

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



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# A Word (or Two) From Fr. Joe

Dear Parish Family, both near and far away,

Happy Mother's Day to all of our Mothers, Step-Mothers, Grandmothers, Aunts, Godmothers and all women who have played a role in shaping our lives and our faith! Blessings for the day!

Congratulations to all of our young people who have celebrated their Confirmation and First Eucharist in the last two weeks! What a wonderful celebration for our families and our parish family! May the graces of the sacraments be yours in abundance!

Please mark your calendars as **Fr. John Moyna will celebrate his 50**<sup>th</sup> **anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood** at St. Mary's on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at the 11:30 am Mass. Everyone is invited to attend. A reception will follow in Maria Hall. Fr. Moyna served as the pastor of St. Mary's for 29 years.

The Diocesan Appeal will be coming to a close on June 30<sup>th</sup> and I need your help. As of May 7<sup>th</sup>, St. Mary's has received \$25,946 in gifts and pledges (58% of their \$44,841 goal) and St. Patrick's has received \$29,860 in gifts and pledges (75% of their \$39,813 goal). Thank you to everyone who has made a gift or pledge to support the Appeal! Many of you have expressed your desire to help support a seminarian, forming and educating the priests who will be our shepherds who will serve us in the future. Others have told me they wish to support Catholic Charities or our Catholic schools.

Would you join me in supporting the Appeal? You can use Appeal envelopes that are available at St. Mary's and St. Patrick's. You can make an online gift if that's more convenient. (That's what I did. The link is: <a href="www.thediocesanappeal.org/donate">www.thediocesanappeal.org/donate</a>) Can I count on your support? 100% of your Appeal gift goes to support programs, services and ministries in our parishes. (Go to this link for more information.\*)

**Pentecost** is coming in two weeks! Please wear red for this great feast day of the Church.

Blessings, Fr. Joe

\*How 100% of your Appeal gift goes to support programs, services and ministries <a href="https://thediocesanappeal.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/An-Appeal-ing-Idea-Nov-10-2022-Article-from-The-Evangelist.pdf">https://thediocesanappeal.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/An-Appeal-ing-Idea-Nov-10-2022-Article-from-The-Evangelist.pdf</a>

# Schedule

6 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY Of Easter 5-14	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 5-15	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's By Noon New Prayer Service for small groups posted on parish homepages	
TUESDAY 5-16	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's 8:30 Weekday Mass at St. Patrick's, Rosary following Mass 11:00 Women's Bible Study at St. Patrick's in Classroom 5 5:30-6:00 Reconciliation at St. Mary's 6:30 Rosary at St. Mary's	
WEDNESDAY 5-17	8:00 Weekday Mass at St. Mary's 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 6:00 Vigil Mass for the Ascension of the Lord at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901)	
THURSDAY 5-18	6:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 6:00 Mass for the Ascension of the Lord at St. Mary's	
FRIDAY 5-19	8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's	
Saturday 5-20	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's	
7 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY of Easter 5-21	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 5-22	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's By Noon New Prayer Service for small groups posted on parish homepages	
TUESDAY 5-23  8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's 8:30 Weekday Mass at St. Patrick's, Rosary following Mass 11:00 Women's Bible Study at St. Patrick's in Classroom 5 5:30 Reconciliation at St. Patrick's 6:30 Rosary at St. Mary's		
WEDNESDAY 5-24	8:00 Weekday Mass at St. Mary's 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 6:30 Choir rehearsal at St. Patrick's	
THURSDAY 5-25	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 6:30 Choir rehearsal at St. Mary's	
FRIDAY 5-26	8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's	
Saturday 5-27	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's	
PENTECOST SUNDAY 5-28	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also <u>St. Patrick's YouTube channel</u> or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also <u>St. Mary's YouTube channel</u> )	

If you have news of interest for either of our parishes and would like it to appear in this newsletter, please email your suggested article directly to Bill Halstead at <a href="web058@mac.com">web058@mac.com</a> The deadline for sending all news articles is the Monday, 6:00 pm, before the publishing of the newsletter. Thank you.

**Saint Mary's Book of Intentions** Have you noticed the big red book that has been sitting open at the back of St. Mary's? Or did you notice when Deacon Mike started including praying for "all those in our book of intentions" during the Universal Prayer? This book is for writing down names of our loved ones, friends and community members that are in need of prayer. Please feel free to use this for your special intentions and prayer requests for others.

**Fr. John Moyna** will preside at the 11:30 am Mass at St. Mary's on Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup> in thanksgiving for the *50th anniversary of his ordination to the Priesthood.* 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reception with Light refreshments will be served in Maria Hall after the 11:30 am Mass. All are welcome. (No Coffee hour after either Mass on May 21<sup>st</sup>.)

**SAVE THE DATE! NYS Eucharistic Congress:** Catholics from across New York State are planning to come together at Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine in Auriesville on October 20-22, 2023 to celebrate the real presence of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. The Congress will feature inspiring talks, Mass, Eucharistic adoration, opportunities for confessions, inspiring music and more. For details and to register, log onto <a href="https://nyseucharisticcongress.org">https://nyseucharisticcongress.org</a>

## **Attention Homebound Parishioners of St. Patrick's**

This is an invitation to all homebound parishioners who would like to have communion brought to their homes on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month. If interested or have questions, please call St. Patrick's office at 518-756-3145 on any Wednesday and speak to Michelle Fralick. We have a team of voluntary ministers from St. Patrick's who would love to serve you.

#### St. Patrick's Faith Formation News:

**First Eucharist**: Congratulations to our second graders who celebrated their First Eucharist this past Saturday (May 6) at the 4:30 Mass. Please pray for Adriana Bellia, Jackson Bohl, Penny Carkner, Christian Darlington, Zachary Espinoza, Preston Frank, Antonette Green, John Keller, James Latter, III, Thomas Moore, III, Sara Stoddard, and Seth Stoddard

**Confirmation:** Congratulations to our Confirmation Candidates, sponsors and their families who celebrated Confirmation on Saturday April 29 along with youth from St. Mary's. Bishop Scharfenberger presided. The following St. Patrick's youth were confirmed: Patricia Dorrance, Alyssa Grogan, Katherine McFerran, Mary McHugh, Cooper Penzabene, and Madison Wilcox.

#### St. Mary's Faith Formation News:

**First Eucharist**: Congratulations to our second graders who celebrated their First Eucharist this past Sunday (May 7) at the 11:30 Mass. Those receiving Jesus for the first time were: Jake Bliss, Cameron Carter, Kaelani Chiong, Camden Cook, Trenton Fitzgerald, Cooper Hotaling, Ryker Jenkins, Grayson Olmsted and Gianna Starke.

**Confirmation:** Congratulations to our Confirmation Candidates, sponsors and their families who celebrated Confirmation on Saturday April 29 along with youth from St. Patrick's, Ravena. Bishop Scharfenberger presided. The following St. Mary's youth were confirmed: Emily Gates, Hailey and Thomas Gibney, Leslie Hinrichsen, Matthew Kunz, Jacob and John Luvera, Adrianna Moon, Neil Murphy, Hannah Osborn, Lorna Pigott, Ainsley and Ronin Rausch, Marisa Rivera, Andrew Sager, Coral Vizzie and Brendan Woytowich.

Thank you to Lisa D'Arcangelis, John Vasto and the combined choirs for beautiful inspiring music and the Community Life Team for putting on a nice reception after Mass. Special thanks to Bob Near who provided photo support.

**Ecumenical CROP Walk:** Our Coxsackie-Athens Ecumenical Group participated in the Annual CROP Walk on May 7<sup>th</sup>. We walk to raise awareness of world poverty and to raise money to help battle poverty. We had 33 participants (19 from St. Mary's) and a beautiful Sunday afternoon for the event. Many thanks to the Gospel Church for serving as host. Thanks to Knight of Columbus Joe Schmidt (St. Mary's) and Pastor Bart (Gospel Church) for serving hot dogs and refreshments to the walkers. The money collected goes to Church World Service who sends resources to places who need it most (*25% stays here in our own Food Pantry*). We will report on how much we collected in next newsletter.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW).** To provide this weekly, we need more facilitators. We currently have two teams and can use two more. Facilitators may be teenagers, young adults or adults. Anyone who can assist in supporting this ministry may contact Bob at stmaryffo@aol.com.

**National Catholic Youth Conference:** Get your tickets to support our young people from both parishes attending the National Catholic Youth Conference. Roast Beef drive-through dinner at Frese's (Ravena) on <a href="Wednesday, May 24th from 3-6 pm">Wednesday, May 24th from 3-6 pm</a> - just in time for dinner! *Tickets will be available at all Masses May 13/14 and May 20/21 or call 518-756-3145 by May 21st.* 

**More Coffee hour volunteers** are needed to lighten the load of those who are already volunteering.

# Food Pantry, Coxsackie

#### Lorraine Camurati | 917-572-3300

Coxsackie's Food Pantry hours: Tuesday 1-2 pm, Thursday 7-8 pm, & Saturday 10-11 am. The food pantry is located in the Hamilton Steamer Fire Station. Donations may be left in the basket at St. Mary's on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month. The Community Food Pantry gratefully accepts all donations. Toilet paper, kleenex, shampoo, hand soap, dish detergent, bath and kitchen cleansers are always appreciated. Monetary donations are always welcome as one dollar has well more than one dollar of buying power at the regional food bank.

# Food Pantry at St. Patrick's Ravena

# Diane Hoffman | 518-330-6789

A special thank you, for the food donated to "THE PANTRY", goes out to the walkers that participated in the Crop Walk on May 7th.

The Pantry is in need of: ketchup, mustard, Italian or Ranch dressing, olives, Jello or pudding, dish liquid, bar soap and pickles. *Please make sure all donations are not outdated items. We will only have to throw all outdated items out.* Thank you to all that support the Food Pantry with your food and monetary donations! **Pantry hours:** Tuesdays & Fridays 10–11 am & Wednesdays 6–7 pm.

#### Thrift Shop at St. Patrick's

#### Mary Ann McCool | 518-756-9184

Come visit Thursdays from 1:00 - 3:00 pm or Saturday mornings from 9:00 - Noon. Could you volunteer on Saturdays from 9:00 - Noon? We could use your help.

**The Question Box** A wooden box marked "Ask Fr. Joe and the Parish Staff" with a form to use to write your question can be found by the main entrances of both St. Mary's and St. Patrick's Churches. We would like to write a response to one question per newsletter. Please include your contact information so we can contact you to be sure we're answering your question. We look forward to hearing from you.



The Diocesan Appeal has surpassed the mid-point! Thank you to all who have already contributed to the campaign. If you haven't, please consider joining your fellow parishioners with your support.

- Support of the parish and the greater Church is the responsibility of ALL of us, not just a few.
- Support of the Diocesan Appeal is not for the benefit of the Diocese as an entity itself rather it is a key mission and logistics partner/resource for our parish allowing us to focus on ministry.
- It is gratifying to know that support of the Diocesan Appeal impacts ALL 126 parishes in the Diocese that is powerful!

Let us join together and rebuild our local and regional Catholic Church – support our parish offertory and Diocesan Appeal goal!

ST. PATRICK'S

87 gifts so far

94 gifts so far

Goal \$ 39,813

Goal \$ 44,841

Total donations to date = \* \$29,860 Total donations to date = \* \$25,946.40

**75%** of goal Average Gift \$343 Average Gift \$276

Still to be raised = \$9,953 Still to be raised = \$18,894.60

Appeal envelopes are available near the church entrances. You can also make your donation online by typing <a href="https://thediocesanappeal.org/donate/">https://thediocesanappeal.org/donate/</a> in your browser.

# **Mass Intentions**

Week of	May 13, 14, 2023	6th Sunday of Easter
Mother's D	Day	All Mothers
May 17 8:0	00 Coxsackie	Skip Veeder by wife and family
Week of	May 20, 21, 2023	7th Sunday of Easter
May 20 4:3	30 Ravena	Gerald and Beatrice McCready by Visconti family
May 21 7:3	30 Coxsackie	Leno and Sam Coniglio by their daughter Carol Fichner by her Cousin, Ellie Alfred Teresa D. Cole by Karen Cole
9:3	30 Ravena	Robert Hagen by Mom Joanna Maki by Jim
11	:30 Coxsackie	50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Fr. John Moyna to celebrate
May 24 8:0	00 Coxsackie	Mary Ellen McDermott by Dorothy and William Roberts
Week of	May 27, 28, 2023	Pentecost Sunday
May 27 4:3	30 Ravena	No Intentions at this time
May 28 7:3	30 Coxsackie	Josephine Conlon by John Conlon Kirby Peter Conlon by John Conlon
9:3	30 Ravena	Philomena McCallion by Philip McCallion and Deborah Smith Hans Herting by family
11	:30 Coxsackie	Marion Martinez Barton by Peter and Gilda Pascuzzi Mary Ellen McDermott by the Dolan family

# Network Mass Schedule for the Feast of the Ascension Thursday May 18 2023

Vigil Mass 6:00PM Wed. May 17 St. Patrick's Ravena
Vigil Mass 6:00PM Wed. May 17 St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Windham
Vigil Mass 6:00PM Wed. May 17 St. Patrick's Athens
Vigil Mass 6:00PM Wed. May 17 St. John the Baptist Greenville

6:00PM Thurs. May 18 St. Mary's Coxsackie 12:00PM Thurs. May 18 Our Lady of Knock Shrine East Durham 12:15PM Thurs. May 18 St. Patrick's Catskill 6:30PM Thursday May 18 Sacred Heart Palenville

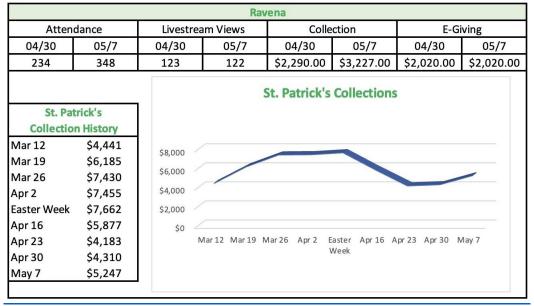
## This Just In.....

St. Patrick's Church raised \$1,304 for the Ravena area CROP Walk this year. If you recall, \$714 was from the Souper Bowl held a few months ago. To date \$3,800 has been collected by all of the participating churches. About 60-70 people participated in the walk including 6 from St. Patrick's. Additionally, walkers collected dry goods along the route and enjoyed a rest and hydration stop at the St. Patrick's Food Pantry. Participants heard from Pantry Coordinator, Diane Hoffman, toured the Pantry and learned about the Thrift Shop and Care Portal. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of this event.

**Diaconate Ordination** On Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup> at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Adam Feisthamel, a seminarian who spent some time with us two summers ago, will be ordained a transitional deacon. Please pray for Adam as he takes this next step on his journey to priesthood.

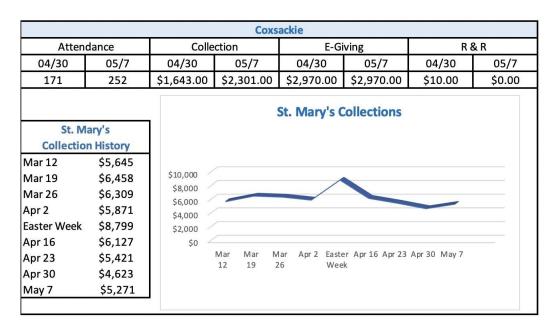
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#### **ENVELOPES ARE GREAT, BUT E-GIVING HELPS YOUR PARISH MAKE BETTER FINANCIAL DECISIONS**

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



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# **Connecting with the Parishes**

### 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 <u>Click here</u> and then please subscribe

WEEKDAY MASS (Except for Holy Days & days of funeral at parish): St. Patrick's Tuesday 8:30 am St. Mary's Wednesday 8 am

FR. JOE'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL FOR HOMILIES AND MESSAGES: Click here and then please SUBSCRIBE

**FIND US ONLINE:** <u>Click here</u> for St. Patrick's Parish Homepage <u>Click here</u> for St. Mary's Parish Homepage Parish Facebook Pages (updated daily)

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

MORNING PRAYER (Following the LITURGY OF THE HOURS) Friday mornings at 8:00 at St. Mary's

WOMEN'S TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY 11 am - 12 pm on Tuesdays in classroom 5 of St. Patrick's school

MEN'S THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY 1 – 2 pm on Thursdays at St. Patrick's in classroom 5 of the school