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Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m.

11:15 a.m.

Wednesday: 12:10 p.m.

Thursday: 12:10 p.m.

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Office Hours: *Monday-Thursday* 9-4

St. Mary's Church is open for daily prayer

Adoration

Wednesdays 1-6

Reconciliation

Wednesdays after 12:10 Mass or by appointment

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MARCH 17, 2024 • FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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Father Scott's Sharing Spot

A Message from Father Scott VanDerveer, Pastor at St. Mary's Church



Dear Parish Family,

Last week, I introduced you to Joe and Thomas, two of the new Catholics we'll welcome into our faith family at the Easter Vigil on March 30. Today I'd like to introduce you to Jacobe, Ariel and Maura so you can know their sacred stories.

Jacobe Wendell (pronounced "Jacob") grew up in Fort Edward. Although his family didn't practice any particular faith, he was baptized Methodist, and, after graduation, enrolled in Niagara University in Western New York, founded by the Vincentians (the followers of the famous St. Vincent de Paul). There he met Mikayla, a wonderful young Catholic woman from Buffalo, and he began to experiencing an insider's view of the beauty of the Catholic faith. After graduation, he moved back to our area where he works as an Application Architect (a computer information science specialist) at Glens Falls Hospital.

Jacob says: "Life without God as an integral part is far too empty and meaningless. I wish to grow closer to God and to come to full communion with the Lord. Before I marry and start a family, I feel a desire to develop my spirit." Mikayla, who now works as a college campus minister and works to nurture the faith of young people on a daily basis, will be present to witness Jacobe's First Eucharist and Confirmation on March 30.

Ariel Guyett is a familiar face to everyone who worships on weekends at St. Mary's. Ariel sings in the choir at all three Masses every weekend with her mother, Doreen.

Ariel grew up going to Gospel Lighthouse, her father's Assembly of God church in Hudson Falls. Doreen was Catholic and always wanted to return to the faith of her childhood. Ariel appreciates her Assembly of God roots, but like her mother, feels strongly drawn to the Catholic faith.

Soon, she'll be doing more than helping lead the singing each weekend. "I want to truly be part of the church by the Eucharist," she says. "I've always love to sing and dance. That's why I love being in the choir. Sometimes I wish life were a musical." Ariel will love the music of the Easter Vigil, one of the most majestic events imaginable, where she will be fully initiated as a Catholic through the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation.

After a long journey, **Maura Fox** is coming home. She was raised Catholic and attended Catholic School K-12, but some rough childhood experiences caused her to look elsewhere for inspiration. She tried a number of different denominations, but something was always missing. She and her ex-husband and daughter came to Glens Falls for work in 1988 and she knew she'd found her home.

She is a master gardener (dahlias are her favorite) and feels that "weeding" is a great metaphor for the journey of rooting out of her life what doesn't belong so she can get to the essentials. Although the journey has been long, she knows God has never given up on her. "God has been the one giving me hope and healing my heart from painful situations. He has been the perfect teacher, providing the right lesson at the right time. Some he had to repeat over and over. He never gave up on me." When she hears the song "Here I Am, Lord," see hears her soul singing along. Her daughter and son-in-law work for the State Department and are stationed with Maura's grandson in Jordan. They hope to watch on the livestream a week from Saturday as Maura is Confirmed at the Easter Vigil.

Isn't it moving to hear the ways that God is at work in the lives of people who are becoming Catholic? I hope you can join us on March 30 at 8 PM to witness the blessed initiation of Maura, Ariel, Jacobe, Thomas and Joe.

Joyfully, Fr. Scott

Holy Week Schedule SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH - SUNDAY, MARCH 31ST 3/24 Palm Sunday - 8:30 & 11:15 a.m. 3/28 Holy Thursday - 6:00 p.m. 3/29 Good Friday - 6:00 p.m. 3/30 Easter Vigil - 8:00 p.m. 3/31 Easter Sunday - 8:30 & 11:15 a.m.



Throughout March, the St. Mary's Food Pantry will receive \$1 for every Hannaford Fight Hunger Bag sold at: 190 Quaker Road.

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Mass Intentions

March 16 - March 24

SATURDAY, March 9, 4:00 p.m. Mass

- ❖ Nick Nichols by Family
- *Kay Levack by Betty Duell
- ❖ David M. Fountaine by Art and Bonnie Bruno
- ❖ Dave and Alice Champagne by Janet and Bill Coyle
- *Richard and Lorraine Donovan by Family

SUNDAY, March 10 - 4th Sunday in Lent, 8:30 Mass

- Raymond White by Corbett Family
- Deceased members of the Griffin Family by Thérèse Mary Griffin
- ❖ Alice Philomena Harrington by Chris Harrington
- ❖Patricia Louise Kathryn Kelley by Family

11:15 Mass

- *Rosalie Pezzulo (1st Anniversary) by Family
- Ellen Clifford by Seale Family
- ❖ David Fountaine by Dom and Joanne Figliomeni
- ❖Dan Lanoir by Kellehers

WEDNESDAY, March 13 12:10 p.m. Mass

- ❖ Mary Lou and Jack Noone by Janet and Bill Coyle
- St. Joseph's Day for the George Family by Bonnie and Paul

THURSDAY, March 14 - 12:10 p.m. Mass

❖ For the people

SATURDAY, March 16 - 4:00 p.m. Mass

- ❖ Frank B Girard, Sr. (Birthday) by Family
- ❖Edward G. Fagan by Marsha Fagan
- ❖ Jimmy Dingman by Aunt Betty and Family
- ❖ David Fountaine by John and Marcy Coombs

SUNDAY, March 17 - 5th Sunday of Lent

- ❖ Deceased Members of the Bannon Family by Family
- Frank Passineau (Birthday) by Family
- Deceased Members of the Solini and Morrissey Families by The Morrissey Family
- ❖ Nicholas J. Sommo Jr. by Louise Sommo

11:15 Mass

- ❖ Bartholomew Lee Girard (1st Anniversary) by Family
- *Raymond F. Canavan Sr. by Children
- ♦ Barbara and Paul Jary by Leigh, Sue, Dave, Donna, and
- Charlotte and Pat Girard by Jary Family

Weekly Report February 25 - March 3

GIVING at ST. MARY'S

 Cash
 \$2,835.50

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 \$4,939.00

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 \$269.00

 Total Offertory
 \$8,043.50

School Building Repairs: \$493

Candle: \$213.69 Food Pantry: \$558

MASS ATTENDANCE

 Saturday
 4:00 pm
 268

 Sunday
 8:30 am
 184

 Sunday
 11:15 am
 256

 Total In-person:
 708



FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED THIS WEEK:

Spaghettios/Ravioli Spaghetti Sauce Potato Packets Soup Mac & Cheese Tea

Many thanks to all who so generously support our pantry.



Rachel's Vineyard

Experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat, May 3rd-5th, 2024 at the Dominican Retreat & Conference Center in Niskayuna. The weekend will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and a Mass of Entrustment. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion. The cost is \$195. Financial assistance is available. For more information or to register contact: Pat Mousaw, 518-222-1160 or Katie Bolibaugh or e-mail: rachelsvineyardalbany@yahoo.com. For a complete listing of retreat dates and locations contact: 1-877-HOPE-4 ME or visit the Rachel's Vineyard website: www.rachelsvineyard.org.

Calling All Saint Rose Alums!!

Save the Date of May 18, 2024 for an day of events on campus to remember our 103 year history and connect with one another to honor what the College has meant to the community and to those who attended this institution. If you have thoughts about things you would like to see happen that day, or would be willing to help out on one of the committees, please email Joan Horgan or Jen Richardson at: HonoringSaintRose@strose.edu To stay updated on events as they get finalized, check out our website at: https://www.strose.edu/honoring-saint-rose/

Understanding Advance Directives

The C.R. Wood Cancer Center invites you to join them for an educational event on Thursday, April 11th from 10-11 AM. Elizabeth Reinhardt, PA & Farhana Kamal, MD of the Glens Falls Hospital will cover Health Care Proxies, MOLST forms, and Advance Directives. Registration is free, but they encourage anyone wanting to attend to pre-register online. Contact Vickie Yattaw, RN, OCN at 518-926-6639 or vyattaw@glensfallshosp.org



Upcoming Dates:

Kindergarten Open House

Tuesday, March 19 | 5 - 6 pm

Middle School Stations of the Cross

Friday, March 22 | 6:15 pm

Third-Grade Themed Mass

Monday, March 25

Calling all Families!

St. Mary's – St. Alphonsus Regional Catholic School in Glens Falls will host its annual Kindergarten Open House on Tuesday, March 19, from 5 – 6 pm. All are welcome! You'll see our classroom, meet our teacher, and learn about our K-8 program, the only one of its kind in the area. Bring your prospective Kindergartner! Registration is requested, but not required. Please register at smsaschool.org/open-house, or call the Admissions Office at (518) 792-3178, ext. 3308. We hope to see you there!

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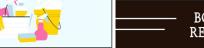


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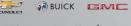


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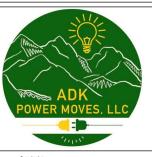
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