



St. Mary & St. Mark Roman Catholic Church

Holley & Kendall NY

June 27 – July 5, 2020
13th Week in Ordinary Time



From the Pastor's Desk...

Dear Parishioners,

After celebrating the Father's Day recalling the parents' love for their family and comparing it with the heavenly Father's love taught by Jesus and the little birds' love for their baby, and how we ought to support, care, love and appreciate our parents, we are called to reflect on how to face the sufferings positively relying on the Holy Trinity. It is a story that Japanese like fresh fish and therefore people go into the deep sea to catch them. By the time people come back with fish some are already dead. So fishermen started to take iceboxes to bring them fresh, but that too did not find favor with people. Then they started to take water tanks to bring fish alive. For some time it found favor with people and then lost its taste. People craved for active fish than those who were just alive and inactive. People came with another plan how to keep the fish active. They caught a shark and left in the tank. The fishes were scared of shark and kept moving away active and alert from the shark to its every movement and remained always very active. In a similar way, the sufferings are like sharks that we are faced with in our daily life keeping us active and working how to face the sufferings and pain and how to keep us safe and free that come into our life. Jesus is our active and alive fish who nourish us fresh always with the Eucharist. So let us not merely be scared of the sufferings and pain but rather learn to accept them positively to grow further in our life imitating Jesus and Apostles.



Today's liturgy of the word speaks that we are called to receive the word of God from its God's messengers, the church, just like prophets in the Old Testament and Jesus and Apostles in the New Testament. Prophet Elisha was sent to Shunem by God, an elderly couple who had no child, welcomed and provided him with a room and food whenever he traveled that way. As God's favor Prophet Elisha blessed them with a word that they would be blessed with a male child. Jesus too says that anyone who loves Him more than anybody else, anyone takes up the cross and follows His ways, anyone loses their life for the sake of Him, anyone receives Him or His disciples will have God's reward. We come to Church to hear His Words and to receive Him in the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist which are the greatest rewards that we obtain every time coming into the church with the assurance of Jesus that He is with us always. So let us assure Jesus that we truly welcome Him, love Him, seek of His strength and graces to endure any sufferings or pain that come on our way and fight it out with His divine assistance.

This Saturday is our St. Mary's BBQ Chicken dinner sales day. You can convey to your neighbors and friends about the dinner as well as tell them that church is opened for our regular worship and prayers with social distancing and facemasks following the guidelines as given by the diocese. I wish you to enjoy the gorgeous weather that God has given us and to pray for one another and the whole world to be free from Covid19. I heard that India has come up with medicines to cure it with 'Favipiravir tablets-200mg'. I thank you all for continuing support to the church, it is very much appreciated. Stay safe and healthy. Mama Mary and St. Mark keep us protected and our needs taken care of always. JMJ bless us.

Saying: Every situation in Life is Temporary. So when Life is good, make sure you enjoy and receive it fully. And when Life is not good, remember that it will not last forever and better days are on the way.

Life is like a Coin. Pleasure and Pain are the two sides. Only one side is visible at a time. But remember other side is also waiting for its turn.



Father John

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Mass Schedule

Saturday, June 27 <i>Vigil</i>	Kenneth Spychalski by Jim Stucko
Sunday, June 28 <i>13th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:30 Patricia Murray By Wahl Family 10:30 Mrs. & Mrs. Robert Monacelli (Anniv) By Children
Monday, June 29 <i>SS. Peter and Paul, Apostles</i>	Paul Abby (Birth) by Gail Abby
Tuesday, June 30 <i>The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church</i>	Anita Piedimonte by Roy & Bob
Wednesday, July 1 <i>St. Junipero Serra</i>	Stanley Passarell by Roy & Bob
Thursday, July 2	Paul Abby (Birth) By Gail Abby
Friday, July 3 <i>St. Thomas, Apostle</i>	Kenneth Spychalski by Roy & Bob
Saturday, July 4	Kate & James Piedimonte By Norm & Betty Knight
Sunday, July 5 <i>14th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8:30 Harold & Lois Maxon By Eric Maxon 10:30 Martha Valentine Monacelli By Candace & David Carroll

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.)



There have been many compliments on the upkeep of the cemetery.

A special thank you to the following volunteers:
Mowers – Francis D’Andrea and Donna Lavender
Trimmers-- Chuck Maxon, Jeff Miller, Vince Nicola, Rod Skehan,
Mark Spychalski, Mike Yargeau
Maintenance – Bill Bower & Ed Ciccoline

“Whatever you do, do from the heart, as for the Lord and not for others” (Colossians 3:23)

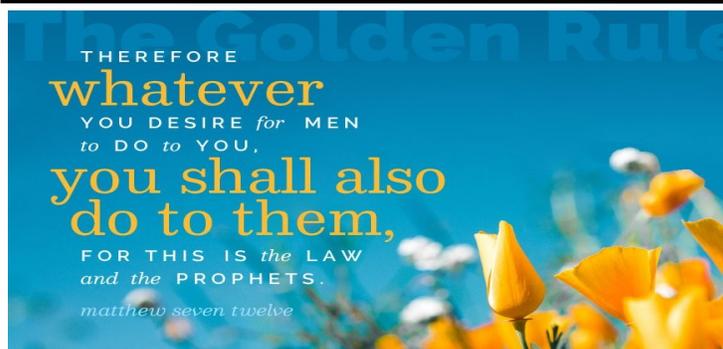


There will be a meeting with regards to the St. Rocco Italian Festival on Tuesday, July 7 at 6:30pm at St. Mary’s.

Catechists Needed: We are looking for volunteer catechists for the upcoming Religious Ed. year. Classes begin Sept. 20. If you love sharing the Catholic faith with children, please contact Jackie at 638-6718 x4 for more information.



Children’s Liturgy of the Word: We are in need of adult volunteers to host Children’s Liturgy at 10:30 Mass on Sunday, beginning Sept. 20. This would be a once a month commitment. Please contact Jackie if you would like to more information.



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 as banking is being done on a bi-weekly basis. We are grateful for your generosity and appreciate your patience. God Bless You.

Church Reopening Update!

St. Mary-St. Mark Parish has resumed our regular weekday and weekend Mass schedule with a 25% capacity. Social distancing and sanitizing measures are also in place. Facemasks are required.

Dispensation from Sunday Mass is still in effect for those who are uncomfortable returning at this time.

**St. Mary’s Church will be open daily from 8am-6pm
St. Mark’s Church will be open daily from 9am-5pm
for private prayer and devotions**



Mass Dates Available

Anyone interested in scheduling a Mass in 2020 may do so, as we have several dates available. Mass stipends are \$15.00 per Mass and is payable at the time of booking. Please call the office at 638-6718 to schedule your intention.