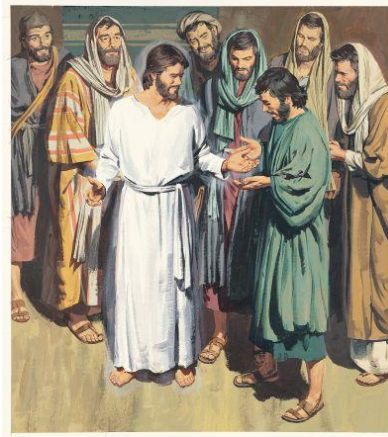


*A Very Warm Welcome to  
St. Mary of the Assumption Parish  
A Traditional Parish in the Diocese of Syracuse*



*Third Sunday of Easter  
April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021*

With St. Paul then, we may well sing out today: "**O death where is thy victory, O death where is thy sting?...thanks be to God who has given us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ**" (1 Cor. 15 : 55-57). Yes, Easter time is a time of rejoicing for every true Christian. It is a time for Alleluias, for praising and thanking God. Our happy future is within our reach. Our eternal happiness has been won for us by Christ and is within our grasp, if only we hold fast to the true faith of Christ, taking the rough with the smooth, going through our lesser Gethsemanes and Calvaries as Christ went through His great ones. If we do this we can hopefully await the angel who will roll back the stone from our grave one day, and allow us to enter into the glory of the eternal Easter in heaven. – Fr. O'Sullivan

We invite you to visit our website at:

[www.stmarysoswego.com](http://www.stmarysoswego.com)

*The website is updated frequently with a weekly schedule of  
Opportunities for Prayer and Sacraments at St. Mary's*

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*Thank you to our Staff, along with all our generous volunteers, who help keep our parish open to serve the Lord, provide access to the sacraments, and serve our parish community. You are all a great blessing and are appreciated!*

Please email [kpauldine@syrdio.org](mailto:kpauldine@syrdio.org) if you would like to volunteer 😊

- ❖ *Please remember that masks are required **at all times** for the Sunday Noon Mass, the 5:30 Daily Mass, the 12:10 Daily Mass, and all other Masses that may be added to the schedule. If you have a medical reason that does not allow you to wear a mask, you are welcome to sit up in the choir loft, however, you will still be required to wear a mask upon entering the church, when going up to receive Communion, and at all other places within the Church (besides for the Choir Loft). Thank you for your consideration of others and the NYS and Diocesan guidelines as we all work together to get through these extraordinary times.*

Online Giving is available at

[www.stmarysoswego.com](http://www.stmarysoswego.com)

*Thank you for your generous support!*

Collection from 4/11/021:

General: \$1831.00

Online: \$776.00

Other: \$430.00

*thank  
you*  


**PLEASE  
NOTE...**

*Please Check the Weekly Mass Schedule carefully to see when the Church is open during the week, Thank you! God Bless!*

If you need Holy Communion brought home to a loved one, please contact Fr. Schultz to set up a day/time by calling the office at 315-343-3953 or email Fr. Schultz at [jschultz@syrdio.org](mailto:jschultz@syrdio.org)

*St. Mary of the Assumption Parish will not be continuing the use of a pyxe and Father Schultz will instead deliver Holy Communion to anyone who is homebound. Thank you and God Bless! Please contact Fr. Schultz with any questions.*

*Parish Office Hours:*

*Mondays: 3:00-5:00*

*Tuesday: 11:00-4:00*

*(closed from 3:00-3:30 for Rosary on Tue/Wed/Thurs)*

*Wednesday: **Closed***

*Thursday: 11:00-5:30*

*(closed from 3:00-3:30 for Rosary on Tue/Wed/Thurs)*

*Friday: 1:00-2:00*

*If you would like to make an appointment with Fr. Schultz **outside of these hours**, please call the office or email :*

*office phone: 315-343-3953 or email*

*[kpauldine@syrdio.org](mailto:kpauldine@syrdio.org) or*

*[jschultz@syrdio.org](mailto:jschultz@syrdio.org)*

***NEW CHURCH OPEN HOURS***

*Mondays: 3:00-6:30*

*Tuesday: 11:00-4:00*

*Wednesday: 12:00-4:00*

*Thursday: 11:00-5:30*

*Friday: **11:00-3:00***

*Saturday: 12:00-3:00pm*

*Sunday: 11:15am-1:30pm*

*We are looking to have individuals sign up for Adoration Hours on Wednesdays from 12:00-3:00 for one-hour commitments. Online sign-up program is launching next week!*

*Opportunities for Group Prayer this week:*

**Tuesday and Wednesday and Thursday**

**at 3:00** the **Rosary Group** meets at St. Mary's - **All are welcome** to join as we pray together for many different intentions. *The Rosary will not be live-streamed on Tuesdays*



*Candles Lit This Week*

*Please remember to say a prayer for those who are being remembered and for the listed intentions.*

*Sacred Heart Altar: Lit for Don Fitzgerald from Delores*

# Chicken BBQ



**Saturday, May 1st**

**12:00-4:00**

**At the Woodchuck Saloon – 1 Mitchell St.**

**Drive-Up, Pick-Up, and Go....! No need to get out of your vehicle ☺**

***Pre-Sale Tickets available: \$12 each***

***After Mass – please see Michele!***

***at the parish office on Tuesdays from 11-4 or Thursday 1-5:30  
or you can purchase tickets at the Woodchuck***

***Proceeds will go to lighting up the CROSS at the top of the Bell  
Tower and 25 meals will be donated to Victory to help feed the  
homeless here in Oswego – you may choose to sponsor additional  
meals to Victory by donating your ticket/dinner.***

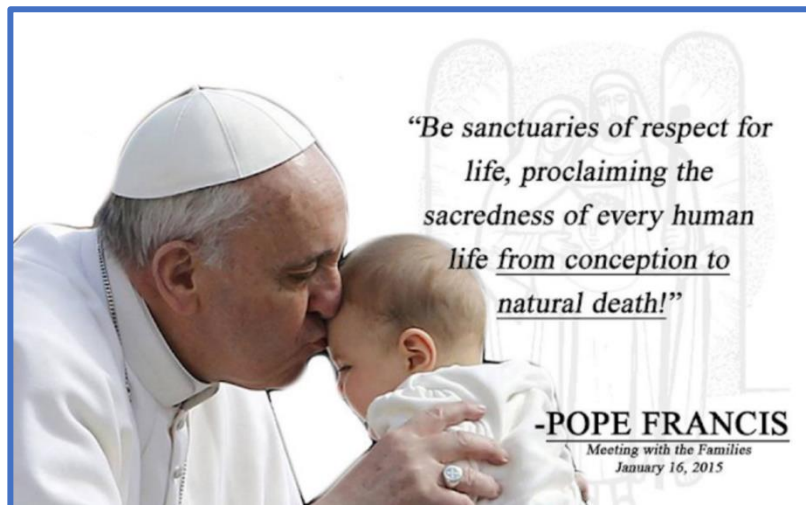
## ***From the USCCB - No Tax Payer Funding for Abortion - Sign the Petition!***

Since 1976, whether Congress and the White House were led by Democrat or Republicans, the Hyde amendment and similar laws have protected federal taxpayers from being forced to pay for elective abortions. The majority of Americans agree with the Hyde amendment and oppose taxpayer funding for abortions. However, powerful members of Congress now want to take away the Hyde amendment and similar laws that both Democrats and Republicans have supported for nearly half a century to prevent federal taxpayers from paying for elective abortions. The USCCB is encouraging us to sign an online petition in support of the Hyde Amendment to oppose federal taxpayers from funding elective abortions. Sign this petition from the USCCB, to be sent to members of Congress and staff: [www.notaxpayerabortion.com](http://www.notaxpayerabortion.com).

## Washington, D.C. – Support the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act

The Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act (H.R. 619) has again been introduced in Congress to protect infants born-alive during an abortion. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) is urging us to contact our representatives in Congress to sign a petition to discharge the bill from the Committee so that it can receive a vote on the floor of the United States House of Representatives. The Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act would provide specific protections nationwide to infants born-alive during an abortion. Please go to this website to make your voice heard:

<https://www.votervoice.net/USCCB/Campaigns/83732/Respond>



## Prayer After Communion – St. Thomas Aquinas

I thank You, O Holy Lord, Almighty Father, Eternal God, who have deigned, not through any merits of mine, but out of the condescension of Your goodness, to satisfy me a sinner, Your unworthy servant, with the precious Body and Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

I pray that this Holy Communion be not a condemnation to punishment for me, but a saving plea to forgiveness. May it be to me the armor of faith and the shield of a good will. May it be the emptying out of my vices and the extinction of all lustful desires; and increase of charity and patience, of humility and obedience, and all virtues; a strong defense against the snares of all my enemies, visible and invisible; the perfect quieting of all my evil impulses of flesh and spirit, binding me firmly to You, the one true God; and a happy ending of my life. I pray too that You will deign to bring me, a sinner, to that ineffable banquet where You with Your Son and the Holy Spirit, are to your Saints true light, fulfilment of desires, eternal joy, unalloyed gladness, and perfect bliss. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.



Next Week we are launching our online Adoration sign-up program! “Come spend an hour with Our Lord”



# Mass & Prayer Opportunity Schedule for April 18<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>

Please register online at [www.stmarysoswego.com](http://www.stmarysoswego.com)

to expedite the sign-in process, or register at the door

This is a "Pull- Out Sheet"! Please take this sheet out and hang it up on the fridge to help you remember the schedule ☺



*April 18<sup>th</sup> : Mass is offered today:*

*For the repose of the Soul of Francis R. Gates*

**Monday 04/19/21: Please Note: NO Mass**

*\*Church opens at 3:00*

~~5:15 PM – Traditional Latin Mass~~ **Thank you for understanding –**

**Please pray for Fr. Schultz while he is away**

*Birthday Mass for Scott Fields -From Bob and Patti Heath (re-scheduled to 5-24-21)*

*Friday 04/23/21:*

**12:15 PM – English/Latin Mass**

*-offered for the Repose of the Soul of: Claudia Leotta from John & Ann Allen*

**1:00-3:00 – Adoration and Benediction**

**11:55am & 2:30pm – Confession**

*\*Church now closes at 3:00 PM on Fridays*

*Sunday 04/25/21: Sunday Mass*

**12:00 PM – Traditional Latin Mass**

*– offered in memory of Ernest and Catherine Hall from Therese Bonner*

## Fr. Schultz's Column

JMJ



*Dear Friends in Christ,*

I jotted down a few notes from St. Thomas Aquinas' commentary on the Good Shepherd from St. John's Gospel (Chapter 10) on this Good Shepherd Sunday.

*What does it mean to be a Good Shepherd?*

Well one of the primary functions of a Good Shepherd is to feed his flock. "He will feed his flock like a shepherd" (Isa 40:11) Christ of course is the Good Shepherd and He nourishes His flock with his own body and blood. He gives them His very self. Bishops are to be the truest examples of the Good Shepherd. "I will give you Shepherds after my own heart". (Jer.3:15). When danger threatens the safety of the flock, the spiritual shepherd ought to suffer the loss of his bodily life for the safety of the flock. The good Shepherd gives his life. Christ gives us this example: "he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.(1 John 3:16)

The Good Shepherd's office is charity. For no one is a good shepherd unless he has become one with Christ by love, and has become a member of the true shepherd. He must have love for his sheep and authority over the sheep.

Here are 3 Differences between Good Shepherd and the Hireling:

**Intention** of the Good Shepherd – looks to benefit of his flock while hireling looks to his own benefit.

**Solicitude** of the Good Shepherd – Good shepherd cares for them (I hold you in my heart. (Phil 1:7) and the hireling does not care for them.

**Affection** of the Good Shepherd – He exposes his life to death because he loves his flock whereas the hireling flees because he has no love for his sheep.

The office of a good shepherd is charity. Let us pray today especially for our Bishops and priests that they might live out their high calling with ever more charity. Pray for vocations at our parish and especially for Deacon Dan who will be ordained a priest in less than 2 months!

***In a special way, please say an Ave for Pope Francis and Bishop Lucia.***

God bless,

*Fr. Schultz*

## *If you have found a Home...*

...at St. Mary of the Assumption Parish, please consider registering with us. Please register online at [www.stmarysoswego.com](http://www.stmarysoswego.com) or use the forms found in the back of church. You can return the forms by placing them in the donation box or donation slot in the back of church.

Welcome and God Bless!

Your donations pay the bills to keep St. Mary of the Assumption Parish financially healthy. *Your generosity is necessary and vital to our mission to allow for frequent access to the Sacraments, traditional teaching based on the catechism and dogma of the Catholic church, prayer opportunities, and helping bring souls to Christ. Thank you! All gifts are tax deductible according to law. Help us keep track of your giving:*

- 1) Please consider using online giving at [www.stmarysoswego.com](http://www.stmarysoswego.com) for automatic electronic payments using a credit or debit card, or direct debit to your bank account. This is the preferred method of giving because it is accurate, dependable, and reduces volunteer workloads. See our website for the signup link.
- 2) If you give via check (payable to St. Mary's Church or St. Mary of the Assumption Parish) or cash, it is important that you use your pre-printed envelopes. If you forget your Envelope, or are an unregistered guest, please use a blue envelope, provided on the donation tables, and include your name, address, and phone number. (When registering, choose "envelopes.")
- 3) You may want to set up online banking to send paper checks on the cycle of your choice to: St. Mary of the Assumption Parish/St. Mary's Church at St. Mary's Church, 103 West 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Oswego NY, 13126. Please include the word "donation" and your parishioner number, if known, in the memo or note section.
- 4) Anonymous cash donations or loose checks can be put into the collection basket; however, despite our volunteers' best efforts, loose checks may not be properly matched to parishioner accounts or recorded for year-end statements. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the parish office.

To request and schedule intentions for both of our Masses, contact the parish office at **315-343-3953 or stop in during office hours**, to reserve a date **before paying for a Mass**. The stipend check *must be made out in the exact amount* of **\$10** per Mass and made payable to **St. Mary's Church**. **Mass intentions can be for those who are living, for those who have passed away, and for those who may be sick.**

**CANDLES** burn on the **Sacred Heart Altar, Holy Family Altar, the St. Joseph Altar, and in front of the Blessed Mother Statue**. Would you like to have a dedicated candle burn in memory of a loved one **OR** for a special intention? To schedule a dedicated candle intention call **315-343-3953 or stop in during office hours**. Donations for 7 day Sacred Heart, Holy Family, and St. Joseph Altar Candles are **\$10.00** each.

**ALTAR FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS:** You may dedicate altar flower arrangements on the altar to family and friends or in loving memory of a deceased loved one. Please call the parish office at **315-343-3953 or stop in during office hours** to arrange for a floral arrangement dedications. Altar flower donations are **\$50.00** (for two on either side of Tabernacle).