



St. Mary & St. Mark Roman Catholic Church

Holley & Kendall NY

May 16 – May 24, 2020



From the Pastor's Desk...



Dear Parishioners,

We are travelling with the Risen Christ during this Easter season. As we step into 6th week, Jesus is calling us to love Him more than anything else. Jesus tells us to follow His Commandments to prove that we truly love Him. If we love Him then we also love the Heavenly Father who sent Him to us. By opening our hearts and minds to God we will rather allow God to reveal Himself more to us and empower us to do many good things in His holy name. The month of May is Rosary month and we see how Mother Mary was opened to the Spirit of God, as the best model and example, as a result she stands for millions of people today who come to her seeking help and She is blessed to offer every help that people seek from God, because God blessed Her faithfulness and love with a title 'Mary, full of Grace.' We too pray for the grace to follow the Lord more closely as She did to share in the glory of Jesus. As we prepare for the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord, we pray that He may help us to ascend above our hardships and difficulties and experience the Peace of Christ and His loving Presence among us.

I am glad to say that I was able to make phone calls to all the families of our Parish, about 95%, to wish a Happy Mother's Day starting from Saturday afternoon to Monday night at 8 pm. There were many phone numbers which were out of service. I found that everyone was glad and staying in good health and keeping with their faith and love in the Lord, and waiting to see when the church will be reopened. Some gladly said that they learned a lot to use modern technology to find the available resources to keep their faith alive and many interesting things of faith to learn. I would request the families to call the office to update with current family address and phone numbers. I would proudly say that a good many families do send their envelopes regularly and even some send more money to help the church to take care of the needs. So far we are taking care of everything well with some exceptions. I would like to, on behalf of the Parish of St Mary & St Mark, thank all of you for your kindness, support and generosity. I seek the blessings of the Lord through our Patrons St. Mary and St. Mark to continue to protect and guide us. I am eagerly waiting for the changes to come very soon to allow us to use the Church again for our worship and prayer as before. During this month we pray that the world pay attention to the message of Fatima to repent, convert and pray. For Jesus said: "I will not leave your orphans, I will come to you."

I would like to thank Mr. Larry Frazer, Mr. Vincent Nicolia, Mr. Eddie Ciccoline and Mr. Billy Bower for helping to fix the right side kneelers of the church and also specially mention that the Trustees, Parish council members, Finance council members and Church staff are working hard to keep the church functioning. May Mama Mary bless us all.

Saying: A child asked God: If everything is already written in destiny, then why should I wish? God smiled and said: May be on some pages I have written – as you wish.



Father John

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Mass Schedule

Saturday, May 16 <i>Vigil: Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	Rev. Angelo Bovenzi by John & Barb Girvin
Sunday, May 17 <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	Patricia Murphy by the Wahl Family Martha Valentine Monacelli By Candace & Dave Carroll
Monday, May 18	Mother's Day Intentions
Tuesday, May 19	Ken Spychalski by Laurie & John Vogt
Wednesday, May 20 <i>St. Bernardine of Siena</i>	Father's Day Intentions
Thursday, May 21 <i>The Ascension of the Lord</i>	Frank Napoleon by Rosemary & Bill Bower
Friday, May 22 <i>St. Rita of Cascia</i>	Ennis Family by Family
Saturday, May 23 <i>Vigil: Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>	Mother's Day Intentions
Sunday, May 24 <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>	Father's Day Intentions

This week's Holy Hour Special intention is for an increase in vocations and for reparation of the Church.

Please pray for the following:

Rosie Albano, Arlene Bowen, John Dellaquila, Tina DiPonzio, Jane Doran, Brenda Emery, Paul Farrelly, Jacqueline Ferris, Buffie Gleason, John Krizan, Marge Kruger, Josephine Paduano, Cindy Piedimonte, Suzy Pratt, Nylene Reitz, Chic Semple, Al Sorochty, Glen Spellan, Denise Swift, Michael Swift, Bill Talbot, Jim Talbot, Jim Talbot Sr., Stacy Tipton, Evan Valentine, Sean Weis, Joyce Westveer, Chris Wing, Francis Zambito, Lexi Cooper, James Manno, Wayne Schiavone & Blake Aina

(Intentions for the sick are taken from PARISHIONERS for IMMEDIATE FAMILY with permission from the infirmed, and remain on the list for 3 months. Please call the office to return the infirmed to the sick list.)

St. Mary's Church will be open daily from 8am-6pm
St. Mark's Church will be open daily from 9am-5pm
Both churches are open for **private devotions only.**



All Masses, as well as parish and faith formation meetings, classes and events are postponed until further notice.

Follow us on Facebook & Instagram!

Please visit our website at www.stmarystmark.org for:

- ***The most up-to-date information on the effects of the COVID-19 virus on our parish***
- ***Online Faith Formation Classes***
- ***Current Bulletins***
- ***Online Giving Options***
- ***Listing of on-line live stream Mass and Adoration***

Stay home, stay well and God Bless.

We would like to take this opportunity to offer our sincere gratitude & appreciation to all of you who have kept your weekly offerings to the parish current and ask that you please continue to do so. You may have noticed that checks are taking a bit longer to cash, this is due to the fact that the office is not open or fully staffed. Banking is being done on a bi-weekly basis. We are grateful for your generosity and appreciate your patience as we continue to operate with limited staff and time.
God Bless You.



SAVE THE DATE
Saturday, June 27
St. Mary-St. Mark Drive-Thru
Chicken BBQ
in Holley
More details coming soon!!

MAY CROWNING

It is a long-standing Catholic tradition to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in May. Many Catholic churches hold a "May Crowning," presenting Mary with a crown made of beautiful flowers to signify her queenship as the mother of Christ, the King.



St. Mark Church



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