



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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March 15, 2020

2020 LENTEN SCHEDULE

DAILY MASSES:

Monday through Friday: 6:45 a.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

3:30 p.m. - Saturdays

12:00 p.m. - Wednesday, April 1st -

Diocesan Day of Penance

(Sacrament available until 7:00 p.m.)

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

1:30 p.m. - Fridays with St. Mary Our
Mother School when school
is in session

5:30 p.m. - Fridays of Lent

*St. Mary Our Mother School Living
Stations*

Friday, March 27 - 1:30 & 5:30 p.m.



REFLECTION

The Samaritan woman said to Him, "How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked Him and He would have given you living water." - Jn 4:9a, 10

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

We give the definition of ourselves over to so many things. We allow our society, friends, family, work, social groups, ethnicity, and even institutions define, classify, and color how we perceive ourselves. When we listen predominantly to the voices of others, we lose touch with what is happening within our own inner voice. If we listen carefully within, we can easily discover that we are in want and need. We know our incompleteness and also know that loneliness, sadness, and self-images can propel us outward in attempts to fill those gaps. We can become not only victims of our own prejudices but can find ourselves overly self-indulgent in things that can only satisfy for a short time, if at all.

It is no wonder that money and power are things that are so fervently sought after. As long as we can keep a steady supply going, the illusion of fulfillment and satisfaction can falsely persuade us as craftily as a master magician's act. We live with illusions not truth. Whether we admit it, the lies we live and pursue will ultimately expose our superficiality. We all have to wrestle with who we are and what gives our lives purpose and meaning. Learn to listen more deeply, not to what others are saying about you, but to what God is echoing in your heart.

We can easily get confused and misunderstand, not only about who we are but who God is. Even the disciples and the Samaritan woman at the well missed the point Jesus was trying to make. There is only one Person who can satisfy the deepest yearnings and longings of our hearts — Jesus the Messiah. We continue to resist acknowledging this and are happier in our world of misunderstanding and illusion. The life-giving water we truly need doesn't come from the source of a well but from the Source of Life. Only God can reveal the truth of our sinfulness, the superficiality of our pursuits, and the illusions we hold so dear. Only Jesus can save us from ourselves and give us what we really need. If only our heads can catch up with where our hearts know they need to be, then will we find real contentment and life!

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WEEKLY CALENDAR**Monday, March 16**

5:00 PM Mary Queen of Peace - chapel

7:00 PM Knights of Columbus - school

Tuesday, March 17

3:45 PM Religious Education - school

3:45 PM RCIA - school

Thursday, March 19

2:45 PM Children's Choir - church

Friday, March 20

9:45 AM Ladies Prayer group - rectory

5:30 PM Stations of the Cross - church

Saturday, March 21

9:30 AM Home Study group - school

3:30 PM Sacrament of Penance - church

Sunday, March 22

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

Amory Houghton

Douglas Robbins

MEMORIALS**Sanctuary Candle:***For the special intention of the Joanne & Bill Cleary family - Pat Madison***Votive Candle:***Happy Birthday in Heaven, Christine Jansen - her family***Eucharistic Hosts & Sacramental Wine:***In loving memory of LCP Michael J. Sawester - Joan & Barry Sawester***EASTER FLOWERS**

The flower sign-up sheets for the Easter season are available on the church bulletin board. The deadline to sign up for Easter flowers is next **Sunday, March 22nd**. Your continuing donation of flowers is greatly appreciated.

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 - March 22, 2020****FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9:1-41, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

IN OUR PARISH**Cemetery Cleanout and Cleanup**

Twice a year, a cleanout and a cleanup of our cemetery is done. All winter decorations are to be removed by today. If you have items you do not wish to have discarded, please remove them by today. Thank you!

St. Mary Our Mother School Registration

St. Mary Our Mother School is accepting student registrations 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: student's 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.

Lenten Regulations

During Lent, the regulations for fast and abstinence are: **all Fridays of Lent** are days of **abstinence**. **Good Friday** is a day of **fasting**;

All persons who are fourteen years of age or older are bound by the law of abstinence;

All persons between the ages of 18 and 59, inclusive, are bound by the law of fasting;

Catholics are especially encouraged to perform acts of penance during the season of Lent.

Abstinence - refrain from eating meat at all meals that day.

Fasting - only one full meal, the other two meals small enough that together they do not equal one full meal.

The season of Lent began on Ash Wednesday and continues through to Holy Thursday. Good Friday has its own rule of fast and abstinence.

Do You Know...?

Do you know that our parish has a lending library right in our church building? It includes a vast collection of religious books on a wide variety of topics such as faith, Scripture, Mary and the saints, Eucharist, forgiveness, family life, the Catholic Church and more. The books, which are arranged by topic, are located in the west end of the vestibule on the book cases across from the reconciliation rooms.

Lent is a special time where we are called to spiritual growth. A book on a religious topic might be a great companion on your Lenten journey. It can act as a springboard for reflection and prayer and might just be what you need to enrich and refresh your faith this Lenten season. Take time to browse through the books and choose one to take home. When you are done with the book, just return it to the bookshelf.

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

In the Lenten schedule published on the front cover of our bulletin, you will notice the diocesan-wide *Day of Penance and Mercy* which is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 1st**. On that day, all parishes throughout the diocese will be "Open for Forgiveness," affording people an opportunity to celebrate the **Sacrament of Penance** individually. A priest will be available for this sacrament in church from 12:00 to 7:00 p.m.

If you haven't celebrated the Sacrament of Penance recently, you may be wondering how to examine your conscience. You can use the Ten Commandments as a guide, or read the Sermon on the Mount in the gospel of Matthew, chapters five to seven. Another way would be to reflect on the four-fold relationships in your life; your relationship with God, yourself, others and the world.

Regarding your **relationship with God**, are you praying regularly? Do you read the scriptures regularly? Is Sunday Mass a priority in your week's schedule? Do you try to live your life with an attitude of thanksgiving since God is the source of all we have? Are you deepening the spiritual side of your life with a strong daily relationship with God?

Regarding your **relationship with yourself**, are you taking good care of your health, physically, emotionally, and intellectually? Do you abuse food, alcohol or drugs? Do you develop and use your talents God has given you, no matter how great or small you may consider them to be? Do you nurture healthy and honest friendships and personal relationships? Have you committed yourself to some volunteer work or service that gets you outside yourself and gives you a purpose, something that will benefit others in need?

Regarding your **relationship with others**, what is the quality of your relationship with family members, co-workers, fellow students, or the people you associate with every day? Is there someone you need to forgive or ask for forgiveness? Do you speak to friend and foe alike with respect and charity, or do you gossip and pass along mere rumors and innuendos? Are you just in your dealings with others? Have you honored the commitments you have made to others in marriage and family life, in business, in the parish? Are you committed to building a strong sense of community in your neighborhood, community, workplace, and parish?

Regarding your **relationship with the world**, do you recognize that you are part of something larger than yourself, and try to live responsibly in light of that fact? Are you an active member in the social and political processes, like neighborhood associations, schools, voting, and other causes which support a healthy way of life for all and the common good? Do you play your part in caring for the earth and its natural resources? Do your actions witness to a lifestyle in which others are more important than yourself? Do you share your time, talent, and treasure with people who are in need in a spirit of real joy and thanksgiving?

These thoughts do not cover everything, but they should get us started. The living of our faith is a constant challenge and proposition. At any time, sin can filter into any aspect of relationships in our lives, with a need to recognize the sin and root it out. I hope these questions

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, March 16 - Lenten Weekday

6:45 AM Jennie Joy - husband, Roger

Tuesday, March 17 - Lenten Weekday

6:45 AM Members of Ordination Class of March 17, 1945

Wednesday, March 18 - Lenten Weekday

6:45 AM Teri Guardi - her family

Thursday, March 19 - St. Joseph, Spouse of The Blessed Virgin Mary

6:45 AM Mildred Mazur - Margaret Clark-Plaskie

Friday, March 20 - Lenten Weekday

6:45 AM Bryan Lanahan - his family

Saturday, March 21 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM For the Faithful Departed

5:00 PM Tony Baccile - his family

Sunday, March 22 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30 AM Don Zelko - Peggy, children & grand children

10:30 AM Howard Coddington - Bob & Theresa Bower

5:00 PM Regional Mass - St. Patrick

offer you some food for reflection and thought, helping to identify where sin might be present in our lives. And once free from sin, we will be able to more fully embrace God's life as His beloved children.

Next week, I hope to address some frequently asked questions about the Sacrament of Penance, as we prepare for the diocesan *Day of Penance and Mercy*.

Have a great week. Let us be aware of God's merciful presence as we continue to journey through Lent. See you in church!

Fr. L.



The second collection NEXT weekend, **March 21 & 22**, will be for Catholic Relief Services, which carries out the commitment of the Bishops of the United States to assist the poor and vulnerable overseas.

As part of the universal mission of the Catholic church, we work with local, national and international Catholic institutions and structures, as well as other organizations, to assist people on the basis of need, not creed, race or nationality.

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REGIONAL EVENTS

We Journey Through Lent Week #3 with CRS Rice Bowl

This third week of Lent we focus on food. We all need food to nourish us and keep us healthy. Without food, children find it hard to concentrate in school, help at home, or even to play. Jesus often shared meals with friends and even strangers and teaches us to be generous with what we have.

This third week of Lent in our video entitled, “Time To Eat” we meet Yvone from Kenya. Yvone’s aunt participated in a Catholic Relief Services nutrition class where she learned the importance of trying to vary the diet by including, when possible, more vegetables and fruit with the traditional cornmeal eaten at most meals. When a family is unable to afford fruit or vegetables, other families in the village share ingredients - they share what they can. To learn more about CRS Rice Bowl go to www.crsricebowl.org. Watch the CRS videos on the website or go to YouTube and put “time to Eat CRS” in the search bar.

Italian American Veterans Club Fish Dinner

The Italian American Veterans Club, 1070 Magee Street, Elmira will have Friday night fish dinners every Friday from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. through Good Friday, April 10th. Choices include: fried fish, baked fish, mac & cheese, fish sandwich, and chicken tenders. Children’s portions and take outs are available.

Notre Dame High School

Notre Dame High School is now accepting applications for the 2020/2021 school year. The school offers students in grades 7 through 12 a comprehensive educational experience while supporting student growth through leadership, service, and athletic programs. Apply online at notredamehighschool.com. Prospective students can visit and tour the school as well as attend classes. For further information, contact Brett Moore at 734-2267, option 9.

40 Days for Life

Do you think you can do more to end the scourge of abortion? One of the most proven, effective means to decrease abortion is 40 Days for Life. Since its inception, over 16,700 babies have been saved from abortion! Take part in the “40 Days for Life” Rochester Campaign from now through **April 5th**. Through prayer and fasting embrace human life and promote the end of abortion. For info, visit www.40daysforlife.com/Rochester or contact Rick Paoletti at 585-489-9555 or Roc40DFL@gmail.com.

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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

In re Diocese of Rochester
Case No. 19-20905

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, On September 12, 2019, the Diocese of Rochester (“Diocese”) filed for protection under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy Code”).

The Bankruptcy Court has established **August 13, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.** (prevailing Eastern time) as the deadline to file proofs of claim against the Diocese (the “Bar Date”).

If you have a claim against the Diocese, including, without limitation, a claim related to sexual abuse committed by any person connected with the diocese, you must file a claim on or before the Bar Date.

Please visit <https://case.stretto.com/rochesterdiocese> or call (855) 347-3773 for more information on how to file your proof of claim.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE A PROOF OF CLAIM, YOU MAY FORFEIT YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE ON ANY PLAN OF REORGANIZATION AND TO SHARE IN ANY DISTRIBUTIONS MADE TO CREDITORS IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEBTOR’S CHAPTER 11 CASE.

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