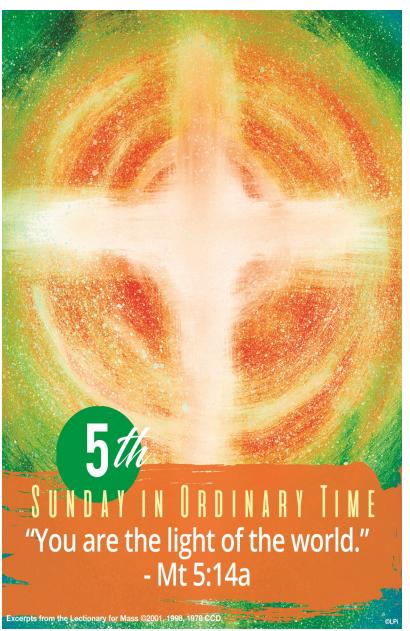
St. Mary's Our Lady of the Lake

Christ Centered + Biblically Grounded + Sacramentally Nourished + Serving Our Neighbors in Christian Love

February 9, 2020 ~ 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time Interim Presider: Father Peter Pagones

Mass Schedule

Saturday, February 8: 4:30 PM Sunday, February 9: 8:00AM / 10:00 AM Sacrament of Reconciliation, Saturdays 3:30- 4:00pm



Interim Parish Administrator Karen Walker ~ 607-264-3779

pastor@stmaryscoop.org Karen is in St. Mary's parish office each Monday or can be reached by phone.

Parish Office ~ 547-2213

Kitty Dykstra
Administrative Assistant/ Bookkeeper
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday
9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Faith Formation Director ~ 293-7901

Maureen Davidson cooperstowncatholic@gmail.com

Anointing of the Sick ~ 547-3626

Call the Parish Office, or if at the hospital, contact the Chaplain Office's office

<u>Trustees</u>

Peter Henrici & Mike Millea

Finance Chair

Vincent Russo

Pastoral Planning Chair

Rob Bohm

Church Sexton

Frank Liberati ~ 607-644-5958

Cemetery Sexton

John Sansevere ~ 607-435-9137



St. Mary's will be reducing her mass schedule effective the weekend of February 15 & 16.

The masses will be Saturday at 4:30pm and Sunday at 9:00am at least through May.

Religious Education classes will be 10am to 11am.

Dear Parishioners;

I am very grateful for the support I have received in regards to our changing the mass times here at St. Mary's. Although this change was made now due to our concerns for Father Pagones' health, it must be noted that the Church, especially in the northeastern US, is in crisis. Vocations are down, attendance is down and commitment is at all-time low. In the Albany Diocese we are currently without priest-pastors in 18 churches and it is forecast to be 27 by the end of this year. To answer our needs, Bishop Ed has been assigning at least two parishes to each priest or parish leader, many in addition to their administrative duties in the diocese. When we are assigned a parish leader at St. Mary's, we must be prepared to share a priest or parish life coordinator with another parish. Staggering masses with nearby parishes is one step in the process.

As Bishop Robert Barron noted in his book <u>Letter to a Suffering Church</u>, now is not the time to abandon the Church; it is the moment to stay and fight. We all need to continue to pray for vocations: for the ordained life, for vowed religious, for lay leaders, for married couples, for those living a single life and especially for families.

I especially would encourage young men to consider the priesthood, mature men to consider the deaconate, and all to consider adding more prayer time to their lives. Pray at meals, pray on arising and retiring, bless each other when you leave the house and when you come home. And pray for our Church.

We will continue to do our best to meet the needs of all parishioners and visitors at St. Mary's. I am available to discuss any and all ideas you may have-starting with the meeting Sunday, February 9th in the parish hall following the 10am mass where we will be discussing the Pastoral Planning for our future. Please plan to attend.

Peace be with you, Karen Walker, Interim Administrator



We welcome Fr.
Joseph Westfall of
Cross Catholic
Outreach who is

speaking this weekend at all masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.



ALTAR GUILD

consists of people who keep the altar clean, especially the small linens used

during the mass and the large linens on the altar. In addition, there are priest, deacon and altar server vestments used that need laundering or dry cleaning, candle holders to be cleaned and polished, statues that need dusting, votive candles to be cleaned out and refilled and flowers to be watered or put in the sacristy windows during the week so they do not die. The Altar Guild should consult with the Liturgy Committee or parish leader to determine seasonal items needed on the altar. Holy Water tank needs annual cleaning, parish administrative assistant needs to be notified if we are short on candles, hosts, or wine as well as any other items used from palms to ashes. We like to have teams of two scheduled weekly so that this work can be spread out evenly but we need one or two people to keep track of volunteers and schedules. These are all tasks that laity can do to serve their parish. Please don't be shy; contact the parish office at 607 547-2213 or fill out an index card with your name and contact information and place it in the collection basket. Someone will get back to vou.



Pray for the sick and homebound of our parish:

Maureen Brennan ~ Robert Davenport ~ Richie Davy ~ Julia Fasset ~ Steve Markusen ~ Senator Jim Seward-Bradley Smith ~ Steven Smith, Jr. ~ Sarah Tarr

Pray for members of the military from our families
Liam Dolan-USMC ~ Connor McCue-USMC
Ryan Barrow (son of Maureen Davidson)

Please call the Parish Office to add any names.

Cooperstown Senior Center

Mondays 12:30-3pm

Opened: Wednesdays 12:30-3pm

Thursdays 11:30-3pm.

Please note: if Cooperstown Central School is closed due to snow; the Senior Center will be closed.

February 10th

1:15-Be Empowered to Save Energy
with Jackie Burke and Bennett Sandler

February 12th

IT'S WHATEVER YOU WANT WEDNESDAY! Watch a movie, work a jigsaw puzzle, play cards, have coffee and conversation, make a craft, share the latest book you read, etc.

February 13th

1:15-Adventures in the United Arab Emirates with Kathleen O'Donnell

Maryellen Wrubleski Lenten Food Collection: February 29 - April 6

St. Mary's continues its tradition of love and compassion for others in honor of Maryellen Wrubleski who for many years chaired our annual Lenten Food Drive. This year the food Collection will begin the first Sunday of Lent, February 29 / March 1 and run through Palm Sunday, April 4/5. Check the bulletin each week for suggested food and personal hygiene items needed by our local food pantries and bring your donations to the church to place in the designated areas. Thank you for your charity and generosity!

The Tabernacle candle is donated in memory of Father Barney Flynn



Saturday, February 8

4:30pm Therese Lachance

Req. by Joseph Ungolo

Gilbert Myers

Req. by the Lachance family

Sunday, February 9

8:00am Daniel Blake (healing)

Req. by Kitty Dykstra

10:00am Lucy Muzzipapa

Req. by Francis & Michele Gargiulo

Saturday, February 15

4:30pm R

Rose Weir

Requested by Jean Ballard

Sunday, February 16

9:00am Martha Quinn

Requested by Mary Leary

2020 Sunday & Holy Day Mass remembrances or tabernacle candle remembrances are arranged through the parish office. Masses are \$10 donation and candles are a \$5 donation.

Several Extra-ordinary Ministers of Communion have had to step down for personal reasons. We have a need for additional EM's. Training is provided. Call the office 607-547-2213 or Karen Walker 315-269-8434 for more information.



Weekend of February 1/2:Attendance 279
Offertory \$2,243

Souper Bowl for Caring: \$2,032.72 which will be distributed to the Cooperstown Food Pantry and the Hartwick/Mount Vision Food Pantry.

Sunday, February 9 in the Parish Hall at 11:00AM PASTORAL PLANNING COMMITTEE NOW BEING FORMED; your input is needed. Please join us