

Saint Mary's Parish

A Welcoming Oasis of Love, Peace, and Outreach

The Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 17, 2005



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Sean McKinley

William MacNamara

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St. Mary's Team wins Relay for Life 'Spirit Award'



Members of **The Flame** begin the ceremonial first lap of the Relay for Life.

Parishioners Bill MacNamara, Donna Gerych, Mary Fisher, Deacon Ray, Mary Faucett and Geri Galvin (Not pictured) walked with hundreds of others in the

The FLAME - St. Mary's Relay for Life Team was the winner of the American Cancer Society's "Spirit Award." The award - along with 15 passes to Darien Lake - was presented to the team after its members spent the night of July 8 traipsing around the muddied track of the Steuben County Fairgrounds. The Flame raised \$1550.00 for the American Cancer Society and 16,000 Spirit Points.

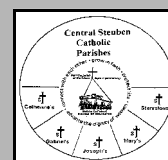
The Flame organized by Maria Carisetti in-

cluded youngsters like Ryan and Kristie Boyd and Ken Gilbert, teens such as Amanda Lisefski, Emily and Jessica Sokolowski and Sarah Hess-Rossi, young adult Melissa Adams, and slightly older adults Ken and Mary Beth Boyd, Betsy Carisetti, Deacon Ray Defendorf, Mary Faucett, Mary Fisher, Geri Galvin, Betty and Donna Gerych, Bill and Penny MacNamara, Marcia Shaver, Eileen Wayne and Deacon Ed Wight.

Mass/Reconciliation Schedule

Parish Celebrations of the Lord's Day
Saturday - 4:00 p.m. ♦ Sunday - 9:30 a.m.
Weekday Masses
♦ Tuesday and Thursday - 5:00 p.m.

Scripture/Communion Services
Monday, Wednesday, Friday—9:00 a.m.
The Sacrament of Reconciliation
1st and 3rd Saturdays at 3:30 p.m.



A member of the
**Central Steuben
Catholic Parishes**
Diocese of Rochester



LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY July 17, Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
9:30 a.m. In Memory, Agnes Slavinski
By Cynthia Duke Stamegna

MONDAY July 18, Weekday
9:00 a.m. Communion Service

TUESDAY July 19, Weekday
5:00 p.m. In Memory, Ted Bath
By Jim and Lois O'Neil

WEDNESDAY July 20, Weekday
9:00 a.m. Communion Service
5:00 p.m. In Memory, Ed Foster
By Joe Sheehan and family

FRIDAY July 22, Mary Magdalene
9:00 a.m. Communion Service
4:00 p.m. Mass at Lakeview
For the people of St. Mary's

SATURDAY July 23,
4:00 p.m. In Memory, Carl Dellaro
By Helen and Arnie Kish

SUNDAY July 24,
9:30 a.m. In Memory, Jim Shaver
By Marcia Shaver



Assembly Schedule

July 23- Saturday 4:00 p.m. - Willing Hearts
July 24- Sunday- 9:30 a.m. - Luminaires

To form or join an assembly, call 776-3327



SAINT MARY'S

"Where Giving Is An Investment In Our Faith
and Our Future."

Thank you for... Making Parish a Priority!

July 9/10, 2005
Sacrificial Gifts totaled: \$2,995.14
Church in Eastern Europe Offering totaled: \$146.00
331 People worshiped God at St. Mary's this weekend.

COMING ATTRACTIONS

Movie Hotline

Confused about what movies are appropriate for you and your family? Call the *Movie Hotline* maintained by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at 800-311-4222. Reviews include ratings on the basis of moral suitability.



PARISH LIFE CALENDAR

SUNDAY July 17, Can and Quarter Collection
Noon -2 pm Youth Group
7:00 p.m. AA, pavilion

THURSDAY July 21,
7:30 p.m. Charismatic Prayer Group, Dick Perry Room

FRIDAY July 22,
7:30 p.m. NA, Room 101

SATURDAY July 23,
1:00 p.m. NA, Room 101

SUNDAY July 24,
6:00 p.m. Day Care Chicken Barbecue, pavilion
7:00 p.m. AA, Room 101

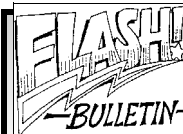


Happy Birthday To You

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| 7/17 Colleen Sheehan | 7/19 Evelyn Walsh |
| 7/18 Julianne Merry | 7/19 Stephanie Czajkowski |
| 7/18 Stacy Palmer | 7/20 Barbara McKinley |
| 7/18 Richard DeSalvo | 7/20 Librada Bustamante |
| 7/18 Rhonda Pruner | 7/20 Patricia Defendorf |
| 7/19 Robert McConnell | 7/21 Stephen Sheehan |
| 7/19 William Glass | 7/21 Stephen Rohrbach |
| 7/19 Delores O'Brien | 7/21 Gillian Oksinski |
| | 7/23 Betty Gerych |
| | 7/23 Donna Gerych |

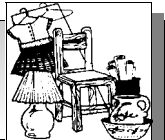


The Sanctuary Light is burning in memory of Maggie Murphy, requested by Ginger and Art Moran.



There will be no Charismatic Healing Mass on the third Thursday of July and August. There will be a regular 5 p.m. Mass. The Healing Mass will resume in September.

YOUTH GROUP RUMMAGE SALE Labor Day Weekend



St. Mary's Youth Group are preparing for their annual rummage sale to be held on the first weekend of September in the pavilion. Please make your donations early so that the volunteers will have time to prepare. They will accept donations of **clothing**, toys, baby items, books, puzzles, appliances in working condition, furniture, Christmas decorations, knick knacks, dishes, pictures, glassware, pots, pans, silverware, CD's/tapes, lamps, mirrors, collectibles, rugs/carpets, fans/heaters/humidifiers. If you have something that we forgot—bring it. Please remember, if its broken, we can't sell it. Donated items can be dropped off at the rectory garage weekdays from 8:30 to 2 p.m.



Sent to Serve

Notes from Deacon Ray Defendorf



It's Time For A Smile



The last few weeks I've devoted this column to our parish's fiscal needs. The columns have been anything but funny. This week (thanks to the "Sowing Seeds of Stewardship" insert (which I hope that you will read with an open heart) I'll give you something to laugh about.

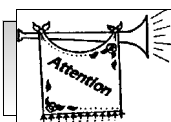
These Bloopers actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced in church services.

- The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.
- The sermon this morning: "Jesus Walks on the Water." The sermon tonight: "Searching for Jesus."
- Our youth basketball team is back in action Wednesday at 8 PM in the recreation hall. Come out and watch us kill Christ the King.
- Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands.
- The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been canceled due to a conflict.
- Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say "Hell" to someone who doesn't care much about you.
- Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.
- Miss Charlene Mason sang "I will not pass this way again," giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

- For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
- Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.
- Barbara remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of Deacon Ray's sermons.
- The Pastor will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing: "Break Forth Into Joy."
- Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
- A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.
- At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be "What Is Hell?" Come early and listen to our choir practice.
- Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.
- Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.
- Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.

More next week - unless I choose to get serious again. Have a good week. Serve one another well.

Deacon Ray



PAINLESS PROFIT!

The average American family spends more than \$100.00 per week on groceries. We have over 300 registered families in our parish, if even half of them purchased gift cards for their groceries St. Mary's would earn \$1,100 per week from our profit of 5% of their purchase. Tops, P & C and Qwik Fill cards are on sale now in the parish office and after weekend masses.

Catholic Charities - Summer Justice and Peace Seminar

Solidarity with Africa

Presenters: Mary Van Keuran - Nazareth College
Shunyu Nkuzi - Tanzanian Citizen

Thursday, July 21, 2005

6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Catholic Charities of Chemung County
215 East Church Street, Elmira

Please register by July 18 - 734-9784 Ext. 135

Catholic Charities of Steuben Announces

1 in 20 WINNERS Drawing

The odds are in your favor! Only 400 tickets will be sold, with prizes as follows:

1-\$5,000 ♦ 1-\$2,500 ♦ 3-\$1,000 ♦ 5-\$500

Drawing will take place Labor Day (9/5/05)

Tickets will be available until the last week of August or until all 400 tickets are sold. To purchase tickets or for more information contact Jim Bassage @ 776-6441 or Mike Slovak @ 769-4900. Tickets are \$100 each.

All proceeds will be used to continue to support local programs of Catholic Charities.

Turning Point

Mentoring ♦ Food/Pantry ♦ Homeless/Housing Programs
Emergency Services ♦ Nutrition Outreach ♦ Education

Prevention Services

Prevention Counseling ♦ Prevention Education

Bath Community Child Day Care

Justice and Peace/Parish Ministries