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HOLY MASSES

Saturday Vigil – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday – 8:00 a.m.; 11:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. – Spanish

Daily – 7:00 a.m.

Holy Days – As announced in bulletin

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 a.m.-5 p.m.

(Closed Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday)

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM

Both parents are asked to attend the baptismal preparation class prior to the celebration of the sacrament. The ideal time to attend is during the pregnancy. Please call for an appointment.

MARRIAGES

Wedding arrangements should be made at least six months prior to the desired date. Call Rectory for an appointment.

SICK CALLS

Any time, day or night. Call the Rectory as soon as possible.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday 7:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. (concludes with Evening Prayer)

First Fridays 7:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. (concludes with Evening Prayer and Benediction of Blessed Sacrament)

YOUNG ADULTS

Upon reaching their 19th birthday should assume their own identity by registering with the parish.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

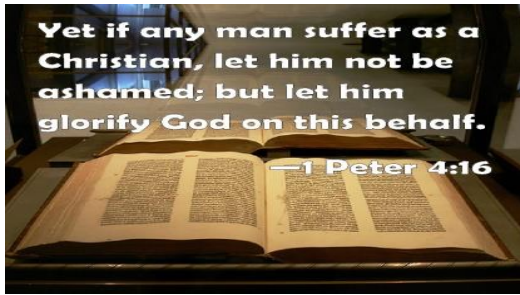
A prospective godparent or sponsor needs some evidence that he/she is an active, contributing member of the parish and leads a life in harmony with the Catholic Faith. We can only give such testimony to those who are actually parish members.

REGISTRATION OF NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the Rectory for an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Every Saturday at 4 pm; Thursday before First Friday 4 pm



1 Peter 4:16 Whoever is made to suffer as a Christian should not be ashamed but glorify God.

Readings for the Week of May 24th, 2020

Sun Acts 1:1-11 / Eph 1:17-23 / Matthew 28:16-20
 Sun Acts 1:12-14 / 1 Pt 4:13-16 / John 17:1-11a
 Mon Acts 19:1-8 / John 16:29-33
 Tue Acts 20:17-27 / John 17:-1-11a
 Wed Acts 20:28-38 / John 17:11b-19
 Thru Acts 22:30;23:6-11/ John17:20-26
 Fri Acts 25:13b-21 / John 21:15-19
 Sat Acts 28:16-20,30-31 / John 21:20-25
 Sun Acts 2:1-11 / 1 cor 12:3b-7,12-13 / John 20:19-23

Our Offering to God

Stewardship: The collection for the weekend was \$1,397.00. Ascension \$123.00. Latin America \$170.00
 Thank you for supporting the work of your parish.

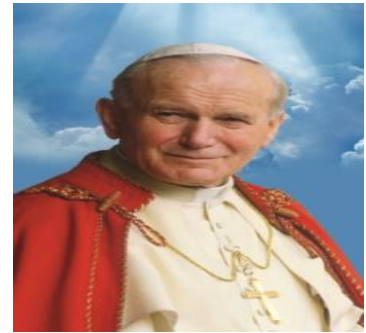


8:00 a.m. Mass will be live streamed on the SEAS Facebook page. If you are not able to view it live, it will be recorded and available on YouTube after Mass."

People are welcome to call me at 679-8420 if they need help viewing it live.



Father Walter will be doing First Friday Confessions on Thursday June 4th at 1-2 p.m. Please wear Mask and come in through the side parking lot door as we have them open for private prayer Mon –Fri. 10a.m. - 2 p.m.



St. John Paull II

Feast day: October 22

Patron: of World Youth Day (Co- Patron)

Birth: May 1920

Death: April 2005

Beatified: May 1, 2011 Saint Peter's Square, Vatican City by Pope Benedict XVI

Canonized: April 27, 2014 Saint Peter's Square, Vatican City by Pope Francis

On Tuesday, May 18, 2020, the church celebrated the 100th birthday of John Paul II. Karol Wojtyła, Pope John Paul II, was head of the Catholic Church and sovereign of the Vatican City State from 1978 to 2005. He was elected pope by the second papal conclave of 1978, which was called after Pope John Paul I, who had been elected in August to succeed Pope Paul VI, died after 33 days. Cardinal Wojtyła was elected on the third day of the conclave and adopted the name of his predecessor in tribute to him. John Paul II is recognized as helping to end Communist rule in his native Poland and eventually all of Europe.^[9] John Paul II significantly improved the Catholic Church's relations with Judaism, Islam, and the Eastern Orthodox Church. John Paul II was the second longest-serving pope in modern history after Pope Pius IX.



Memorial Day Mass

The annual Memorial Day mass that was to be scheduled this year at 9 a.m. at St. Mary's cemetery is cancelled due to Covid-19 pandemic.



Thank You

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton would like to give a severe thank you from all our staff and parishioners to Valene Szlachtun, who nominated our organization to receive a Covid Care Kit from Sprint. And also Angela Galloway, who is the American Cyber systems Contractor for Sprint. We are receiving the following pantry items to be donated from Sprint,

50 canned items of Vegetables, Fruit, and Pasta Sauce.



Excerpt

We Christians can't seem to get suffering right. We don't want to talk about it, perhaps because we know how much can go wrong. If we start a conversation about suffering, some people won't stop. We can even get a competition going about whose suffering should take top prize.

Even though we don't want to talk about suffering, and we can veer off track too easily, we nevertheless need to because we have so many problems with it.

The early church, out of which First Peter arose, knew things about suffering most of us can't imagine. I hope we never have to learn what they knew. Even if the kind of suffering First Peter talks about arose out of a situation of persecution from Rome, what it teaches us about suffering can help with the kinds of suffering we face as well. If we typically misunderstand suffering, maybe the insights of First Peter can help us make progress toward getting it right. We might explore some of the ways that our thinking can be unhelpful, and even unfaithful

Meaning of Life

The writer Robert Fulghum tells of how he once traveled to Greece to attend a seminar. On the last day of the conference, their teacher asked if there were any questions. Fulghum, a jokester, laughingly asked the seminar leader what the meaning of life was. Everyone laughed and got ready to leave. But then the leader responded, "I will answer your question."

Then, taking his wallet out of his pocket, he removed from it a small, round mirror about the size of a quarter. He explained:

When I was a small child during World War II ... one day on the road, I found the broken pieces of a mirror. A German motorcycle had been wrecked in that place. I tried to find all the pieces and put them together, but it was not possible, so I kept the largest piece. This one. And by scratching it on a stone, I made it round. I began to play with it as a toy and became fascinated by the fact that I could reflect light into dark places where the sun could never shine. It became a game for me to get light into the most inaccessible places that I could find. I kept the little mirror, and as I grew up, I would take it out at idle moments and continue the challenge of the game.

As I became a man, I grew to understand that this was not just a child's game, but a metaphor of what I could do with my life. I came to understand that I am not the light or the source of the light. But light — be it truth or understanding or knowledge — is there, and it will only shine in many dark places if I reflect it. I am a fragment of a mirror whose whole design and shape I do not know. Nevertheless, with what I have, I can reflect light into the dark places of this world — into the dark places of human hearts — and change some things in some people. Perhaps others seeing it happen will do likewise. This is what I am about. This is the meaning of my



John Banach, Janet Bonasera, Nicholas Botticello, Arlene Briggs, Sue Dietzen, Jeremy Dolce, Andy Dziduch, Vincent Filutze, James Gibbons Jr., Arlene Kuhn, Lenny Schrantz, and Jack Van Dermot. Call with a new name or email: to st.elizannseton@netsync.net
Listings are normally for Three weeks only.



(Vigil) Saturday, May 23rd, 2020-Easter Weekday

5:00 p.m. Nellie Catalano & Mary Catalano by Mary Ann Corsoro

Sunday, May 24th, 2020- The Ascension Of The Lord- Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. Charlotte Wozniak by Jung Family

11:00 a.m. No Mass-Romaine Crawford

2:30 p.m. No Mass Parishioners of Seas

Monday, May 25th, 2020 – Easter Weekday-St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church, St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Magdalene de' Pazzi, Virgin

7:00 a.m. Charlotte Murphy by estate

Tuesday, May 26th, 2020- St. Philip Neri, Priest

7:00 a.m. Mary Ellen Kimmitt Nephew Joe Larivey

Wednesday, May 27th, 2020-Easter Weekday- St Augustine of Canterbury; Bishop

7:00 a.m. Charles Dye Sr. by the Dye Family

Thursday, May 28th, 2020-Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. All Souls

Friday, May 29th, 2020- Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. All Souls

Saturday, May 30th, 2020-Easter Weekday

7:00 a.m. Santa "Babe" Salisbury by Ed @ Ginny Van Den Vouver

(Vigil) Saturday, May 30th, 2020-Easter Weekday

5:00 p.m. No Mass-Mary Ellen Kimmitt by nephew Joe Larivey-moved to Tue May 26th

Sunday, May 31st, 2020- Pentecost Sunday

8:00 a.m. J. William Farrell by Leo & Sandy Bain

11:00 a.m. No Mass- Santa "Babe" Salisbury by Husband

2:30 p.m. No Mass- Parishioners of Seas



Memorials



For all who have died during this Covid- 19

St. Mary's Cemetery, Dunkirk, N.Y. 14048

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. (Isaiah 41:10)

May 2020

Dear Friends of St. Mary's Cemetery,

The peace of the Risen Lord be with you and your loved ones.

Many of you know by now that I had to cancel the annual Memorial Day Mass held at the cemetery due to the Coronavirus Pandemic and the current physical distancing guidelines now in place. I will make every attempt to reschedule the Memorial Day mass at the earliest possible date. Notification of the Memorial Day Mass will be posted in the weekly bulletin and on the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton website.

You may have also noticed that mowing and other necessary maintenance at the cemetery have been delayed. The reasons for the delay include the weather and the fact that we had to lay off the part-time cemetery employees. The staff layoffs are the direct result of the lack of a steady weekly collection. As of May 18, 2020, however, the part-time staff was rehired and mowing and other maintenance projects will begin in earnest. Please know that we are doing everything that we can during this critical time in our church.

St. Mary's Cemetery has been a trusted place for burials since 1851. It is a serene place to visit to spend time with loved ones who have died and to remember in prayer significant events and anniversaries. A Catholic cemetery reminds us that the grave is not the end for we believe that those who belong to Christ will rise to live with him forever.

Given the cemetery's financial situation, this year's fundraising drive is all the more important. Therefore, I am hoping and praying that you will want to be part of a yearly fund drive to assist with the cemetery's maintenance. Please consider making a generous contribution to the annual Cemetery Maintenance Fund. If you are financially able to make a \$50 donation, it will significantly help. But if not, please contribute any amount you can, using the enclosed envelope.

On this letter is a listing of cemetery needs and equipment that your donations will help to fund.

- Sell Big Mower for new riding Mower (xt3)
- Possibly get a newer used Gator to replace old one
- Sign at Mausoleum
- Chapel Roof
- Road needs Repair/Sealed

Thank you in advance for your assistance and continued support of St. Mary's Cemetery.

Peace and blessings,

Deacon Mike Lemieux
Temporary Administrator
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