

Parish News

Here is your weekly update. There are also attachments for this week.

Due to the 4th of July holiday, the Parish office will be closed.

Starting July 15th there will be a new Mass schedule. This decision was made due to the current needs but also to allow for modifications due to illness of other pastors that would require coverage for Masses at their Parishes. The new Mass schedule is as follows

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4PM
Sunday: 8am and 11am



Parish Festival

Parish Festival is set for August 2-4
There will be the flea market for 3 days
As well as the basket raffle
Polish Kitchen -Sunday August 4th
Fried Dough, Outdoor grill and regular raffle

The garages will be open July 1 for your flea market treasure. The new garage area will be open Mon-Fri 8am-63pm and Saturday noon to 5pm
Call Chris 315 768 4803

Stewardship-

Operating expenses for the Parish on a weekly basis are \$6,200.00 Collection.
Stewardship for June 16 Ordinary \$5536.00

Hope Appeal

2nd Collection at weekend Masses is for the Hope Appeal and will continue in order for the Parish to reach the 2024 Goal
Goal \$38,468.00 Received to date \$32,768.02

Parish Giving-

The Parish is pleased to introduce "Enhancing Stewardship through Electronic Funds Transfer. It is convenient no more searching for a checkbook or Sunday morning stops at the ATM. To excess simply Log on the parish website www.sacredheart-saintmary.org and click on the Parish Giving Log and follow the easy registration instructions. It is Secure.

Events at other Parishes in our area

Please remember we are all a Catholic Community and need to support each other.

Totus Tuus

Mary Mother Savior Parish
July 21-26

Day Program 1st grade to 6th Grade

9am-3pm

Cost is \$45 per child

You can register on line@ <https://Totustuus-2024-marymotherofour savior - dayprogram.evenbrite.com>

Evening Program

Sunday to Thursday 7pm-9pm

7th-12th Grade

Cost \$20 per teen

You can register on line@ <https://Totustuus-2024-marymotherofour savior - dayprogram.evenbrite.com>

Catholic Food for thought





Please remember that your child faith formation does not end with a year's program. Share your faith with your children until the 2024-2025 year begins in September. Attending Mass is a wonderful way to continue your family faith journey.

Remember God does not take a vacation.

The program for 2024-2-2025 has been completed and will be shown to Fr. Mark for approval.

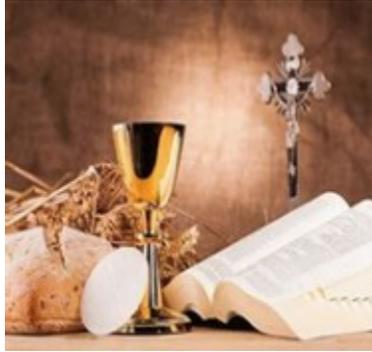
There was no change in the time for the Pre-K to 6th Grade and will be from 9:50 to 10:50 with families welcome to attend the 11am Mass. The program will be focused on more family Catechesis.

7 & 8 Grade will be held in the Parish from 12:15 to 1:15pm.

With the approval of Fr. Mark 9th & 10th Grade-Confirmation will be a block program offered thru the Greater Utica Area - Unlike last year where registration was on 1 form for all Parishes, this year, students will be required to sign up for 9th & 10th Grade Confirmation at the Parish.

The Faith Formation Program is looking for teachers assistants for the following grades, 1st Grade, 2nd Grade and 1 anf for 7 & 8 Grade. If you wish to help share your faith with the children of the Parish, please give a call. Anyone who will help will require Virtus training.

Contact me if you are interested. Lynn 315 527 8399



Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday @3:15PM prior to Mass

Saturday 4pm

Sunday's

7:30am 9AM and 11AM

Weekdays 12:15 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Friday.

There will no Mass on Thursday

Let's remember that as Catholics, the importance of attending Sunday Mass. At Mass we stand at mystically at the foot of the cross and witness for ourselves the same self-sacrifice of Jesus, in an unbloody manner. Mass is a celebration of this sacrifice. It is the active participation of all that come together in the place of worship.

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24

Responsorial Psalms: Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13

2nd Reading: 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15

Gospel: Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

While these are wonderful reflections, please remember that they are not to be a substitute for the wonderful sermons of Father or Deacon Kirk at Mass.

As always, I try to find wonderful reflections for this week's Gospel reading. I let the Holy Spirit guide me. This week has 2 small reflections on this weekend's Gospel.



There are two miracle stories in the gospel reading above. The first is the healing of the woman who was hemorrhaging for 12 years. The second is the healing of the daughter of Jairus, a leader of the synagogue. It is actually a tale within a tale, both imbued with disbelief to the point of laughter and at the same time filled with feelings of despondency to the point of mourning. In both stories, Jesus was sneered at.

For twelve long years, the woman suffered from chronic bleeding. There is no hope of healing or so it seems. Despondency is about to set in but then Jesus comes along. She just believed that with a touch of His clothes, she would be healed. Although she was physically weak, she found a way to accomplish her mission. With her strong faith, she got what she wanted and went home in peace.

The daughter of Jairus was dead before Jesus arrived. It is useless for Him to proceed to the house of Jairus. He is too late for His purpose. What else could be done? Nothing, the people thought. That is why they were mourning. Then Jesus spoke those words that were immediately met with ridicule: "The child is not dead but asleep". It is time to show God's power. With the words "Talitha koum", the little child became alive and there she was, walking around.

The two stories tell us never to underestimate the power and love of God. When all things seem hopeless, God comes to our rescue. We just have to believe that in Him, nothing is impossible (Matthew 19:26, Luke 1:37).

Or

In the gospel reading above, we witness the profound manner in which Jesus breaks social norms and intimately interacts with those in need. This passage teaches us a vital lesson: Jesus' love and power know no bounds of societal barriers or stigmas. He reaches out to the

marginalized, the overlooked, and those deemed unworthy by society, offering them not just healing, but dignity and compassion.

At a time when men and women are bound by tradition and custom to be separated in public, Jesus speaks to a woman in public, and not just any woman, but one considered unclean due to her bleeding. He also goes to the house of a dead girl, which could also cause ritual impurity. This shows that Jesus' ministry transcends societal barriers.

The woman suffering from bleeding, ostracized and alone, finds not only physical healing in Jesus but also an affirming, personal encounter. In a crowd, Jesus stops to recognize her, a gesture that restores her sense of worth and belonging. Similarly, in the case of Jairus' daughter, Jesus demonstrates a tender, personal approach, attending to the distraught family in their home, transforming their sorrow into joy.

These acts of Jesus remind us that everyone matters, regardless of their social standing or past. They encourage us to extend the same unconditional love and attention to those around us, recognizing the value and dignity in each person. Jesus' example challenges us to see beyond societal labels and to act with compassion and empathy, embodying the inclusive and personal nature of His love.

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This week's Saints of the week:

The saints are models of human excellence, perfected by the life of Christ and the communication of his Spirit. They demonstrate in their lives how to really live and how to really die. They consistently point to the horizon of love which leads to the fulfillment of all human desire: eternal communion with the Holy Trinity.

Jul 3rd -Feast of Saint Thomas, Apostle



While there is no faith formation until September. Below are reflections for the children until they return to the program in fall. There is an attachment for the families to use.

Theme : Jesus is powerful.

Object Gather objects that are soft, smooth, rough, bumpy, etc. (a pen, cotton ball, paper clip, stone, small orange) and put them into a paper bag.

Scripture:Mark 5:21-43

As you may know, we have five senses: sight, smell, hearing, taste, and touch. Each of these senses is very important to us. This morning we are going to test our sense of touch and discover the power that's ours in the sense of touch.

(Gather the children in a circle.) I have a bag full of different objects. Everyone will close their eyes, and I'll hand one of the objects to pass around the circle. Without looking, think about what the object is just by touching it.

(Have kids close their eyes, and then have them pass around one object.) I'll count to 3, and you'll shout out what you think the object is without opening your eyes. 1, 2, 3! (Pause.)
Open your eyes. It's a [name of object].

(Repeat the same process for each object. Invite kids to tell how they knew what each object was.)

The sense of touch is very important, isn't it? We can often tell what an object is by its size, shape, and texture -- all of which can be learned by using our sense of touch. In the Bible, Jesus showed His power through touch. We'll hear about two ways He used touch to help people. Since Jesus is showing His power through touch, whenever I say the word, "touch," you'll say, "Power!" and do this motion. (Demonstrate for kids how to hold their palms up and facing outward, shaking them like "jazz hands.")

One day Jesus was walking through a large crowd. The people were crowding around so that he could hardly move. There was a woman in the crowd who was not well; her body had been bleeding for 12 years. There wasn't even a doctor who could help her. But she thought Jesus could heal her. She thought, "If I could just get close enough to touch (pause) his robe, I would be healed." So she pushed through the crowd and did it! And she was immediately better!

When the woman touched Jesus, He felt the power go out of Him. When He found out who touched (pause) Him, He said, "Your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be free from your suffering."

At this same time, Jesus was actually on His way to help a church leader whose daughter was very sick. After the woman had touched (pause) Him, He learned the girl had died. Then He told everyone, "Have faith!" and He made His way to the church leader's home. When Jesus saw the people crying over the girl's death, He told them she was only sleeping. This made them laugh, but He still went and touched (pause) her hand and said a prayer. And she got up!

The power in Jesus' touch (pause) is amazing!

Dear God, we long to reach out and touch You and to feel Your power in our lives. Please help us see and feel Your power. In Jesus' name, amen.

Weekly Prayers

This Thursday we celebrate the 4th of July. This prayer is to remind us all to thank God for this nation and what we need to do for all God's people.





MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER PILGRIMAGE
August 10, 2024 - Niagara Falls, New York

Middle school youth are invited to visit Niagara Falls and the Fatima Shrine, ride the Maid of the Mist, and finish the day with Laser tag and pizza and wings at LASERTRON! This all-day event is open to youth entering grades 6 through 8.

The cost of the trip is \$65 per participant and includes all activities, a t-shirt, and dinner.

[Click here to register your group!](#)

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