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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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July 9, 2023



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I
will give you rest." - Mt 11:28

WEEKLY CALENDAR:**Saturday, July 1**

3:30 p.m.—Sacrament of Penance—church

**MEMORIALS:**

The main altar flowers for the week of July 9–15, have been donated in loving memory of Carl Gross by his family.

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST:

Karl Balland
Joey Blide
John Heller
Remigia Zielinski

**BABY SHOWER THANK YOU!**

Our Social Ministry Committee extends a sincere thank you for the generous response to the Baby Shower. The baby items have been delivered to the Southern Tier Pregnancy and Resource Center along with the generous monetary donations. As always, the staff was very grateful to St. Mary Our Mother parishioners and they assured us that our charitable gifts will cover a wide-range of needs for mothers and their babies. A special thanks to the parishioner(s) who painstakingly quilted 50 baby quilts for this event. Thank you again for your generosity.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION:

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! Our contributions will join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Francis in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

WEEKLY READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 9-16:

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 / Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30
Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/ Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/ Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, and 15/ Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33
Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 9-16:

Sunday: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:
Tuesday: St. Benedict, Abbot
Wednesday:
Thursday: St. Henry
Friday: St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin
Saturday: St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Next Sunday: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**WOUNDED HEALERS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT**

The Wounded Healers' Bereavement Support Group meeting will be offered on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 7:30 p.m., in person at St. Mary Our Mother School, 811 Westlake St., Horseheads. Access to the building is through the school entrance located across from the lower end of the playground, to your right. You may want to bring a picture or a memento of significance. The discussion will revolve around what to bring to the grief journey. Each one has a personal grief journey so we are open to listen and careful to not dogmatize. We welcome all 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."**

PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE:

With the July 4th holiday still fresh in our minds, there is a good chance that many of you may have added a few extra days to your July 4th holiday and now are winding down from your **Independence Day** week's activities. This year commemorated the **247th anniversary** of the **Declaration of Independence**, and amidst our holiday celebrations, it is a good time to pause and thank God for all we have and are as a nation. The following quotes on patriotism celebrate our nation and love of country:

"Where liberty dwells, there is my country."
Benjamin Franklin

"He who loves his country best is one who strives to make it best." **Robert Ingersoll**

"Our country is not the only thing to which we owe our allegiance. It is also owed to justice and humanity. Patriotism consists, not in waving the flag, but in striving that our country will be righteous as well as strong." **James Bryce**

"I believe in America because we have great dreams and because we have the opportunity to make those dreams come true." **Wendell L. Wilkie**

"Everywhere immigrants have enriched and strengthened the fabric of American life".
President John F. Kennedy

"There is nothing wrong with America that the faith, love of freedom, intelligence, and energy of her citizens cannot cure."

President Dwight D. Eisenhower

"Our American values are not luxuries but necessities, not the salt in our bread, but the bread itself. Our common vision of a free and just society is our greatest source of cohesion at home and strength abroad, greater than the bounty of our material blessings." **President Jimmy Carter**

"If we ever forget that we are one nation under God, then we will be a nation gone under."
President Ronald Reagan

"America is known as a country that welcomes people to its shores: all kind of people."
Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg

"When you see the wrong of inequality or injustice, speak out, because this is your country. This is your democracy. Make it. Protect it. Pass it on."
Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall

MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: 6:45 A.M.	July 10-Weekday Deceased members of the Triano family—Costello family
Tuesday: 6:45 A.M.	July 11-St. Benedict, Abbot Devine Limoncelli—Diane Dominikoski
Wednesday: 6:45 A.M.	July 12-Weekday Mary Amisano—husband, Guy and family
Thursday: 6:45 A.M.	July 13-Weekday The Faithful Departed
Friday: 6:45 A.M.	July 14-St. Kateri Tekawitha Deceased members of the Mills family—family
Saturday: 5:00 P.M.	July 15-St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor Norm Jarvis—wife, Irene and family
Sunday: 8:30 A.M. 10:30 A.M.	July 16-Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Allen B. Caldwell Teri Guardi—Bob

Pastor's Perspective continued:

"I think of a hero as someone who understands the degree of responsibility that comes through their freedom." **Bob Dylan**

"Those who stand for nothing fall for anything."
Alexander Hamilton

"America. It is the only place where miracles not only happen, but they happen all the time."
Thomas Wolfe

"Patriotism is supporting your country all the time and your government when it deserves it."
Mark Twain

"The fact is, with every friendship you make, and every bond of trust you establish, you are shaping the image of America projected to the rest of the world."
Michelle Obama

"For things I have never regretted: First, my love of God; second, my love of family, God has given me the best family anyone could ask for; third, my love of this country, we live in the greatest country in the world; and fourth, my love of the greatest sports organization in the world, the Dodgers!"

Tommy Lasorda

"My patriotic heart beats red, white, and blue."
Anonymous

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

Fr. L

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GOSPEL MEDITATION: July 9, 2023: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Do you ever feel restless? I certainly do. Daily tasks, challenges, and the more basic demand of simply existing sooner or later all feel crushing and tire us out.

This is why Jesus' words are such stunningly good news: "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). How vastly weird that this man speaks as though He is capable of giving us the deep repose we desire. Is His claim the height of absurd grandiosity? No, because next He immediately proclaims that He is "meek and humble of heart." We here touch a mystery: Jesus is capable of giving us rest because He is the one who forever reposes in the heart of God the Father. He is "yoked" to the Father in His divinity. But He is humbly "yoked" to us, sharing in our humanity.

The good news, my fellow tired-out friends: we don't have to despair in our burdens and exhaustion, no matter how heavy they feel. This week, join me in opening our hearts to hear Him say to us, "Come! I will give you rest." We come to Him in the Church, Eucharist, the Scriptures, prayer, in the poor. There He will give us rest.

— Father John Muir

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE:

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: July 10-13, 2023
9 a.m. to 12:00 Noon in the school. This program is for children in grades pre-k through 6th grade. Pre-registration is required. For more information and registration form, contact Amanda Reeves or Lily Barr at the Faith Formation Office at 607-739-8214 or email—Amanda.Reeves@dor.org.



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 main vestibule of the church.

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Our 6th grade students have truly excelled this past year! I am proud to recognize the following students for earning top honors:

Overall highest students average—**Isaac Ballard (98.4%)**.

Highest average in Religion—**Alivia Gowan (99.0%)**.

Highest average in English/Language Arts—**Isaac Ballard (97.75%)**.

Highest average in Mathematics—**Isaac Ballard (99.25%)**.

Highest average in Social Studies—**Isaac Ballard (97.0%)**

Highest average in Science—**Isaac Ballard (98.5)**

The overall class average was **93.4%**

The NYS Triple “C” Awards (Commitment, Character, Courage) were awarded to **Rose Daly** and **Tyler Kimball**.

The Office of the State Comptroller of New York, Thomas P. DiNapoli, Award in recognition of hard work, dedication and success for academic excellence and civic commitment was awarded to **Morgan Adams and John Brand**.

President Joseph Biden’s Education Award for Outstanding Academic Excellence was awarded to **Isaac Ballard, Michael Gavin, Tyler Kimball and Alivia Gowan**.

Our heartfelt congratulations go out to all of the students on their individual achievements. They move on with our prayers for continued success as they enter the next phase of their lives.

Blessings always,
Heather Bill, School Principal

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:

1. What did God's people say when food fell from Heaven?
2. Which king liked to do things on his own?.
3. Which Bible character was super-fit (strong)?

(1) “Oh-man-na!” 2. *Solomon* 3. *Absalom*.

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