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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.



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July 25, 2021

ST. MARY OUR MOTHER SCHOOL

Our sixth grade students have truly excelled this past year! I am proud to recognize the following students for earning top honors:

- Overall highest student average - **Taylor Degnan** - 93.8%
 - Highest average in Religion - **Riley Craig** - 96.5%
 - Highest average in English/Language Arts - **Caitlin Keenan** - 92.5%
 - Highest average in Mathematics - **Brendan O'Brien** - 93.25%
 - Highest average in Social Studies - **Taylor Degnan** - 95.5%
 - Highest average in Science - **Libby Meisner** - 94%
- The overall class average was 90.39%. Scholarships awarded by the Knights of Columbus went to the following students:
- \$125 to **Laurel Sonsire** for highest overall scholastic achievement, who will be continuing in Catholic education at Notre Dame Junior High.
 - \$100 to **Taylor Degnan** for highest overall scholastic achievement, who will be continuing in a secular middle school.
 - \$75 to **Riley Craig** for best exhibiting the Christian attributes of St. Mary Our Mother School, who will be continuing in Catholic education at Notre Dame Junior High.

The NYS Triple "C" Awards (Commitment, Character, Courage) were awarded to **Riley Craig** and **Brendan O'Brien**.

The Office of the State Comptroller of New York, Thomas P. DiNapoli, Award in recognition of hard work, dedication and success for academic excellence and civic commitment was awarded to **Laurel Sonsire**.

President Joseph Biden's Education Award for Outstanding Academic Excellence was awarded to **Riley Craig, Taylor Degnan, Libby Meisner, Owen Neidrich, Brendan O'Brien** and **Laurel Sonsire**.

Our heartfelt congratulations to all of the students on their individual achievements. They move on with our prayers for continued success as they enter the next phase of their lives.

Blessings always, Mrs. Jean Yorio, Principal

MASS FOR PEACE

The Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano invites the faithful to a Mass for Peace on **Monday, July 26th** at 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, Rochester, NY.

Let us pray together for an end to senseless violence in our community, for the wisdom to address the many societal issues that plague us, and that God's abiding love and a reverence for all human life will prevail.



ST. MARY OUR MOTHER SCHOOL REGISTRATION

St. Mary Our Mother School is accepting student registrations for the 2021/2022 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.

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

The story of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes is a familiar one, and has many lessons, not least of which is how our willingness to share who we are and what we have. Exercising good stewardship serves to release God's power and bountifulness on the world and its people. Do we realize that there is enough for all if we are willing to share? Are we aware that God is at work when we share our time, our money and our other resources in His name?

SCRIPTURE READINGS**SUNDAY - 17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading: 2 Kings 4:42-44

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:1-6

Gospel: John 6:1-15

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Rose Brown	Belinda Burczynski
Marge Butler	Deborah Foray
Dennis Graumann	Margaret Kalbaugh
Faith Krebs	Rosalie Steadle
Lindy VanBrunt	

MEMORIALS**Sanctuary Candle:**

*In loving memory of my husband, Michael Bonsignore -
Anna & children*

FLOWER DONATIONS**Main Altar Arrangement:**

*In loving memory of Maryanne Poland - her husband,
Walter and the Scarselletta family*

IN OUR PARISH**Prayers and Squares Quilting Group**

The Prayers and Squares Quilting Group has blessed lap quilts available for anyone who is ill. We will no longer distribute them at the end of Mass. If you know someone who would appreciate receiving a quilt, please contact 738-3699 (Maribeth) or 731-8085 (Wilma) to make arrangements to pick up a quilt from the parish office.

Flower Sign Ups

Please call the parish office if you would like to honor special events in your life with a floral arrangement in our Church or Chapel. Flowers are available for the main altar, the chapel, the Blessed Mother in the chapel and the Blessed Mother in Church.

Today's Missal

Until we are able to return our missalettes, hymnals, etc. to the Church, Today's Missal is available at the parish office.

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SUNDAY'S READINGS**First Reading:**

"For thus says the LORD, 'They shall eat and there shall be some left over.'" (2 Kgs 4:43)

Psalm:

The hand of the Lord feeds us; He answers all our needs. (Ps 145)

Second Reading:

One body and one Spirit, as you were also called to the one hope of your call; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all. (Eph 4:4-6)

Gospel:

Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, and also as much of the fish as they wanted. (Jn 6:11)

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WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES**Readings for the week of July 25, 2021**

Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [1a]/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [8a]/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 9 [cf. 9c]/Mt 13:44-46

Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11 [2]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab [2a]/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8 [4]/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35

Observances for the week of July 25, 2021

Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday: St. Martha

Friday: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Next Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

Late last month, we received notice from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops that **Pope Francis I** has instituted a Church wide celebration of a **World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly** to honor and celebrate the contribution of grandparents and the elderly to our families and society. This day is to be celebrated each year on the fourth Sunday of July, the Sunday closest to the liturgical memorial of St. Joachim and St. Anne on July 26th. We will celebrate this first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly at our Masses this weekend. The Holy Father instituted this day, which in the opinion of the many is long overdue, because "grandparents are often forgotten and we lose this wealth of preserving roots and passing on what the elderly have received." The Holy Father further emphasized the important of grandparents and grandchildren getting to know one another, spending quality time together, and sharing stories. Though this is short notice, and if your grandparents are still living, plan to honor them in some way on the first World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly. If they have passed to the Kingdom, remember them in prayer today and every day.

Now a "did you know" question! Did you know that St. Joachim and St. Anne were the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the grandparents of Jesus? Ss. Anne and Joachim, like Abraham and Sarah of the Old Testament, were scorned because they had no children. Years of longing did not weaken their trust in God, but grief eventually drove St. Joachim into the wilderness to fast and pray. St. Anne, remaining at home, went to a garden to plead with God for a child. Angels appeared to St. Anne in her garden and to St. Joachim in the desert, promising that, despite their old age, they would give birth to a child who would be known throughout the world. Legend has it that the parents to be ran to meet one another at Jerusalem's Golden Gate, and rejoiced in the new life which had been promised would be theirs. Ss. Anne and Joachim are powerful intercessors for all married couples, expectant parents, and married couples who are having difficulty conceiving, as well as all who have entered their senior years.

Prayer for the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

*I thank you, Lord
for the comfort of your presence,
even in times of loneliness,
You are my hope and my confidence,
You have been my rock and my fortress from
my youth!*

*I thank you for having given me a family
and for having blessed me with a long life.
I thank you for the moments of joy and
difficulty,*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 26 - Ss. Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:45 AM Jennie Joy - husband, Roger

Tuesday, July 27 - Weekday

6:45 AM Special intention of Daniel Minch - his family

Wednesday, July 28 - Weekday

6:45 AM Debbie Lievre - Richard & Maryanne Amisano

Thursday, July 29 - St. Martha

6:45 AM For the Faithful Departed

Friday, July 30 - Weekday

6:45 AM No Mass

Saturday, July 31 - St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

5:00 PM Bob Roberti - sister, Rita

Sunday, August 1 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM Jack Denhoff - Ed & Mary Lee Fairbrother

10:30 AM Sharyl Maphis - Terry & Steve Spaulding

*for the dreams that have already come
in my life,
and for those that are still ahead of me.
I thank you for this time of renewed
fruitfulness
to which you have called me.*

*Increase, O Lord, my faith,
make me a channel of your peace,
teach me to embrace those who suffer
more than me
to never stop dreaming,
and to tell of your wonders to new
generations.*

*Protect and guide Pope Francis and the
Church,
that the light of the Gospel might
reach the ends of the earth,
send your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the
world, that the storm of the
pandemic, might be calmed,
the poor consoled and wars ended.*

*Sustain me in weakness
and help me to live life to the fullest
in each moment that you give me,
in the certainty that you are with me
every day, even until the end of
the age.*

Amen

Have a great week. Take care of yourself and each other.

Fr. L.

**IN OUR PARISH CONTINUED...
6th Grade Celebration**

On Tuesday, June 22nd, St. Mary Our Mother School celebrated the 6th grade class of 2021, which concluded the elementary school years for the following students:

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| <i>Sabian Cacala</i> | <i>Libby Meisner</i> |
| <i>Sergio Condo</i> | <i>Owen Neidrich</i> |
| <i>Riley Craig</i> | <i>Brendan O'Brien</i> |
| <i>Taylor Degnan</i> | <i>Laurel Sonsire</i> |
| <i>Caitlin Keenan</i> | <i>Russell Wilson</i> |
| <i>Maddy Lee</i> | <i>Frances Young</i> |

Please keep these young people in your thoughts and prayers as they begin the next chapter of their life. We confidently send these students onto the next stage in their lives, thankful for the time we have shared with them at St. Mary Our Mother School. Students will be moving onto Notre Dame Junior High School, Horseheads Middle School and the Elmira City School Districts' Middle Schools. Thank you to the parishioners of St. Mary Our Mother for your prayers and support of St. Mary Our Mother School throughout the 2020/2021 school year. To say it has been a challenging year is an understatement, but we have all grown in our strength, flexibility and endurance. On behalf of the entire school staff, I wish you are restful, healthy and safe summer.

Blessings always,
Mrs. Jean Yorio

REGIONAL EVENTS

Mass of Recognition

You are cordially invited to a Mass of Recognition of the Sacrament of Matrimony on **Sunday, August 29th** at 2:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 296 Flower City Park, Rochester, NY 14615. All married couples and their guests are welcome to attend and renew their vows with Bishop Matano. Those celebrating milestone jubilees will be given special recognition.

Please registering online at <https://conta.cc/3vjYs7x> or email Donald.smith@dor.org.

Horseheads Food Pantry

Non-perishable food and grocery items are being collected for the Horseheads Food Pantry this month. The Horseheads Food Pantry is in desperate need of all food items and especially asks for rice or pasta for the month of July, although all canned goods are always needed. For your convenience, please place all donations in the cart located across from the bulletin board. If it is inconvenient to make a food donation, you may make a monetary donation. Please make checks payable to the Horseheads Food Pantry and place in the collection. Thank you for your generosity!

Blood Donor Shortage

Before you dive into your summer plans, can you help us create a summer full of life to make sure the blood supply doesn't take a dip?

The Red Cross asks those who are healthy to make it a summer full of life by donating blood. Donations help ensure blood is available for patients who rely on lifesaving transfusions. We can't do it without you.

Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS for information on local blood drives.

NYS Legislator on Parole

Elders in the NYS prison system are denied parole again and again, even after being incarcerated for decades. Releasing them to their families would not only save millions of tax dollars, it would give them the opportunity to serve their communities.

There's still time to convince the legislative leaders to call for a vote on the two bills we're supporting:

**Fair and Timely Parole (S.1415/A.4231)
Elder Parole (S.15/A.3475)**

Please take a minute to call Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie at 518-455-3791 and State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Cousins at 518-455-2715. Ask that they allow these bills to come to the floor. Now is the time!

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
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- Mr. Doug Johnson**, Cemetery Manager
- Mrs. Kim Roemmelt**, School Secretary
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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Oscar Romero said, "We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is the beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest."

There were a group of ladies many years ago who made quilts. They were beautiful creations reflecting inspirational designs artfully composed from the simple scraps of fabric each woman would bring to their individual pieces. There was no plan for the finished project as each finished work became the combined creation of what each woman contributed. They abounded in vibrant colors and dazzled the beholder with intricate patterns and their myriad textures. They were so beautiful that they became coveted family treasures passed from generation to generation. Those women never realized the power of their work. Countless babies rested in the comfort of those quilts warmly nestled in the legacy of tradition they were fortunate to inherit. They adorned countless homes with their beauty and brought joy and solace to many faces.

We cannot do everything. We are not meant to. Our work in life is to contribute our individual piece, a piece that reflects the unique thumbprint I claim as my own. We only have to do small things well. Then, as St. Oscar Romero reminds us, the Lord's grace will enter and do the rest. We have to trust that this is true just as those women trusted in the eventual beauty of their final work.

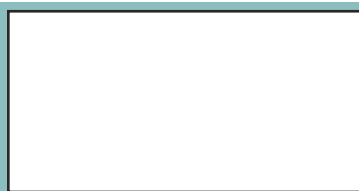
Eucharistic blessings are blessings that start small and multiply. We all come to life with only a few loaves of bread and a few fish. Not any single one of us has all that it takes to transform our world. Who knows what God will do with the little we have and how many will benefit from our kindness, compassion, wisdom, courage, conviction, love, warmth, zeal, faith, and hope? That young lad never dreamed that his few leftovers would do all that they did. God shows up in unexpected ways! Where would life's adventure and fun be if it were any other way? Being able to be part of bringing God's creative, transforming, healing to the world opens us up to wonder, awe, and excitement! We can all bring our little piece to the bigger work of God that can result in being a coveted jewel passed generation to generation. This is good news indeed!

Bread and wine transform into Christ's Body and Blood and we become what we eat. Trust that.

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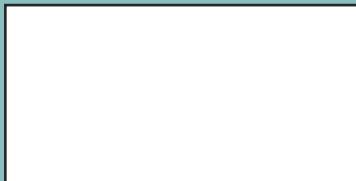
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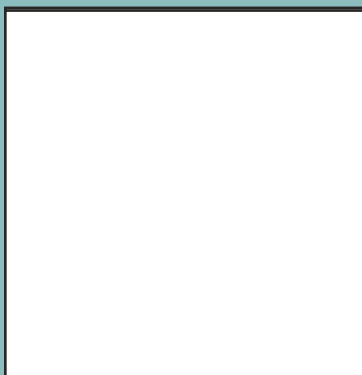
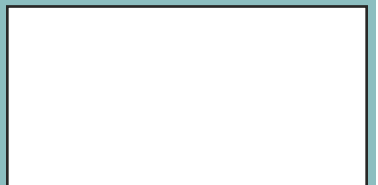


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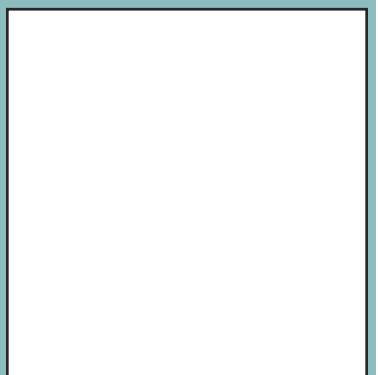
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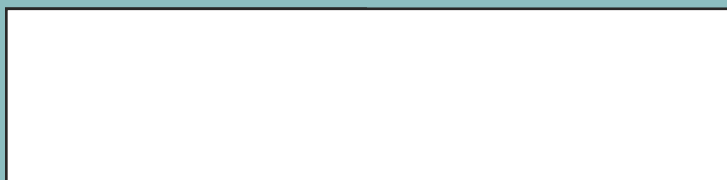

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