



# 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.



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June 16, 2019

## ST. MARY OUR MOTHER SCHOOL SIXTH GRADE CELEBRATION

It is with great pleasure that I announce the upcoming celebration of the St. Mary Our Mother School sixth graders. On **Wednesday, June 19th** at 7:00 p.m., we will celebrate the conclusion of elementary school for the following students:

<i>Jessica Als</i>	<i>Aiden Hickox</i>
<i>Kirafiki Alsworth</i>	<i>Riley Murray</i>
<i>Ian Balster</i>	<i>Abigayle Perry</i>
<i>Deakahn Colavita</i>	<i>John Savash-Acuna</i>
<i>Virginia Curione</i>	<i>Sofia Toribio</i>
<i>Jack Fesetch</i>	<i>Miles Twomey</i>
<i>Olivia Gavin</i>	<i>Miles Woodhouse</i>
<i>Samuel Heffner</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 on to 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 on to Notre Dame Junior High School and Horseheads Middle School. Thank you to the parishioners of St. Mary Our Mother for your prayers and support of St. Mary Our Mother School throughout the 2018/2019 school year. On behalf of the entire school staff, I want to wish you a restful, healthy and safe summer.

Blessings always,  
Mrs. Jean Yorio



## FATHER'S DAY BLESSING

Gracious God and Father, our first Father,  
You are the One who has brought us to life in this  
world You created.  
You created us and everything around us.  
We turned away from You  
and only after disappointing You did we return Your  
love.

Look with favor on our earthly fathers.  
They helped create us in Your image.  
We have disappointed them,  
but have come to realize  
just how important they are to us.

Bless all our fathers, living and deceased,  
with comfort and health.  
We bring all their needs to You  
and ask for strength so they may live worthy lives.

We ask all this in the name of your Son,  
our model of what it means to reverence our fathers.  
In Christ's name.

Amen

## ST. MARY OUR MOTHER 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 during school hours from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

**WEEKLY CALENDAR****Monday, June 17**

5:00 PM Mary Queen of Peace - chapel

7:00 PM Knights of Columbus - school

**Wednesday, June 19**

7:00 PM 6th Grade Celebration - church

**Saturday, June 22**

3:30 PM Sacrament of Penance - church

**Sunday, June 23**

5:00 PM Regional Mass - St. Patrick

**IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Rose Casey

Barbara Manginelli

**MEMORIALS****Sanctuary Candle:***In memory of Geraldine Miles - Carol Farr***Votive Candle:***In loving memory of Bill Cantando - his family***Eucharistic Hosts:***For a special intention - the Beering family***FLOWER DONATIONS:****Main Altar Arrangement:***In memory of Robert Tremaine - the Tremaine family**In memory of Charles Kosty & Carmello Ruocco - Bob & Marianne Kosty***Chapel Candle Flowers:***In memory of all fallen officers - Bill Conz**In memory of all fathers and grandfathers of the Tenny and Frankie family - Helen Tenny***Blessed Mother – Church:***Happy Father's Day, God & Dad - Suann Maio***Blessed Mother – Chapel:***Happy Father's Day, Dad & Papa - Linda Gardner & family***Credence Table:***In loving remembrance of Katie Jo on her birthday - Linda Gardner & family***FLOWER SIGN UPS**

Flowers in the church and the chapel are always available to remember special people - living or deceased - or special times in our lives. Please check the forms on the Church bulletin board. Thank you!

**ALTAR MEMORIALS**

Our altar memorials continue to be a special way to honor those who have gone before us and those intentions we wish to remember for both the living and the deceased.

The weekly donation for these memorials remains the same as in the past:

Sacramental Wine:	\$15.00
Eucharist Hosts:	\$10.00
Sanctuary Candle:	\$10.00
Icon Candle:	\$10.00

**SCRIPTURE READINGS****SUNDAY - June 23, 2019****THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

First Reading: Genesis 14:18-20

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Gospel: Luke 9:11b-17

**IN OUR PARISH****You Did It!**

Our parish's Lenten almsgiving project for Catholic Relief Services was able to raise \$3762.61 through the Rice Bowl Project. This is \$200 above last year's donation and exceeded our goal of \$3600. We thank our school and religious education children, our teens, adults, young and old, and all who were willing to sacrifice during Lent and donate to this very worthy cause.

The funds you donated will go to help fund development projects in Gaza, Uganda, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, and Guatemala. If you wish to see how the CRS funds are used internationally, please visit [www.crsricebowl.org](http://www.crsricebowl.org) and view the stories of how people are being assisted by CRS. Twenty-five percent of our donation will go to the Horseheads Food Pantry to assist those in need in our own local area.

Thank you so much for your generosity. Your funds will help make great things happen.

**Coming Soon: Math Olympiads at St. Mary Our Mother School**

The new Math Olympiads team forming at St. Mary Our Mother School needs volunteer coaches to help get it off the ground. Please consider offering your time as much as once a week from October through March. Weekly practices prepare student "mathletes" for five monthly competitions starting in November. But much more important are the objectives of encouraging children to explore math and ask questions about anything they don't understand, no matter how basic, and providing guidance for students who want to challenge themselves. This will be an easy-going, learn-as-we-go activity for 3rd through 6th graders and their coaches. Practice materials and guidance will be provided. No special math expertise required- just enthusiasm.

For more information, contact parent coordinators Matthew and Lori Meritt at [607-329-5178](tel:607-329-5178)/[matthewdmeritt@gmail.com](mailto:matthewdmeritt@gmail.com) or Nick and Katy Piet at [607-873-4505](tel:607-873-4505)/[nkjpiet@gmail.com](mailto:nkjpiet@gmail.com).

**Caring Project**

Our parish of St. Mary Our Mother continues to provide food for our needy neighbors. One thing that we don't often think about is the continuing need for diapers. As a parish, we are asking you to help. Might you be able to bring diapers - any size, but especially size 4/5, and any adult size diapers to the Church (near the food cart).

**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 have 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 from the people and 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 for all our fathers have meant to us and have given us.

I recently came across an article which contained some wonderful quotes from people on the subject of fatherhood:

*"My father gave me the greatest gift anyone could give another person, he believed in me."* - Jim Valvano

*"The greatest thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother."* - Anjaneth Garcia Untalan

*"It is easier for a father to have children than for children to have a real father."* - St. Pope John XXIII

*"I have had a hard life, but my hardships are nothing against the hardships that my father went through in order to get me to where I started."* - Bartrand Hubbard

*"I cannot think of any need in childhood as strong as the need for a father's protection."* - Sigmund Freud

*"My father....he was there when I didn't understand; he was there when I was wrong; he was there when I cried; he was there when I lied. For some reason my dad was always there when I needed him the most. His love was never ending. And now that he is gone, there is an emptiness in my world, but not in my heart."* - Michael Jordan

*"Fathers, be good to your daughters. You are the god and the weight of her world."* - John Mayer

*"My father didn't have my hand, he had my back"*  
- Lindsay Poindexter

*"Treat your parents with loving care, you will only know their value when you see their empty chair."*  
- Man of Honor

*"The older I get, the smarter my father seems to get."* - Tim Russert

*"No one in the world can love a girl more than her father."* - Michael Ratnadeepak

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK****Monday, June 17 - Weekday**

6:45 AM Charly Graves - his wife, Jan

**Tuesday, June 18 - Weekday**

6:45 AM Deceased members of the Mills family - family

**Wednesday, June 19 - Weekday**

6:45 AM Nadia Lopez - Donna & Carl Hammond

**Thursday, June 20 - Weekday**

6:45 AM Helen Linsler - St. Mary Our Mother Social Ministry

**Friday, June 21 - St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious**

6:45 AM Rogert Dewey - Don & Jan Temple

**Saturday, June 22 - Weekday**

5:00 PM Carmen Zito - Marcia & Thomas Eagleson

**Sunday, June 23 - The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

8:30 AM Gene Harrison - Dobek family

10:30 AM Rev. Joseph T. Gaynor

5:00 PM Regional Mass - St. Patrick

*"A father is always making his baby into a little woman. And when she is a woman, he turns her back again."* - Enid Bagnold

*"The quality of a father can be seen in the goals, dreams and aspirations he sets not only for himself, but for his family."* - John F. Kennedy

*"It doesn't matter who my father was; it matters who I remember he was."* - Anne Sexton

*"Being a father is like shaving. No matter how good you shaved today, you have to do it again tomorrow."*  
- Reed Markham

As we move through the month of June, we discover many ways to give thanks to God. On this Father's Day, we pause to thank our fathers for the blessing and example of their lives. Happy Father's Day! See you in church!

Fr. L.

**REGIONAL EVENTS**

**Caring for God’s Creation**

After the recent introduction in the U.S. Congress of the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act of 2019, Bishop Frank Dewane (Venice, FL), Chairman of the U.S. Bishops’ Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development, welcomed the legislation as an important step forward in addressing climate change. He states, *“this bipartisan bill is a hopeful sign that, more and more, climate change is beginning to be seen as a crucial moral issue; one that concerns all people. If enacted, this proposal is expected to result in significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. At a time when the dangerous effects of climate change are becoming increasingly apparent, the need for legislative solutions like this is more urgent than ever.”*

**Pilgrimage to St. Mary of the Angels**

St. Mary’s of the Lake, Watkins Glen, NY will have its 9th bus pilgrimage on Wednesday, **June 26th** to Olean, NY to visit the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels. The Basilica is loaded with beautiful stained glass windows, inspiring architectural styles, paintings, and statues. It is the 100th anniversary of the amazing stained glass windows at St. Mary of the Angels. Twentieth century monk and writer, Thomas Merton had a life-changing experience at St. Mary of the Angels also. Bring your own lunch or eat in one of Olean’s restaurants along the main street. Cost is \$40.00. Departure is from St. Mary’s at 8:30 a.m.; return is by 6:00 p.m. Contact the parish office at 535-2786 to RSVP or for further information.

**Attention Camp Stella Maris Camper Alumni**

Were you a CSM camper between 1926-1969? We’d love to have you back to camp for our 2019 alumni gathering on **Tuesday, June 25th!** We are hoping to show our camper alumni everything that’s changed, and everything that’s remained the same about CSM over the years. We will be hosting two gatherings that day; a breakfast from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. and a dinner from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Please RSVP to either event by calling 585-346-2243 or emailing [samantha@campstellamaris.org](mailto:samantha@campstellamaris.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 need of all food items and especially asks for canned fruit for the month of June. For your convenience, please place all donations in the cart located across from the bulletin board. Thank you for your generosity!

**Caring for God’s Creation**

The average U.S. worker uses about 500 throw-away cups per year. Please try to bring a reusable cup with you and please try to avoid foam cups. Coffee shops are often willing to fill your reusable cup rather than using a throw-away cup. *“Many things have to change course, but it is we human beings above all who need to change.”* ~ Pope Francis

**A Look Back and a Look Forward on Climate Change**

Despite challenges to addressing climate change in this current political climate, the US Catholic community advocated significant steps to support our brothers and sisters around the world in building greater resilience to climate shocks and the changing climate that disproportionately affect those living in poverty. We helped motivate 88 members in the House of Representatives to join the Climate Solutions Caucus. We also helped to reauthorize the Farm Bill which maintained and improved international food security programs that promote sustainable farming practices and the care of the earth, our common home.

Let our U.S. House Representative Tom Reed (654-7566) know you are concerned about climate change/disruption here at home and globally. Ask if he joined the Caucus?

**MINISTERIAL STAFF**

- Rev. Christopher E. Linsler**, Pastor
- Rev. Richard F. Kajiru**, In Residence
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- 816 West Broad Street ..... (607)-739-8214
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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**  
**Summer Intensive Program**

Our Summer Intensive Religious Education program is scheduled for **July 8 - 19**, (Monday through Friday) from 9:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. for grades 1 - 7. This is an intensive program and students must be available to attend class daily, both weeks. Registration forms can be found in the church vestibule on the shelves next to the bulletin board, or requested electronically from the Faith Formation Office.

**Please note:** Young people entering 8th grade in the fall and have completed the 7th grade religion program will be eligible to begin Confirmation preparation in September. Registration forms for Confirmation preparation are also available on the bulletin board in the church vestibule.

If you have any questions about the summer program or our school year faith formation programs, please contact the Faith Formation office at 739-8214 or email us at [smomfaithformation@gmail.com](mailto:smomfaithformation@gmail.com).

**Youth Group News**

Calling all students **entering grade 5 through high school** - you are invited to attend our last Youth Group meeting of the year on **Sunday, June 30th** from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. in O'Brien Hall. This summer themed event will combine faith, food, and weather permitting, some outdoor fun! Sign-up sheets will be available during the meeting for our summer service opportunities (sorting food at the Food Bank and helping serve lunch through the Summer Lunch in the Park Program). A \$2.00 donation is appreciated to offset the cost of food. To help us prepare, please RSVP via email to [smomfaithformation@gmail.com](mailto:smomfaithformation@gmail.com) or call 739-8214. We hope you are able to kick off your summer with us!



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