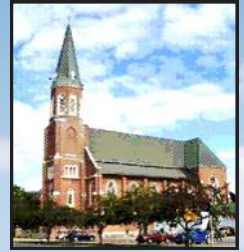


September 13, 2020



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24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." - Mt 18:21-22

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 12, 2020 The Most Holy Name of Mary, BVM (1Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49)8:00 am Mass for **FATHER JAMES CULVER** (Birthday) by Charlotte Young5:00 pm Vigil Mass **ROSE MAGGIOLINO** (Birthday) by RoAnn and Christopher**LORRAINE UTTER** (Anniv) by Family * **MARILYN PALINSKI** by Family**Sunday, September 13, 2020 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Sir 27:30--28:7; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35)****Today's Mass will be available online at: www.stmarysstpeters.com**7:30 am Mass for the **SPECIAL INTENTIONS OF ST. MARY'S/ST. PETER'S PARISHIONERS**10:00 am Mass for **COLLEEN KESTER** by the Stanton Family * **JOHN CAPOCCIA** by Mary Spencer**Monday, September 14, 2020 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Numbers 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17)**7:00 am Mass for **DAVID ABBE** by Edward and Robin Talerico**Tuesday, September 15, 2020 Our Lady of Sorrows (1Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35)**7:00 am Mass for **ROBERT AND MARGARET SIMONS** by Daughter-in-law, Mary**Wednesday, September 16, 2020 Saints Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs (1Cor 12:31—13:13; Lk 7:31-35)**7:00 am Mass for **MR. AND MRS. WALTER STINEBRICKNER AND JOSEPH ECHE** by Their Estate**Thursday, September 17, 2020 Saint Robert Bellamine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church (1Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50)****NO MASS****Friday, September 18, 2020 (1Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3)**7:00 am Mass for **VLADIMIR WILLIAMS** by Mom**Saturday, September 19, 2020 Saint Januarius, Bishop & Martyr, BVM (1Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15)**8:00 am Mass for **BOB ROOD** by Mom5:00 pm Vigil Mass **MSGR. FRANCIS CULKIN** (Birthday) by Charlotte Young**MR. AND MRS. ARTHUR O'CONNOR** by Family**DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE TESTA FAMILY** by Family**Sunday, September 20, 2020 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a)****Today's Mass will be available online at: www.stmarysstpeters.com**7:30 am Mass for the **JOYCE HEINZLMEIR** by Don and Ellen Tuttle & Peter and Georgianna Larry**PETER FITSIK** (Birthday) by Daughter, Pat10:00 am Mass for **CARL AND JULIE MASSETT** by Family * **JOHN DICKSON** by Mother, Judy**LORETTA GALESKY** (Birthday) by Children & Grandchildren

**“Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation” from St. Peter’s Church
Will be available on the parish website:**

www.stmarysstpeters.com

Please remember our family, friends and parishioners in our prayers

Georgie Amodio	Bill Evans	David Johnston	Tom Meyers	Lisa Ryder
Jayne Atwood	Ron Fazio	Lena Johnston	Joe Migeroll	Kelly Sabia
Paula Bailey	Judith Ann Fesner	Paula Johnston	Ann Moster	Jacqueline Schachte
Raymond Barbar, Jr	Joan Fiaschetti	Megan Jones	Phil Murphy	John Schachte
Doris Barry	Carol Fasick	Jennie Kemp	Beverly Nasci	Brian Schilling
Joseph Beasock III	Diana Fowler	Gary Koster	Tari-Lyn Orton	Thomas Serra
Karen Bieksza	Julianna Fusco	Paul LaSalle	Debbie Pacicca	Emmalynn Sharrow
James Brooks	Lauri Fusco	Teresa La Salle	Barbara Pazdur	Alexander Simpson
Lorayne Calicchia	Augusta Ginsburg	Bill ." Dobbie" Link	Clair Papadametrious	Freja Emily Simpson
Stephanie Calicchia	Scott Ginsburg	Lori Losowski	Jim Pekarski	Kaye Skinner
Mary Carmody	Amanda Gold	Anne Lubecki	Rachel Pawlikowski	Russell Smith
Nick Coonrod	Gail Greene	Geoff Marchione	Carol Piatt	Spencer Robert Smith
John Cordsen	Donald Hartman	Russell Marchione	Datie Ponath	Gabriel Streiff
Alice Dearo	Billy Jo Hidenbrandt	John Massett	John Preski	Blanche Sweatman
Tom Delpico	John Hedrington	Pat Melloris	Patrick Quinn	Anne Toepp
Barry Dunning	Joshua Hedrington	David, Liz and Mitzi	James Rank	Dominick Tuzzolino
Sarah Eastup	John Hinman	Marcelletta	Catherine Roman	James Van Damme
Al Eisinger	Barbara Joanis	Patrick McLaughlin	Bill Reese	Vito Waterman
Paul Eisinger	Carol Johnson	Brian McQueen	Robert Roman	John Wright
Robyn Engle				Ray "Dusty" Whitman

Please call the rectory for additions, deletions and corrections.

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE
All Masses at St. Peter's Church

PLEASE NOTE THE SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGES

SATURDAY Vigil MASS 5:00 pm
SUNDAYS 7:30 am * 10:00 am
Weekdays Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 7:00 am
Saturday 8:00 am
Holydays 7:00 am * 12:10 pm * 5:30 pm Vigil

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION
Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm or by Appointment

SACRAMENTS OF MATRIMONY/ MARRIAGE AND/OR SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
Please call the Rectory Office for information

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK FOR THE HOMEBOUND AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL
When a family member or friend may be in need of anointing, please call the Rectory Office.

HOSPITAL

It is important that a family member indicate that the person being admitted to the hospital is a Catholic and belongs to a certain parish. Our Parish Ministers visit the hospital almost everyday.

PARISH STAFF

Director of Faith Formation: Laura Mack
Organist: Barry Russo
Office Administration: Sharon Hansen
Administrative Assistant & Bulletin: Kathy Miller
Maintenance Director: Mark Lagasse
Cemetery Superintendent: St. Peter's and St. Mary's Joseph Fusco

PARISH ORGANIZATION and PARTICIPATION

Altar Rosary Society: Mary Wahl
St. Peter's Senior Group: W. Warren Sickles, Jr.
Readers and Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Miller
Scripture Study: Betty Pettinelli
Prayer Group: Barbara Thomas
Funeral Preparations: Barbara Thomas
Hospital Visitations: Jim Flemming

Volunteers are needed as: Altar Servers * Lectors
Eucharistic Ministers * Collection helpers
Ushers * Choir * Greeters
Please call the rectory for more information.

PARISH COUNCIL

Father Sean O'Brien, Pastor
Kevin Barry, President * Betty Pettinelli, Vice President
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Joseph Stanton, Trustee St. Peter's * Bernard Kaier, Trustee St. Mary's
Michael Adey * Ginny Craiglow * Edward Donohue
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Deacon Nicholas Rosher

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:
SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS

In Mission of the Christ Child

Misc. Donations from:
Bettina Favata
Barbara Thomas

ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE

September: Mary Wahl * Diane Sjordahl

HOSPITAL VISITATION
TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

A SPECIAL NOTE:

For those who find it difficult to walk, etc. The front pews across the Church are reserved for you. Communion can be brought to your pew. If anyone needs Communion in any pew, please indicate that to the Minister of the Eucharist who will assist the person in need.

HEARING AIDS:

Assistive hearing devices are available for loan in the Sacristy before Mass.

Please continue to support our parish by mailing in your weekly donation or visit our website and donate online. IF YOU ARE MAILING IN YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS, PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR WEEKLY ENVELOPES.
Thank you

St. Mary's /St. Peter's Collection

THE PARISH BULLETIN FOR THIS WEEK WAS PUBLISHED BEFORE THE WEEKLY COLLECTION WAS COUNTED. COLLECTION REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 6th & SEPTEMBER 13th WILL BE IN THE SEPTEMBER 20th BULLETIN.

Thank you for your support!

Help Us Grow:

Did you know that your weekly contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account or processed using your credit or debit card? Our electronic giving program offers convenience for you and provides much needed donation consistency for our parish. Simply scan the QR code using your phone's QR code reader or go to stmarysstpeters.com and locate **DONATE** in the menu. Questions? Give us a call: 315-336-5072



THE FOLLOWING PARISH EVENTS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED

Wednesday, Scripture Class on St. Matthew at 6 pm in St. Peter's Church Hall
Wednesday, **Scripture Sharing** to reflect on the Readings for Sunday
Liturgy at 10:00 am in St. Peter's Church Hall.
Wednesday, **Prayer Group** at 7 pm at St. Mary's Parish Center



Faith Formation

Registration for Faith Formation classes is currently underway. Please visit the Faith Formation website www.smspfaith.com to complete your registration form.

Classes will begin in October.

If you have a first grader, or another child who is new to the program, please contact the Faith Formation Office directly.

Information regarding Sacramental preparation classes (including First Sacraments and Confirmation) will be mailed to the families in those programs.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to call (315) 336-5066 or email the Faith Formation Office: spcdre@twcnv.rr.com.

We look forward to welcoming you back and sharing our faith with you!

ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY

ARS Meetings are cancelled until further notice.

The Altar Rosary Society is always welcoming new members to join our organization. We are a productive and fun group of ladies and would love to see you come to see what we are all about. Your time and talents are needed!!!!!!

The "Merry Makers" Meeting Schedule

Knitters & Crocheters:
No meetings until further notice

Sewing Group
No meetings until further notice

We need **SEWERS** to sew at home and/or to sew with us at our monthly meetings. You need not be an expert. If you can sew a straight seam, please consider joining "Merry Makers".

For additional information:
Cate Powers
315-337-2289 315-225-7900

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Becoming Catholic as an adult requires individuals to participate in a time of formation known as R.C.I.A. The word "initiate" means to induct into membership. In the context of Christian initiation, it means the process that prepares you to become a member of the Catholic Church. People who have been thinking of becoming catholic, who are attached to its beliefs and who seek deeper meaning in their lives may wish to follow these promptings and discover what lies behind them.

To help you understand the basic way of Catholic life, we first offer the Inquiry period. These sessions do not bind or commit you to membership in the Catholic Faith. This is the preparation stage and will vary time-wise depending on the participant and on God's call in his or her life.

The next phase, which is called the Catechumenate, is usually about one year long. During this phase, we meet on Sunday mornings. This time is given to fostering a deeper relationship with the Lord. Our sessions reflect on scripture, church teachings, and a variety of related topics – all in preparation for the reception of the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist normally at Easter of that year.

If you know of anyone who would be interested, our inquiry sessions are:

Wednesday Sept 9th @ 7:00 pm & Wednesday Sept 16th @ 7:00 pm., St. Peter's Church Hall.
If you have any questions, please call St. Peter's Rectory @ (315) 336-5072 or Kathy Chase @ (315) 339-1683

FORMATION FOR MINISTRY**2020-2021 COURSES IN UTICA**

*Evangelization * Catholicism
Church History * Advanced Scripture
Spirituality of Leadership*

Courses are open to any interested adult
as well as FFM students and alumni

For a detailed schedule and to register:

Formationforministrysyr.org or Call (315) 470-1479

FORMATION FOR MINISTRY**COMMISSIONING CEREMONY**

Sunday, September 20, 2020 at 2:30 p.m.
Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
Syracuse, N.Y.
All are welcome

**GREETING CARD MINISTRY**

Help is needed from all parishioners to
continue our Greeting Card Ministry.
If anyone knows of a St. Mary's/St. Peter's
parishioner who is ill, in a nursing home
or homebound, and would like
to receive a greeting card,

Contact **Debbie Pinti** (315) 337-5982 or email
dpinti@tweny.rr.com with the
person's name and address,

and our team will gladly send them a greeting card
to brighten their day.

Thank you in advance for all your help.

Grandparents
day

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY (Mt 18:21-35)**

Provided by the Hope Appeal Funds

Unable to forgive another, means we are holding
onto a past wrong and hoping for a better past.
That is not going to happen. We must move on
with our life by accepting we were unjustly treated
and it will not be corrected. We aren't condoning
the injustice. We just don't let it control our lives
any longer. Forgiveness is critical to living a
healthy life in the present.

*Bishop Douglas Lucia has written a special
Novena Prayer for an end to the
Coronavirus Pandemic*

NOVENA PRAYER**FOR AN END TO THE
CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC**

*O Mary, full of grace, Patroness of this nation
and Mother of the Church, in this time of illness and
worldwide need we seek your intercession
for the human family before your Son's
throne of grace and mercy.*

*We ask for strength in adversity, health in weakness,
and comfort in sorrow. Help us, O Blessed Mother,
to be filled with confidence and trust in the tender
compassion of our God. Let us not be afraid,
like our own Saint Marianne Cope, who entrusted
her life and ministry among the outcasts of society
into the care of our Divine Physician.*

*Continue to watch over all who are sick as well as
those who care for them and give wisdom
to all who are seeking a cure.*

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

This is a nine day prayer which can be found at:
thecatholicsun.com

**SEPTEMBER 18, 1947
TO
SEPTEMBER 18, 2020**



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO THE
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE!**

Dear Padre,

We knew a beloved priest whose death was self-inflicted. What is the Church's stance on suicide?

I offer my heartfelt sympathy to you and the faith community for this tragic loss. "We are stewards, not owners, of the life God has entrusted to us. It is not ours to dispose of" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2280). Those who take their own life to end personal suffering assume a decision-making that belongs to God alone. However, the Church also acknowledges that "grave psychological disturbances, anguish, or grave fear of hardship, suffering, or torture can diminish the responsibility of the one committing suicide" (CCC 2282).

At the same time, the Church relies on the compassion of God, who fully knows the intensity of suffering that triggers suicide. Therefore, the Church pastorally states: "We should not despair of the eternal salvation of persons who have taken their own lives. By ways known to him alone, God can provide the opportunity for salutary repentance. The Church prays for persons who have taken their own lives" (CCC 2283).

How, then, does the Church specifically pray for those who've committed suicide? Generally they're not deprived of full burial rites in the Church, which consoles the living and commends all of the dead "to God's merciful love and pleads for the forgiveness of their sins" (Order of Christian Funerals, 6). Nor are they deprived of burial in a Catholic cemetery—a sacred place that helps bring peace to those confronted by the sudden death of a suicide.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR



Pope Francis asks us to pray for one of his published intentions each month. To pray with the Pope daily, visit: clicktopray.org

SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS
Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that we will not plunder the resources of this planet which you have entrusted to us. Help us share in a just and respectful way of all of the blessings and resources that you've given to us.

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Support A Local Non-Profit

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Sept. 1 - 30th

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Wednesdays ,September 2nd to November 18th

10 am-12 pm. or 6-8 pm
\$35.00 per person (If registered by August 19th)
\$45.00 per person (after August 19th)

THEOLOGY UNCORKED

Thursday, September 17 at 6:30 PM
ANNA COSTA

Looking at Addictions through the Lens of God's Love

Anne's writing and speaking ministries bring hope, practical help and spiritual healing and address such topics as addiction, suicide, abuse, relationships, boundaries and physical, spiritual and mental health. Anne's joy is infectious as she shares with others the love of Jesus, His Blessed Mother and the entire community of saints!

DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

Reservations are required * Capacity limit will be 50 & For everyone's safety, masks are required and may be taken off at your table while eating. Social distancing will be enforced.

Theology Uncorked is a gathering of conversation for the believers, the curious and the skeptics. It is **FREE** and open to the public (*First glass of wine is on the house!*) Join us for food, drinks and great conversation.

For more information please call
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