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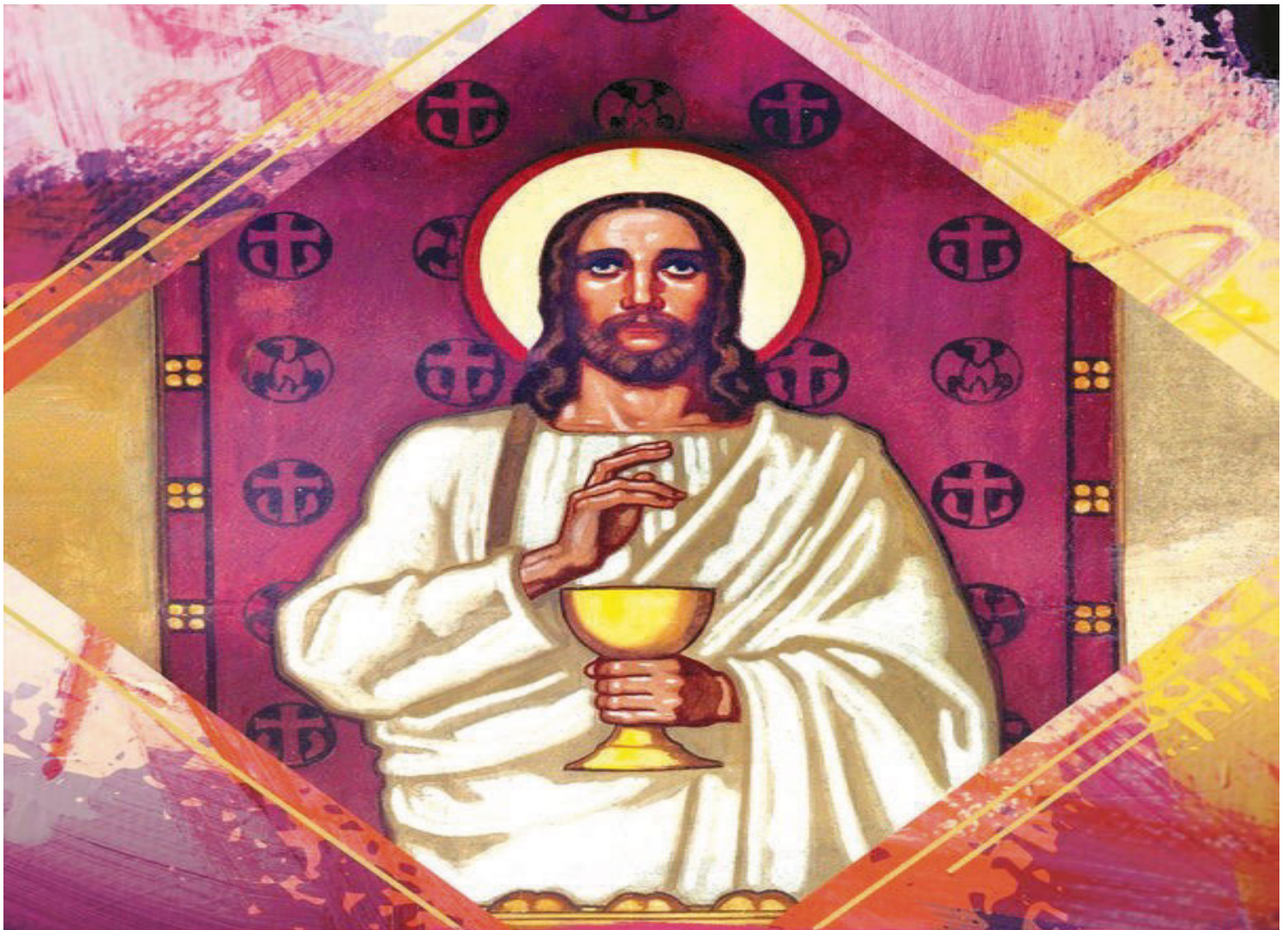
## *MISSION STATEMENT*

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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June 11, 2023



## THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

"This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever." - Jn 6:57-58

## WEEKLY CALENDAR:

### Thursday, June 15

7:00 p.m.—Adult Choir Rehearsal—church

### Saturday, June 17

3:30 p.m.—Sacrament of Penance—church

## MEMORIALS:

The Eucharistic Hosts and the Sacramental Wine for the week of June 11-17 have been donated in loving memory of Helen and Raymond Hower by their daughters.

The main altar flowers for the week of June 11-17 have been donated in thanksgiving for our 50 years of marriage—Denise and Robert Coon

## IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST:

Theresa Beebe  
Martin (Marty) Sullivan  
Marilyn Terkoski  
Mary Claire Wilson



## WOUNDED HEALERS' BEREAVEMENT

The Wounded Healers' Bereavement Support Group Meeting will be offered this Tuesday, June 13, at 7:00 p.m., in person, at St. Mary Our Mother School, 811 Westlake St., Horseheads, NY. After entering the school driveway, bear left toward the playground. You will see the parking lot just ahead. Enter the school through the door across from the playground. You may wish to have a picture or two of your loved one who died or a memento of significance. A conversation starter can be whatever anyone might wish to share about the unique and precious connection you experienced with your loved one. Each one has a personal grief journey so we are open to listening, and are careful to not dogmatize. We welcome those who are grieving the death of a loved one to this sharing; as you are each hoping to find encouragement, insight, and normalization from each other. ALL are welcome. We strive to provide a safe, confidential, and open place where our motto remains, "We see healing in the very act of helping.



## QR Giving Code

## Readings for the week of June 11, 2023

**Sunday:** Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 (12)/1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58  
**Monday:** 2 Cor 1:1-7/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 5:1-12  
**Tuesday:** 2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135/Mt 5:13-16  
**Wednesday:** 2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9/Mt 5:17-19  
**Thursday:** 2 Cor 3:15—4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 5:20-26  
**Friday:** Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10 (see 17) Jn 4:7-16/Mt 11:25-30  
**Saturday:** 2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/  
Lk 2:41-51  
**Next Sunday:** Ex 19:2-6a/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 (3c)/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36—10:8

## Observances for the week of June 11, 2023

**Sunday:** The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ  
**Monday:**  
**Tuesday:** St. Anthony of Padua  
**Wednesday:** Flag Day  
**Thursday:**  
**Friday:** The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus  
**Saturday:** The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Next Sunday:** Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time; Father's Day

## A STEWRADSHIP MOMENT

St. Joseph is one of the greatest examples of stewardship we have in the Gospels. Here is a man who understands care and reverence for the property of God, a man chosen to be steward over the very life and breath of God's Son and Spouse.

Joseph was mindful. He recognized what belonged to God. When he understood that Mary was to be the mother of God, he was not jealous or bitter. He did not presume to claim ownership over her.

Joseph was prayerful. He accepted the opportunity to be in relationship with God, even if it was in a radical and unexpected way. How many of us would trust a crazy dream we have where an angel tells us our fiancée is carrying the Son of God? Well, those of us who are already profoundly connected to God through prayer. Joseph was open to receiving God, and so he was open to the truth in a way many of us would not have been. Joseph was gracious. Even before he had full understanding of the situation, he was unwilling to expose Mary to shame. He did not give himself over to feelings of betrayal. *Continued on page 4*



## PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE:

This is the time of year when many of our college students are graduating from various colleges and universities. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to all our college graduates! It is also a time when those who serve in leadership positions in the Church are celebrating anniversaries of their service to the people of God.

In the May issue of the *Catholic Courier*, many priests, deacons, and religious who are celebrating milestones were listed. **Monsignor Gerard Krieg**, the former pastor of St. Stephen Church in Geneva is celebrating 70 years of ordained service. **Father F. James Lawlor**, who served as pastor of St. Mary Church in Rochester, and St. Catherine of Siena Church, Mendon is observing 60 years of service. Four diocesan priests are observing 55 years of service, two have local connections to our area. Among them are **Fathers Richard and Robert Beligotti**, originally from Watkins Glen. **Father Richard Beligotti** served as pastor of St. Charles Borromeo parish in Elmira Heights from 1989-1994, as well as an associate pastor at St. Mary Our Mother in 1981. **Father Robert Beligotti's** first priestly assignment was at St. Charles Borromeo Church in Elmira Heights, and later served at St. Mary Church, Elmira. **Father Charles Latus** is the pastor emeritus of St. Rita parish in Webster and served as Priest Secretary to our late Bishop Matthew H. Clark. **Father James Schwartz**, the final member of the Ordination Class of 1968 currently serves as pastor of Holy Spirit parish and St. Joseph parish, both in Penfield.

Those priests marking 50 years of service are **Father Joseph A. Hart**, former Vicar General of our diocese, and currently pastor of Our Lady Queen of Peace and St. Thomas More parishes in Rochester, and **Father Francis Jones, C.Ss.R.**, on the staff of the Notre Dame Retreat House in Canandaigua.

The ordination year of 1978, of which I am a member, is observing 45 years of service. This class includes **Father John A. DeSocio**, an Elmira native and pastor emeritus of St. Mary Church, Elmira. **Father Robert J. Schrader**, pastor emeritus of Peace of Christ parish, Rochester (a parish cluster of three churches, St. Ambrose, St. James, and St. John the Evangelist.) **Father John F. Gagnier**, parochial administrator of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton parish in Hamlin, who later this month will become the parochial administrator of Holy Cross, **Dryden**, **St. Anthony**, Groton, and All Saints in Lansing. **Father Leo J. Reinhardt**, pastor of Our Lady of the Lakes, Penn Yan.

Two of our diocesan priests are celebrating 40 years of ordained service. **Father Robert J. Bourcy** is currently serving as pastor of St. Catherine of Siena, Mendon and the Church of the Transfiguration, Pittsford. Father Patrick L. Connor, served here at St. Mary Our Mother from 1989 to 1992, is currently the pastor of St. Isidore & Maria Torribia parish in Addison.

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

<b>Monday:</b> 6:45 A.M.	<b>June 12-Weekday</b> Carol Wawrzusin—Raymond
<b>Tuesday:</b> 6:45 A.M.	<b>June 13- St. Anthony of Padua</b> Joseph Price—Ann Gresock and family
<b>Wednesday:</b> 6:45 A.M.	<b>June 14-Weekday</b> Stephen and Gloria Costello—family
<b>Thursday:</b> 6:45 A.M.	<b>June 15-Weekday</b> John and Adele Leonard—their family
<b>Friday:</b> 6:45 A.M.	<b>June 16-The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</b> Mary Amisano—husband, Guy and family
<b>Saturday:</b> 5:00 P.M.	<b>June 17-The Immaculate Heart of Mary</b> For all Fathers, living and deceased
<b>Sunday:</b> 8:30 A.M. 10:30 A.M.	<b>June 18-Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> For All Fathers, living and deceased For All Fathers, living and deceased

## Pastor's Perspective continued:

Others celebrating jubilees in 2023 that you may know, are the following:

35 Years	<b>Father Timothy T. Brown</b>
30 Years	<b>Fathers Stephen Karani, Lee Chase, Lance Gonyo, Philip Judge, Brian Cool, Malachy Eloo, Nwosu.</b>
25 Years	<b>Fathers Michael Mayer, Timothy Niven, Augustine Chumo</b>
15 Years	<b>Father Edison Tayag</b>
10 Years	<b>Fathers Michael Costik, Peter Mottoloa</b>
5 Years	<b>Father Jeffrey Chichester</b>

The *Catholic Courier* also featured in its May issue a number of permanent deacons, as well as vowed religious of the Sisters of Mercy and Sisters of St. Joseph, many of whom served in our area. We offer them our congratulations and best wishes.

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

Fr. L

## Pope Francis on Joy:

"Instead of imposing new obligations, Christians should appear as people who wish to share their joy, who point to a horizon of beauty and who invite others to a delicious banquet."

"Be courageous in suffering and remember that after the Lord will come; after, joy will come, after the dark comes the sun. May the Lord give us all this joy in hope." "Christianity spreads through the joy of disciples who know that they are loved and saved."

## ACTION ALERT!



### Care for God's Creation—Plastic/Packaging Waste Reduction Legislation in New York State:

**BACKGROUND:** The New York State Legislature is considering legislation to reduce plastic waste by 50% over twelve years. The **Packaging Reduction and Recycling Infrastructure Act (A.5322 S.4246)** would require companies selling, offering for sale, or distributing, cover packaging materials and products, to reduce consumer packaging, improve recycling and recycling infrastructure, including supporting reusable and refill infrastructure, financially support municipal recycling programs, reduce toxins in packaging and require producers of products to bear the responsibility for end of life solutions to product packaging. Pope Francis mentions this idea of circular production where resources are reused/repurposed rather than simply discarded (Laudato Si).

Discarded plastic and other packaging is clogging landfills and no one knows how much plastic and other packaging waste ends up in the oceans threatening ocean ecosystems. If plastic had been invented when the Pilgrims sailed from England, and the Mayflower had been stocked with plastic wrapped snacks etc., their plastic trash would likely still be around now, four centuries later.

**ACTION NEEDED:** Please encourage our NYS Legislators to pass this bill before they adjourn for the summer. Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie and Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins are supporting passage. **Please contact Senator Thomas O'Mara ([omara@nysenate.gov](mailto:omara@nysenate.gov)) (607-735-9671) and your Assemblyman, either Christopher Friend ([friend@nyassembly.gov](mailto:friend@nyassembly.gov)), 607-562-3602 or Phillip Palmesano ([palmesano@nyassembly.gov](mailto:palmesano@nyassembly.gov)), 607-776-9691.**

**MESSAGE:** Please support passage of S.4246/A5322—The Packaging Reduction and Recycling Infrastructure Act during this session— to reduce plastic packaging waste. Provide your name and address.

### SUPPORT THE CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN.

Today we take up the collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign (CCC). Your support helps the CCC engage and build Catholic communities in the United States and around the world using the internet, television radio, print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the Diocese of Rochester to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the gospel message. Support the collection today! To learn more, visit [www.usccb.org/cc](http://www.usccb.org/cc).

## A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT CONTINUED:

Joseph was committed. He persevered. The Lord had no shortage of strange and even dangerous-sounding tasks for Joseph, but he submitted to each one.

Joseph was accountable. When he awoke from his dream, "he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him, and took his wife into his home."

Joseph was a man entrusted with many gifts, and he gave of them wisely. Let us pray that we have the grace to follow in his example.

### Saint Joseph Prayer:

St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interest and desires. O St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.



### MINISTERIAL STAFF

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## THE HORSEHEADS FOOD PANTRY:

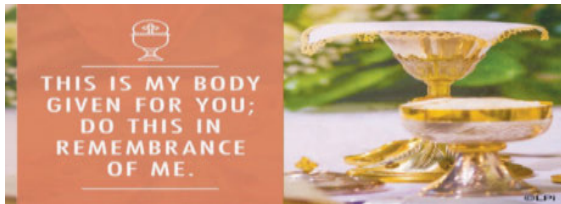


The Horseheads Food Pantry is in need of non perishable food and grocery items of all kinds. For your convenience, please place all donations in the cart located across from the bulletin board in the vestibule of the church.

Thank you for your generosity!

## FIND A MASS ANYWHERE:

Have you every been out of town and wishing you could find a Catholic Church? To locate a Catholic church anywhere worldwide, go to [www.TheCatholicDirectory.com](http://www.TheCatholicDirectory.com).



## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: Life is better when you are laughing in God's Love, Peace, and Grace:



## FUNNY THINGS KIDS SAY:

: Six-year Old Angie and her four-year-old brother Joel were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang, and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church." "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked. Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're **hushers**."

A teacher asked, "Who knows Jesus' mothers' name? A little boy said, "Verge". Confused the teacher asked, "where did you get that name?" The little boy said, "well you know they are always talking about the **Verge and Mary!**"




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