

St. Mary's Church—Evans Mills, NY
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Marriage: arrangements must be made a few months in advance **Baptism:** by appointment

Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confessions: Saturdays 3:00-3:45 PM (St. Mary's);
Sundays 8:30-8:45 AM (St. Mary's); 10:30-10:45 AM (St. Paul's) or by appointment

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat.	July 27	4:00 pm (SM)	For Dottie Kelley by Bruce and Joan Johnson
Sun.	July 28	9:00 am (SM)	Intention of Anna Delles by her Family
		11:00 am (SP)	For the People of the Parishes
Mon.	July 29	8:00 am (SM)	Thank you to St Jude by Denise Betterman
Tues.	July 30	8:00 am (SP)	NO MASS
Wed.	July 31	8:00 am (SM)	NO MASS
Thurs.	Aug. 1	8:00 am (SP)	For Denise Marshall by Geno & Helen Martini
Fri.	Aug. 2	8:00 am (SM)	For John Leahy by the Kilcer Family
Sat.	Aug. 3	4:00 pm (SM)	For John Kelly by Bruce and Joan Johnson
Sun.	Aug. 4	9:00 am (SM)	For the People of the Parishes
		11:00 am (SP)	For Margaret Lovejoy by Norman Lovejoy

From The Pastor

I would like to bring you up to date on what is happening to St. Theresa's and St. Joseph's. On Wednesday, July 24, the two places were appraised by a local appraiser as part of the process of listing them for sale. Once that is completed, they will be listed by Bridgeview Realty. I have sent to the priests of the diocese photos of items from both churches showing what is available to other parishes in the diocese. So far, from St. Joseph's: the hymn board has gone to St. Mary's Cathedral, the sanctuary candle and stand to St. Peter's in Hammond, two flags (Papal and USA) to St. John's in Morristown, the tabernacle to St. John's in Lyons Falls. From St. Theresa's: the votive candle stand and two processional candles to St. John's in Lyons Falls.

On the parish website (<http://rivercatholics.org>), I have published the 2018-2019 financial report (Events & News—>Financial Reports).

As I leave St. Theresa's, St. Joseph's and St. Mary's, I pray that the union of the three parishes will become even stronger in the months and years to come. It has been my privilege to be with you during this period of transition. I know that the transition has been unsettling for you especially with my unexpected transfer. Well, frankly, it has been a bit the same for me too. I am sure that you will warmly welcome Fr. Jazmines as he comes to minister in St. Paul's and St. Mary's. I was not able to take Snickers with me. In my new assignment, I will be away from the rectory for long periods of the day with no one else around. So, she will be staying in the area. You may see her on occasion. Again, from Snickers, Reggie (the cat), and myself, thank you for everything and God bless all of you.

Wisdom of G. K. Chesterton "These are the days when the Christian is expected to praise every creed except his own."

Please Pray for the Sick & Homebound, Especially: Josh Allen; Amanda Burnard; Don Briant; Susanne & John Bush; Randy Butler; Bernadette Call; Scott Carpenter; Jim Decker, Madeline Drake; Steven Garceau; Karen Hall; Suzanne Hall; Nicholas Heldt; Dillon Hesse; Amy Huff, Terrie Kirk, Sandra Kirkby, Fred Kocyla, Barbara Lawler, Jacqueline May, Leslie McKeever; Robert McKeever; Jill McMahon; Jan Mady Mareth, Laurie Pickert; Addison Rounds; Jeanne Watson, Alice Wood.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time --

"Give us each day our daily bread." Are you being called to help feed the people of God as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Talk to Monsignor Aucoin or Cathy Russell, the Diocesan Vocation Coordinator at (315)393-2920, ext. 1450/crussell@rcdony.org. See us also on Facebook or at www.myvocation.net.

FORMATION FOR MINISTRY

Is God calling you to ministry in your parish? The next Formation For Ministry group begins classes in September in West Chazy and Adams. Deadline to apply is August 25th. For more information, contact Cathy Russell at crussell@rcdony.org or call 315-393-2920 and ask for Cathy.

Parents' Day

Parents' Day is celebrated on the fourth Sunday of July each year (this year on July 28). It promotes the message that the role of the parent is important in human development, requiring investment, focus, and commitment.

Parents' Day can be traced back to 1994 when US President William Jefferson Clinton signed into law a resolution that made the fourth Sunday of July Parents' Day. The resolution was created to recognize, uplift and support the role of parents in rearing children.

The roots of the holiday, however, go back even further. This bill was endorsed by the Unification Church, a South Korean Christian Church that celebrates Parents' Day every year on May 8. In South Korea it is a national holiday, celebrated by the public as well as observed by the government. It was celebrated during the early 1930s until they started celebrating Mother's Day on May 8. When Mother's Day became a national holiday in 1956, people questioned why there wasn't a national holiday for fathers. Finally, on March 30, 1973, a national holiday was dedicated to both parents and was established as Parents' Day.

In the U.S., Parents' Day is not a national holiday, but a national observance. On this day many people take the time to show their parents respect, love and appreciation.

As St. Cyril of Jerusalem noted: "For us Christians, the first virtue of godliness is to honor our parents—to pay back the troubles of those who bore us, and to give them whatever comforts we can with all our strength. For if we repaid them as much as possible, we could still never pay them back for their gift of life. Then they will enjoy the comfort we provide . . . And then won't our Father in heaven accept our good intentions, and judge us worthy to 'shine like the sun in the Kingdom of our Father'." (Matthew 13:43)

Judy Pearson

JULY 28: SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **Readings: Gn 18:20-32/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13** Lord, teach us to pray... Who taught you to pray? So often we take for granted and somehow assume that people simply learn to pray by osmosis. After we have learned to say basic prayers as children, do you continue to grow and mature in prayer? Have we learned not just to say our prayers but to listen to the Word and then to respond. Do we in that dialog, learn to ask, seek and knock to receive all that is good through the gift of the Holy Spirit. Our Father knows what we need. Let us give him thanks and praise.

Marriage Jubilee Mass

The 2nd Annual Marriage and Consecrated Life Jubilee Mass is scheduled for Sunday, September 15 at 2:30 at St. Mary's Cathedral in Ogdensburg with a reception to follow. If a couple is interested in attending, please direct them to <https://www.rcdony.org/marriagejubilee> to register. Keep in mind some couples may not have a computer or internet access and may need assistance. The Jubilee will be published in eNotes, and a reminder, it can also be put in the bulletin. If you have any questions or concerns contact the Family Life Office.

PILGRIMAGE TO PHILADELPHIA, PA

St. Mary's and St. John's is conducting a Pilgrimage on Wednesday, September 18th and Thursday, September 19th to St. John Neumann Shrine and St. Katharine Drexel Shrine. Guided tours of both churches, mass with Father LaBaff and available time for visiting the museum/gift shop at St. John Neumann's Shine. Contact St. Mary's Rectory in Clayton (315-686-3398) for more information.

Immaculate Heart Central School's PreK-12 Open House!

August 13, 2019

6:00PM-8:00PM

High School Campus, 1316 Ives Street, Watertown
\$15 Off Your Registration Fee If You Register/Re-enroll at the Event!

NEW HOURS FOR ST. MARY'S FOOD PANTRY

Effective August 3, 2019 the hours will be :
Saturday from 10 AM to noon.
Afternoon hours are discontinued