



## ***ST. MARY'S & ST. PATRICK'S NEWSLETTER***

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### **Dear Parish Family and Friends, both near and far,**

“Do you remember me...?” Asked the man who stood before me. I knew he looked familiar, but I couldn’t quite place the face. I had crossed the street to offer assistance after seeing that he needed it; his car had stalled, and it needed a jump-start.

He reminded me that we had met at a restaurant the night before, and we talked a bit as we remedied the situation and got his car started. As the conversation continued, he began to talk about his faith. As he did, I perceived a familiar and welcome sense of purpose that indicated to me that, yet again, God’s plan was unfolding at that very moment.

In this past Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus uses the Parable of the Good Samaritan to illustrate to a scholar of the law (and to us) the way in which we are to treat our neighbors with mercy. If we look closely, we see that Jesus’ telling of this parable is in answer to an “attack” of sorts. The scholar “...stood up to test Jesus,” and “...wished to justify himself,” the Gospel tells us. In this light, we can be tempted to see the scholar as a sort of villain, but Jesus, as he always does, “...causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.” (Romans 8:28). As the result of the scholar’s testing of Jesus, we are given an example of the love and mercy we are called to provide to our neighbor. In a similar way, as the result of a stalled car and a little bit of willingness and action, an opportunity for me to witness God’s grace at work was made manifest on this particular evening.

As our conversation progressed, the man indicated that he had once had a much greater faith. He spoke of taking mission trips, and of studying God’s word with fervor and zeal. He admitted that it had been a long time since he had practiced his faith the way he once did, but also admitted that, lately, he felt drawn back to the church. He inquired about which churches we served, and about Mass times. At one point, he said that he was glad to be having this conversation. “Well,” I said, “there’s a gift wrapped in every problem.”

Sometimes, the problem is a stalled car. Sometimes, as in the parable, it is an ill-treated traveler in need of help and healing. When we view any of life’s myriad experiences and encounters (from minor inconveniences to major challenges and beyond) with the eyes of faith, we can be ready to receive the gifts that our heavenly Father longs to give us. These gifts are there, despite the problematic appearance of their packaging, but we need to reach out to receive them. So, as we move through the day today, let’s remember the willingness and action on the part of the Good Samaritan. Let’s be ready to reach out when we feel that familiar and welcome sense of purpose that accompanies the presence of the Holy Spirit. When we do, we can be sure that God’s gifts await us.

In Him, Fr. McD.

Father Jay has suggested that for the next few weeks the two new priests in our vicariate will write the first page of the newsletter. This will help us get to know them better!

#### Schedule

SUNDAY 7-20	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also <a href="#">St. Patrick's YouTube channel</a> or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also <a href="#">St. Mary's YouTube channel</a> )
MONDAY 7-21	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's
TUESDAY 7-22	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's <b>9:00 Weekday Mass for both Parishes at St. Patrick's</b> 6:00 Rosary at St. Mary's
WEDNESDAY 7-23	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's
THURSDAY 7-24	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 1:00-2:00 St. Patrick's Men's Prayer Meeting 6:30 Reconciliation at St. Patrick's
FRIDAY 7-25	8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's
SATURDAY 7-26	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's
SUNDAY 7-27	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also <a href="#">St. Patrick's YouTube channel</a> or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also <a href="#">St. Mary's YouTube channel</a> )
MONDAY 7-28	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's
TUESDAY 7-29	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's 6:00 Rosary at St. Mary's
WEDNESDAY 7-30	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's
THURSDAY 7-31	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 1:00-2:00 St. Patrick's Men's Prayer Meeting <b>No Reconciliation 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday</b>
FRIDAY 8-1	8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's
SATURDAY 8-2	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's
SUNDAY 8-3	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also <a href="#">St. Patrick's YouTube channel</a> or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also <a href="#">St. Mary's YouTube channel</a> ) 6:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's

*If you have news of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in our newsletter, please email your suggested article directly to Bill Halstead at [weh058@mac.com](mailto:weh058@mac.com). The deadline for sending all news articles is the Monday, 6:00 pm, before the publishing of the newsletter. Thank you.*

## **Support for Texas Flood Victims**

A Message from Bonni Shippee, Chancellor: Special Message from Bishop Edward Scharfenberger

### **Matthew 20:28**

**“The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many.”**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Many have been asking how they can help our brothers and sisters in Texas as they struggle to recover from deadly and devastating flash floods. At least 120 deaths have been confirmed and more than 100 people are still missing. Recovery will take time.

Catholic Charities USA has set up a relief fund and you can find a donation link on its website <https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/>



### **Working to Reduce Poverty in America - Catholic Charities USA**

Catholic Charities USA supports a national network of agencies committed to encountering those along the margins, regardless of their faith. Join us in providing help and creating hope for those in need.

[www.catholiccharitiesusa.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org)

It says 100% of donations go directly to helping survivors. If you prefer to write a check, you can send it to Catholic Charities, Albany with Texas in the memo. The address is Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Albany, 40 North Main Ave., Albany, NY 12203.

I thank you for any help you can offer. I also encourage you to pray for the families impacted. As all in our Diocese consider how we can be Remade for Mission, I pray that God grants each of us the grace to see the needs, not just in our parishes or our communities, but across our nation, even the world. I pray that He also graces us with the compassion to do all that we can to meet those needs.

May the world meet Christ in each of us.

Yours in Christ,  
Bishop Edward Scharfenberger

### **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**

Please remember the Coxsackie Food Pantry on the first Sunday of the month. **The Coxsackie Food Pantry is especially in need of: Canned Corn, Canned tomatoes and Spaghetti Sauce.** Food costs are soaring and those with limited resources are struggling more than ever. 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.*

### **Food Pantry at St. Patrick's Ravena**

**Diane Hoffman | 518-330-6789**

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:

Peas	Spaghetti sauce	Chili	Carrots
Pork n beans	Cookies	Lunch box snacks	Nutri Grain bars

**Deacon Mike** is pleased to announce that our Network will be offering Part 2 of the Adult Bible Study Program: *"God's Plan For Salvation."* It will be held, like last year, in the Catskill Office each Wednesday from 6:30 pm to 8pm until September 3<sup>rd</sup>. It is open to everyone in the Network age 18 and over. You needn't have attended last year. Please bring your Bible.

**Mother McAuley Columbiettes** We will take a break for the Summer and resume meetings on September 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**New Life Maternity Slice for Life Golf Outing** Like to play golf? Here's a chance to play golf and help a good cause at the same time. Join us for our Slice for Life Golf Tournament on Saturday, September 6, 2025 at the Sycamore Golf Club in Ravena. You can find all the details and sign up at: <https://newlifematernity.org/events>

**Cursillo Weekend** Each year, the Cursillo Movement of the Albany Diocese hosts one weekend for men and one for women. This year, the women's weekend is being held August 21 — 24 and the men's weekend October 2 — 5, each beginning on Thursday evening. The event takes place at the lovely Dominican Retreat and Conference Center on Union St. in Niskayuna. The \$235 fee includes all meals for Friday — Sunday plus private room lodging. Contrary to our prior communication, applications for the Women's Weekend will continue to be accepted through mid August. For more information, contact Kim Gray at 518-424-0198 or [kagray16@gmail.com](mailto:kagray16@gmail.com)

**New Life Maternity Home Help Wanted** New Life Maternity Home is seeking women to fill all shifts: 9am-9pm overnight, 7 days a week, 5-9pm weekdays, 9am-3pm, 3pm-9pm weekends.

They are also looking for occasional daytime volunteers to help with light cleaning, babysitting, inventory, gardening and sharing any special talents you may have. Please call 518-860-2214 or email at: [exd@newlifematernity.org](mailto:exd@newlifematernity.org) for more information or to apply. *Spanish speaking is a plus.*

## Coeymans Hollow Fire Department Steak Bake

- Menu: NY Strip Steak, Baked Potato, Corn, Salad and Dessert
- Type: Take Out – Pre-Order ONLY
- When: Wednesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, 4 to 7 pm
- Donation: \$18.00 per dinner
- Order: To Pre-order – Order On-Line at:  
<http://www.coeymanshollowfire.org/steakbake/>  
OR  
Order by Call or Text to: 518-588-9281



### Diocesan Appeal

#### al 2024-2025 Campaign Final Recap

Thank you for your parish through a donation to the Diocesan Appeal. for your

#### ST. PATRICK'S

118 gifts so far  
Goal \$ 41,506  
Total donations = ` \$ **37,269.72**  
89.79% of goal  
Average Gift \$ 315.85  
Shortfall = \$ 4,236.28

#### ST. MARY'S

137 gifts so far  
Goal \$ 40,775  
Total donations = \* **36,203.56**  
88.79% of goal  
Average Gift \$ 297.63  
Shortfall = \$ 4,571.44

**St. Theresa's Annual Golf Classic** will be held at the Windham Gold Club, South Street, Windham, NY 12496 Friday, September 5, at 10:00 am – 8:00 pm. In tribute to our golf event founder, Tom McGoldrick. Check the following link to get all the information to Register to play, to buy a Sponsorship or to purchase a Raffle ticket.

<https://onrealm.org/stcjwindham/PublicRegistrations/Event?linkString=ZDhkNzliMjctNjZjZi00NDNmLWI2YWQtYjMwOTAxMDY3NDg4>

*And remember, you don't have to have a Realm Account to Register for a Realm Event!*

Check out the *following page of this newsletter* for the exciting NEW prizes!!

# September 5

## ST. THERESA'S ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

### WINDHAM GOLF CLUB

REGISTRATION/WELCOME 10:00 AM

SHOTGUN START 11:00 AM

IT'S OUR 21ST YEAR!  
JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FELLOWSHIP, FUN,  
AND FRIENDLY COMPETITION ON THE GREEN!

ALL DONATIONS BENEFIT ST. THERESA'S CHURCH IN  
WINDHAM, NY, AND ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE AS ALLOWED BY LAW.

**Sponsorships &  
Raffle Tickets Available**  
Siobhain @ 518-734-3352  
or Stephen @ 516-359-4026

Golf, Cart & Green Fees  
Driving Range  
Lunch at the Turn  
Open Bar Reception  
with Hors d'Oeuvres  
Buffet Dinner & Dessert  
Silent Auction  
Awards | Raffles | Prizes

**\$200 Per Person**



## SPONSORSHIPS

BE A SPONSOR: Sponsorships are critical to the success of this event. We rely on the generous support of parishioners and local businesses to continue our mission. Your sponsorship will be acknowledged in our event journal. DEADLINE: AUGUST 27.

BUY AT CHURCH, EVENT, ONLINE: [HTTPS://SAINTTHERESAS.WEEBLY.COM/](https://sainttheresas.weebly.com/)

**PLATNIUM \$1,000**

**DIAMOND \$750**

**GOLD \$500**

**EMERALD \$250**

**SILVER \$100**

*Please choose an option — there's a level for everyone.*

# ST. THERESA'S GRAND RAFFLE

CHOOSE 1 OF 3 PRIZES:

- #1 GETAWAY: UNDER THE TUSCAN SUN IN CORTONA, ITALY, FOR 4 OR
- #2 GETAWAY: ROMANTIC AMALFI COAST IN ITALY FOR 2 OR
- #3 \$2,500 CASH PRIZE TO PLAN YOUR OWN DREAM GETAWAY!

SEE MORE DETAILS ONLINE

**\$50 FOR 6 TICKETS**

**\$15 FOR 1 TICKET**

**DRAWING: SEPTEMBER 5, 2025**

**BUY AT CHURCH, EVENT OR ONLINE:**

[HTTPS://SAINTTHERESAS.WEEBLY.COM/](https://sainttheresas.weebly.com/)

## **Mass Intentions**

***Week of July 19, 20 2025***

***16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time***

July 19 4:30 Ravena Joseph Campoli by Gloria

July 20 7:30 Cocksackie Ann Marie Coniglio by Tom and Joan Burke  
Paul Craw by Mary Kramer

9:30 Ravena Alex Catello by Anne Marie

11:30 Cocksackie Helen Maurer by Maureen Guzzo

July 23 8:00 Cocksackie Michael Matthews by Arlene Matthews

***Week of July 26, 27, 2025***

***17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time***

July 26 4:30 Ravena None at this time

July 27 7:30 Cocksackie Julia Daoust 18<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by her children

9:30 Ravena Lee Miller by family

11:30 Cocksackie Helen Maurer by her son, Eric

***Week of August 2, 3, 2025***

***19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time***

Aug 2 4:30 Ravena Guy Anatriello by Rose

Aug 3 7:30 Cocksackie Heim family by Anne Heim  
Memorial Society

9:30 Ravena No intentions at this time

11:30 Cocksackie Dominic Capparella by his family  
Jenny Dorey by her niece  
Sister Mary Rose Fox by her cousins, Peggy and Patricia

Aug 5 9:00 Cocksackie Michael Matthews by Arlene Matthews



# Feast of the Assumption Festival

## FOOD, CRAFTS, & FAMILY FUN!

Presented by:

St. Patrick's Church

Events and Parish Life Committee

**Sunday August 17, 2025**

**1:00pm to 7:00pm**

**Event will be rain or shine** - If bad weather is forecasted, we will  
be in the school building

Children's Games and activities

Craft and Food Vendors

Italian food offerings by the Parish

Live Music! (Playin' with Fire Band)

Pet Therapy Animals

and MUCH MORE!

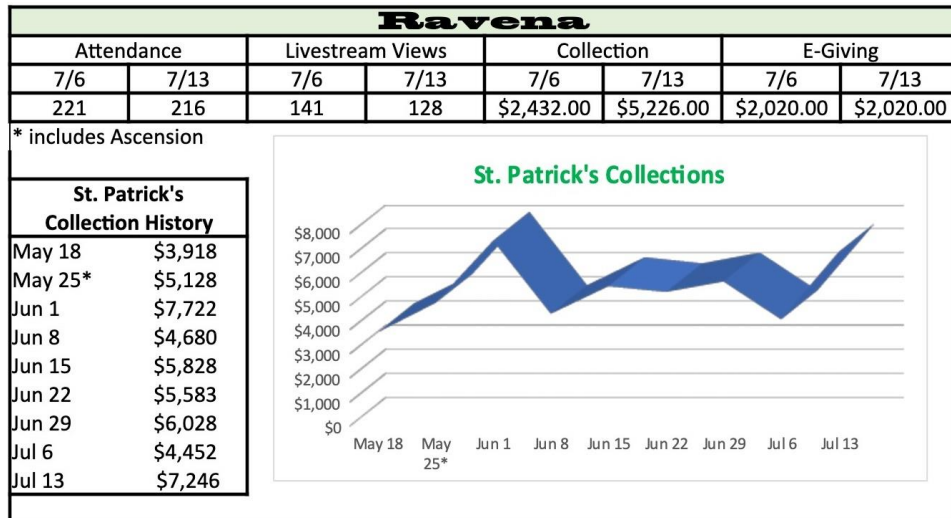
**Submit homemade meatballs for the meatball contest!**

St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church

21 Main Street | Ravena, NY 12143

## Collections & E-Giving

E-Mail Dawn Brownson [parishbusinessmanager@gmail.com](mailto:parishbusinessmanager@gmail.com)



### ENVELOPES ARE GREAT, BUT E-GIVING HELPS YOUR PARISH MAKE BETTER FINANCIAL DECISIONS

*The Church is just like your family when it comes to managing our finances. We need to know what our income will be in order to budget and plan for on-going operational needs and building maintenance projects. E-giving provides a steady stream of income that we know we can depend on week after week. Many things can throw us off track in maintaining our commitment to weekly giving. Weather, illness, delays in envelope delivery and vacations to name a few. Plus, with the increased use of debit/credit cards, many of us don't carry cash. **You can cover both your regular weekly giving and any special collections with just one deduction.** Sign up once and leave the rest to us. The deduction will occur at the interval you choose from the bank account you provide. Enrollment forms are in the back of the church along with descriptions of the second and special collection. Please do not hesitate to call the office with any questions. *Try it risk free and change your mind at any time:* [Click Here](#)*

Coxsackie							
Attendance		Collection		E-Giving		R & R	
7/6	7/13	7/6	7/13	7/6	7/13	7/6	7/13
204	168	\$3,655.00	\$4,216.00	\$2,970.00	\$2,970.00	\$0.00	\$606.00

St. Mary's Collection History	
May 18	\$5,772
May 25	\$5,680
Jun 1	\$6,037
Jun 8	\$5,075
Jun 15	\$6,448
Jun 22	\$5,473
Jun 29	\$4,816
Jul 6	\$6,625
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## 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday 9 am

St. Patrick's 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday 9:00 am

HUDSON VALLEY VICARIATE WEST FAITH FORMATION Online [hvwwff.org](http://hvwwff.org)

FR. JAY'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL FOR HOMILIES AND MESSAGES: [Click here](#) and then please **SUBSCRIBE**

FR. JOE'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL FOR HOMILIES AND MESSAGES: [Click here](#) and then please **SUBSCRIBE**

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

MY PARISH APP (Two Parishes, One App): Text APP to 88202 to subscribe

INSTAGRAM (Two Parishes, One Instagram): [stmary's.stpatrick's](https://www.instagram.com/stmary's.stpatrick's)



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 8:00 am at St. Mary's except on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays when there is Mass

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 School – Classroom 5 **will resume in the Fall**

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