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June 21st, 2026



CHURCH OF ST. MARY OUR MOTHER

SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2026

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“Do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.” - Mt 10:31

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday: St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop; Sts. John Fisher, Bishop, and Thomas More, Martyrs

Wednesday: The Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Saturday: 3:30 p.m.- Sacrament of Penance - Church St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Next Sunday: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Contribution for week ending 5/31/2026
Total.....\$ 6,893.73

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Brett Owen
Lucille Panosian
Mary Catherine Whiting
Arland Phillips

ALTAR FLOWERS

The main altar flowers for June 21-27 have been donated in loving memory of Bill Cantando by his wife, Libby and family.

Elmira Parish of
The Most Holy Name of Jesus
PARISH FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, JUNE 27TH 4-9 PM

SUNDAY, JUNE 28TH 12-5 PM

Drawings for raffles held Sunday

ST. CASIMIR'S PAVILION
BEHIND FAITH FORMATION CENTER
1010 DAVIS STREET

Event moved inside if weather is inclement

Basket Raffle

Garden Tent

Pizza Fritta

Ice Cream

Bake Sale

Dessert Cafe

Kids Games

Grand Raffle

Pierogi

Beer

Lots of Food

Entertainment
Schedule

6/27

5-9 PM

Second Time Around

6/28

12-4 PM

Blue Eyed Soul

4-5 PM DJ Music

LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE! BRING A FRIEND!
JUNE 27TH AND 28TH, 2026



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THE PARISH



3rd Grade Students—the Saints Museum!



Home Study Class- Saint Project



Parvuli Dei Religious Emblem Presentation

Now Hiring: Finance &
Operations Manager

St. Mary Our Mother Parish & School (Horseheads) and Ss. Isidore and Maria Torribia Parish (Addison) are seeking a full-time Finance & Operations Manager to provide financial, administrative, and operational support to our parish communities.

This position oversees accounting coordination, payroll support, facilities and office operations, volunteer coordination, and parish administrative functions while working closely with the Pastors and Regional Finance Director.

Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Accounting, Finance, Business, or related field preferred (Associate degree with relevant experience considered). Strong organizational, communication, and computer skills required. Experience in accounting, office management, nonprofit administration, or parish operations is preferred.

To apply, please submit a resume to Amy.Finnerty@dor.org.

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE:

Congratulations and best wishes to all our fathers on this Father's Day! Our country feels that the role of a parent is so important that each year it designates a day in May for mothers and a day in June for fathers. As we mature, we tend to reflect more about how we become the person we are today, and we discover that we have adopted many of our traits from our parents. There is a time in our formative years when we view ourselves as completely independent, that all growth and maturation is completely independent of the people in the world around us. Gradually, we discover that many of our personality traits can be clearly identified with our parents. Father's Day is a day to be grateful and appreciative of life itself, the nurturing our fathers have given us, and to actually say a word of thanks to all our fathers have given us.

It is also a day to appreciate God the Father in our lives. By assigning God a paternal image, the Church hopes to help us recognize in God that desire to share in a child growth by encouragement, through the recognition of the uniqueness of each individual, and by offering the grace that is necessary to actualize human potential. God loves each of his children and wants them to grow and become the person they are destined to be, knowing full well that each individual is different. Today is the day for all fathers to quietly raise a prayer to God, asking that divine guidance be theirs as they share the role of fatherhood with God. It is a day to say "Happy Fathers Day" to all our fathers.

The following is a prayer we can offer in honor of the special men in our lives:

*Blessed are you, Lord and Father of all life;
who has given to us the father of our family.*

*Today we honor him and thank you for the numerous
good things that are ours because of him.*

*His love for us has been a sign of Your divine affection
and a sharing in Your holy love.*

*His continuous concern for our needs and welfare
is the mirror of your holy providence
And so, as we honor him, we praise you,
Father of all peoples.*

*Bless him this day with your strength and holy power
that we may continue to be a sign of you,
Our God and a Priestly parent to your family.*

*The blessing and all graces we pray
Descend upon the father of our family,*

*In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.*

Some years ago, a good friend of mine, who was a pastor, composed the following Father's Day reflection. No names, only some reflections on "Real fathers:"

-Beaming with joy and holding Mom's hand as we enjoy the birth of a new child;

-Missing a meeting because family comes first;

-Calling a priest or another trusted professional, and wanting to know how to be a better husband and father;

-Working too many hours and really wanting to be with you;

-Saying "Yes", when you know, "No" would be better;

-Upset about the dent in our car, but knowing he did it many times as well;

-Defending a wife or child that would rival Don Quixote;

-Telling you "you're the best" and meaning it;

-Walking his daughter down the aisle and praying her fiancé is a better man than he is;

MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Monday, June 22- Weekday

6:45 A.M. - Doroteo Mallare - The Lapitans

Tuesday, June 23- Weekday

6:45 A.M. - Betty & Bill Frank - daughter, Mary Canali

Wednesday, June 24- Weekday

6:45 A.M. - Deceased members of the Curtin family- family

Thursday, June 25- Weekday

6:45 A.M. - Manuel & Leticia Macapinlac- family

Friday, June 26- Weekday

6:45 A.M. - Joseph Ruhmel- wife, Joan & family

Saturday, June 27- Weekday

5:00 P.M. -Pamela Smart Eldred- Virginia & Brendan Curtis

Sunday, June 28- 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 A.M. - Teri Guardi - Bob

10:30 A.M. - Christina O'Herron Regula- Mom

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE CONT'D

- Dying in your arms, not understanding why so soon and hoping you will have the faith to get through it all; The list is endless.

As we move through these days of June, we discover many reasons to give thanks to God. On this Father's Day, we pause to thank our fathers for the blessing and example of their lives.

Have a great week. Please continue to take care of yourself and each other!

Fr. L.



FOLK GROUP

An interest in starting up a folk group here at St. Mary Our Mother has been expressed by one of our parishioners who has a background playing bass with a folk group. There would be a need for acoustic guitar players and willing singers in order to create this new ensemble. If you are interested, please call the parish office at 607-739-3817 and leave your name and phone number, or see Cathy Peckham after mass. You will be contacted.

JULY 7-11
5:00-7:00 PM
PACK YOUR BAGS, IT'S TIME TO
GO FORTH!
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

This summer, children are invited on a faith-filled journey around the world.
 Each day, we'll visit a new country to learn how people across the globe live out their faith through saints, traditions, and celebrations.

WHAT TO EXPECT EACH DAY:

TRAVEL Explore new country and its Faith traditions	SAINTS Learn about inspiring saints from around the world	CRAFTS Hands-on crafts and team-building activities	GAMES Interactive games, and free time outdoors	DINNER Food will be provided each evening inspired by the country of the day
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SIGN UP NOW
 Register to Attend or Volunteer



GRAND FINALE!
 We will end our week together with Saturday Mass, where students will take an active role leading the congregation and celebrating our faith together

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Children going into K-6 & of all Faiths can join!
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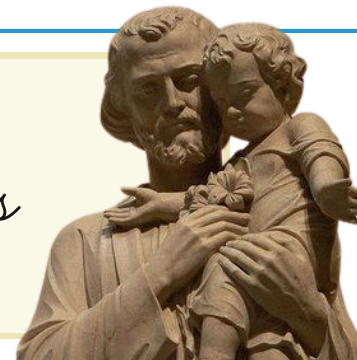
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ST JOSEPH,
Pray for us



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- Rev. Christopher E. Linsler, Pastor
- Rev. Peter T. Singano, in Residence
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- Religious Education Office
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ACTION ALERT!

The new Federal Scholarship Tax Credit would allow all taxpayers to receive a 100% federal tax credit, up to \$1,700, for donations that fund scholarships helping students with tuition, tutoring, and other education costs. If New York opts in, this program would bring millions of dollars in privately funded support to families, while allowing taxpayers to redirect a portion of their federal taxes to help students across the state, including our Catholic school families. Tell Gov. Hochul to opt in! Go to:

www.bit.ly/federal-scholarship-credit to take action today.



ST. MARY OUR MOTHER SCHOOL



CELEBRATING THE CLASS OF 2026:

A Milestone in Faith and Learning

As we approach the joyous occasion of the 6th Grade Graduation at St. Mary Our Mother School, we are filled with pride and gratitude for the Class of 2026. On Wednesday, June 17th, we will come together to celebrate the accomplishments and growth of these remarkable students who are preparing to take the next step in their educational journeys.

The following students will be graduating from St. Mary Our Mother School:

Bryce Bill Josh Bouzi Ella Collins
Scarlett Eberlin Andrew Hoover Christine Katerji
Joshua Marcell Arya Ripley

This milestone marks the end of their elementary school years at St. Mary Our Mother School, but it is only the beginning of their journey into middle school. These young people have worked hard, grown in faith, and built lasting relationships that will stay with them throughout their lives. As they are preparing to move on to Notre Dame Jr. Sr. High School, Horseheads Middle School, The Alternative School for Math and Science, and Elmira City School District, we are confident they will continue to shine and thrive in all their future endeavors.

We ask you to join us in keeping these graduates in your thoughts and prayers as they embark on this exciting new chapter. Let us pray for their continued success, guidance, and faith as they make the transition to the next stage of their academic and spiritual journeys.

We also want to take this moment to express our heartfelt gratitude to the wonderful parishioners of St. Mary Our Mother for your unwavering support and prayers throughout the 2025-2026 school year. Your dedication and encouragement make a world of difference in the lives of our students, and we are truly thankful.

A JOYOUS END TO THE SCHOOL YEAR:

Celebrating the Last Week at St. Mary Our Mother School

As we approach the end of another wonderful school year, we are excited to share the many activities that will fill the final week of school at St. Mary Our Mother School. This coming week promises to be one of celebration, reflection, and fun as we wrap up an incredible year of learning, growth, and faith.

Here are just a few of the exciting events we have planned:

- **Field Day:** A day full of friendly competition and physical activity, Field Day is always a highlight of the year! A big thank you to our dedicated PE teacher, Mr. Ketchum, for organizing this fun-filled day, where students will showcase their athleticism and teamwork skills.
- **Character Traits Assembly:** We will conclude our year-long focus on character traits with a special assembly, celebrating the virtues our students have demonstrated throughout the year. This assembly is a wonderful opportunity to recognize the growth in each student's character and faith.
- **6th Grade vs. Staff Kickball Game:** One of our most beloved traditions, the annual 6th Grade vs. Staff Kickball Game, will take place! This exciting game is always filled with laughter and friendly competition, and we are thrilled that many of our alumni will join the staff team, making this event even more special.
- **PreK 4 Graduation:** Our youngest learners will celebrate their achievements in the PreK 4 Graduation ceremony. We are so proud of how far they've come this year, and we look forward to watching them continue their journey in the coming years.
- **Year in Review Slideshow:** Thanks to the hard work of Mrs. Meehan, our talented Sixth Grade Teacher, we will enjoy a heartwarming slideshow that highlights the best moments of the year. It's a great way to reflect on all the memories made, from classroom achievements to special events.
- **Move-Up Day:** On Move-Up Day, students will have the opportunity to visit their new classrooms and meet their next year's teachers. This special day helps ease the transition to the next grade level and gives students a chance to get excited about the upcoming year.
- **Final Blessing from Father Linsler:** We will end our year with a final blessing from Father Linsler, thanking God for the year that's passed and asking for His guidance and blessings as we prepare for the summer and the year ahead.

Our last day of school will be *Thursday, June 25th*, and we are excited to send our students off with fond memories and blessings. We encourage everyone to join us in praying for a successful end to the year and a safe and restful summer ahead.

We want to take this moment to express our deepest gratitude to all of our teachers, staff, parents, and parishioners for your ongoing support throughout the year. Together, we have made this year a truly special one, and we look forward to all the wonderful things the next year will bring.

Blessings to all,
 Mrs. Heather Bill
 Principal, St. Mary Our Mother School



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