



St. Mary & St. Mark Roman Catholic Church

Holley & Kendall NY

May 30 – June 7, 2020



From the Pastor's Desk...

Dear Parishioners,

I wish you all a very Happy Pentecost Sunday, and may the Spirit of God come down upon us to liberate us from every fear of evil and sickness in the world. Before ascending into Heaven Jesus promised to send a New Advocate, the Holy Spirit, to lead and teach us to all Truth. It was the promise of Jesus that He would not leave us orphans but he would abide with us through the Holy Spirit. We also know the Power of the Holy Spirit right from the creation of the world and from the first Man Adam to the present; the Holy Spirit gave new life, spirit, love, hope, faith and wisdom. We not only thank God and Jesus for giving us this gift of the Spirit but also pray to them that they continue to lead and guide us in the right path to obtain Peace, Joy and Eternal life.

Along with the Feast of Pentecost I would like to gladly inform you that we had a trustee meeting on Wednesday and decided to reopen the churches, St. Mary and St. Mark, for Weekend Masses at regular times starting from the weekend of June 6th and 7th. We have to observe so many regulations given by the diocese and the state. At the same time it is a trial and a slow process. If everybody cooperates well, it will be opened to the full church as time goes by. We have opened up for week day masses as usual at 8:00am at St. Mary's. I would like to thank you all for your continuous prayers. I request you to bear with certain regulations to have our services in the church. First of all, because of social distancing there will be limited seats marked with the tape and strings on the pews and you will need to sanitize your seats. Kindly follow the directions. The diocese continues to offer us 'Dispensation from Sunday obligation' privilege and you can continue to attend the TV masses at home until we feel safe. So everyone need not rush to come to the weekend Masses for time being. I would like to make one humble request to all for public safety, please bring your face masks to Mass. If anyone was sick with covid19, or assisted the sick or recovered from covid19, please try not come for Mass for another few weeks, but you allow yourself to fully recover so that we safeguard one another from spreading the virus.

I am glad about the reopening of the church even with restrictions to be followed. If anything is displeasing to you kindly bear it up until things returning to normal. I also wish and pray that you are all staying safe and sound and everyone at home are taken care. I once again wish you a Very Happy Feast of the Pentecost. JMJ bless us all.



Father John

"In him you also, who have heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and have believed in him, were sealed with the promised holy Spirit (Ephesians 1:13)

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Mass Schedule

Saturday, May 30 <i>Vigil: Pentecost Sunday</i>	Mother's Day Intentions
Sunday, May 31 <i>Pentecost Sunday</i>	Father's Day Intentions
Monday, June 1 <i>The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church</i>	Mother's Day Intentions
Tuesday, June 2 <i>SS. Marcellinus and Peter</i>	Father's Day Intentions
Wednesday, June 3 <i>St. Charles Lwanga and Companions</i>	Mother's Day Intentions
Thursday, June 4	Father's Day Intentions
Friday, June 5 <i>St. Boniface</i>	Mother's Day Intentions
Saturday, June 6 <i>Vigil: The Most Holy Trinity Sunday</i>	Father's Day Intentions
Sunday, June 7 <i>The Most Holy Trinity</i>	Mother'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 1 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.)

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 St. Mary's Parking Lot, Holley
More details coming soon!!

St. Mary-St. Mark Parish will reopen on the weekend of June 6-7

Weekend Masses: Saturday -- St. Mary's at 4:00pm
Sunday-- St. Mark's at 8:00am
St. Mary's at 10:30am

Until further notice, Catholics in the Diocese of Buffalo will continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays.

The changes noted below are mandated by the Diocese of Buffalo and are considered temporary.

- Due to COVID-19 Regulations, all Mass seating is limited and first come first served. If there is enough interest, Father John will add additional Mass times
- It is recommended that each member of the faithful (over the age of 2) wear a mask. St. Mary-St. Mark will NOT be providing masks. Please take your temperature at home and remain home if you are ill or believed to have been exposed to COVID-19
- Both doors of the church will be open. Ushers will be in church to assist with seating in accordance with social distancing regulations
- There will be no music and/or singing during Mass
- There will be no Altar Servers or processions of any kind during Mass
- There will be no Missals available for use. You are encouraged to use your cell phone to follow along with the readings and the Gospel. (Apps like "iBreviary" and "Daily Readings for Catholics" and the USCCB website are useful resources)
- The collection will be taken up with handled baskets. Remember that you can also donate to our Parish online at www.stmarystmark.org
- The Sign of Peace should be offered without any touching or shaking hands. A bow of the head or wave are acceptable alternatives.
- Communion will be received at the normal time, as part of the Communion Rite, during Mass. All who distribute communion must wear a mask. Communion is to be distributed in the hand only, not on the tongue. The use of gloves and/or tongs is prohibited. Distribution of the Precious Blood is suspended.
- If you use the bathroom during Mass, please use the provided cleaning supplies to wipe down the facilities after use
- Please refrain from any fellowship at this time (this includes greeting people at the door by the celebrant)
- St. Mary-St. Mark Parish will abide by all Diocesan policies on sanitation and cleaning to ensure a safe worship space for all parishioners. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the parish office at (585) 638-6718.

*Welcome back to
Church!!*

I rejoiced when they said to me,
"Let us go to the house of the Lord"
Psalm 122:1