



ST. MARY OUR MOTHER CHURCH

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Mary Our Mother is a Catholic community committed to the spiritual growth of all people as we share our faith and serve our community.



816 West Broad Street, Horseheads, New York
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November 10, 2019

BLESSING FOR VETERANS

Good and gracious God,
you do not condone war.

Help us to understand the cause of war
and work toward alleviating it
from the face of the earth you created.

We ask you to bless the veterans of our country,
but also to bless the veterans of our enemies too.

War is the ultimate failure on our part
to see the needs of our neighbor.

Let us remember that our neighbor is our brother.

We ask this in the name of Jesus,
our brother and Savior.

Amen.

ST. MARY OUR MOTHER SCHOOL REGISTRATION

St. Mary Our Mother School is accepting student registrations for the 2019/2020 school year for grades pre-k 3 through grade six. Openings will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. Parents or guardians who are new to St. Mary Our Mother School will need: birth certificate, baptismal certificate, immunization records and a completed parish commitment form for members of the parish. The non-refundable registration fee is \$150 per family. Both before and after school care are available. For further information, call St. Mary Our Mother School at 739-9157.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The parish offices will be closed on **Monday, November 11th**, in observance of the Veterans Day holiday. The offices will re-open on **Tuesday, November 12th at 9:00 a.m.**

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

At all Sunday Masses next weekend, **November 16th & 17th**, we will have an opportunity to receive the **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**. This communal anointing is intended for all those who are in need of the healing touch of God's grace and the comforting presence of God's spirit as they face illness of any kind.

The prayer of the church during the Anointing of the Sick is for comfort, relief, and where possible, healing. The anointing always offers the deeper healing of God's love to our hearts. The anointing also invites us to be open to the possibility of physical, emotional, and mental healing as well.

Those who have difficulty in walking are encouraged to sit in the Narthex area of the church, in our church's "accessible-seating" area. You may also choose to sit in one of the front pews of the church.

UNITED WAY

Please remember to "write in" St. Mary Our Mother School on your United Way pledge card. Many of our parents (and grandparents) do remember us each year with a write in pledge. However, other United Way donors don't even realize that St. Mary Our Mother School is a write-in option. If you have any questions, please call the school at 739-9157.

ALL SOULS REMEMBRANCES

In your current packet of envelopes, there is an All Souls Day envelope, on which you may write the names of your deceased loved ones. The envelopes will be placed on the chapel altar during the month of November. Your intentions will be remembered in all liturgies during the month of November and throughout the year in Masses listed for "Our Faithful Departed".

WEEKLY CALENDAR**Tuesday, November 12**

- 3:45 PM Religious Education - school
 3:45 PM RCIA - school
 5:00 PM Finance Council - rectory
 7:30 PM Wounded Healers - school

Wednesday, November 13

- 5:30 PM Parish Pastoral Council - rectory

Thursday, November 14

- 2:45 PM Children's Choir - church

Saturday, November 16

- 3:30 PM Sacrament of Penance - church

Sunday, November 17

- 12:00 PM First Reconciliation retreat - school
 5:00 PM Youth Choir - church
 5:00 PM Regional Mass - St. Patrick
 6:00 PM RCIA - school
 7:00 PM Adult Choir - church

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Annamae Biancavilla

MEMORIALS**Eucharistic Hosts & Sacramental Wine:**

In loving memory of Sam Kucko on his birthday - his children

FLOWER DONATIONS:**Main Altar Arrangement:**

For special intentions - Mike Stansfield

In thanksgiving for blessings on our anniversary - Betty & Dick Besley

Chapel Candle Flowers:

In celebration of our anniversary - Jacqueline & Shane Alsworth

Special intention of Angela Morales - Tina Morales

Blessed Mother – Church:

Special Intention - MaryAnne Quatrano-Holleran

Blessed Mother – Chapel:

Prayers for peace, in memory of Sheahan family & Marine Corps birthday - Georganne Buchtel

CHRISTMAS FLOWER MEMORIALS

Sign-up sheets for Christmas flower memorials are posted on the church bulletin board and will be available through **December 1st**.

ALTAR MEMORIALS

When Masses are not available for a particular day, Altar Memorials are a special way you can remember those who have died and those intentions you may wish to remember for the living.

Our Altar Memorials are available each week during the year. Donation for the week is as follows:

Sanctuary candle	\$10.00
Icon candle	\$10.00
Sacramental wine	\$15.00
Eucharistic bread (hosts)	\$10.00

SCRIPTURE READINGS**SUNDAY - November 17, 2019****33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading: Malachi 3:19-20a
 Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12
 Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

IN OUR PARISH**Hands of Christ 2020**

The **Hands of Christ** is a recognition program to assist parishes in affirming their high school seniors who have been the "Hands of Christ" in their church, home, school, and greater community. You are invited to nominate a high school senior of the Class of 2020 for the Hands of Christ recognition.

A nominated high school senior must meet the following criteria:

Consistently demonstrates a Christian attitude by word and example;

is actively involved in their parish as well as their school community;

is a positive role model for peers and younger children;

is a participating member of St. Mary Our Mother Parish.

To nominate a senior, please stop at the parish office for a registration form, complete the registration form including the nominee's name, address, telephone number, and high school, along with examples of the above mentioned criteria. These registration forms will be reviewed by Father Linsler for approval as pastor. The date nominations are due in the parish office is **November 25th**.

Bake Sale

Our Parish Life committee is holding a bake sale after all Masses next **Saturday, November 23rd** and **Sunday, November 24th**. The proceeds of this sale will benefit our school. If you would like to help by baking, please bring your baked goods to the back of the church before any Mass next weekend. Thank you for your generosity.

Ladies' Prayer Group

Please join us every other Friday morning from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the rectory meeting room (basement). Our next meeting is November 22nd.

The format includes prayer time, discussion relating to a specific topic, book, or article chosen by the group relevant to our faith.

Parishioners, new and longstanding, are welcome and encouraged to join us. If you would like further information, please contact Sue at 607-795-4230 or email susancites@stny.rr.com.

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PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

We are in the midst of the Veterans Day holiday weekend. Many of our schools and businesses will be closed on Monday in observance of Veteran's Day. Veterans Day is a holiday dedicated to American veterans of all wars. In 1918, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, an armistice, or temporary cessation of hostilities, was declared between the Allied nations and Germany in World War I, then known as "the Great War". Commemorated in many countries as Armistice Day the following year, November 11th became a federal holiday in 1938. In the aftermath of World War II and the Korean War, Armistice Day became known as Veterans Day. Unlike Memorial Day, Veterans Day pays tribute to all American veterans - living and dead - but especially gives thanks to living veterans who served their country honorably during war to peacetime. The year marks the 100th anniversary of this holiday.

A little history about this holiday: the Treaty of Versailles, which marked the official end of World War I was signed on June 29, 1919. However, the armistice date of November 11, 1918 remained in the minds of the public. Later that year, **President Woodrow Wilson** proclaimed November 11th as the first commemoration of Armistice Day. It is interesting to note the process that brought about a change in name for this holiday.

American effort during World War II saw the greatest mobilization of the members of the United States Military - U.S. Army, Navy, Marines and Air Force - in our nation's history. Sixteen million troops served in World War II; another 5.7 million served in the Korean War. In 1954, after lobbying efforts by veterans' service organizations, Congress amended the 1938 act that had made Armistice Day a holiday, striking the word "Armistice" in favor of "Veterans". **President Dwight D. Eisenhower** signed legislation on June 1, 1954. Since then, November 11th became a day to honor all American veterans. This date continues to carry historical and patriotic significance for many Americans.

As has been the case of all veterans of our country through the years, today's military men and women who serve and protect us come from all walks of life. They are parents, children, grandparents, friends, neighbors, and coworkers, and are an important part of their communities. Here are some facts about the veteran population of the United States:

- 16.1 million living veterans served during at least one war;*
- 5.2 million veterans served in peacetime;*
- 2 million are women;*
- 7 million veterans served during the Vietnam War;*
- 5.5 million veterans served during the Persian Gulf War;*
- Of the 16 million Americans who served during World War II, about 558,000 are still alive;*
- 2 million veterans who served during the Korean War are still alive;*
- 6 million veterans served during peacetime;*
- As of 2014, 2.9 millions veterans received compensation for service connected disabilities;*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK**Monday, November 11 - St. Martin of Tours**

6:45 AM Bill Waite - Tom Kolonoski & family

Tuesday, November 12 - St. Josephat, Bishop & Martyr

6:45 AM William Thomas - Ray Wawrzusin

Wednesday, November 13 - St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

6:45 AM For the Faithful Departed

10:30 AM (Courtyard) Special Intention

Thursday, November 14 - Weekday

6:45 AM Norbert Schneider - his daughter, Anne Welch

Friday, November 15 - Weekday

6:45 AM Teri Guardi - her family

Saturday, November 16 - Weekday

5:00 PM Loretta Meade - her sons, Alan & Sheldon

Sunday, November 17 - Thirty-third Sunday in**Ordinary Time**

8:30 AM Leon Trammell Roberts, Sr. - JoAnn Sabatura

10:30 AM Larry Madden - Terry & Steve Spaulding

5:00 PM Regional Mass - St. Patrick

As of 2014, 3 states have more than 1 million veterans in their population: California (1.8 million); Florida (1.6 million); Texas (1.7 million);

The VA Health Care System has 171 medical centers, more than 350 outpatient, community and outreach clinics; 126 nursing home care units, and 35 live-in care facilities for injured or disabled veterans.

Veterans Day provides each of us with an opportunity to honor and thank all veterans who have served our country so faithfully, many of whom paid the ultimate sacrifice of their lives for the freedoms we enjoy as people of this great nation. We will be offering a special prayer of recognition and blessing for them at this weekend's liturgies. If you see a military person or veteran this weekend, approach them, and offer them your personal words of gratitude.

A word of thanks to those who have made their pledge to the annual Catholic Ministries Appeal. If you haven't made a pledge yet, please consider doing so. Additional pledge forms are available in the church vestibule.

Have a great week, and enjoy these November days. See you in church!

Fr. L.

IN OUR PARISH CONTINUED...

Christmas Food Baskets

In anticipation of the needs of families in our area, our Social Ministry Committee is collecting food during October, November and December for the Christmas food baskets. Only **food** items are needed and the following are staple items that we include in each box: peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti sauce/marinara, spaghetti or other pasta, tuna fish or canned meat, canned or dried soup, canned fruit, canned vegetables, cereal, oatmeal, cake mixes, frosting, cookie and muffin mixes, jello or pudding, pancake mix, rice, dried potatoes, stuffing mix, baby food, baby cereal and baby drinks, and hot chocolate mix.

PLEASE - FOOD ONLY - NO COFFEE OR JUICE, NO PAPER PRODUCTS, CLEANERS OR TOILETRIES ARE NEEDED.

Your generous donations are appreciated and may be placed in the cart near the entrance of the church. Shopping lists are located on the table near the food cart to help when purchasing food items at the store.

Christmas Basket Dates

Following are the important dates to keep in mind for our Christmas Basket event:

Saturday & Sunday, November 9th & 10th - Meat tags for families receiving food only will be on trees.

Saturday & Sunday, November 9th & 10th - Coordinators can pick up their packets after each Mass.

Saturday & Sunday, November 16th & 17th - Coordinators will be placing meat and gift tags on trees.

Thursday, December 12th - All gifts must be under the trees.

Friday, December 13th - Coordination of gifts under the trees by family number.

Friday, December 13th, 6:00 p.m. - Sort food

Saturday, December 14th, 8:00 a.m. - Pack food

Saturday, December 14th, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. - Basket pickup (please note this is a change in date and time)

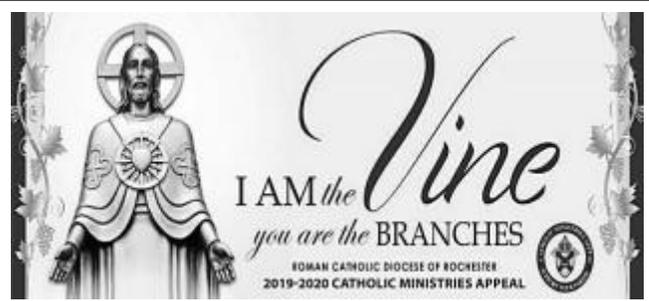
Cemetery News

Holiday decorations are allowed from November 15th through March 1st. Also, please clearly mark on the back of all decorations with the name of the deceased whose grave you are decorating, so that when the wind carries decorations away, we know where to replace them. The name you put on the reverse side should match the name on the gravestone. Thank you.

Advertising Sponsorships

We will be working on updating the advertising sponsorships for our bulletin during the week of November 18th. Please consider advertising in our bulletin.

If you are interested in placing an ad, please call 607-624-9580. Thank you in advance for your support, and please patronize our advertisers!



The Catholic Ministry Appeal is underway, our parish goal is \$112,209. We showed the CMA video and if you missed it, it is available on the website at www.dor.org.

The CMA allocations are posted on the website at www.dor.org/cma. This includes the pie chart, as well as a detailed description of each allocation.

You can pledge online or use a pledge envelope available in the vestibule.

Please make your pledge as soon as you can. That is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

MINISTERIAL STAFF

- Rev. Christopher E. Linsler**, Pastor
- Rev. Richard F. Kajiru**, In Residence
- Mrs. Barbara Matterazzo**, Coordinator of Faith Formation
- Mrs. Cathy Peckham**, Director of Music
- Mrs. Jean Yorio**, School Principal
- Mr. Richard O'Lenick**, Business Manager
- Mrs. Elizabeth Berliner**, RCIA Coordinator
- Mrs. Joyce Pirozzolo**, Parish Secretary
- Mrs. Jeanne Carney**, Facilities Coordinator
- Mrs. Maribeth Leipold**, Faith Formation Secretary
- Mrs. Amy Barr**, Faith Formation Associate
- Mrs. Sue Wood**, Bulletin Editor
- Mr. Doug Johnson**, Cemetery Manager
- Mrs. Kim Roemmelt**, School Secretary
- Ms. Jenna Crandall**, Maintenance
- Mr. Todd Stewart**, Maintenance

PASTORAL COUNCIL

- Mr. Vincent Moschetti**, Chairperson
- Mrs. Richelle Riina**, Recording Secretary

CONTACT INFORMATION

- Parish Office**
- 816 West Broad Street..... (607)-739-3817
- Fax (607)-739-5628
- E-mail..... smomc@stny.rr.com
- Parish Web Site.....www.StMaryOurMother.com
- St. Mary Our Mother School**
- 811 Westlake Street..... (607)-739-9157
- E-mail.....smoms@dor.org
- School Web Site.....www.stmaryourmother.school
- Religious Education Office**
- 816 West Broad Street..... (607)-739-8214
- E-mail.....smomfaithformation@gmail.com

REGIONAL EVENTS

Notre Dame High School Information Session

Notre Dame High School, grades 7-12, will host an information session on **Wednesday, November 13th**, at 6:30 p.m. at the school. For more information, please contact Brett Moore at 734-2267 or email mooreb@notredamehighschool.com.

The Wounded Healers' Bereavement Support Group

The Wounded Healers' Bereavement Support Group will hold its monthly meeting this **Tuesday, November 12th** from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at St. Mary Our Mother School. This month's topic is "*Strengths, Struggles and Support Before the Holidays*". There is **no charge** for the monthly meetings. For more information, please call 796-2795. All are welcome.

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Deborah Housel
585-328-3228, ext. 1555
Toll-free: 1-800-388-7177, ext. 1555
or by e-mail to victimassistance@dor.org.

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