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CATHOLIC CHURCH

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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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October 12th, 2025 • 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Mary's Church

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Dear Parish Family,

Week after week, you show up for Mass with such reverence and engagement that anyone can see how deeply you invest in the experience. Our ministries and community life are thriving, even with all the demands on people's time. Your faithfulness is a true blessing and the reason St. Mary's is such a vibrant, loving community.

I recently came across a humorous piece called "No Excuse Sunday" that's been circulating in Catholic bulletins, and I couldn't resist sharing it with you. In truth, it doesn't quite describe our parish – I rarely see this at St. Mary's – but I think most Catholics will recognize some familiar excuses and get a good laugh out of it. I share it purely in the spirit of lighthearted fun, and I hope it brings you a few smiles (and maybe even a chuckle or two) as it did for me.

Enjoy the humor below—and thank you for all that you do to live your faith and support our parish family.

To make it possible for everyone to attend Church next Sunday,
we are going to have a special "No Excuse Sunday":

1. Cots will be placed in the vestibule for those who say, "Sunday is my only day to sleep in."
2. There will be a special section with lounge chairs for those who feel that our pews are too hard.
3. Eye drops will be available for those with tired eyes from a late Saturday night.
4. We will have steel helmets for those who say, "The roof would cave in if I ever came to Church."
5. Blankets will be furnished for those who think the church is too cold and fans for those who say it is too hot.
6. Scorecards will be available for those who wish to list the hypocrites present.
7. Relatives and friends will be in attendance for those who can't go to church and cook dinner too.
8. We will distribute "Stamp Out Stewardship" buttons for those who feel that the Church is always asking for money.
9. One section will be planted with trees and grass for those who like to seek God in nature.
10. Doctors and nurses will be in attendance for those who plan to be sick on Sunday.
11. The sanctuary will be decorated with both Christmas poinsettias and Easter lilies for those who never have seen the Church without them.
12. We will provide hearing aids for those who can't hear the preacher and cotton for those who say he is too darn loud.

With gratitude for you...

Fr. Scott ☺

Mass of Remembrance



Wednesday November 5th @ 6PM

Altar of Remembrance

It is time to assemble the Altar of Remembrance for our loved ones than have passed on.

The Altar will be assembled on
October 30th

If you would like to display a photo, please place on the table in the back of the church with your contact info on the back.



October

Month of the *Holy Rosary*

Free rosary beads and instruction pamphlets are available in the church vestibule!

Please join us in responding to Our Blessed Mother's request to pray the rosary every day for World Peace.

"If there were one million families praying the rosary every day, the entire world would be saved."

Pope St Pius X



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Saturday October 25th 7 PM

At St. Mary's Church
Doors Open at 6:30PM
Free entry with a \$20 suggested donation



Please submit parish announcements for future bulletins 2 weeks in advance to Amanda Jansen - Communications Coordinator at ajansen@stmarysglensfalls.org



The Great Hall at St. Mary's Academy!

The Great Hall has been a place of gathering for years & recently we have expanded the possibilities of the space and want you to capitalize on it! The space had been refreshed with things like lighting and air conditioning!

Possible Events:

Weddings Reunions Galas

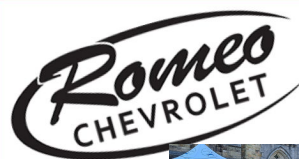
Bring your creativity and we will help you make it happen!

Contact Gary Patton for More Information and Booking Details:
gpatton@stmarysglensfalls.org

Book Your Event in The Great Hall Here!



✨ Photo from a recent gala thrown by Open Door Mission and catered by Park & Elm! ✨



Our "Ticket to Ride" Raffle is Back!



Enter to WIN this Chevy Trax!!
Romeo Chevrolet has donated a **Chevy Trax**
For the SMA Car Raffle this year!
Drawing will be in late December, and tickets are \$50!
Tickets available at the welcome desk.

GARDEN VOLUNTEERS

We are looking for volunteers to help us put the gardens to bed for the winter!

When: Saturday, October 18th, 9:00.
Where: Meet by the back gate of the school.



No need to sign up just show up.
Please bring your own tools if you can.

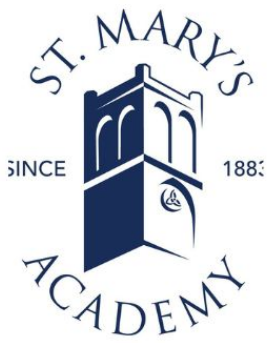


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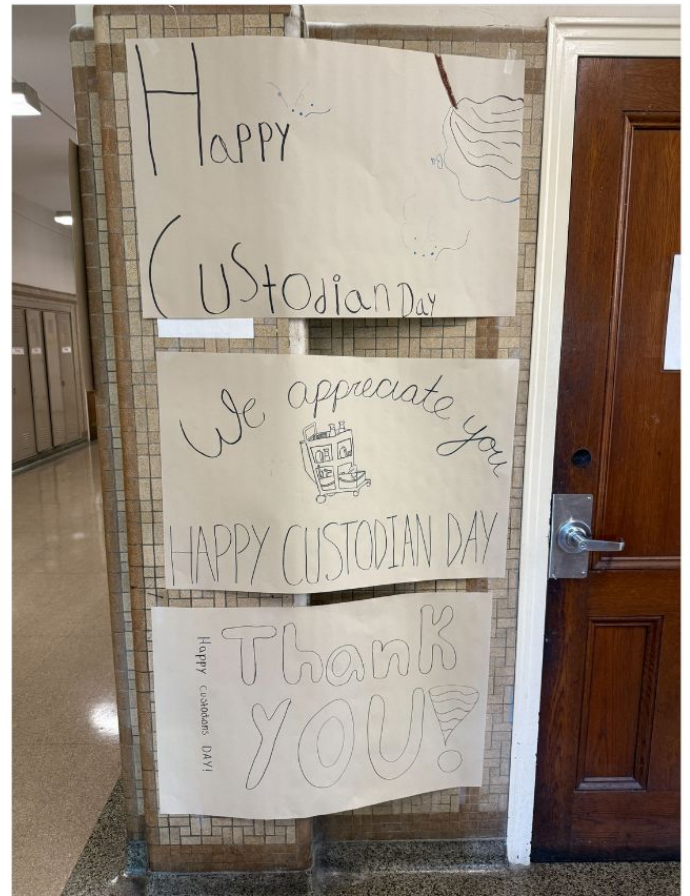
Is this something that interests you? Do you desire a more intimate connection to Our Lord? Contact Vickie Agresta at vagresta@yahoo.com, or call/text 518-683-1596 for more information.



SMA Spotlight

Big Thanks!

Staff and students alike, including the Kindergartners and seventh-graders pictured below, took the opportunity on Thursday to celebrate our custodians — Ruben and Sean — on National Custodial Appreciation Day! Handmade signs created by students from Noah's Ark to middle school hung in the hallways to let our custodians know how much we appreciate their hard work.



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Mass Intentions

October 11th- October 19th

Saturday, October 11th - 4:00 PM Mass

- ❖ William J. and Jean W. Harris by Family
- ❖ George F. Perkins by Family
- ❖ Ruth Sink by daughter, Carol
- ❖ Mary Rooker by Mary Rozell
- ❖ Deceased Members of the SMA Class of 1970 by Classmates

Sunday, October 12th - 28th in Ordinary Time 8:30 am Mass

- ❖ Living and Deceased Members of the O'Brien Family by Friends and Family
- ❖ Carmelo Sommo by Louise Sommo
- ❖ Ellen Kelly by Libby and Herb Sprott
- ❖ Russ O'Connor By Pat Monahan

11:15 am Mass

- ❖ Angelo Giovanni (Father) by Family (Birthday)
- ❖ Mary-Rachel Giovanni (Daughter) by Family (Birthday)
- ❖ Peter Butz by SMA Class of 1970
- ❖ Michael Pigo Cronin by David Powers

Wednesday, October 15th - 12:10 Mass

- ❖ Claude Charlebois (1st Anniversary) by wife, Leslie
- ❖ Andrew and Antoinette Passarelli by Mark and Maria Polidore
- ❖ Rosa and Enrico Sapragna by Mark and Maria Polidore

Thursday, October 16th - 12:10 Mass

- ❖ For All Parishioners

Saturday, October 18th - 4:00 PM Mass

- ❖ Harry J. (Buddy) LaPoint by Family
- ❖ Barbara Butler by Laurie and Mike Butler
- ❖ David Fontaine by Beth Krug
- ❖ John Prevost (Birthday) by the Prevost Family

Sunday, October 19th - 29th in Ordinary Time 8:30 am Mass

- ❖ Deceased Members of the Sherman and Cooney Families by Family
- ❖ Kenny O'Loughlin by Colleen O'Loughlin
- ❖ Julia VanVranken Buyce by Sandy and Dick Noonan and Family
- ❖ Patty Farrell (Birthday) by sister, Kathy Farrell

11:15 am Mass

- ❖ James H and Mary Ellen Duggan by Anna Mary Duggan
- ❖ Katherine Maziejka by Stan and Michelle
- ❖ John and Isabelle Morielli by John Clements and family
- ❖ John Lemery by Walking With Purpose Bible Study

Weekly Report

GIVING at ST. MARY'S

October 4th & 5th

Cash	\$3,275.10
Envelopes	\$4,578.00
E-giving	\$6,026.00
Total Offertory	\$14,079.10

Candle - \$173.25

Food Pantry - \$2,600

Faith Formation - \$522

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday	4:00 pm	253
Sunday	8:30 am	304
Sunday	11:15 am	277
Total In-person:		834

St Mary's Food Pantry



Open Fridays from 9am- 1pm

FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED THIS WEEK:

Small Potato Packets
Crackers
Spaghetti Sauce
Tuna
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Spaghetttios/Ravioli

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