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*April 27, 2025*

*Sunday of Divine Mercy*

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the  
Heart of Jesus as a Fountain of Mercy for us,

**I Trust In You!**



**DIVINE  
MERCY**

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, Apr 26

4:00 PM Elaine Menapace (7th Anniv) Joe Testa & Family

### Sunday, Apr 27 Sunday of Divine Mercy

#### St Mary's

8:00 AM Mark Finney (2nd Anniv) Margaret Petrella

11:30 AM Edward Fitzpatrick Katherine & Joseph Compagni  
Carlos Ybanez (1st Anniv) Leizel Ybanez

#### St Anthony's

9:30 AM Lisa Pizzola Gilda Finlay  
Filippo Maniaci Maria & Annamaria Maniaci  
Anthony Catalano Carl & Mary Ann Fadale

### Monday, Apr 28 at St Anthony's

5:30 PM Marie T Gallucci Daughter, Rose

### Tuesday, Apr 29 at St Anthony's

Memorial of Saint Catherine of Siena,  
Virgin and Doctor of the Church

10:00 AM Pierina & Frank Piedigrossi Family

### Wednesday, Apr 30 at St Mary's

7:00 AM Kathleen Stetson Tom & Judy Lickona

### Thursday, May 1

No Mass

### Friday, May 2 at St Mary's

Memorial of Saint Athanasius,  
Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM Mary Capone Lorraine Karpowich

### Saturday, May 3

Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles

4:00 PM Earl Williams (5th Anniv) Robert Williams  
Diane Brady (5th Anniv) Terry & Andy Brush

### Sunday, May 4 Third Sunday of Easter

#### St Mary's

8:00 AM Holly Bowers (1st Anniv) Deacon Community of  
the Diocese of Syracuse

11:30 AM Joann Neuman (1st Anniv) Theresa Neuman  
Usa DeStefano (1st Anniv) Maria DeStefano

#### St Anthony's

9:30 AM Dick Martin Wife, Veronica  
Elisabetta Domenica Pizzola Stella D'Oro Lodge  
Filippo Maniaci Maria, Annamaria  
& Roberto Maniaci

### Readings For the Week of April 27th

<b>Sunday</b>	Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31
<b>Monday</b>	Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9; Jn 3:1-8
<b>Tuesday</b>	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15
<b>Wednesday</b>	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21
<b>Thursday</b>	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36
<b>Friday</b>	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
<b>Saturday</b>	1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Jn 14:6-14
<b>Sunday</b>	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19

### Let Us Join In Prayer For The Peaceful Repose Of Pope Francis



*O God, immortal shepherd of souls,  
look on your people's prayers  
and grant that your servant Pope Francis  
who presided over your Church in charity,  
may, with the flock entrusted to his care,  
receive from your mercy  
the reward of a faithful steward.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.*

~Missio.org

Give thanks to the Lord  
for he is good,  
his love is  
EVERLASTING.

### The Sacrament of Reconciliation



Confessions will be heard every Saturday at St Mary's Church from 3 - 3:45 PM.

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Today, April 27th is Divine Mercy Sunday, a beautiful opportunity for us to celebrate the Mercy of Our Savior, Jesus Christ. In the 1930's, Jesus appeared to St. Faustina Kowalska and revealed the message of Mercy to her for the Church and world, and in 2000, Pope St John Paul II declared the Sunday after Easter to be the Feast of Mercy.

In honor of that special day, we will be having a Divine Mercy service at St Anthony's in Cortland at 3 PM on Sunday, April 27th. The service will include adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy, homily, benediction and will conclude with the celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Before the service, Confessions will be available from 2-2:45 PM. All are welcome!!







*Coming This Week  
to a Parish Near You...*

<b>Sunday Apr 27</b>	<b>Divine Mercy Sunday</b> Rosary/8:50 AM/St A M Rel Ed/9:30 - 11 AM/PC A Rel Ed/10:40 AM/A Hall M 1st Communion Retreat Divine Mercy Service/3 PM/St Anthony's
<b>Tuesday</b>	Rosary Cenacle/2 - 3 PM/M Chapel
<b>Wednesday</b>	Adoration/12 PM/St M Rosary/6:30 PM/M Chapel
<b>Thursday</b>	CDA Rummage Sale/9 AM - 4 PM/M Hall
<b>Friday</b>	1st Friday/Exposition After 7 AM Mass/ Benediction/1 PM CDA Rummage Sale/9 AM - 12 PM/M Hall
<b>Saturday</b>	Pilgrimage to Auriesville Confessions/3 - 3:45 PM/St M
<b>Sat/Sun</b>	Grocery Cards/After Masses/St A & St M
<b>Sunday May 4</b>	Third Sunday of Easter Rosary/8:50 AM/St A M Rel Ed/9:30 - 11 AM/PC A Rel Ed/10:40 AM/A Hall M First Communion Mass/11:30 AM

**Weekly Hour of Adoration**

On the first and third Wednesdays of each month, Fr. Joe or Fr. Malachi will preside over Adoration and Benediction; alternate Wednesdays will be Exposition for Adoration only, facilitated by an Extraordinary Minister.

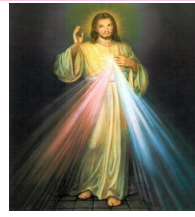
Join us Wednesday, April 30th from 12 - 1 PM for Adoration.

*Come spend some time with Jesus  
in the Blessed Sacrament!*

**Please Join Us In Reading *Interior Freedom*  
by Fr Jacques Philippe**

Join us for 7 consecutive Tuesday evenings in reading and discussing the book *Interior Freedom*, by Fr. Jacques Philippe! We will meet at the Parish Center at 6:30 PM starting Tuesday, April 29<sup>th</sup> and concluding on June 10<sup>th</sup>. *Interior Freedom* is a short but powerful book - from the back cover:

"Despite the most difficult situations that can restrain our physical movement, each person has deep inside a place of freedom that no external power can take away, because God Himself is its source. A person wins inner freedom to the extent that he connects to its source - God Himself - by practicing the virtues of faith, hope and charity. These theological virtues are the center of the spiritual life. As the basis for interior growth, they become the source of the glorious freedom of the children of God. Written in a simple and inviting style, this book seeks to liberate the heart and mind to enable it to live the true freedom to which God calls each one." Copies of the book are free, but please RSVP as soon as possible so the books may be ordered and given out in advance of the first meeting on Tuesday, April 29th to make the most use of our time together.



**Divine Mercy Sunday History:**

Divine Mercy Sunday is an Observance in the Roman Catholic Church in which followers are encouraged to offer forgiveness and reconciliation to all. It is based on visions recorded from St. Faustina Kowalski. In 2000, it was decreed a solemnity, a high feast day, by Pope John Paul II. Roman Catholics are required to attend worship, go to confession, and take Holy Communion. Divine Mercy Sunday occurs the Sunday after Easter.

**Divine Mercy Sunday Facts & Quotes:**

- St. Faustina was a Polish nun who lived in the early 20th century. She devoted her life to spreading the word about God's forgiveness, or divine mercy, for anyone who asks for forgiveness. Although she was a mystic, she also cooked and gardened as part of her convent life.
- St. Faustina had visions much of her life. One that was the most profound was of Jesus, with one hand raised in blessing and with two fingers of his other hand resting on his heart. She said that Jesus asked her to have the image painted, and to include a prayer that said, "Jesus, I trust in you." This is the prayer that Catholics recite on Divine Mercy Sunday.
- Most priests preach on the story of Doubting Thomas on Divine Mercy Sunday (John 20:19-31). Thomas, also a saint in the Roman Catholic Church, was one of the Jesus' apostles. When Jesus arose from the dead, he didn't believe it. Jesus directed him to touch his crucifixion wounds to help him believe. Jesus doesn't chastise Thomas for his disbelief, which is considered an act of mercy.
- The Message of Divine Mercy has always been near and dear to me ... which I took with me to the Sea of Peter and which it in a sense forms the image of this Pontificate. - Pope John Paul II  
*~<https://www.wincalendar.com/Divine-Mercy-Sunday>*



**Mother's Day Mass Intentions**

The Mass intentions on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 11th, will be for all mothers (grandmothers, aunts, sisters...), both living and deceased. If you would like to have a Mass

intention for someone special on that day, **please make sure to get that information to the Parish Office no later than Sunday, May 4th.**

The Mother's Day Spiritual Bouquet Cards can be picked up at the each Church entrance or at the Parish Center. Simply return the outer envelope with your donation in the collection basket or bring it to the Parish Center.

**\*The May 11th bulletin deadline is *Thursday, May 1st.***

*Candles Burning  
for the Week of April 27th  
in Loving Memory of:*



**St Anthony**

Louise Dwyer  
Special Intention

Connie Consroe



FAITH FORMATION

**Faith Formation**

Our next class will be held on today,  
Sunday, April 27th. Questions?

Call Bob & Stephanie Densmore  
Religious Ed Directors at 756-6723.



*Rest in Peace*

*Maria Cimini Galluci*



**Coffee Hour**



Tuesday morning coffee hours are back at St.  
Anthony's. Join us for coffee, a chat, and some  
treats every Tuesday after the 10 AM Mass.

**Festival Lawn Signs**

If you still have a festival lawn sign or two from last year or  
even before, please return them to church as soon as  
possible. We need to get them ready for this year! Please  
place them by the back door. Thank you!

**Family Perspective**

Jesus connects PEACE and FORGIVENESS in today's  
gospel. In our families we will only experience peace to the  
extent we forgive one another. Peace is purchased with the  
currency of forgiveness. When we allow our anger and pride  
to lock out others, we also lock out peace and harmony

**St Anthony's Prayer Chain**

If you know of someone in need of special  
prayers and would like them listed on St  
Anthony's Prayer Chain, please contact Debbie  
Hutchings at 299-4830 or 749-9377.



**Sacrificial Giving - St Anthony's**

Budgeted Weekly Total.....\$2,541.00  
April 13th.....\$2,510.00

To donate online please visit:

<https://abundant.co/stanthonyofpadua/give>

OR

Use the QR Code

*Thank you for your gifts of time,  
talent and treasure!*



**Are You Being Called?**

If you find yourself being called to serve in any of the  
various ministries of the church feel free to contact the  
parish office at 607-756-9967. We would be happy to  
direct you and certainly welcome any and all parishioners  
who choose to be more involved.

**Come Pray The Rosary With Us**

St Anthony's Church invites you to join us in reciting the  
Rosary before the Sunday Mass at 8:50 AM. Come...add  
your voice...add your intentions...warm your heart...come,  
pray with us!

**SAVE THE DATE**

**June 7th/8th**

**Saint Anthony's Italian Festival**

Saint Anthony's Festival will be held Saturday, June 7th  
and Sunday, June 8th.

Saturday's events include Italian food, music, games,  
novelties and a fireworks display.

**On Sunday, Mass will be at 9:30 AM** followed by the  
Procession. Grounds open at 12 PM and conclude at 6 PM  
with Italian food, music, games, novelties.

The Festival is held at St. Anthony's Church, 50 Pomeroy  
Street, Cortland.



**Divine Mercy Sunday**



Divine Mercy Sunday is a very special Sunday  
when the Divine Floodgates from Heaven are  
wide-opened and Jesus offers us the total  
forgiveness of all sins and punishment to any  
soul, who goes to Confession and receives Him  
in Holy Communion, on that day.



### St Mary's Faith Formation

Class will be held today, Sunday, April 27th from 9:30 - 11 AM at the Parish Center.

St Mary's First Communion will be held on Sunday, May 4th. Questions? Contact St Mary's Religious Ed at [religiousedk8@gmail.com](mailto:religiousedk8@gmail.com).

### St Mary's First Communion Reception-Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

St. Mary's social committee invites you to join us for a reception in the church hall following the 11:30 AM First Communion Mass. Come, celebrate our first communicants with us!

### In Memoriam



*Blanche M. Kelleher  
Peter Heller*



### Help for Poor Children to Attend Fr Peter's School



If you would like to donate to Fr Peter's School please use the "Father Peter's Students" envelopes available in the vestibules. Please make checks payable to St. Mary's or St. Anthony's with the notation, Fr. Peter's students, and put it in the regular collection. Bless you for making a difference in the life of a Nigerian boy!

### Rosaries Wanted



If you have any extra rosaries, we would love to have them for the Marian Chapel. Please feel free to drop them off at the Parish Center or the Sacristy. Thank you!

### Rosary Cenacle Come, pray with us!

Join us Tuesdays from 2 - 3 PM in the Marian Chapel. Everyone is welcome. Don't forget your Rosary Beads.



### Midweek De-Stresser



Bring your stress, intentions and prayers Wednesday nights at 6:30 PM to St Mary's Chapel and join us as we pray the rosary.

### Sacrificial Giving - St Mary's

Budgeted Weekly Total.....\$7,952.00  
April 12th/13th.....\$7,921.80

To donate online please visit:

<https://abundant.co/stmaryscortland/give>

OR

Use the QR Code

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### Keeping His Church

Please consider joining us, the St Mary's Altar and Rosary Society, as we give glory to God by serving Our Lord in caring for His church. Our mission is to clean the Sanctuary, the Marian Chapel, and the Sacristy, meeting to dust, vacuum, clean linens, and complete other small tasks in preparation for the weekend Masses. We are men, women and families. We have monthly teams, dedicating about an hour or so each week of that month. Please contact Bobbi Mulvana at 607-753-1430 if you any questions.

### St. Mary's Mass Is Livestreamed

For those who are unable to attend Mass, we livestream the Sunday, 8 AM Mass on St Mary's Facebook page. Watch with us or view later at your convenience. Go to:

[www.facebook.com/St.MarysCortland/live](http://www.facebook.com/St.MarysCortland/live)

Spectrum Channel #2 also airs our Mass at 10 AM each Sunday. The Mass will be from the Sunday before.

### St. Mary's Emergency Meals Ministry

St Mary's Emergency Meal Ministry is available to help families or individuals undergoing a life-changing or emergency medical event. If you or someone you love is in need of prepared meals or would like more information about the ministry, please contact Bobbi Mulvana at 607-753-1430.

### Prayer Changes Things

Did you know St Mary's Marian Chapel is open daily from 8 AM to 7 PM for personal prayer? A visit will renew and refresh your being. Stay for a while or stop in for a short prayer. Let God's Peace envelope you each and every day of the week.



### St Mary's Prayer Chain



If you know of someone in need of special prayers and would like them listed on St Mary's Prayer Chain, please contact Pat Brooks at 756-7368. You may also call the Parish Office at 756-9967.





### Catholic Daughters Rummage Sale

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Cortland #919 will have a spring rummage sale at St Mary's Church Hall Thursday, May 1st from 9 AM - 4PM and Friday, May 2nd from 9 - 12 PM. There will be \$2 bags on Friday. Volunteers are needed to help set up on Wednesday, April 30th at 5 PM and during and after the sale. All volunteers will be greatly appreciated. Lindy Vangeli will chair.

### *We Always WELCOME New Parishioners*

If you're new, please introduce yourselves, register at the Parish Center and let us know what we can do to make you feel right at home!

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Baptisms are normally celebrated after a weekend Mass. Please contact the Parish Center for information regarding the preparation class and to schedule.

**Faith Formation:** The education of our children in the life-giving truths of our Faith is the heart of our mission as a parish. St Mary's School accepts children in pre-K through grade 6. Children enrolled in the public schools grades K-10 attend Religious Education classes at their respective parishes on Sunday mornings. Students in High School attend Confirmation classes.

**Marriage Preparation:** Marriage arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance by calling the parish office for an appointment. Pre-Cana attendance is required.

**Anointing and Visits to the Sick:** Please notify the Parish Center of a family member's admission to a hospital or nursing care facility, or of confinement at home to arrange for spiritual care, Holy Communion and/or Anointing of the Sick. The Mass from St Mary's is televised on cable channel 2 at 10 AM on Sunday mornings.

**Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA):** Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? OCIA (formerly called RCIA) is a process for becoming a fully initiated member of the Catholic Faith. It is for those who are seeking Baptism in the Catholic Faith, those who have been baptized in another Christian tradition and now seek to be a member of the Catholic Faith, and for those who have been baptized Catholic but have not received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Please contact Deacon Timothy Stedman at 315-436-8767 or email [tstedman@syrdio.org](mailto:tstedman@syrdio.org) for St Mary's Church and contact Stephanie Passeri-Densmore at 607-756-6723 for St Anthony's Church.

### Divine Treasures

Remember us when looking for that special gift for your family and friends. We have lots of items for Baptism, Birthday and Thank-you gifts! Need something special for your child or grandchild for First Communion? We have jewelry, gift sets, First Communion Crosses and Rosaries. We also have veils, ties and tie bars. We are located at the St Anthony's & St Mary's Parish Center.

### Pilgrimage to Auriesville (Updated!)

The Cortland Area Men's Group would like to open its planned pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs in Auriesville to everyone (men and women). The date is Saturday, May 3. There was also a concern about the Finger Lakes Pregnancy Center fundraiser dinner later that same day, so a revised schedule for the day is as follows:

9:30 - 10 AM - Morning Prayer in Kateri Chapel

10 - 11 AM - Scripture Study in Kateri Chapel

11 AM - Mass in Coliseum

Followed by free time to explore the Shrine, grounds, museum, etc.

2 PM - Holy Hour, Adoration and Benediction in Kateri Chapel

3 PM - Departure for those going to the dinner; Otherwise, the Shrine and grounds are open until dusk

The Shrine does not have facilities for meal service, so attendees will have to "brown bag" it. There is no cost for this event, but we will be collecting a free-will offering to make a donation to the Shrine.

To RSVP, please complete a registration form: <https://forms.gle/RrkuChSd4o6ZJiHV7> or use the QR code below. There are different responses for driving/carpooling options, so if you would like to attend but cannot drive, please still complete the form!

For information about the Shrine, please visit:

<https://www.ourladyofmartyrsshine.org/>

If you have any questions, please contact Dc. Tim Stedman ([tstedman@syrdio.org](mailto:tstedman@syrdio.org)).



### Men's Group Upcoming Schedule

Our next meeting will be Saturday, May 3rd in Auriesville for the pilgrimage. There will not be a meeting in Cortland that day.

### CRS Rice Bowl Happy Easter!

As our CRS Rice Bowl journey comes to an end, may the Eucharist continue to transform our lives and help us respond to God's call to serve our global family. Let us commit to sharing the joy of the Resurrection with people in our local community and around the world. Don't forget to return your rice bowl to church or the parish center. You may also donate online at [crsricebowl.org/donate](https://crsricebowl.org/donate).