come walk with the
Golden Age Senior Group

Where: St Mary Parish Center GYM
600 N Main Street, Minoa
When: Monday, Wednesday & Friday
1-2pm

Meet up with friends or
meet new ones.
Hope to see you there!



3 WAYS TO LIVE A LIFE OF MISSION LIKE ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI:



1.

TAKE ACTION FOR PEACE,
JUSTICE, AND THOSE LESS
FORTUNATE THAN YOU.



2.

FIND GOD IN NATURE AND
IN PEOPLE. THEN CARE FOR
CREATION AND THOSE
AROUND YOU.



3.

FIND FRIENDSHIP WITH
GOD THROUGH PRAYER
AND THE EUCHARIST.



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
18 9:30-NOON RE GR7-10	19 9am-12:30 SM 2ND TIME AROUND STORE 10-12 CRAFT CLUB 10:30am SF BOOK CLUB ZOOM 6PM RE GR 1-6 6PM OCIA	20 9:30-NOON SM FOOD PANTRY	21 9:30-11:30 / 4-5:30 SF PANTRY 10-11 / 6-7 HEAVEN'S PANTRY 1-3 PRAYER SHAWL 6:30 MEN'S GROUP	22 9:30-NOON SM FOOD PANTRY 3-4:30 GRIEF SUPPORT 6-8 WM'S SCRIPTURE GROUP 7PM BINGO	23	24 October
25 9:30-NOON RE GR7-10	26 9am-12:30 SM 2ND TIME AROUND STORE 10-12 CRAFT CLUB 10:30am SF BOOK CLUB ZOOM 6PM RE GR 1-6 6PM OCIA	27 9:30-NOON SM FOOD PANTRY 1-3 ROSARY MAKERS	28 3PM SF FRESH FOOD GIVEAWAY 6:30 MEN'S GROUP	29 9:30-NOON SM FOOD PANTRY 3-4:30 GRIEF SUPPORT 6-8 WM'S SCRIPTURE GROUP 7PM BINGO	30	31 HALLOWEEN
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THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE BLOOD DRIVE AT ST FRANCIS PARISH CENTER THIS MONTH. OUR GOAL WAS 17 AND WE ACTUALLY COLLECTED 19 UNITS OF LIFESAVING BLOOD. THANK YOU. THE NEXT BLOOD DRIVE WILL BE ON DECEMBER 4TH. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

BAKERS NEEDED!!

St Francis Spaghetti Dinner on November 3 is in need of baked items. Please call Mickey (315) 633-8154 or Jeanette at (315) 264-7808 If you can help.



16TH ANNUAL SYRACUSE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday, October 24, 2026
 Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception /
 The OnCenter
 7:30am-4pm
 \$65 (limited seating)

Contact Barb Falkowski with questions or to register
 (315) 558-0381

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CONGRATULATIONS to SUSAN FUKES
 commissioning by
 Bishop Lucia. Gary
 Krajacic looking on as
 sponsor.

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

Monday, October 19 @ St Mary
9am **NO MASS**

Wednesday, October 21 @ St Mary
9am **NO MASS**

Friday, October 23 @ St Matthew's
9am **NO MASS**

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday October 24 @ St Matthew's
4:30pm William R Ryan ~ Children
Betty Temple ~ Family
Dolores & Gary Gajewski ~ Family

Sunday, October 25 @ St. Matthew's
8am Susan Donnelly Beebe ~ Family
Lisa Bezem ~ Yolanda Chabot
William Light ~ Wife Donna

Sunday, October 25 @ St Francis
9:30am Donald Bassett ~ Family
Ellen Micho ~ Friends
Timothy Hartung ~ Family

Sunday, October 25 @ St Mary
11am Fran Barone ~
74th Wedding Anniversary / Rosie
Michael Rybak ~ Mom & Dad
Joe Law ~ Jack & Donna Law



A candle has been lit at
St Mary's for
Ann Clobridge

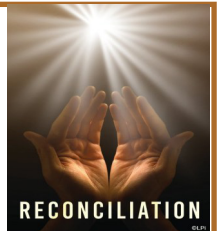
A candle has been lit at
St. Matthew's for
Tony
(Jo)



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SACRAMENT OF Penance (CONFESSION)

SATURDAYS @ ST MATTHEW'S
3:30-4:15PM
SUNDAYS @ ST MARY AFTER
11am MASS

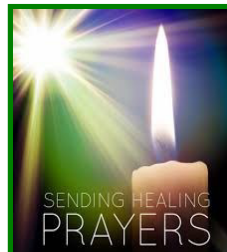


TRI-PARISH GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

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

The group meets
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



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED
RAYMOND LaFLAIR

Banns of Matrimony:
at Saint Matthew's
Desiree McGarrity /
Allen Hamilton



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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
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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



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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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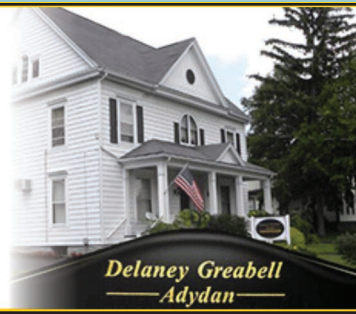
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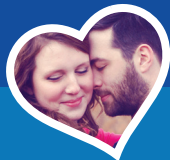
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