

*A Very Warm Welcome to
St. Mary's!*



**Today's Novus Ordo Mass Ad Orientem will be
celebrated by**

Bishop Douglas Lucia

August 30th, 2020
22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

**"Whoever wishes to come after Me must deny himself, take up
his cross, and follow Me" (Matt. 16:24)**

We invite you to visit our new website at:

www.stmarysoswego.com

The website is updated frequently with a weekly schedule of
Opportunities for Prayer and Sacraments at St. Mary of the Assumption Parish

PARISH NEWS:

- ❖ **Bishop Lucia will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation in the 1962 Rite here at St. Mary's for anyone in 8th grade and up. Please contact the office by September 6th if you or your child is in need of this Sacrament. Confirmation preparation class dates will be announced soon.**

- ❖ **Please contact the office if you, a family member, or child is in need of any Sacraments. We are working on preparing Sacramental Preparation Schedules for the upcoming year.**

- ❖ **September 8th is the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the 95th Anniversary of the Consecration of St. Mary's Church! With Great Thanksgiving we will Celebrate!**

- ❖ **St. Mary of the Assumption Parish is 170 years old this year and "Stands an eloquent sermon in stone of sacrifice and patience, of vision and courage. Its consecration crosses shall be reminders of the consecrated hearts and hands that built so wisely and so well."**

- ❖ **September 7th at 5:30 PM: Vigil Mass for Feast Day and Consecration Anniversary-Traditional Latin**

- ❖ **September 8th at 5:30 PM - Mass for Feast Day and Consecration Anniversary - Novus Ordo Ad Orientem**

**Don't forget, you can now register for any Mass directly at the door!
Please remember to wear a mask and social distance. Thank You!**

Donation Envelope Boxes have arrived! If you would like one of the box sets reserved for you, *please* fill out a Parish Registration form. Forms are available online through the website and at St. Mary's office. *Envelope Boxes are available for pick up at the table in the vestibule.*

Online Giving is available at www.stmarysoswego.com

Thank you for your generous support! Collections from 8/23/20: \$1,560.00

St. Mary's is open for Prayer:

Monday: 9am-6:30pm

Tuesday-Friday: 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Saturday: 12 Noon-3:00 pm

Weekly Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass: 12:00 Noon

Monday Daily Mass: 5:30 pm

(Confession is offered before each Mass)

Opportunities for Prayer this week:

Tue/Wed/Thurs at 3:00 the Rosary Group meets at St. Mary's – all are welcome to join as we pray together for many intentions

Monday 3:00-5:20: Adoration and Benediction

St. Mary's Pastoral Administrator: Father James A. Schultz

St. Mary's Office Manager: Mrs. Kristie Pauldine

St. Mary's Interim Director of Music: Mr. Alan Lynch

St. Mary's Office is OPEN: Monday-Fri from 11:00-4:00

St. Mary's Office Phone Number: (315) 343-3953

COLLECT PRAYER: God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of Your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, and, by Your watchful care, keep safe what You have nurtured. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen

Commentary on the Readings Excerpted from *The Sunday Readings* by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

The **Gospel** is from Matt. 16:21-27. From all eternity this was God's plan for mankind. But because sin had entered into the world before the Incarnation took place, the Son of God in his human nature had to suffer the violent death of the cross at the hands of sinners. In this very suffering he became the Lamb of God who took away the sins of the world, as the second-Isaiah had foretold in his "suffering servant" prophecies (Is. 53: 1-7; 42: 1-9 etc). His death, because he was God as well as man, was a sacrifice, an atonement, of infinite value, and therefore obtained forgiveness from the Father for all the sins of the human race.

In foretelling his sufferings and death, which took place some months later, Christ intended to prepare his disciples and other followers for what he knew would be for them a severe crisis of faith. He also took occasion from it to remind his disciples, and all others who would follow him, of what their attitude to suffering and death should be. He told them, and us too, that we must be ever ready to accept sufferings in this life, and even an untimely death if that should be demanded of us, rather than deny our Christian faith.

This daily carrying of our Christian cross can be, and is for many, a prolonged martyrdom. Poverty, ill-health, cruelty and hardheartedness met with in the home and in one's neighbors, are heavy crosses which only a truly Christian shoulder can bear.

Christians know that this life is a period of training, which makes us ready hereafter to receive the eternal reward which Christ has won for us. Every trainee knows that one must endure certain hardships and sufferings in order to merit graduation into one's chosen profession or trade. On our Christian graduation day we shall, please God, hear the welcome words : "Well done good and faithful servant; because you have been faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater, come and join in your Master's happiness" (Mt. 25: 21). May God grant that every one of us will hear these words of welcome.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Pray for Us ~ Be Our Shield; Be Our Protection



**Pray the Rosary for
Your Loved Ones,
for our City of
Oswego, for Bishop
Lucia, for our
Priests, Our Parish**