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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.



816 West Broad Street, Horseheads, New York
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February 5, 2023



5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden." - Mt 5:14

WEEKLY CALENDAR:**Sunday, February 5:**

5:00 p.m.—Confirmation Year 2

Tuesday, February 7:

3:45 p.m.—Religious Education-school

7:00 p.m.—Hands of Christ recognition ceremony—church

Saturday, February 10:

3:30 p.m.—Sacrament of Penance—church

Wednesday, February 15:

6:00 p.m.—Saint Mary Our Mother School Open House

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST:

David Padgett

**MEMORIAL:**

The Eucharistic Breads or Hosts for the week of February 5—February 11, 2023 have been donated in memory of Lyn Nalbach by Fran Beering.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Any one of our regular scheduled Masses may be offered for a specific intention—in memory of a deceased person, for a sick person's recovery, a special birthday, a special anniversary or other occasions.

Please call the parish office at 739-3817 to request your Mass.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

We are in the process of updating the names of those who have served as Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist prior to Covid-19. If you have previously served as a Eucharistic Minister, either in church or to nursing and private homes, and wish to resume this ministry, please contact the parish office at 607-739-3817.

**WEEKLY READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5TH.****Sunday:** Is 58:7-10/Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1

Cor 2:1-5/Mt 5:13-16

Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c/Mk 6:53-56**Tuesday:** Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 7:1-13**Wednesday:** Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc - 30/Mk 7:14-23**Thursday:** Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mk 7:24-30**Friday:** Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7/Mk 7:31-37**Saturday:** Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13/Mk 8:1-10**Next Sunday:** Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 (1b)/1 Cor 2:6-10/ Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20- 22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37**OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 5th.****Sunday:** 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**Monday:** St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs**Tuesday:****Wednesday:** St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin**Thursday:****Friday:** St. Scholastica, Virgin**Saturday:** Our Lady of Lourdes**Next Sunday:** 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Marriage Day

St. Mary Our Mother School is accepting student registrations for the 2023-2024 school year for grades pre-k3 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: a birth certificate, baptismal certificate, immunization records and a completed parish commitment form for members of the parish. The non-refundable registration fee is \$150.00 per family. Both before and after school care are available. For further information, call the school office at 739-9157 during school hours from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m..

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE:

This past week's observance of Catholic Schools Week also marked the beginning of registration for current student of **St. Mary Our Mother School** for the 2023-24 academic year. Registration for all new students to our school will begin on Tuesday, February 14th. If you know of families who have children three years of age through the sixth grade by this September, now is the time to contact our school office to arrange a visit and tour. After all, this visit could make all the difference in your child's life and education.

The following are some **"Did You Know"** facts about St. Mary Our Mother School.

We offer pre-school for children ages 3-4, as well as elementary education and faith based education through grade six, (these formative years provide the strongest educational foundation for our children), facilitating the importance of life-long learning.

We promote the intellectual, personal, social, and spiritual growth of each student.

We provide a safe and welcoming, yet challenging and loving faith based environment for children of all faiths. (15% of our current families who have chosen St. Mary Our Mother School actively practice a faith other than Catholicism).

Our current enrollment is 146 students, and enrollment trends indicate increasing enrollment likely for the next decade.

A multi-cultural student body, with children from numerous ethnic/racial backgrounds. Such an environment instills acceptance and appreciation for all people, and encourages our children to focus on things we have in common.

Character traits of respect, kindness, trustworthiness, fairness, responsibility, and citizenship are taught to every student every day, helping to instill these traits and values in each student. Each day begins with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance and concludes with prayer and reflection.

Our faculty and staff are dedicated, caring and effective people, many with multiple New York State certifications and also remain active with their ongoing professional development. Several of our staff have enrolled their children here because they have seen the academic successes St. Mary Our Mother School provides.

Technology literacy and proficiency begins in Kindergarten.

Financial assistance is available for students. No child will be refused a St. Mary Our Mother School education due to a family's inability to pay.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Monday,	February 6—St. Paul Miki & Companions-martyrs
6:45 A.M.	Loretta Deats—Bob and Judi Pichette
Tuesday,	February 7—Weekday
6:45 A.M.	Roberta Belletti—Marion O'Driscoll
Wednesday,	February 8—Weekday
6:45 A.M.	Robert Rohde—Joyce and Dick Pirozzolo
Thursday,	February 9—Weekday
6:45 A.M.	The Faithful Departed
Friday,	February 10— St. Scholastica-Virgin
6:45 A.M.	Carl Gross—Joan and Dan Hurley
Saturday,	February 11—Weekday
5:00 P.M.	Sue Carpenter—Jackie and Warren Conklin
Sunday,	February 12, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30 A.M.	Norm Jarvis—Mary and Jim Carr and family
10:30 A.M.	Barbara Dailey—Jack and Lorraine Williams

Pastors perspective continued:

Our school has been an integral part of our community since 1959; with some of our students being the 2nd or 3rd generation families who have attended our school.

We continue to be blessed to have St. Mary Our Mother School an integral part of both our parish and greater community. If you are considering our school for your child, please call the school office to arrange a visit and tour. After all, this visit could make all the difference in your child's life.

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

Fr. L.

HANDS OF CHRIST AWARD

We warmly welcome **Bishop Salvatore Matano** to St. Mary Our Mother this week as he presides at the Hands of Christ recognition service for high school senior recipients, their families and friends throughout the Southern Tier. This recognition service will take place on **Tuesday, February 7th, at 7:00 p.m.** in church, with a reception sponsored by our Parish Life Committee following the service in O'Brien Hall. You are cordially invited to attend the Hands of Christ recognition service.

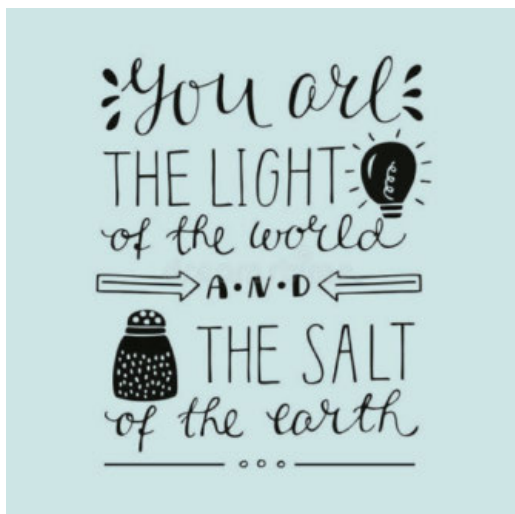
A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT:

What does it mean to be salt and light? If we listen carefully to Jesus' words, we gain some direction. To be salt means to bring taste, zest, and joy to life. We are asked to liven things up a bit by allowing the joy of our faith to spill over into the lives of others. Only a sincere and deep relationship with God can freshen up humanity and set it on proper course. To be light means that our faith must translate into action so that we can be Christ for others and extend the same arm of mercy and compassion that Christ did. Our acts of piety, then, cannot be directed solely at ourselves. Prayer is never about self-benefit but must always be directed toward union with God, deepening our relationships with one another and learning how to be effective stewards of the beautiful universe God has entrusted to our care.

The Master gives us wise direction in terms of how we can best become the salt and light He desires. Listen carefully to the Beatitudes. Think about the oppression and alienation that exists in our world, the violence and prejudice, the anger and the hatred, the fear and the shame. All of these things require action. The poor need food, housing, and clothes. Hatred must be replaced by love. Retaliation and violence by forgiveness. Our thoughts and speech can become more like Christ. We can change and continue to change. Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman said, "To live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often."

But it doesn't end with just offering the bandages needed to heal wounds. It must go deeper. We must ask ourselves what has happened that we have found ourselves in this place with these wounds and divisions. What are their causes? Together we must address these systemic problems, politically and spiritually, and face the truth. Only then will we truly be salt and light. But then again, we may not like what the light shows us.

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**ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:**

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun made a note, and posted on the apple tray, "Take only one. God is watching." Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. One child whispered to another, "Take all you want. God is watching the apples."

A priest was hearing confessions at a Catholic school class, and the first kid said: "I would like to confess that I threw peanuts in the river". Then the second kid confessed the same sin "I threw peanuts in the river". Then the third, fourth, and so on, until the last kid came to confess. The priest asked: "Tell me, did you happen to throw peanuts in the river?" "NO father!" he answered. "Peanuts is my nickname."

Going Down!!—As the storm raged, the captain realized his ship was sinking fast. He called out, "Anyone here know how to pray? One man stepped forward. "Aye, Captain, I know how to pray." Good," said the captain, "you pray while the rest of us put on our life jackets — we're one short."

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Sunday, February 5, 2023—Our Lady of Guadalupe @ 2p.m. (Marion)-Spanish

Sunday, March 5, 2023—Emmanuel Church of the Deaf @ 11:30 a.m.. (Rochester)-Sign.

Sunday, April 16, 2023—St. Stanislaus @ 11:00 a.m. Mass - 2:00 p.m. Adoration (Rochester)-Polish.

Come earn your wings with further opportunities to be announced. For more information contact: Mark Capellazzi at Mark.Capellazzi@dor.org.

VALENTINES FOR VETS

Valentines for Vets is a local project to support veterans at the Bath VA Medical Center. The purpose of this project is to wish veterans a Happy Valentines Day and thank them for their service. St. Mary Our Mother Social Ministry Committee has been involved in this project for many years. Although our participation looked different during Covid, we are able to once again invite the parish family to be involved in this project.

We asked that you create handmade cards or letters, thanking our veterans for their service., and wishing them a Happy Valentines Day. Please use the salutation, Dear Veteran or Thank You Veteran, and do not include last names or personal photos.

A red box has been placed on the table across from the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church to collect the valentines. Cards should not be in envelopes and are hand delivered to the veterans. Sample cards and any additional information are attached to the box. Thank You!




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