



HOLY FAMILY CHURCH

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Third Sunday of Easter

Walk With Mary In The Month Of May

In accord with a long-standing tradition of devotion, parishes and families continue to make the month of May a 'Marian' month, celebrating it with many devout liturgical, catechetical and pastoral initiatives. The Son is not found apart from His Mother. Our Lord gave us His Mother to be our Mother; He wants us to honor her. Mary doesn't keep anything for herself, besides, any honor that we give to her, ultimately is given to God, Who has done great things for her. Whatever path we take with Mary this May, let it be a reawakening of the Church's love for our mother. She is awaiting our answer to her invitation to walk with us, her children. **The Church of Holy Family will walk with Mary in the month of May in three ways:** First, invite and encourage families to pray the Rosary together every day; second, pray the rosary before every weekday and weekend celebration of the Eucharist (Mass) at 11.45 AM on weekday, and 4.00 PM on Saturday, and 8.30 AM and 10.45 AM respectively on Sunday for the weekend. We have a sign-up sheet in the sacristy inviting volunteers to lead us in the Rosary. Third, as part of the crowning of Mary, Faith Formation children, the 2017 recipients of First Holy Communion, will present flowers to the Blessed Mother at Sunday Mass, May 7, 9.00 AM. A statue of Mary is honored with a wreath of blossoms or flowers to indicate Mary's virtues, virtues that are to be imitated by the faithful. **Pope Francis told priests, nuns, and seminarians that one way to make sure Jesus is the center of their lives is to ask "his mother to take you to him. A priest, a brother, a nun who does not love Mary, who does not pray to her — I would even say one who does not recite the rosary — well, if you don't love the mother, the mother will not give you the Son."**

Mary is, for us, a most powerful intercessor with the Lord. No one was ever closer to Jesus, than His Mother. She carried Him in her womb for nine months. Mary wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, she fed Him, and she carried Him in her arms. Mary took Him to the Temple, she protected Him and she taught Him. She was there when He learned to walk; she was there when He said His first words. She poured upon Him all the tenderness of the best of mothers as He grew up. She was there when He performed His first public miracle, in fact, it was at her request that He performed it and His disciples began to believe in Him. She was there at the foot of the Cross, when all the Apostles save Saint John abandoned Him. She was near her Son as He was lifted up upon the Cross and died in order to win our Salvation. Now, in Heaven, Mary sits at Jesus' right hand. Jesus loves His Mother. She was perfectly obedient to Him at every moment of her life. Jesus loves her and He refuses her nothing.

Even if our own mothers have fallen short in some ways, and we know that some of us may have had absent mothers, mothers that passed away when we were young, or mothers that didn't love us as they should, **each of us has a second mother, a perfect mother—Mary.** Mary isn't a young girl from ancient history who's long gone (and far away) or a statue in our church or flower garden. Mary is our living mother, who desires to have a relationship with us, who labors every day to help us know how much God loves us by name and how important it is to love Him in return. May is a month when we turn to Mary in a special way. May is an opportunity from God to grow in our relationship with Mary—Our Mother. The best way to honor Our Lady is to imitate her. Mary is a model of all virtue. She lived her life for God alone. No one has ever loved Jesus as perfectly as she did. She completely surrendered herself to God. She had total confidence and trust in Him. In order to honor her, we should strive to give our hearts completely to her and through her to God. Mary's greatest desire for us is that the perfect image of the heart of Christ, her Son, would be reproduced in our hearts.

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Parish Office

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Office Hours

Monday through
Thursday 9:00-5:00
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St. Joseph School

253-8327

Principal

Michael Carney

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am &
11:15 am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 pm

Baptisms

By appointment.
Call to register.

Marriages

By Appointment

auburnholymfamily.org and
[facebook.com/
auburnholymfamily](https://www.facebook.com/auburnholymfamily)

Sunday, April 30

9:00 am Luisa White - Richard White
 11:15 am Special Intention - Barb Wilson

Monday, May 1

12:15 pm Jane O'Hora - Martin Nolan

Tuesday, May 2

12:15 pm The William E. Bouley Family - Estate

Wednesday, May 3

12:15 pm Jean Salva - Jeannine

Thursday, May 4 NO MASS

Friday, May 5

10:00 am Mass at Restmour
 12:15 pm Jean Kammerscheit - Family



Saturday, May 6

4:30 pm Margaret Sigona - Mr. & Mrs. Bob Burnett

Sunday, May 7

9:00 am Michael Evangelista - Huguette
 11:15 am Jack & Irene Flaherty - Family

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

4/23/2017

Attendance	327
No. of Envelopes Used	154
Regular Collection	\$7,810
St. Joseph's School	\$13
Fuel/Heat	\$85
Roof	\$107
Easter	\$507
Easter Flowers	\$5
Catholic Mission Appeal	\$2

Second collection next week will be for St. Joseph School.



ELECTRONIC GIVING is one way of moving into the 21st century. We currently have 25 families using this automated system and I must say, folks really like it. I know I am from the old school; I like to hold my newspaper and turn the pages as I read. However, when I look at the cost of printing the envelopes, the mailing, and the number of trees it takes to create the envelopes, we need to move forward. I would like to double the number of families using electronic giving this year. Please give me a call, or stop in the rectory to discuss how you can get signed up, pick your days of the week or month for deductions to be made. It is simple, safe, and a cost saving for Holy Family all rolled into one. Please give this some thought and hope to hear from you soon.

God Bless you for your generosity. Your support is needed and greatly appreciated.



HAIL MARY FULL OF GRACE...please kneel down after Mass and pray three Hail Mary's for the next parishioner who dies.

FAITH FORMATION OFFERTORY PROCESSION this week-- Pre-K and Kindergarten Faith Formation. Next week, 4th Grade Faith Formation will bring up the gifts during the All Classes Mass celebrating Faith Formation's end of the year.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: May and June schedules are in the sacristy.

FOOD PANTRY: Featured donation for the month of May is Paper Goods.

RAISE THE ROOF-A NIGHT OUT! Come and dance and listen to the band A.D.D. on Saturday, May 13th. A Fundraiser Event for Holy Family at Tinker's from 6:30 to 9 pm. \$5.00 donation puts you in a special drawing. Many other drawings and food for sale. Help support Holy Family!

OUR THANKS to Lakeland Equipment for sponsoring our bulletin this week.

THOUGHT TO PONDER: Don't worry: God is never blind to our tears, never deaf to our prayers and never silent to our pain. He sees! He hears! He comforts!

A GOOD STEWARD is one who responds to the call to serve the Lord by putting his or her time and talents to work for His Church. Do you feel the call to be a good steward, but not sure how? Let us help! You can email us at holyfamilychurchstewardship@gmail.com and let us find a way to put your time and talents to work for Holy Family Church.

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL proudly presents *Disney's High School Musical, Jr* May 5th & 6th at 7pm and May 7th 2pm at Cayuga Community College. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students & Senior Citizens. For more information please call (315)253-8327.

There is a new **SUGGESTION BOX** in the back of Holy Family Church. Any suggestions or comments are considered and appreciated.

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, May 6

4:30 pm A. Ringwood, C. Ringwood

Sunday, May 7

9:00 am C. Liberatore, J. Siddall, E. Trupiano

11:15 am E. Frechette, O. Frechette

LECTORS

Saturday, May 6

4:30 pm B. Ringwood, S. Marullo

Sunday, May 7

9:00 am All Classes Mass

11:15 am R. Nestor, J. Kearse

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, May 6

430 pm M. Lavey, J. Madden, S. Marullo, D. Walsh

Sunday, May 7

9:00 am P. Allen, A. Bryant, R. Bryant, C. Siddall

Nursing Home: P. Allen

11:15 am D. Holmes, M. Lawson, E. Petrosino, B. Wilson





HOLY FAMILY'S CATHOLIC MINISTRIES

APPEAL (CMA): We are a gifted faith community and we are called on to share what we can to those in need. **To date 200 families have made a great sacrifice of \$28,625.00 which is 86.59% of our total goal of \$33,060.00.** This includes the 41 families who have contributed to **HOLY FAMILY SPECIAL CARE. \$4435.00 TO GO!** Our parish is facing a challenge at this point in meeting our Catholic Ministries Appeal Goal. Again, as you probably know by now, **this is a mandatory rather than voluntary goal** and hence any shortfall is drawn from our depleting saving account therefore seriously hurting our operational income. If you are one of the 185 households who have already made a pledge, **THANK YOU.** One of goals is to increase the number of parish households who support the CMA. Our current participation rate is only 33.5%. Won't you help improve this participation? Any amount, large or small will help. Please pray for the success of our efforts. Thank you. Fr. John

\$\$\$Dollars for Tyburn\$\$\$ - Tyburn Academy is selling \$100 raffle tickets - 1st Prize wins \$25,000, 2nd prize wins \$10,000, 3rd prize wins \$5,000, 4th prize wins \$2,000 and 5th through 9th prize win \$1,000 each! *Prizes are based on 1000 tickets sold. Proceeds to benefit Tyburn Academy. **Your donation is an investment in a student's future!** DRAWING WILL BE HELD SUNDAY, JUNE 25, 2017. Tickets are available at Tyburn Academy or for more information call 315-252-2937.

MOTHER TERESA said: "I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot, together we can do great things."



Eucharistic



Adoration

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION will be held Wednesday, May 3rd, 7-8pm in church.



PRAY FOR...

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Mary Adams, Caroline Blowers, Arthur Conti, Ray Cuddy, Sue Daly, Tim Daly, Virginia Dranscak, Ginny Elardo, Michael Fronzek, Mary Guido, Carter Hergert, Audra Jakaub, Caleb Jones, Sr. Rita Kaufman, Joanne Komanecky, Elizabeth Lane, Frances Lane, Kathryn Malek, Sonja O'Brien, Jim O'Connor, Joan Petrucelli, Siobhan Phillippe, Jean Redmond, Roberta Slayton, Leonard Smith, Paul Vitagliano, **those listed in our Book of Petitions and those serving our country:** LCpl Brian Baxter USMC, Capt Gregory Baxter USMC, Capt DJ Benzing USAF, LtCol Joseph E. Brooks USAF, PFC Earl Doyle Jr. USA, Sgt Tom Ellis Sr. USA, SSgt Angel Gonzalez USA, Cpl Eddie Gonzalez USMC, Pvt Zachary Gonzalez USMC, CWO4 Roger Graf USA, 1SGT Zachary Howell USA, Sgt James Johnson USMC, SFC Jason Mero USA, Pvt Justin Miller USA, TSgt Diana O'Connor USAF.

OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Tuesday, May 2

10:00 - 11:00 am Clothes Closet - School

Wednesday, May 3

1:00 pm Parish Life Meeting - Church

Thursday, May 4

6:00 - 7:00 pm Clothes Closet - School

Saturday, May 6

3:30 pm Confessions

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During her life Mary continually contemplated Christ in her heart. (cf. Luke 2:19, ff.) In imitation of Our Lady, we should always have our eyes fixed on Christ; we should continually contemplate His life, death and Resurrection. The Rosary is a wonderful tool which we have been given to do just that: meditate upon Our Lord. The Rosary is a prayer which is meant to help us contemplate Christ. It is clearly Marian in nature, and yet all the mysteries attempt to help us focus on some aspect of Christ's life. The Rosary offers us the opportunity to contemplate the mysteries of Christ so that we can more perfectly imitate Christ in our lives. The Rosary is also a great way to honor Our Lady and obtain her powerful intercession for ourselves as well as for others. Saint John Paul II said: "To pray the Rosary is to hand over our burdens to the merciful hearts of Christ and His Mother." (Rosarium Virginis Mariae # 25) Let us also pray for our First Communion Class as we turn to Our Blessed Mother to intercede for them. God Bless. Fr. John

STS. MARY & MARTHA PARISH will be having a **CHICKEN BBQ** at **ST. HYACINTH CHURCH** this weekend, Sunday, April 30th from 11:00am until sold out. Dinner: 1/2 chicken, pierogi, kapusta, baked beans, bread, dessert.: \$12. 50/50 raffle, basket raffle, 1lb. Kapusta to go:\$5.

MARK THIS DATE



HOLY FAMILY ANNUAL CHICKEN BBQ will be held on **May 20th, 2017** starting at 11:00 am. until dinners run out. The cost of the dinner is \$10. We are currently looking now for donations of canned baked beans, ketchup, mustard, and brown sugar to help offset the costs. Drop off boxes will be located at the entrances of the church. Also, we will be having a bake sale going on during the BBQ and we would be so grateful to all those who could send in donations of baked items for us to sell. Anyone wishing to volunteer to work the day of the BBQ can contact Mary Latanyshyn at 315-651-7345 or email us at holyfamilychurchstewardship@gmail.com.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL \$100 RAFFLE! Tickets are now on sale (**CASH ONLY**) with 11 chances to win, including the grand prize of \$5000. The Drawing is Sunday, May 21st and the \$500 Early Bird Drawing is May 11th. For more information please call the school at 315-253-8327. Thank you for your ongoing support of St. Joseph School!

ST. MARY'S PASTA DINNER will be on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 in Schrader Hall at 15 Clark St. Serving will be from 5-7 PM. The menu includes pasta, meatballs & sauce, salad & dressing, Italian bread, dessert & beverage. Tickets must be purchased at the door: Adults \$8.00 and \$6.00 for children under 12 years old. Eat in or take out!



PRESERVING OUR TRADITION AS COMMITTED

STEWARDS: With 552 households at Holy Family, we should easily raise \$300,000 and even more. Our true goal is to have a 100% participation in the Church Roof Campaign. As of Tuesday, April 25, 2017, we have received **\$177,403.52** in gifts and pledges! We are now at **59%** of our desired goal of \$300,000.00. **Thanks to all of you who have helped us reach this point and our success depends on us!**

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