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CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m.
 11:15 a.m.
Wednesday: 12:10 p.m.
Thursday: 12:10 p.m.

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February 2, 2025 • FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. Mary's Church

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Monday-Thursday 9-4

*St. Mary's Church
is open for daily prayer*

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Wednesdays 1-6

Reconciliation
Wednesdays after 12:10 Mass or by
appointment

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Dear Parish Family,

Sometimes you don't know how much you need something until you experience it. Our Small Group series on the book Beautiful Hope has been incredibly fruitful for the people who've been participating. Pope Francis knew what he was doing when he declared 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope. We've been living in intense times (quite an understatement!), and there is no way for us to see a future of peace and unity without hope.

Each person is invited to embrace this Jubilee Year as a time of spiritual renewal and concrete action. The Jubilee is marked by four major pillars: **pilgrimage, reconciliation, charity, and celebration.** Throughout the year, we will have opportunities to participate in pilgrimages, engage in acts of mercy, and reflect on the Sacrament of Reconciliation as a means of encountering God's boundless love. A group of us will have the amazing gift of international pilgrimage this week as more than 40 St. Mary's parishioners make a journey to Rome where we will get to see the Holy Door at St. Peter's (an ancient tradition for years of Jubilee) and experience Pope Francis' vision for this year's celebration first-hand.

Now, classically, pilgrimage involves physical travel to a holy place to have an uncommon experience of God. But whether or not you're traveling to Rome, God is fully present to us in each present moment, so we can make a pilgrimage without packing a bag. To begin incorporating this Jubilee into your own experience of 2025, consider...

1. Beginning each day with a prayer for hope: Offer your day to God, asking for the grace to trust in God's plan and to see challenges as doorways for growth. We all recognize how this works in retrospect, but hope allows us to know it in real time.

2. Performing small acts of kindness: Holding a door for someone behind you is not nothing; it may be the first tenderness they have experienced a while. Brighten someone's day with a kind word, a smile, or a helping hand. These small gestures can inspire hope in others.

3. Reflecting on scripture and inspirational writings: Spend time with passages that speak of God's promises, such as Psalm 27:14 ("Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord.").



4. Reaching out to someone in need: Whether it's a friend going through a tough time or a stranger facing hardship, your support can be a tangible sign of God's love. People in struggle do not need "answers," just to know they are not alone.

5. Focusing on gratitude: At the end of each day, take a moment to thank God for the blessings you received, no matter how small. Gratitude nurtures a hopeful heart.

Together, let us make 2025 a year of grace and renewal for our parish and our world. With hope and gratitude,

Fr. Scott ☺



The Way Of Saint James

October 15th - 23rd 2026

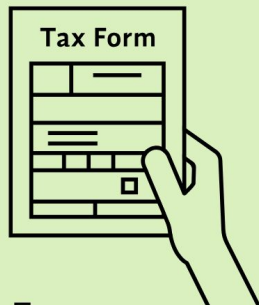
Saint Mary's Parish has teamed up with EF Go Ahead Tours for the adventure of a lifetime, and **we would love for you to join us!**

Follow in the footsteps of medieval pilgrims as you make your way through Spain and Portugal and admire some of the holiest sites to the Catholic Church. From the historic city of León and the vibrant capital of Madrid to the ancient streets of Santiago de Compostela, spirituality comes to the forefront on this memorable journey!

Full itinerary information & pricing will be available Monday, February 3rd on the Parish Website at 11 AM: stmarysglensfalls.org



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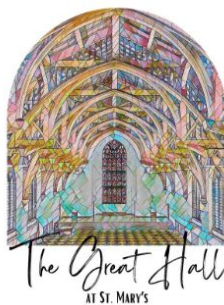
- ~ Envelope givers can get their forms at the back of the church.
- ~ Diocesan Appeal Gifts Forms will be mailed.
- ~E- Giving forms available on your Faith Direct account.

February 9th Harlem Globetrotters Game

On Sunday, February 9th at 1 pm there is a large basketball game at the Cool Insuring Arena. It will be a very busy parking day! The parking lot will be used for a fundraiser for the game but is open for Mass and free to those going to Mass.

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SMA Spotlight

Albany Art Show



You know that feeling when you see a display of children's artwork that reflects not only the children's talent, but also their joy and innocence? A display that shows the care and creativity that a teacher puts into each lesson, drawing out the skills of each student? That feeling? That's Kerry Pride.

Parents, if you can get to the Empire State Plaza in Albany this week to see the show of student art from Catholic schools across the diocese, you'll have a chance to experience that Kerry pride.

The St. Mary's Academy display created by Mrs. Beyer is phenomenal.

You always make us proud, Kerries! And you, too, Mrs. Beyer!
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Respectful. Welcoming. Warm. Inspiring. These are the adjectives St. Mary's Academy parents choose most frequently when asked to describe the school.

If those are elements you're looking for in a school for your child, join us on Sunday, February 2, 2025, from 12:30 – 2:30 pm, as St. Mary's opens its doors to prospective families for our annual Open House.

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Mass Intentions

February 1st - 9th

Saturday, February 1st - 4:00 PM Mass

- ❖ Rosemary Sherman (Anniversary) by Family
- ❖ George and Barbara O'Hare by Family
- ❖ Lauren E. Potter by Lois and Tom McPhillips
- ❖ Anthony Makowski by Joan and Gerry Wilson

Sunday, February 2nd - 4th in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Mass

- ❖ John LaPoint by Murray Family
- ❖ Carol Ann O'Brien by Patti Jo Tennison
- ❖ Debra Ann Nataro by The Conte and Schiavo Families
- ❖ Debrina Kawam

11:15 am Mass

- ❖ Mary Ellen Thombs (3rd Anniversary) by daughter, MaryAnn
- ❖ Joseph John Brusio by Family
- ❖ Father Jim Callan by Friend
- ❖ Tadd Casey by Ida Smith

Wednesday, February 5th- 12:10 PM Mass

- ❖ Claude Charleboise by Janet and Bill Coyle
- ❖ Dr. David Welch by Edward and Susan Kelly
- ❖ Debrina Kawan

Thursday, February 6th - 12:10 PM Mass

- ❖ For All Parishioners

Saturday, February 8th - 4:00 PM Mass

- ❖ Frances "Kiki" Dimanno (Anniversary) by Family
- ❖ Magda Donovan (3rd Anniversary) by Family
- ❖ George and Barbara O'Hare by Family
- ❖ Myles Miller by Elizabeth Miller

Sunday, February 9th - 5th in Ordinary Time

8:30 am Mass

- ❖ Salvatore Sommo by Louise Sommo
- ❖ Charles V and Charles F Duell by Family
- ❖ Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wade by TJ
- ❖ Edward Beecher by Patty Jo Tennyson
- ❖ Daniel O'Keefe and O'Keefe family by Family

11:15 am Mass

- ❖ William J and Jean W Harrs by Family
- ❖ Lucy Gorman Ginorio by Patti Carte
- ❖ Vincent Palacino (4th Anniversary) by Family
- ❖ Amy E McKinney (5th Anniversary) by MaryEllen Bourdeau
And Dale and Maureen Wagner

Weekly Report

GIVING at ST. MARY'S

January 25th - 26th

Cash	\$3,380.58
Envelopes	\$3,573.00
E-giving	\$2,361.00
Total Offertory	\$9,314.58

Candle - \$161.05
Food Pantry - \$3.50

MASS ATTENDANCE

Saturday	4:00 pm	216
Sunday	8:30 am	229
Sunday	11:15 am	345
Total In-person:		790

St. Mary's Food Pantry



Open Fridays from 9am- 1pm

FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED THIS WEEK:

**Mac -n- Cheese
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