



**ST. MARY'S**  
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.

### **Office Hours:**

*The rectory offices are open  
Monday through Thursday  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.*

**St. Mary's Church  
is open for prayer:**

*Monday through Saturday  
8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.*

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### **Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament**

*Wednesdays 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.*

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

*First Sunday of the month at 12:30 p.m.*

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

*Wednesdays following 12:10 p.m. Mass  
or by appointment*

### **St. Mary's/St. Alphonsus Regional Catholic School:**

*518-792-3178  
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**BULLETIN FOR MAY 21, 2023 - SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

***St. Mary's Church, 62 Warren Street, Glens Falls, NY 12801 (518) 792-0989***

Dear Parish Family,

As you know, FaithFinders🔍 is designed to go on perpetually – we intend to offer it at every Mass every Sunday morning from now on. Our kids love it and it's become an indispensable part of family spiritual life here at St. Mary's.

Our kids in grades 5-12 are at a different stage of life than our FaithFinders🔍, so our Next Generation offerings for them are on Sunday evenings and run from the fall through the spring. We just had our last Sunday night session on May 6 and asked our kids and teens to give us some feedback on how they liked it. Here's some of what they said about their experience at our Sunday evening gatherings...

Overall, **67%** of them would **bring a friend**.

- 91% of 5<sup>th</sup> graders
- 76% of 6<sup>th</sup> graders
- 65% of teens said they'd bring a friend.

Take a moment to remember what "Church School" (CCD, Faith Formation, Religious Education, etc) was like when you were a kid. Would you have wanted to bring a friend? These numbers blew us away!

Overall, **44%** of them said the program was "**awesome**." Another **32%** said it was "**good**."

- 54% of 5<sup>th</sup> graders
- 43% of 6<sup>th</sup> graders
- 35% of teens said it was "awesome."

Think back: Would you have described your experience of "Church School" this way?

The comments the kids offered gave us a glimpse into what this experience has given them. Remember, kids and teenagers say a lot in very few words... these responses are packed with meaning...

*"I loved learning how to be an altar server and lecturing..."*

*"I would love to have some classes in the Great Hall – it's beautiful..."*

*"I liked learning about the Saints... that made me think..."*

*"It's OK to be the only friend who goes to church and is Catholic..."*

*"Stories in the Bible help me understand church better..."*

*"Jesus is all around us..."*

*"Church isn't horrible..."*

*"Faith can move mountains..."*

The amount of effort our staff and volunteers are putting into our programs for the Next Generation is substantial. But every one of them will tell you that the results have made that effort worth it **beyond measure**.

And if we love our kids and youth this much, could we ever imagine how much God does?! Helping them sense just a glimmer of that love is worth any effort we could expend.

Your grateful pastor,

Fr. Scott ☺

## Mass Intentions for the Week of May 22 - May 28

### Wednesday, May 24, 12:10 p.m. Mass

- ❖ Rosalie and Joe Pezzulo By Barb and Lew Varney
- ❖ Bruce Crandall By Stella Crandall, Wife
- ❖ John Greenslade by SMSA Faculty and Staff
- ❖ Maria Sovitts By Jo Kaczmarek

### Thursday, May 25, 12:10 p.m. Mass

- ❖ Arthur & Regina McCarty by The Family
- ❖ John Greenslade By Visitation and Rosary Committee

### Saturday, May 27, 4:00 p.m.

- ❖ Phillip Skip Colucci by Bob Saxton
- ❖ Rosalie Pezzulo by Pezzulo/Prevost Families
- ❖ Steven Paul Bennett by The Family
- ❖ Dorothy Berding by Kathy & Stan Bienkowski

### Sunday, May 28 - Pentecost Sunday

#### 8:30 Mass

- ❖ Bannon Family
- ❖ Living and Deceased Members of the O'Brien Family By Family and Friends
- ❖ Elaine Kane By Kris Nolan and Family
- ❖ Norman Hall By Kris Nolan

#### 11:15 Mass

- ❖ Barb & Jack Potasky by Mary Palacino
- ❖ Mary C Polidore By Mark and Marie Polidore
- ❖ Michael Sipowicz By Christine Burkard and Tom McDevitt
- ❖ Dr. Euphemio Verzola By Kim and Mike Gray

## Weekly Report May 8 - May 14

### GIVING at ST. MARY'S

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| eGiving                | \$1,791.00        |
| Envelopes              | \$3,484.00        |
| Cash                   | \$3,424.00        |
| <b>Total Offertory</b> | <b>\$8,699.00</b> |

Candes: \$163.45

Works of Mercy: \$359

Improvements/Renovations: \$418

### MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday 8:00 pm 217

Sunday 8:30 am 273

Sunday 11:15 am 288

**Total In-person: 778**

Live Stream Mass Views: 600



## St. Mary's Food Pantry

Open Friday's from 9am- 1pm

THIS WEEK, THE PANTRY  
IS ASKING FOR THESE ITEMS

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Crackers

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*Pre-K to Rising 5th Graders*

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program!

# St. Mary's Scholarship Application



ST. MARY'S  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Scholarship applications are due **June 15th, 2023**

In order to be eligible, you must:

- Be a registered member of St. Mary's Parish, Glens Falls **OR**
- A graduate of St. Mary's/St. Alphonsus Regional Catholic School.
- Must be enrolled as a student at an undergraduate college or vocational school in the upcoming Academic Year.

More information can be found on [stmarysglensfalls.org/scholarships](https://stmarysglensfalls.org/scholarships)

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## *Parish Announcements*

### Eucharistic Ministry -

We are seeking women/men to consider joining the Eucharistic Ministry at Glens Falls Hospital. It is a Sacred journey to minister to the parents, family and staff. Interested? Please call Sister Donna Marie at 518-926-3532.

### Coffee Hour-

We are looking for those to host Coffee Hour after our 8:30 & 11:15 Masses. If you or your ministry is interested, please contact Alison Hancock for details. ([ahancock@stmarysglensfalls.org](mailto:ahancock@stmarysglensfalls.org))

## *Confirmation 2023*

If your child is going into their junior year of high school and could not make our Informational

Meeting, please contact our Sacramental Coordinator - Lisa Patton at [lpatton@stmarysglensfalls.org](mailto:lpatton@stmarysglensfalls.org)

Our first class will be held Sunday, June 4th @ 5:45 p.m.  
Location: TBD

# A NUMBER OF REASONS TO CONSIDER SMSA ...



SMSA grads in the TOP TEN  
of Glens Falls High School's  
Class of 2023

13

Average class size, K-5



3

High School level  
courses offered

ZERO

Other local  
schools  
accredited  
by Cognia



3

INTERSCHOLASTIC  
SPORTS TEAMS

14

Average number  
of years of  
TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE of our  
faculty members

140

YEARS

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to schedule  
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Commandments  
that guide us

Local school  
districts providing  
busing to SMSA  
students

13



Other local  
elementary schools  
with onsite  
**THEATER,**  
**CLAY STUDIO,**  
and **CHAPEL**

ZERO  
Locks  
found on  
our lockers



4

Average age at which  
our students are introduced to  
Spanish and French



Other local  
elementary schools  
who produce a  
**SOLD-OUT**  
musical each year  
at the

**WOOD**  
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2022

Most recent  
year an SMSA  
grad was  
Valedictorian  
at  
Queensbury  
High School

14

Number of  
SMSA teams  
taking **FIRST**  
**PLACE** in Battle  
of the Books  
competitions  
against other  
local schools over  
the past 10 years

# St. Mary's Staff

Phone  
518-792-0989

E-mail

## Clergy

|                       |                                    |          |                                   |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| Rev. Scott VanDerveer | <i>Pastor</i>                      | ext. 120 | fatherscott@stmarysglensfalls.org |
| Rev. Liam Condon      | <i>Clergy Assistance (retired)</i> |          |                                   |
| Rev. Joe Manerowski   | <i>Pastor Emeritus (retired)</i>   |          |                                   |
| Deacon David Powers   | <i>Pastoral Associate</i>          | ext. 135 | deacondve@aol.com                 |

## Office Staff

|                   |                                                                 |          |                                  |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------------------------------|
| Gary Patton       | <i>Business &amp; Operations Manager<br/>Cemeteries Manager</i> | ext. 116 | gpatton@stmarysglensfalls.org    |
| Melissa Wilkinson | <i>Pastoral Associate -<br/>Faith Formation &amp; Mission</i>   | ext. 121 | mwilkinson@stmarysglensfalls.org |
| Emily Hampton     | <i>Communications Coordinator</i>                               | ext. 119 | ehampton@stmarysglensfalls.org   |
| Alison Hancock    | <i>Volunteer Coordinator</i>                                    | ext. 111 | ahancock@stmarysglensfalls.org   |
| Charlie Kaszuba   | <i>Bookkeeper</i>                                               | ext. 130 | ckaszuba@stmarysglensfalls.org   |
| Ben Rowley        | <i>Pastoral Associate Music</i>                                 | ext. 113 | browley@stmarysglensfalls.org    |

## Faith Formation

|                 |                        |          |                               |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| Mary Ann Thombs | <i>DEI Coordinator</i> | ext. 123 | mthombs@stmarysglensfalls.org |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|

## Sacramental Preparation

|                    |                                |  |                               |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| Lisa Patton        | <i>Sacramental Coordinator</i> |  | lpatton@stmarysglensfalls.org |
| Jean & Gordon Paul | <i>RCIA Coordinators</i>       |  | gpaul@stmarysglensfalls.org   |



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Contact Emily Hampton at [ehampton@stmarysglensfalls.org](mailto:ehampton@stmarysglensfalls.org) for more information!




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