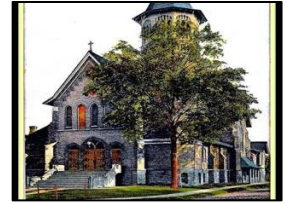




ST. MARY'S & ST. PATRICK'S NEWSLETTER

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A Word (or Two) From Fr. Joe

Dear Parish Family, both near and far away,

Did you read the recent article in The Evangelist on the summary of the Synod Listening Sessions held around our Diocese during June and July? It was wonderful to read of the work of the Holy Spirit alive in so many people who went to the listening sessions to prayerfully share from the heart and soul about how we live as a Church today, how we can share the way of Jesus with others and how we can be Church in the years to come.

Many thanks to Cathy Bashford, Ellen Bradt, Dawn Brownson, Deacon Mike McDonald and Deacon Steve Young for providing support for the diocesan Listening Session in Hudson and our Listening Sessions at St. Mary's and St. Patrick's.

This weekend, Fr. John Kirwin will be visiting St. Mary's and St. Patrick's. He will speak to you on behalf of Unbound which sponsors programs to provide basic necessities such as food, education and access to medical care to children and the elderly in some of the world's poorest countries. Unbound supports children and the elderly in 19 countries. There will be no second collection; Fr. Kirwin will have some literature available for your review. I will be away for a few days and will return Wednesday night.

Anointing of the Sick will be available in our parishes next weekend. Please tell your family, neighbors and friends about this opportunity. Anointing will take place on Saturday, August 13th immediately after the 4:30 pm Vigil Mass at Mass St. Patrick's and on Sunday, August 14th immediately after the 11:30 am Mass at St. Mary's. This healing sacrament is available for the sick, those in recovery and the chronically ill. People who seek physical, emotional or mental healing are invited to be anointed.

Anointing will be available in our parishes again in the fall. Please contact me if you'd like to make an appointment to be anointed.

The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on August 15th. When a holy day falls on a Saturday or a Monday, like this year when the Assumption falls on a Monday, it is not an obligation day. While we will have no Masses scheduled on the 15th, our churches will be open if you would like to come and pray.

Blessings, Fr. Joe O'Brien

Schedule

SUNDAY 8/7	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's (All are welcome!) 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (All are welcome!) (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 10:30 Adult Faith Sharing in Classroom 5 at St. Patrick's 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (All are welcome!) (also St. Mary's YouTube channel) 6:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Patrick's
MONDAY 8/8	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary's By Noon New Prayer Service for small groups posted on parish homepages
TUESDAY 8/9	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary's 8:30 <i>NO</i> Weekday Mass at St. Patrick's <i>this week</i> Rosary following Weekday Mass, St. Patrick's (All are welcome!) Summer Break – Women's Bible Study St. Patrick's – Summer Break 5:30 <i>NO</i> Reconciliation, St. Patrick's <i>this week</i> 6:30 Rosary, St. Mary's (All are welcome!)
WEDNESDAY 8/10	8:00 <i>NO</i> Weekday Mass at St. Mary's <i>this week</i> 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Patrick's
THURSDAY 8/11	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Patrick's
FRIDAY 8/12	8:00 Morning Prayer (St. Mary's)
SATURDAY 8/13	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (All are welcome!) Anointing of the Sick after Mass, St. Patrick's
SUNDAY 8/14	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's (All are welcome!) 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (All are welcome!) (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 10:30 Adult Faith Sharing in Classroom 5 at St. Patrick's 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (All are welcome!) (also St. Mary's YouTube channel) Anointing of the Sick after Mass, St. Mary's
MONDAY 8/15	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary's By Noon New Prayer Service for small groups posted on parish homepages
TUESDAY 8/16	8:00 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Mary's 8:30 Weekday Mass at St. Patrick's Rosary following Weekday Mass, St. Patrick's (All are welcome!) Summer Break – Women's Bible Study St. Patrick's – Summer Break 5:30 Reconciliation, St. Mary's 6:30 Rosary, St. Mary's (All are welcome!)

WEDNESDAY 8/17	8:00 Weekday Mass at St. Mary's 8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Patrick's
THURSDAY 8/18	8:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Patrick's 1:00-2:00 St. Patrick's Men's Prayer Meeting – Classroom 5
FRIDAY 8/19	8:00 Morning Prayer (St. Mary's)
SATURDAY 8/20	4:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (All are welcome!)
SUNDAY 8/21	7:30 Mass at St. Mary's (All are welcome!) 9:30 Mass at St. Patrick's (All are welcome!) (also St. Patrick's YouTube channel or Mid-Hudson 901) 11:30 Mass at St. Mary's (All are welcome!) (also St. Mary's YouTube channel) 6:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Patrick's (All are welcome!)

Please save the following dates:

September 11, 2022 for: ANNUAL ST. MARY'S PARISH PICNIC to be held this year at the new Pavilion at Riverside Park in Coxsackie. Time: 1pm-4pm. FUN – FOOD – MUSIC – DANCING – FELLOWSHIP – PLAYGROUND – BASKETBALL COURT – CORN HOLE – BATHROOMS – ALL ARE WELCOME!

**** TICKETS ADVANCED SALE ONLY: Adults - \$10; Children 5-17 - \$7; Under 5 -free. Ticket sales will begin August 20th and 21st*

DIOCESAN MARRIAGE JUBILEE: The 50th Annual Diocesan Marriage Jubilee Celebration will be held **Saturday, October 8th, 2022 at 4:00 PM** at **The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Albany**. Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th or other special wedding anniversaries are invited to attend this celebration. Bishop Edward Scharfenberger will celebrate the Mass and greet couples and their guests at a reception in the Cathedral immediately following Mass. Please register through your parish office or by email to Marriage.Jubilee@rcda.org.

Opportunities For You – To Serve/Pray/Grow

Food Pantry at St. Patrick's Ravena

Diane Hoffman | 518-330-6789

We are in need of: spaghetti sauce, snack crackers, peas, beef stew, chili, bathroom tissue and paper towels. Thank you to all that support the Food Pantry with your food and monetary donations!

FOOD PANTRY IS OPEN: Tuesdays & Fridays 10–11 am and Wednesdays 6–7 pm.

Food Pantry, Coxsackie

Lorraine Camurati | 917-572-3300

Coxsackie's Food Pantry hours are Tuesday afternoons 1 - 2 pm, Thursday nights, 7 - 8 pm and Saturday mornings 10 - 11 am. The food pantry is located t in the D.M. Hamilton Steamer #2 Fire Station.

Donations can be left in the basket in the back of St. Mary's on the first Sunday of the month. The Coxsackie Community Food Pantry gratefully accepts all donations. We are in special need of toothpaste and pet food, especially cat food. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated.

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.

Youth & Faith Formation of St. Mary's

Bob Desrosiers | 518-731-9268

FAITH FORMATION 22/23: Bob Desrosiers sent out letters outlining changes to the FF Program and Registrations for the coming year. If you have any questions or concerns, please let Bob know by email or at 518 731-9268 (ext. 4 for voicemail) or at 860 716-7835.

Always looking for new Altar Servers for Sunday Masses: If your child is interested in becoming an Altar Server, please contact Bob Desrosiers at stmaryffo@aol.com or 518 731-9268.

FOR BOTH CHURCHES: Last newsletter we shared reflections of our parish high school and middle school students in the Breakaway Retreat at the Pyramid Life Center. Here are two more reflections:

Mason Tetro recently completed Grade 7 & participated as a Middle School Camper for the first time:

I came to Breakaway because my mom bribed me to go! As I arrived, I wasn't into it and I wanted to go back home. I definitely enjoyed the land free time and the campfires the most. I felt closest to God at Mass. I recommend Breakaway because it does make you actually want to learn more about your faith and it's cool to do that with other kids who are interested too. It was more fun than I expected, I am glad I went!

Katherine Desrosiers recently completed Grade 11 and participated in Breakaway for the 5th year:

After last year's experience I was counting down the days till breakaway 2022! This was my 4th and favorite time attending the retreat. Leading up to breakaway I had a lot of expectations. Last year's experience was the best week of my life so I was excited to see what this year would bring, however I was a bit nervous that these high expectations would lead to disappointment... spoiler alert there were absolutely no disappointments! The week was an awesome balance of morning energizers, prayer, food, games, talks, free time, and so much more. Some of my favorite memories are: The sock hop Wednesday night, reconnecting with old friends and seeing how they and I have grown since last year, Mass, waking up at 4:45 AM to see the sunrise, and late night chats with my roommates. Two of the most meaningful experiences were 1. Spending the week with my life long best friend and 2. Wednesday afternoon which was spent reflecting. We prepared for Reconciliation, did a spontaneous Bible study, and spent time in silence. There were several powerful moments every day, and I learned how you can't put God or prayer in a box. Prayer doesn't have to be kneeling, with your hands folded, in a Church (although that is important too!!!) It can be dancing and praising God after reconciliation, not giving up when you and your best friend get stuck in a canoe, seeing Christ in everyone you meet, and doing little things with great love. A cool moment I would like to share happened on Thursday, the last full day of the retreat. We were headed to Eucharistic Adoration, which we do once a week at Breakaway. I was excited and I remember thinking "This will be nice to get to see Jesus today!" However when I knelt down in Adoration I could feel so clearly God explain to me that the Jesus I was looking at, I had been seeing all day - in the people around me. At Breakaway I have formed friendships that continue outside of camp and that encourage me when life gets hard, and I thank God for that blessing! I HIGHLY recommend Camp Breakaway to anyone who is able to attend, including high school graduates or adults who would like to be on the staff - you would change so many lives, including your own! You truly won't regret it!! It is a place to not only get to know new people and the creator of the universe but also to find out who you were created to be. You are precious and loved, have a good day!!

P.S. if you want to go but are nervous - don't worry!! I was super anxious about going my first year and still get nervous before every breakaway, but it's so worth it! When you step outside of your comfort zone, God rewards your courage! And if it helps reach out to me or bring a friend!!

COFFEE HOUR AFTER MASSES AT ST. MARY'S: We still need an overall coordinator and 6 other volunteers to maintain 5 Coffee Hour Teams (we have 4 now). With 5 teams, each team will serve about once a month or so. If you feel called to serve our church in this ministry, please contact Bob Desrosiers at 518 731-9268 or stmaryffo@aol.com.

Mass Intentions

Week of August 6, 7, 2022

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug 6	4:30 Ravena	Guy Anatriello by Rose Mary Carnibucci by Barb Burrows Kay Kilmer by Donna Hagen
Aug 7	7:30 Coxsackie	St. Mary's Memorial Society Kerry McGrath by the Mitchell family
	9:30 Ravena	Chris & Angie Biscone by family
	11:30 Coxsackie	Eva Rosato by the Mitchell family Dominic Capannello by Rose Veeder

Week of August 13, 14, 2022

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug 13	4:30 Ravena	Rosemary Lozano by Kay Farrell Theresa Frangella by Mary Ann Filkins
Aug 14	7:30 Coxsackie	Concetta Quinlan by Nancy Belycia
	9:30 Ravena	Joanna Maki by Jim
	11:30 Coxsackie	Rose Capparello by Rose Veeder Frank Vancek by the Gatt family

Week of August 20, 21, 2022

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug 20	4:30 Ravena	Jonathan Goodman by Mary Ann Filkins Noreen Nardacci by Judy Miller
Aug 21	7:30 Coxsackie	Peter Willis by his family James & Venera Miller by the Willis family
	9:30 Ravena	Stephanie Ayers by Jim & Vicki Kay Kilmer by Sue Battige
	11:30 Coxsackie	Majlis Pearson by the Columbiettes Jean Venditti by Joe Schmidt

Have you ever thought about remembering your parish in your will? A bequest of any size will enable



St. Mary's and St. Patrick's to continue serving God's people through the sacraments and education as well as maintaining our buildings in good condition. Our parish is still ministering today due to generous, thoughtful people who remembered the Church in their wills. A generous amount is whatever God moves someone to give, according to their means, to further the parish mission. Please include the parish in your estate plans.

St. Mary's of Coxsackie EIN: 14-1464470 St. Patrick's of Ravena EIN: 14-1341164

Step Up Men's Conference 2022

• **Date:** August 20, 2022 • **Location:** Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine –Auriesville, NY 12072

This conference will give men the tools needed to grow in holiness in their everyday lives.

The focus of the event is to: • Grow in our love and relationship with Christ • Empower men to live a more virtuous and holy life • Develop relationships and a brotherhood with each other • Establish a plan to bring this energy back to their families and parish families

This starts at 9 am and will include: Presentations from Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC and Fr. Roger Landry Confessions, Adoration, Rosary, 4 pm Mass. Water and box lunch included Registration: \$50 per person; College age and younger men are FREE. **To register for the conference, [click here](#)**

Questions: Contact Tom LaBruzzo at tlabco@gmail.com



New Medication Drop Box now located at

Greene Medical Arts Pharmacy
159 Jefferson Heights
Catskill, NY 12414

Safely dispose of all unused or expired prescription medications.
Visit greenemedicalartrx.com for hours of operation.

EMERGENCY HEAP GRANTS EXTENDED THROUGH AUGUST

There's still time to apply for an Emergency Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) grant. Act quickly - funds are available for those who qualify until August 31, 2022 or until funds run out. Learn more at ngrid.com/billhelp, under grant Programs.

211: SUPPORT WHEN YOU NEED IT

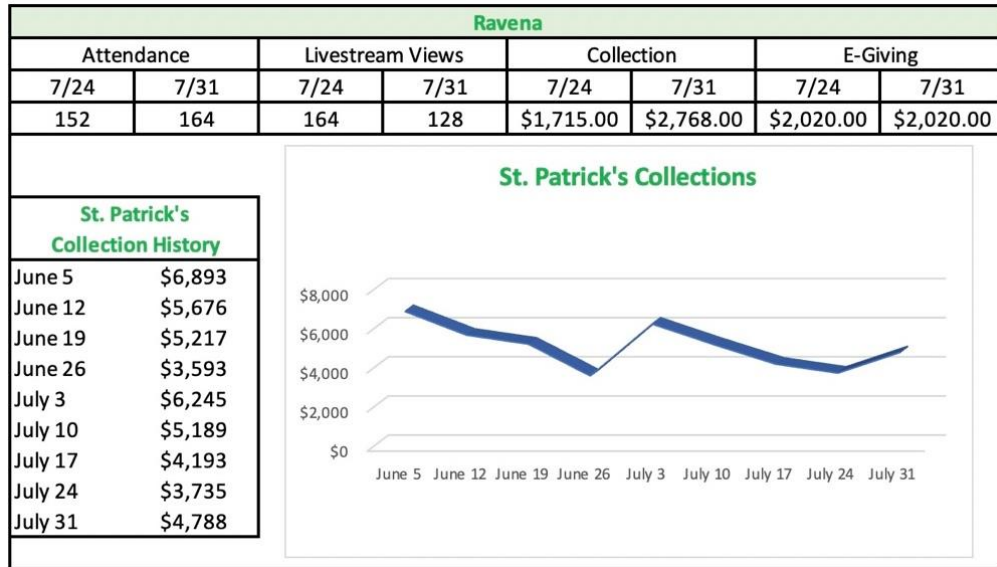
When you need help - paying bills, feeding your family, finding healthcare and much more - remember **211**. 24 hours a day, seven days a week, **211's** Community Resource Specialists are ready to connect you with free or low-cost support. Call **211** or text your zip code to **898-211**. For more information go to 211.org

REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE

The Albany Diocese urges anyone who as a child was sexually abused by a Catholic priest or deacon or parish employee or school employee to report the matter to a law enforcement agency or to the Diocese. To report an incident of abuse or to seek help, contact the Diocese's Assistance Coordinator, Frederick Jones, at 518-453-6646 or by email at assistance.coordinator@rcda.org

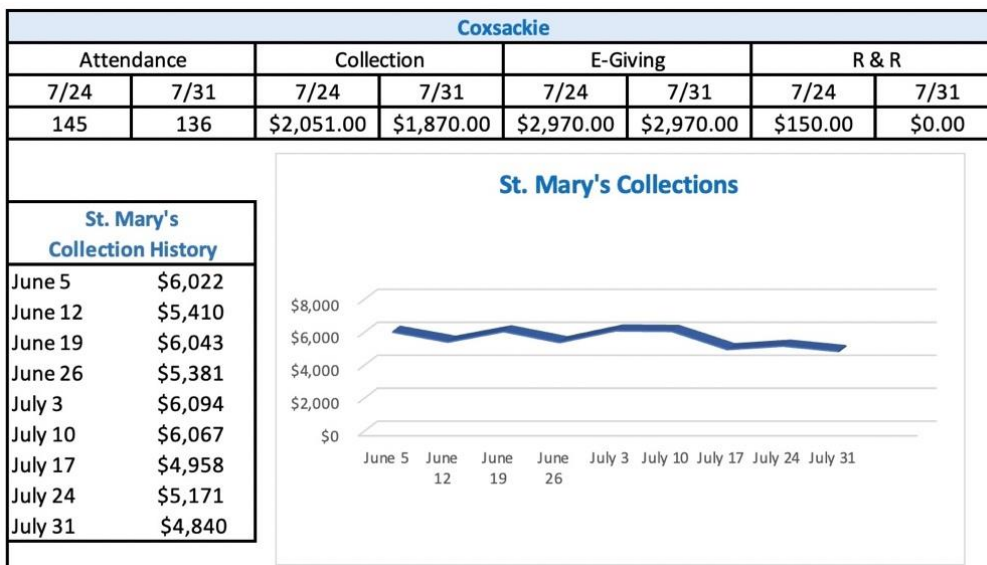
Collections & E-Giving

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:

4:30 pm Saturday Mass at St. Patrick's (All are welcome)
7:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Mary's (All are welcome!)
9:30 am Sunday Mass at St. Patrick's (All are welcome!)
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 (All are welcome!)
11:30 am on **St. Mary's YouTube** channel (also on-demand)
[Click here](#) and then please subscribe

WEEKDAY MASS (Except for Holy Days)

St. Patrick's Tuesday 8:30 am
St. Mary's Wednesday 8 am

FR. JOE'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL FOR HOMILIES AND MESSAGES:

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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

Summer Break - WOMEN'S TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY –*Summer Break*

11 am - 12 pm on Tuesdays at St. Patrick's in classroom 5 of the school

MEN'S THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY

1 – 2 pm on Thursdays at St. Patrick's in classroom 5 of the school