



ST. MARY'S AND ST. PATRICK'S ***NEWSLETTER***

July 19 & 26 2026 • Vol. 7 – Edition 15



*Looking for
Answers*

Your Questions Addressed

July 18 & 19

What is the importance of "our daily bread"?

Answered by: Deacon Mike McDonald

At first glance, the words "Give us this day our daily bread" seem to be about asking God for food. While that is part of the meaning, the phrase teaches a much deeper lesson about trust, dependence, and gratitude.

The words "daily bread" refer to the basic things that people need to live. Bread was a common and important food in the time of Jesus, so it represented all the necessities of life, including food, water, shelter, clothing, and safety. When we pray this part of the Lord's Prayer, we are asking God to provide what we need each day, not each week or each month, etc.

This prayer also reminds us how much we depend on God. In a world that often encourages people to rely only on themselves, Jesus teaches that everything we have is ultimately a gift from God. Our talents, opportunities, health, and resources are blessings that help sustain us. By praying for our daily bread, we acknowledge that God is the source of all good things.

Another important lesson is found in the word "daily." Jesus does not teach us to pray for years of supplies or unlimited wealth. Instead, He encourages us to trust God one day at a time. Just as the Israelites in the Old Testament received manna from heaven each day during their journey in the wilderness, Christians are called to trust that God will care for them today and tomorrow.

The prayer also uses the word "us," not "me." This reminds us that we should care about the needs of others, not just our own. When we ask for "our daily bread," we recognize that everyone deserves food, shelter, and dignity. This should inspire us to help those who are hungry, poor, or struggling.

Finally, "Give us this day our daily bread" teaches gratitude. Instead of taking our blessings for granted, we are encouraged to appreciate what we have and thank God for it. Every meal, every opportunity, and every day of life can become a reason to be thankful. In just these few simple words, this part of the Lord's Prayer teaches trust in God, concern for others, and gratitude for the blessings we receive each day.

Next time: it's all about forgiveness...with much love, Deacon Mike 😊❤️

*If you have items of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please **email** your item **directly** to Bill Halstead at weh058@mac.com The deadline for sending all news articles to be included in Edition 16 is **6:00 pm, Monday, July 27th**. Thank you.*

Sunday 7-19 16 th Week in Ordinary Time	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also St. Mary's YouTube channel)
Monday 7-20	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's
Tuesday 7-21	9:00 Weekday Mass for both Parishes (1 st & 3 rd at St. Mary's; 2 nd & 4 th at St. Patrick's) 11:00 No Women's Bible Study at St. Patrick's - Summer break 5:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's followed by Rosary
Wednesday 7-22	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 6:30 No Choir rehearsal at St. Patrick's – Summer Break
Thursday 7-23	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 1:00-2:00 St. Patrick's Men's Prayer Meeting 5:30 No Reconciliation (1 st & 3 rd at St. Mary's; 2 nd & 4 th at St. Patrick's) 6:30 No Choir rehearsal at St. Mary's – Summer Break
Friday 7-24	8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's
Saturday 7-25	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's
Sunday 7-26 17 th Week in Ordinary Time	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also St. Mary's YouTube channel)
Monday 7-27	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's
Tuesday 7-28	9:00 Weekday Mass for both Parishes (1 st & 3 rd at St. Mary's; 2 nd & 4 th at St. Patrick's) 11:00 No Women's Bible Study at St. Patrick's - Summer break 5:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's followed by Rosary
Wednesday 7-29	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 6:30 No Choir rehearsal at St. Patrick's - Summer break.
Thursday 7-30	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 1:00-2:00 St. Patrick's Men's Prayer Meeting 5:30 No Reconciliation (1 st & 3 rd at St. Mary's; 2 nd & 4 th at St. Patrick's) 6:30 No Choir rehearsal at St. Mary's – Summer break.
Friday 7-31	8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's
Saturday 8-1	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's
Sunday 8-2 18 th Week in Ordinary Time	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also St. Mary's YouTube channel) 6:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's

If you have items of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please **email** your item **directly** to Bill Halstead at weh058@mac.com **The deadline for sending all news articles to be included in Edition 16 is 6:00 pm, Monday, July 27th.** Thank you.

Thrift Shop at St. Patrick's

Mary Ann McCool | 518-756-9184

Come visit Thursdays from 1 – 3 pm or Saturday from 9 am – Noon. We are closed on holidays.

Food Pantry, Coxsackie

Lorraine Camurati | 917-572-3300

The Coxsackie Food Pantry gratefully accepts all donations. The basket for your donations will be in the back of the church all month. The Coxsackie Food Pantry is especially in need of: **fruit, vegetables, juices, toothpaste and shampoo.** Thank you for your generosity.

Coxsackie Food Pantry hours: Tuesday 1-2 pm, Thursday 7-8 pm & Saturday 10-11 am.

Cash donations are always welcome. Your gift has greater purchasing power at the regional food bank.

St. Patrick's Food Pantry, Ravena

St. Patrick's Office | 518-756-3145

Hours of Operation: Tuesday and Friday 10 to 11 am and Wednesday 6 to 7 pm. Reminder, there is a food pantry basket in the vestibule. Please help replenish our stock by providing the following items: **Snacks and Toilet paper** The Food Pantry served 67 (0-17), 87 (18-59), 237(60+) and 66 families during June.

Greene County Youth Fair The networks have reserved a table at the Youth Fair, for all HVVW parishes to share. This is a great chance for outreach to our community and to raise money for our Faith Formation program. Volunteers are needed to staff the table for July 23-26 (Thursday-Sunday). Signup:<https://bit.ly/GCYF26signup>

Feast of the Assumption Festival – Sunday August 9 Food, crafts, & family fun! Festa will kick off with a procession at St. Pat's at 1pm. Children's games, craft & food vendors, live music, therapy animals, climbing wall, bounce house and more! We will have a pie contest for all bakers who want to compete. Call St. Pat's at (518) 756-3145 for questions or more information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - We are in need of volunteers to visit the homebound parishioners of St. Patrick's Ravena. We go out on the **1st Wednesday of each month** to bring communion and visit with them for a short time. Most are elderly and live alone. If you are interested or have questions, please call Michelle Fralick at [518]-756-3145 at the rectory office on Wednesdays. Thank you!

Monsignor invites all parishioners to join him at the Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville on Monday July 27. Please bring a packed lunch. Reconciliation will be available at 10:30am, then Monsignor will say Mass at 11am in the chapel, after which there will be a break for lunch and then a guided tour of the colosseum and grounds.

Catholic Faith Q&As Monsignor will be hosting his monthly Q and A session to discuss the Catholic Faith on Thursday July 23 at 6pm in the St. John the Baptist Church.

*If you have items of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please **email** your item **directly** to Bill Halstead at weh058@mac.com **The deadline for sending all news articles to be included in Edition 16 is 6:00 pm, Monday, July 27th.** Thank you.*

Weekly Justice Challenges!

©Center for Ministry Development. Published by the Pastoral Center. <http://pastoral.center>. All rights reserved.

July 19, 2026 • 16th Week in Ordinary Time

Saint Camillus de Lellis, whom we honor on July 18th, is one of the patron saints of those who are sick. He himself was afflicted with illness, yet he reached out to care for those who were suffering—in hospitals, on plague-ridden ships, even on battlefields with injured military troops. He risked his own life to relieve the pain of others. Your challenge this week is to reach out to someone who is suffering—from physical pain, from depression or sadness, from alienation or bullying. Can you be the gentle hands and compassionate heart of Jesus for him or her? Who is it in your family, neighborhood or community who needs a healing touch?

July 26, 2026 – 17th Week in Ordinary Time

On July 26 we celebrate the feast day of Joachim and Anne, the parents of Mary. Anne is the patron saint of grandmothers, since she herself was Jesus' grandma. While many cultures around the world honor the elderly and give them the highest respect, in our own country we have witnessed the neglect and sometimes even the abuse of our elders. Your challenge this week is to be an advocate for the "wisdom people" in your life. How can you show respect for the older people in your own family, or on your block, or in a nursing home in your community? How can you support the needs of the elderly through legislation? Can you offer a smile, a greeting, and perhaps even a visit with an elder who is lonely and gets few visitors?

Peter's Pence – Sunday July 26

"Together, as one people, as brothers and sisters, let us walk towards God and love one another." – Pope Leo XIV

July 26 is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Leo XIV. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Leo XIV to be a sign of hope to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html

The Way of Saint James [Portugal/Spain Trip] with Saint Mary's (Glens Falls) Parish

Travel dates: October 15-23, 2026

Tim McNulty & Father Scott VanDerveer

The Tour package includes:

7 nights in handpicked hotels

Breakfast daily

4 dinners with beer or wine

4 sightseeing tours

Expert Tour Director & local guides

Private deluxe motor coach

\$75 off when you enroll by July 31st

More information available in Rectory offices.

*If you have items of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please **email** your item **directly** to Bill Halstead at weh058@mac.com The deadline for sending all news articles to be included in Edition 16 is **6:00 pm, Monday, July 27th**. Thank you.*

Mass Intentions

Week of July 18, 19, 2026

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 18 4:30 Ravena Joseph Campoli by Gloria
Lola Pilar by the Desrosiers

July 19 7:30 Coxsackie Diane Greder by Gina McGrath
Paul Craw by Patricia Stockman
David Clapp by Patricia Stockman

9:30 Ravena Patricia Steenburn by her sister
Alex Catello by Anne Marie

11:30 Coxsackie None at this time

Week of July 25, 26, 2026

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25 4:30 Ravena Lee Miller by family
Craig Youmans by Judy and Bill

July 26 7:30 Coxsackie Julia Daoust 18th Anniversary by her daughter Judee
Gina Donovan by her family

9:30 Ravena Ricky "RJ" D'Esposito by mom

11:30 Coxsackie Tony Manoli by Alice and Michael Gatt
Diane Greder by Alice and Michael Gatt

Week of August 1, 2, 2026

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug 1 4:30 Ravena Kathleen Byrne by family

Aug 2 7:30 Coxsackie St. Mary's Memorial Society
The Heim Family

9:30 Ravena Michael Gager by family
Diane Hoffman by family

11:30 Coxsackie St. Mary's Memorial Society

*If you have items of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please **email** your item **directly** to Bill Halstead at weh058@mac.com The deadline for sending all news articles to be included in Edition 16 is **6:00 pm, Monday, July 27th**. Thank you.*



All Former Classes, Families & Friends Invited

ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL

Ravena, New York

1922 - 1974

AUGUST 1, 2026

1:00 PM

Halfway House Tavern

26 Main Street-Ravena, NY

\$25.00 per person

Contact:

frankbrunojr@gmail.com



If you have items of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please **email** your item **directly** to Bill Halstead at weh058@mac.com. The deadline for sending all news articles to be included in Edition 16 is **6:00 pm, Monday, July 27th**. Thank you.

2nd annual

SLICE
FOR NEW LIFE MATERNITY

GOLF TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER

August 29, 2026

REGISTER AT



<https://events.golfstatus.com/event/2026-slice-for-new-life>

Enter as a team, partial team or individual.

Reserve your spot today

Early Bird Price (through May 31st)

Price: \$120 Per Person

\$480 Per Team

June 1st and beyond price \$130 per
person \$520 Per Team

Where?

Sycamore Golf Course
Tompkins Rd, Ravena, NY

Admission Includes:



18 holes of golf, HIO contest,
longest drive & closest to pin M/W,
continental breakfast, lunch and
buffet dinner



Top Team \$500 cash prize



50/50 raffle/mulligans/multiple
prizes available for purchase day
of the event, \$10K Putting Contest
(w/ \$500 guaranteed win)

Times

7:30 am - Registration

9:00 am - Shotgun start

SPONSORED BY

NEW LIFE MATERNITY, INC



QUESTIONS?? CONTACT TOURNAMENT COORDINATOR: MIKE McGOVERN

Phone: 518-253-2919 | Email: themarkerman@yahoo.com

If you have items of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please **email** your item **directly** to Bill Halstead at weh058@mac.com The deadline for sending all news articles to be included in Edition 16 is **6:00 pm, Monday, July 27th**. Thank you.

Save the date!

ST. MARY'S ANNUAL

**PICNIC
IN THE PARK**

FUN | FOOD | RAFFLES | MUSIC

MORE INFO FOR TICKET PRICING AND
MENU COMING SOON!

COXSACKIE RIVERSIDE PAVILION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

1-4 PM

*If you have items of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please **email** your item **directly** to Bill Halstead at weh058@mac.com The deadline for sending all news articles to be included in Edition 16 is **6:00 pm, Monday, July 27th**. Thank you.*

Collections & E-Giving

Ravena

Attendance		Livestream Views		Collection		E-Giving	
7/5	7/12	7/5	7/12	7/5	7/12	7/5	7/12
154	205	306	168	\$2,772.00	\$2,905.00	\$2,020.00	\$2,020.00

St. Patrick's Collection History		Breakdown by Mass for St. Patrick's				
			Attendance	Collection	35 E-Giving	Average Contribution
May 10	\$6,074	05/10/26	239	\$4,054	\$2,020	\$22.17
May 17	\$4,608	05/17/26	208	\$2,588	\$2,020	\$18.96
May 24	\$4,097	05/24/26	208	\$2,077	\$2,020	\$16.86
May 31	\$4,666	05/31/26	236	\$2,646	\$2,020	\$17.22
Jun 7	\$5,651	06/07/26	212	\$3,631	\$2,020	\$22.88
Jun 14	\$5,111	06/14/26	151	\$3,091	\$2,020	\$27.48
Jun 21	\$4,369	06/21/26	222	\$2,349	\$2,020	\$17.00
Jun 28	\$4,349	06/28/26	209	\$2,329	\$2,020	\$17.82
Jul 5	\$4,792	07/05/26	154	\$2,772	\$2,020	\$25.35
Jul 12	\$4,925	07/12/26	205	\$2,905	\$2,020	\$20.52

Coxsackie

Attendance		Collection		E-Giving		R & R	
7/5	7/12	7/5	7/12	7/5	7/12	7/5	7/12
197	195	\$2,331.00	\$1,876.00	\$2,970.00	\$2,970.00	\$185.00	\$642.00

St. Mary's Collection History		Breakdown by Mass for St. Mary's				
			Attendance	Collection	65 E-Giving	Average Contribution
May 10	\$5,986	05/10/26	193	\$2,378	\$2,970	\$20.73
May 17	\$4,566	05/17/26	179	\$1,596	\$2,970	\$18.71
May 24	\$4,862	05/24/26	210	\$1,892	\$2,970	\$17.68
May 31	\$4,770	05/31/26	233	\$1,790	\$2,970	\$15.97
Jun 7	\$6,091	06/07/26	186	\$3,066	\$2,970	\$24.05
Jun 14	\$4,522	06/14/26	180	\$1,472	\$2,970	\$18.13
Jun 21	\$6,235	06/21/26	184	\$2,634	\$2,970	\$22.51
Jun 28	\$5,424	06/28/26	176	\$2,409	\$2,970	\$22.32
Jul 5	\$5,486	07/05/26	184	\$2,331	\$2,970	\$21.29
Jul 12	\$5,488	07/12/26	195	\$1,876	\$2,970	\$18.64

If you have items of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please **email** your item **directly** to Bill Halstead at weh058@mac.com The deadline for sending all news articles to be included in Edition 16 is **6:00 pm, Monday, July 27th**. Thank you.

Connecting with the Parishes

Online | Phone | E-Mail

WEEKEND MASSES (ALL ARE WELCOME):

4:30 pm Saturday Mass at St. Patrick's

7:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Mary's

9:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Patrick's

9:30 am on **St. Patrick's YouTube** channel (also on-demand)

[Click here](#) and then please subscribe and on **Mid-Hudson Cable Channel 901** (live at 9:30 only)

11:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Mary's

11:30 am on **St. Mary's YouTube** channel [Click here](#) and then please subscribe

WEEKDAY MASS (Except for Holy Days & days of funeral at a parish):

St. Mary's 1st and 3rd Tuesday 9:00 am

St. Patrick's 2nd and 4th Tuesday 9:00 am

HUDSON VALLEY VICARIATE WEST FAITH FORMATION Online hvwwff.org

FIND US ONLINE: [Click here](#) for St. Patrick's Parish Homepage [Click here](#) for St. Mary's Parish Homepage
Parish Facebook Pages (updated daily)

CONTACT US BY PHONE: St. Patrick's Office: 518-756 -3145 St. Mary's Office: 518-731-8800

NETWORK FACEBOOK <https://www.facebook.com/hvww.network/>

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT First Sunday of the month 6:30-7:30 pm at St. Patrick's

Monday 8:00 am at St. Mary's

Tuesday 5:30 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's followed by Rosary

Wednesday and Thursday 8:30 am St. Patrick's

MORNING PRAYER (Following the Liturgy of the Hours format) Friday mornings at 8:00 at St. Mary's

WOMEN'S TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY 11 am - 12 pm on Tuesdays St. Patrick's Rectory – **Summer break**

MEN'S PRAYER MEETING 1 – 2 pm on Thursdays St. Patrick's School – Classroom 5

Reconciliation, *** Note: No Reconciliation until further notice ***

1st and 3rd Thursday from 5:30 – 6:30pm St. Mary's in Cocksackie

2nd and 4th Thursday from 5:30 – 6:30pm St. Patrick's in Ravena

If you have items of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please **email** your item **directly** to Bill Halstead at weh058@mac.com The deadline for sending all news articles to be included in Edition 16 is **6:00 pm, Monday, July 27th**. Thank you.

"I don't know if you have ever been to **Noah's Ark & the Ark Museum** but 2 of my cousins and I just returned from there on our way home from Tennessee. It was fabulous. I hope you receive the attached link.

<https://www.answers.tv/videos/the-building-of-the-ark-encounter> "

from: Becky Vermilyea - Member of St Mary's Church Coxsackie



ARK
ENCOUNTER



ARK ENCOUNTER & CREATION MUSEUM

5 DAYS - 4 NIGHTS
APRIL 12 - 16, 2027

\$ 885.00 Per Person
Double Occupancy

PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- * 4 Nights Lodging, including Overnights
- * 4 Breakfasts
- * 2 Dinners including a Riverboat Dinner Cruise & Dinner with Entertainment
- * Admission to the Creation Museum
- * Admission to the Ark Encounter
- * Guided Tour of Cincinnati
- * Souvenir Gift
- * Luggage Handling in Kentucky
- * Taxes & Meal Gratuities
- * Motorcoach Transportation

Cancellation insurance is available & highly recommended;
See reverse side for details.

FOR INFORMATION AND RESERVATIONS CONTACT:

HUDSON VALLEY VACARIATE RIVER PARISH
Anne Pirrone
2765 Sleepy Hollow Rd.
Athens, NY 12015
(518) 945-2122

 **WHITE STAR TOURS** 26 E. Lancaster Avenue, Reading PA 19607 * 610-775-5000 * 800-437-2323 * www.whitestartours.com

If you have items of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please **email** your item **directly** to Bill Halstead at weh058@mac.com The deadline for sending all news articles to be included in Edition 16 is **6:00 pm, Monday, July 27th**. Thank you.