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## St. Mary's / St. Peter's Parish

200 N. James Street

Rome, New York 13440

Pastor: Father Philip A. Hearn

Senior Priests Retired: Father Donald H. Karlen  
 Msgr. James M. Kennedy  
 Deacon: Deacon Nicholas Rosher  
 Pastoral: Sister de Paul Juliano, OSF  
 Associates: Sister Rosaire Anne De Mare, CSJ



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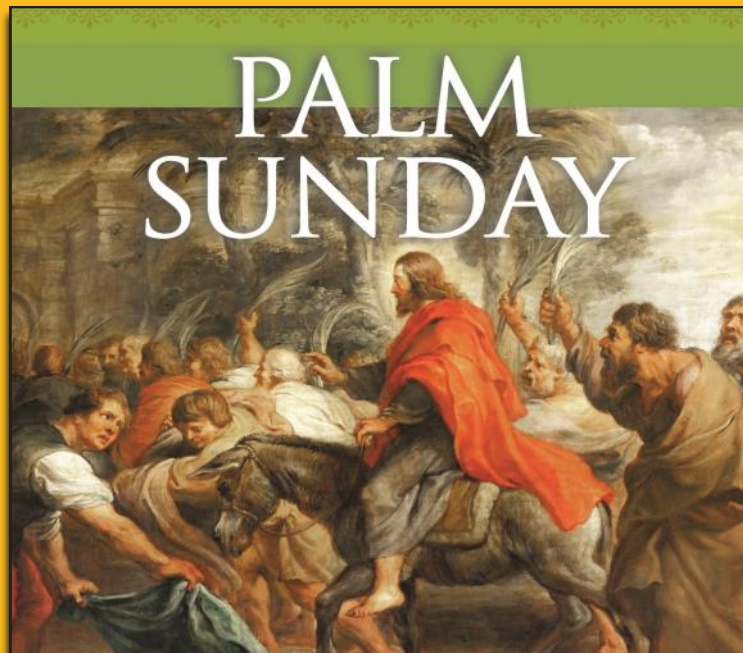
March 25, 2018



**St. Mary's Oratory**  
 210 W. Liberty Street

**St. Peter's Cemetery**  
 315-337-8307  
**St. Mary's Cemetery**  
 315-336-3110

**St. Mary's/St. Peter's Parish WELCOMES YOU. No matter what your present status is with the Catholic Church; No matter what your current family situation or marital status; No matter what your personal history, age, race, color or creed. You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at our parish. Thank you for worshipping with us.**



# PALM SUNDAY

So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields.

— Mk 11:7-8

**LITURGY SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, March 24, 2018 Blessed Oscar Romero, Bishop and Martyr**

7:00 am Mass for Bob Rood by Mom  
 5:00 pm Vigil Mass for Carol Powers by Family  
 and for Msgr. Francis Culkin (anniv) by Worlock Family  
 and for Phillip B. Goetz, Jr. by Marilyn and Joe Goetz



**Sunday, March 25, 2018 PALM SUNDAY**

**THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

8:00 am Mass for Special Intention by Ross Tuzzolino  
 and for Richard P. De Lutis, Sr. (6th Anniv) by Bridget and Family  
 and for Margaret Buczek by Family  
 10:00 am Mass for Amedeo Baddia by Amedeo, Heidi and Hannah Libertella  
 and for Angeline Giardino by Father Hearn  
 11:30 am Mass for Betty and John Huckaby by Jacqueline, John, Diane and Luke

**Monday, March 26, 2018 (Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11)**

7:00 am Mass for Christopher Destito (Birthday) by RoAnn and Christopher  
 and for Rose Vaccaro (Birthday) requested by family  
 10:45 am Mass at Rome Towers  
 12:10 pm Mass for Marc Occhipinti (Anniv) by Family  
 and for Pauk Zininski, Jr. (19th Anniv) by Mary Ellen Utter

**Tuesday, March 27, 2018 (Is 49:1-7; Jn 12:1-11)**

7:00 am Mass for Charles J. Hall by loving wife Irene and children  
 12:10 pm Mass for Mike Malakie (birthday) by Mary Simons, daughter

**Wednesday, March 28, 2018 (Is 50:4-9; 26:14-25)**

7:00 am Mass for Brett Dixon (Anniv) by Kathy Miller  
 12:10 am Mass Todd Pinti by Theresa and Bob Sherry

**Thursday, March 29, 2018 HOLY THURSDAY COMMEMORATING THE LORD'S LAST SUPPER (Ex 12:1-8, Jn 13:1-15)**

7:00 pm Solemn Mass will be celebrated at St. Paul's Church with St. Mary's / St. Peter's  
 St. Leo's ( Holland Patent) and St. Joseph's ( Lee Center ) Parishioners & Choirs  
 8:30 pm to 10:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration here at St. Mary's / St. Peter's Parish

**Friday, March 30, 2018 GOOD FRIDAY COMMEMORATING THE LORD'S PASSION AND DEATH (Is 52:13-53, Jn 18:1-1942)**

12:00 noon to 3 PM Reflections of the "Seven Last Words"  
 3:00 pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and Death  
 Veneration of the Cross and the Reception of Holy Communion  
 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross with Veneration of the Cross



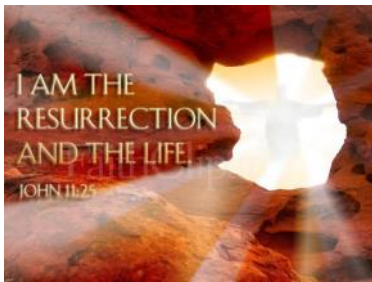
**Saturday, March 31, 2018 HOLY SATURDAY**

8:00 pm Solemn Vigil Mass for the Lord's Resurrection

**Sunday, April 1, 2018 EASTER SUNDAY CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S RESURECTION**

8:00 am Mass for  
 10:00 am Mass for  
 11:30am Mass for

*The Masses today are offered for the Intentions all the Parishioners*



**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION/ CONFESSION**  
 Saturday 4:00 pm  
 or by appointment at the Rectory

**SACRAMENTS OF MATRIMONY/ MARRIAGE AND/OR SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
 Please call the Rectory Office for information

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK FOR THE HOMEBOUND AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL**  
 When a family member or friend may be in need of anointing, please call the Rectory Office.

**HOSPITAL**  
 It is important that a family member indicate that the person being admitted to the hospital is a Catholic and belongs to a certain parish. Our Parish Ministers who are visitors go to the hospital almost everyday.

**NEW MEMBERS**  
 We welcome new members to our parish family. We invite you to become an active participant of our parish community. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor and please call the rectory to register.

**A SPECIAL NOTE:**  
 For those who find it difficult to walk, etc.  
 The front pews across the Church are reserved for you. Communion can be brought to your pew. If anyone needs Communion in any pew, please indicate that to the Minister of the Eucharist who will assist the person in need.

**HEARING AIDS:**  
 Assistive hearing devices are available for loan in the Sacristy before Mass.

*No second collection this weekend!*

**March 18, 2018**  
 St. Mary's /St. Peter's Collection  
*Thank you for your generous support!*

**PARISH EVENTS OF THE WEEK**

Monday, March 26th. **Legion of Mary** at 2:45 pm in St. Peter's Rectory

Wednesday, March 28th. **Scripture Sharing** to reflect on the Readings for Sunday Liturgy at 10:00 am in St. Peter's Church Hall. All are Welcome

Wednesday, March 28th. **Prayer Group** at 7 pm at St. Mary's Parish Center

Wednesday, March 28th. **Revelations Bible Study** at 7 pm

Wednesday, March 28th. CSJ Associates Meeting at 3:30 pm in St. Peter's Church Hall

Friday, March 30th. **NO Bingo** at St. Mary's (until further notice) ↩

**"Help - - Help - - Help" We need Bingo helpers!!!**  
**Please call the Rectory 315-336-5072**

**COLLECTION HELPERS**

**March 25th**  
 Bernie Kaier  
 John Sorbello  
**April 1st**  
 Ted and Ann Kehoe

**ALTAR AND SANCTUARY CARE for March**

Mary Wahl  
 Char Rondinelli

**HOSPITAL VISITATION**

**March 25th**  
 St. Joseph's Team 7  
**April 1st**  
 St. Peter's /St. Mary's Team 1

**REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY** Vigil MASS 5:00 pm  
**SUNDAYS** 8:00 am, 10 am and 11:30 am  
**Weekdays** Monday to Saturday 7:00 am  
 and 12:10 (during Lent)  
**Holydays** 7:00am, 12:10pm and 5:30 pm

**The Sanctuary Lamp** will burn the weeks of April 1st in Memory of **Matthew Razzano** requested by wife and children April 8th and 15th for **Pamela Tiernan** for a Special Intention

**THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU**

Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

**We All Need Confession: Come back Home. St. Paul's, St. John's and St. Peter's Churches will be open March 26th from 4 to 7 pm for confession..**

**FAMILY PERSEPECTIVE**

*Provided by the Hope Funds*

**The Passion of Jesus makes it clear, no one escapes suffering. Suffering is inevitable but no one should suffer alone. That is one of the primary roles of families, to stand with and support each other in suffering.**

**A Trip to Italy**

Is being planned for June 11-20, 2018.  
 This Pilgrimage will be directed by Father Christopher and Deacon Celentano.  
 Cost is \$3,685  
 If interested in this trip call 1-800-653-0017



**Faith Formation**

Sunday, March 25th. **First Communion Class** from 9 to 9:50 am.

Monday March 26th. **Grades 1 to 6** from 6 to 7 pm.

Monday, March 26th. **Grades 7 to 9** from 7:30 -8:30 pm.

Tuesday, March 27th. **Grades 7 and 8 Family Formation** from 6 - 7:30 pm.

Wednesday, March 28th. **Grades 1 to 6** from 8 - 9 am.



**Plan ahead!!**

The **May Crowning Ceremony** is planned for Monday evening, May 7th 6:15 pm.

St. Peter's Church.

Our youth Choir is resuming rehearsals soon, in order to prepare some special songs for this tribute to Mary, Our Blessed Mother. Youth choir is open to all students in grade 3 and older.

Rehearsals will be held on Monday evenings March 26, April 2nd, 9th, 16th and 30th from 6:30 to 7:30; choir meets on the altar at church for rehearsal. For more information about participation, please contact Mrs. Mack in the Faith Formation office at 315-336-5066 or Mrs. O'Neil at [colleenoneil9@gmail.com](mailto:colleenoneil9@gmail.com).



**Dear Padre,**

*I've just returned from a visit to the Holy Land. When we visited the tomb of Jesus, we saw a simple marble slab in a small chapel. Is our faith based on an empty tomb?*

I am happy to answer your question on this highest truth of our faith—the resurrection of Jesus. Our faith in the resurrection is not based on an empty tomb or a little marble slab. There are many explanations for an empty tomb, most which would not contribute to the belief in Jesus' resurrection. Our faith in the resurrection rests not only on the physical reality of the empty tomb but, more importantly, on the eyewitness accounts of those who saw Jesus, talked to him, and walked with him after his resurrection.

There are many reports in the Gospels and the Acts of the Apostles that chronicle the appearance of Jesus after the resurrection. Details vary, but one constant is found in all the accounts: Those who saw the risen Lord had such a powerful experience that they couldn't keep it to themselves. They had to run and tell somebody.

Think of this as a Christian "big bang theory." Jesus' followers had such a tremendous initial experience of the risen Lord that they could not hold it in. They told their friends, neighbors—anyone who would listen. Excitement spread to neighboring villages and hamlets, then to surrounding countries and cultures.

Eventually, Christianity expanded, sometimes under great persecution, throughout the world. Could such endurance and dynamism result from only an empty tomb? No. Only an experience of the risen Jesus could bring this about. *Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org*



**FROM  
THE  
PASTOR**

As we begin to recall and commemorate the events of that first Holy Week, when Jesus willingly laid aside his glory and embraced the cross for our salvation, may we be filled with gratitude and awe at one who loves us so much. This our holiest week, demands our attention and even more our participation. Here is our opportunity to share in Christ's passion, for that is the only way to share in his resurrection.

Thank You to all who will take advantage of going to confession at the "Lights are on for You" this Monday evening from 4:00pm to 7:00pm. And also I am grateful for all who have signed up to serve in the various Holy Week services. Your participation adds to the beauty of each service.

I have had only two people volunteer to help with BINGO since my request for helpers appeared in the bulletin twice. We continue to evaluate how we will run Bingo for the future. The monies realized from Bingo go to maintain our beautiful St. Mary's and St. Peter's Church buildings. St. Mary's Church as an Oratory is still open for funerals and weddings.

On Good Friday we will once again reflect on the "Seven Last Words of Christ". This 3 hour meditative time has been created by Father Karlen. A sign-up sheet for Leaders and Readers is available in the sacristy. Please sign-up to participate. Thanks!

Smile = "Strawberry Fertilizer" A farmer was driving along the road with a load of fertilizer. A little boy, playing in front of his house saw him and called, "what have you got in your truck?" "Fertilizer," the farmer replied. "What are you going to do with it asked?" the little boy. "Put it on strawberries," answered the farmer. "You ought to live here," the little boy advised him. "We put sugar and cream on ours."

Remember God loves You and so do I!

***"Help - - Help - - Help"***  
***We need Bingo helpers!!!***  
***Please call the Rectory 315-336-5072***



**Prayer  
for the  
Family**

*O God, who was pleased to give us the shining example of the Holy Family, graciously grant that we may imitate them in practicing the virtues of family life. Transform our doubt to faith; Strengthen our hope;*

*Help us to live in charity until we are all one in your kingdom.*

*Through Jesus Christ, your Son, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever.*

*Amen*

**CAMP NAZARETH  
SUMMER CAMP**

*Resident camping for boys and girls in the foothills of the Adirondacks. Camp Nazareth is built on 300 acres of forests and lakefront in the Adirondack Park. Summers at Camp Nazareth last forever where boys and girls, ages 8—16, experience traditional camping activities and develop long lasting friendships and memories.*

*Call Catholic charities for more info and to register. (315-724-2158 x 2246)*

# ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY



**March 24th and 25th**

**Our annual Bake Sake will take place at all the Masses. We hope to have some special Easter tradition items.**

**If anyone can bake and donate cakes, rolls breads or even Easter Candy bring them to the Church hall on Saturday evening or Sunday morning.**

**Thank you for your faithful and generous support.**



## Pope Francis Speaks to our hearts!! Speaks to our hearts

### **The Holy Spirit Drives Us Forward**

The older theologians used to say that the soul is a kind of sailboat: the Holy Spirit is the wind that fills its sails and drives it forward, and the gusts of wind the gifts of the Spirit. Lacking his impulse and his grace, we do not go forward. The Holy Spirit draws us into the mystery of the living God and saves us from the threat of a church which is gnostic and self-referential, closed in on herself; he impels us to open the doors and go forth to proclaim and bear witness to the good news of the gospel, to communicate the joy of faith, the encounter with Christ,



**Knights of Columbus  
Next meeting  
Thursday, April 12, 2018  
7:00 pm  
112 Ridge Street.  
Rome**

## **ENRICHING THE CHURCH**

*Pastoral Letter on the  
"Role of the Family in the life  
of the Church of  
Syracuse and Beyond"  
(Continued)*



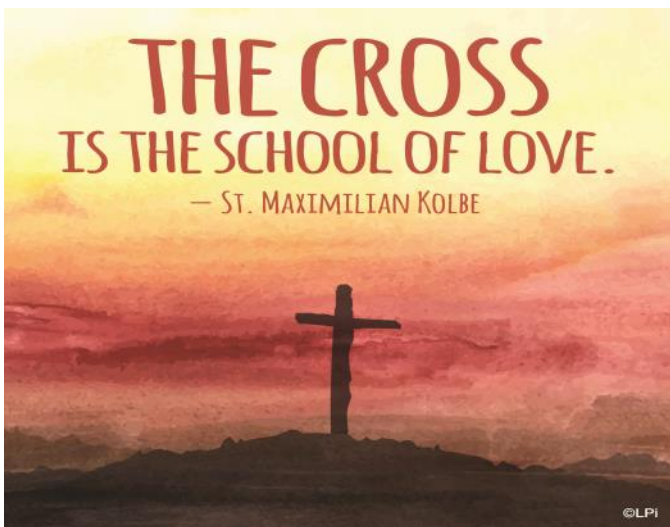
"Marriage and the family not only form the foundation of society but are also the source from which come the members of Christ's Body the Church."

Accordingly, Marriage as a vocation and call gives to each married couple and to each family a mission. On the one hand, good marriages from which come strong, healthy, and happy families enrich the Church. On the other hand, "God has given the family the job of 'domesticating the world.'"

As Pope Francis says, "By their witness as well as their words, families speak to others of Jesus. They pass on the faith, they arouse a desire for God and they reflect the beauty of the Gospel and its way of life."

Christian marriages thus enliven society by their fraternity, their social concern, their outspokenness on behalf of the underprivileged, their luminous faith, and their active hope. Their fruitfulness expands and in countless ways makes God's love present in society."

How do families accomplish their mission of evangelization? By forming what is called a "Domestic church." Why? Because "Christian marriage and the Christian family build up the Church: for in the family the human person is not only brought into being but remains alive."



**PARISH STAFF**

**Director of Faith Formation**  
Laura Mack (315-336-5066)

**Organist** Jack Kempf

**Office Administration**  
Sharon Hansen

**Administrative Assistants**  
St. Peter's Sister Rosaire Anne

**Maintenance Directors**  
St. Peter's Mark LaGasse  
St. Mary's William Link

**Cemetery Superintendent**  
St. Peter's Joseph Megerell  
St. Mary's Joseph Fusco

**PARISH ORGANIZATION and PARTICIPATION**

Altar Rosary Society Mary Wahl

Bingo Committee Mark LaGasse  
St. Peter's Senior Group  
W. Warren Sickles, Jr

Readers and Eucharistic  
Ministers Kathy Miller  
Legion of Mary Betty Pettinelli  
Parish Fellowship Ann Lubecki  
Scripture Study Betty Pettinelli  
Prayer Group Barbara Thomas  
Funeral Preparations B. Thomas

Volunteers are needed as:  
Altar Servers \* Collection helpers  
Ushers \* Choir \* Greeters  
Please call the rectory for  
more information.

**Pope Francis  
Worldwide Prayer  
Network**

**Special intention.  
For MARCH**

**Formation of spiritual  
discernment.**

*That the church may  
appreciate the urgency of  
formation in spiritual  
discernment, both on  
the personal and  
Communitarian levels.*

**PARISH COUNCIL  
MEMBERS**

**Meetings are held on the 2nd  
Thursday of each month**

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Doug Holdridge  
Carol Kaun  
Joan Lamb  
Laura Mack  
Marguerite Maurer  
Patrick Reilly  
Deacon Nicholas Rosher

**Let us remember our family, friends and  
parishioners in our prayers**

Raymond Barbar, Jr.	John Hedrington	Nanci Peroni
Doris Barry	Billy Jo Hidenbrandt	Linda Procoppio
Joseph Beasock III	David Johnston	John Preski
Stella Beer	Carol Johnson	Dorothy M. Pomilio
Teresa Beddia	Lena Johnston	Debbie Puffer
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Barry Dunning	Russell Marchione	Becky Simmons
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Lauri Fusco	Fred Pacicca, Jr.	Colleen Wood
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Ronald Gladwin	Rachel Pawlikowski	Ray "Dusty" Whitman
Donald Hayes	Clair Papadametrious	Riley Zabe

*Please call the rectory for additions, deletions and corrections.*



**CHRIST THE KING  
RETREAT AND  
CONFERENCE CENTER**

For all events call: 315-446-2680

**Preached Weekend Retreat**  
with Paula D'Arcy, "Opening to the Light"  
June 22-24

**Silent Preached Retreat**  
July 15 to 20th  
Anthony Ciorra "Everyday Mysticism"

**Silent Directed Retreat**  
July 15-20th  
Directed by Sisters Jane Comerford, CSJ  
and Mary Ellen Schopher, CSJ

**Retreat for Persons in Recovery**  
April 6th—April 8th  
Presented by Paul Curtin  
Offering \$160  
For those involved in 12-step  
Program



Call for more info and to register call  
315-735-6210

**THE THIRD OPTION**  
Many couples consider just two options... *his way or her way.*  
Find joy in our marriage and live a  
happier, healthier life together.  
Every other Sunday  
6:30 to 8:30 pm

**WOMEN AT THE WELL**  
Last Tuesday of each month  
6:30-8:30 pm  
*Come to the well and be nourished.*  
This is conversation to help bring us  
closer to Jesus and our relationship  
with God. Also includes quiet time  
and prayer.

**ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament  
AT TRANSFIGURATION Church Chapel**

Adoration times will be from 6 am to 9 pm with 2  
adorers required for each hour. To sign up or for  
questions call Bernadette Kapps at 315-337-5439.



*May Christ give us the grace  
of loving self-sacrifice,  
as we cherish  
every person's life.*