



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

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Dear Parish Family and Friends, both near and far,

Prayers of thanksgiving to the Holy Spirit for guiding the Cardinals in the selection of Pope Leo XIV as a successor to Pope Francis and successor to St. Peter! Let us pray for the new Holy Father and for God's People the Church! More than a few parishioners around our network told me how they followed the events of these days through televised coverage, from Pope Francis's funeral, to white smoke, to the announcement of a new Holy Father and his installation. You have heard about his Chicago roots, his ministry as an Augustinian missionary and Bishop in Peru, his service as Father General of the Augustinians and his work in the Roman Curia assisting Pope Francis in the selection of Bishops for dioceses around the world.

All times face challenges. Pope Leo XIV serves the People of God when there is violence around the world; at no time in human history have there been as many refugees as there are now. There is rising tension among the nations. People, especially in the West, seem to lack patience and understanding for their sisters and brothers. Emerging technologies have the potential to change the nature of work for so many, threatening the dignity of families and workers.

In these first two weeks of Leo XIV's pontificate, his words and actions have repeatedly referenced Resurrection, reconciliation, unity, peace and justice. His support of synodality speaks to a commitment to listening to each other as we seek to be Church for one another. Pope Leo will serve us and our world. Let us pray for him and with him.

Happy Memorial Day! At its heart, Memorial Day is when we honor all who have died in service to our nation, defending our ideals and our way of life. Many visit cemeteries to decorate graves. (Do you remember Decoration Day?) Please devote some time to pray for those who have served our nation to advance freedom, democracy, peace and justice for all.

Schedule for the Feast of the Ascension

Wednesday (the 28th) Vigil: 6 pm - St. Theresa's, Windham and St. John the Baptist, Greenville.

Thursday (the 29th) Holy Day: Noon - St. Patrick's, Catskill and 6 pm - St. Patrick's, Ravena

The Diocesan Appeal closes on June 30th. Thank you to everyone who has made a gift. St. Mary's has received gifts and pledges of \$28,341 (69.5% of our goal) and St. Patrick's has received gifts and pledges of \$33,090 (77.3% of our goal). If you haven't made a gift or pledge, would you please make yours this week? Your gift matters. If our parishes do not reach their goals, the shortfalls will have to be made up from parish funds.

Blessings, Fr. Joe O'Brien

Schedule

SUNDAY 5-25	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) Hospitality by Knights of Columbus 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also St. Mary's YouTube channel)
MONDAY 5-26	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's
TUESDAY 5-27	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 room 5 of St. Patrick's Parish Hall 5:30 Reconciliation at St. Patrick's 6:00 Rosary at St. Mary's
WEDNESDAY 5-28	8:00 Weekday Mass at St. Mary's 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's
THURSDAY 5-29	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 1:00-2:00 St. Patrick's Men's Prayer Meeting 6:00 Ascension Mass at St. Patrick's 6:30 <i>NO Choir rehearsal at St. Mary's</i>
FRIDAY 5-30	8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's
SATURDAY 5-31	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's
SUNDAY 6-1	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) Followed by Fr. Joe's Birthday 6:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's
MONDAY 6-2	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Mary's
TUESDAY 6-3	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 room 5 of St. Patrick's Parish Hall 5:30 Reconciliation at St. Mary's 6:00 Rosary at St. Mary's
WEDNESDAY 6-4	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 6-5	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's 1:00-2:00 St. Patrick's Men's Prayer Meeting 6:30 Choir rehearsal at St. Mary's
FRIDAY 6-6	8:00 Morning Prayer at St. Mary's
SATURDAY 6-7	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's
SUNDAY 6-8	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) Hospitality by Knights of Columbus 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (also St. Mary's YouTube channel) Followed by Fr. Kyle's Farewell

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. The deadline for sending all news articles is the Monday, 6:00 pm, before the publishing of the newsletter. 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

Please remember the Coxsackie Food Pantry on the first Sunday of the month. Food costs are soaring and those with limited resources are struggling more than ever. There are baskets in the back of the church for your donations including personal care items and pet food. 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:

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| •Lunchbox snacks | Graham crackers | Cookies | Nutria grain bars | Toothpaste |
| •Cookies | Tuna | Sugar | Flour | Paper towels |
| •Canned Chicken | Spaghetti sauce | Bar Soap | Shampoo | |

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 3rd. 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 Our next meeting will be held May 27, 6:30 pm in room 4 of St. Patrick's Parish Center. Sister Robin will present before meeting. Brother Knights are invited to attend.

St. Mary's and St. Patrick's will be hosting a **70th birthday celebration for Fr. Joe** on Sunday, June 1st at 12:30 pm in Maria Hall at St. Mary's Church. All network parishioners are welcome. Hope to see you there! Parking is available at Brady Funeral Home.

St. Mary's and St. Patrick's invite all parishioners to **say Farewell to Fr. Kyle** on Sunday, June 8th at 12:30 in Maria Hall. Food donations (fruit, vegetables, finger sandwiches etc.) are needed. There will be a sign-up sheet at Mission Central. Parking is available at Brady Funeral Home.

Please watch the newsletter Michelle Sisak will be back in July to host an Icon Workshop in our Network. More information will be available in our next newsletter.

Mass Intentions

Week of May 24, 25, 2025

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 24 4:30 Ravena Robert Hagen by Mom

May 25 7:30 Cocksackie Mary Kate Brennan by Mary Kramer

9:30 Ravena Diane Amsler by Shelly O'Leary and family
Christopher Burton by Dan and Gail LaMora
Jackie Lynch by Rick and Michelle Fralick

11:30 Cocksackie Sister Mary Rose Fox by St. Mary's Parish
Linda Dufkin Mayes by Nancy Belycia
Teresa D. Cole by Karen Cole

Week of May 31, June 1, 2025

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 31 4:30 Ravena Joe Ellis by Claudia LaBuda
Michael Lozano by Bernie and Linda McCall

June 1 7:30 Cocksackie The Heim family by Anne Heim
Sister Mary Rose Fox by Jeannene Albright

9:30 Ravena John and Rose Bestler by Kathy and Jim
Ann Curtis Jim and Kathy

11:30 Cocksackie Jeanne Cary by St. Mary's Parish

Week of June 7, 8 2025

Pentecost Sunday

June 7 4:30 Ravena Guy Anatriello by Rose
Justin Bonafide by Grammy

June 8 7:30 Cocksackie None at this time

9:30 Ravena None at this time

11:30 Cocksackie Paul and Claire Kelly by Gatt family
Rocco A. Cole by Karen Cole

Diocesan Appeal 2024-2025 Campaign

There are things God does for us as well as things that God calls us to do...getting back to Mass, participating actively in our parish community, living as a joyful disciple, being constant in prayer, investing in our parishes & diocese...if not each of us, then who? Please don't wait! Making your gift or pledge today to the Diocesan Appeal shows you have stepped forward by personally committing and participating in Christ bringing about His Kingdom here on earth. Thank you – with patience and your support, a brighter future is near!

Payments can be made on-line by going to <https://thediocesanappeal.org/>

ST. PATRICK'S

94 gifts so far
Goal \$ 41,506
Total donations = \$ 33,090
77.3% of goal
Average Gift \$ 341.38
Shortfall = \$ 9,416.28

ST. MARY'S

99 gifts so far
Goal \$ 40,775
Total donations = \$ 28,341
69.5% of goal
Average Gift \$ 286.47
Shortfall = \$ 12,434

All funds raised for the Diocesan Appeal are applied immediately to underwrite the current Diocesan programs, services and ministries for parishes as well as vocations, not for the settlement of legal cases.

Make you gift today! The campaign ends June 30, 2025.

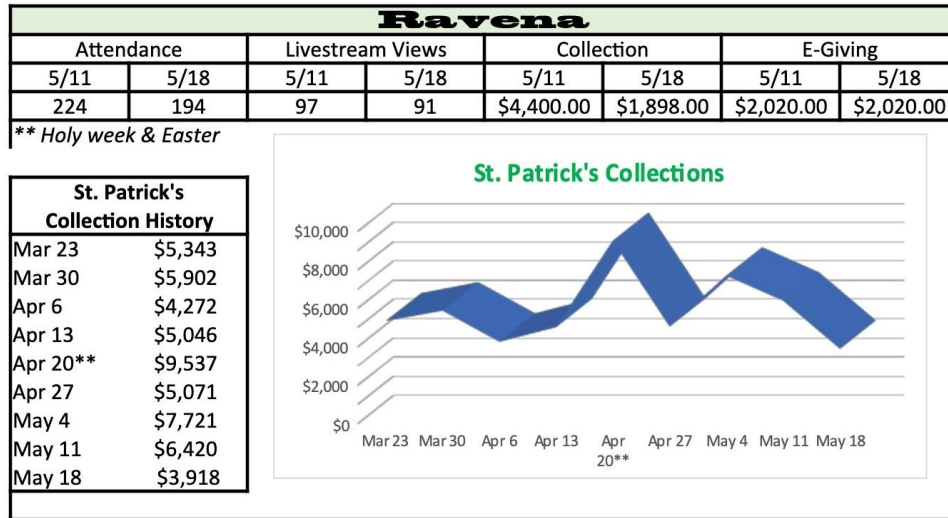
On the weekend of May 31-June 1, dioceses in the United States will take the **annual collection for the U.S. bishops' Catholic Communication Campaign in their parishes**. The collection helps the Church spread the Gospel message using modern media tools to inform, inspire, and enlighten.

Through websites, social networks, television, radio, and print, the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC) helps the Church spread the Gospel message through the media locally and nationally. Half of all donations to the CCC collected in our diocese stay in the diocese to support your local communications needs, such as radio and television programming and diocesan publications.

While the timeless message of the Gospel remains unchanged, the ways we share it must keep pace with a rapidly evolving media landscape. Your generosity to this collection makes that possible.

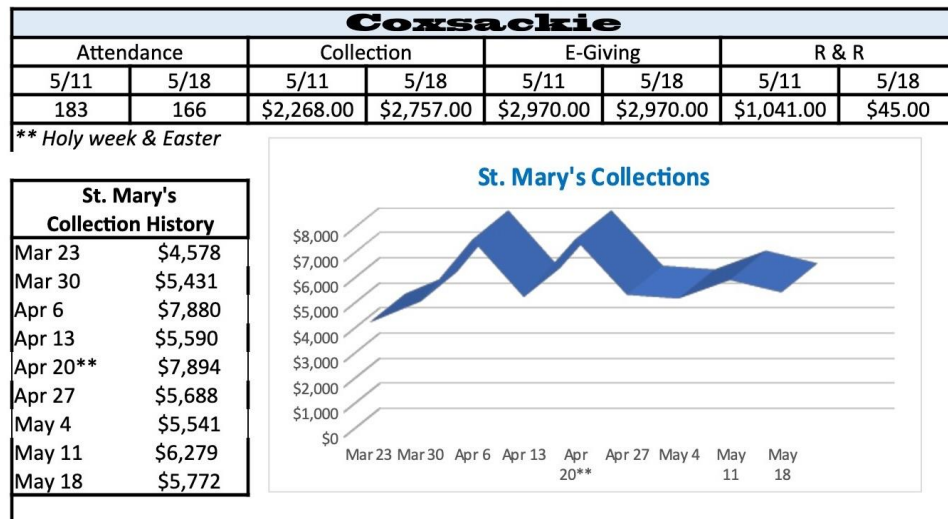
Collections & E-Giving

E-Mail Dawn Brownson 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](#)



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. Patrick's Tuesday 8:30 am

St. Mary's Wednesday 8 am

HUDSON VALLEY VICARIATE WEST FAITH FORMATION Online 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**

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Parish Facebook Pages (updated daily)

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

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

Monday and Tuesday 8:00 am at St. Mary's

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

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