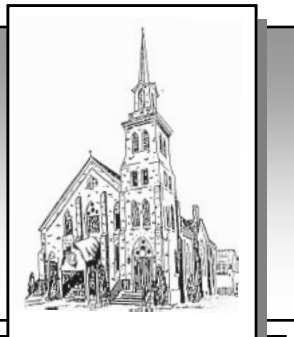


# Saint Mary's Parish

*A Welcoming Oasis of Love, Peace, and Outreach*



The Coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost

May 27, 2007

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## Scripture

REFLECTIONS



The Battle of Alexander, an ancient Roman mosaic found in the city of Pompeii, is amazing in its detail. Thousands of tiny bits of glass and stone, called tesserae, comprise the picture. In one instance, approximately 50 tesserae form an eye that is slightly over an inch wide. The bits are used not only to shape the figures in the picture,

but also to add shade and depth to the artwork as a whole.

At Pentecost, we mark the birthday of the church, and its millions of members. Each member is blessed with special gifts from the Spirit that make his or her contribution necessary and unique, but only together, working in community, do members create the full picture of the church with its wonderful, rich texture. Today we celebrate God in all of us!



Saint Mary's Parish ♦ Bath, NY

## International Food Festival

American - Dutch - Italian - Lebanese - Mexican - Polish

**JUNE 2, 2007**

FOOD AVAILABLE AT NOON



**DJ MUSIC BY**  
**JOEY D'ANGELO**  
**BOB AINSWORTH**



**STERN'S**  
**BARBEQUE**  
**CHICKEN**



**MR. BEAU**  
**THE CLOWN**

**TETOR'S SUGAR WAFFLES**  
**& FRIED DOUGH**  
**1 PM AND 3:30 PM**

**TRASH & TREASURE TENT**

**FRIDAY JUNE 1ST SATURDAY JUNE 2ND**

**OPENS AT 9 AM**



# Come Holy Spirit!



## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

**SUNDAY** 9:00 a.m. **May 27, Pentecost**  
In Memory, Pedro F. Gelpi  
By Charles & Carmen Rola

**MONDAY** 9:00 a.m. **May 28, Weekday**  
Communion Service

**TUESDAY** 9:00 a.m. **May 29, Weekday**  
*If you would like this mass said for a loved one, please call the church office*

**WEDNESDAY** 5:00 p.m. **May 30, Weekday**  
In Memory, Stanley Zyla  
By Mary Z. Haruski

**THURSDAY** 9:00 a.m. **May 31, Visitation of the Virgin Mary**  
*If you would like this mass said for a Loved one, please call the church office*

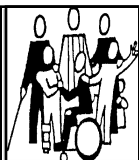
**FRIDAY** 9:00 a.m. **June 1, Justin, martyr**  
In Celebration of Ben & Erin's Future  
By Their Grandmother, Barb  
11:00 p.m. Infirmiry - For the residents of the Infirmiry

**SATURDAY** 3:30 p.m. **June 2, Weekday**  
Reconciliation  
4:00 p.m. In Memory, Barbary Farrell  
By Her husband

**SUNDAY** 9:30 a.m. **June 3, Trinity Sunday**  
In Memory, Barbara & John Kobus  
By Mary Ann Aston & family

There are many Mass intentions available in the up coming months (Stipend \$10). Please call the office to schedule.

*Weekday Mass/Communion in our New Visitation Chapel*



### SAINT MARY'S PARISH

"A Parish of Very Good Stewards"

**Thank you for - Making Parish a Priority!  
May 19/20**

Sacrificial Gifts totaled: \$2,495.45 **THANK YOU!**  
Ascension Collection: \$221.00  
Diocesan Mission: \$222.00  
Can & Quarter: \$287.00  
*Next weeks second collection will be for Maintenance.*



### Assembly Schedule

June 2nd- Sat. 4:00 p.m. - Willing Hearts  
June 3rd- Sun. 9:30 a.m. - Parish Council  
To form or join an assembly, call 776-3327

## Calendar Game Tickets Available

Alice's Rest Comfort Home in Avoca invites you to participate in a Six Month Dailey Number Calendar Game. Each \$15 calendar is numbered between 001 and 1000. Daily winners of \$30 to \$100 will be determined by the three numbers of the Evening Daily NYS Lottery. Official rules and prize amounts are listed in each calendar.

Calendars are available at the parish office. Game begins on June 1st. For info call the office.



## PARISH LIFE CALENDAR

**SUNDAY** 7:00 p.m. **May 27 No Coffee Hour**  
AA, Room 101

**MONDAY** **May 28 Memorial Day Holiday - Office Closed**

**TUESDAY** **May 29**  
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts, Room 202  
7:00 p.m. Charismatic Prayer Group

**WEDNESDAY** **May 30**

**THURSDAY** **May 31**  
5:30 p.m. Weight Watchers, O'Malley Hall  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Rooms 202/ 203

**FRIDAY** **June 1**  
9:00 a.m. Trash and Treasure Opens

**SATURDAY** **June 2**  
12:00 p.m. International Food Festival/Trash & Treasure

**SUNDAY** **June 3**  
7:00 p.m. AA, Room 101



## Happy Birthday To You

05/28 David Rohrbach	05/30 Dorothy Dinehart
05/28 Sarah Quick	05/30 Jenna Gaudino
05/28 Patricia DeSorbo	05/31 Robert Sestak
05/29 Elizabeth Simms	06/02 Rosemary Clairmont
05/29 Brodyn Baldwin	

## NYS Catholic Conference



### ACTION ALERT

### Oppose the Governor's Bill

On April 25, 2007, Governor Eliot Spitzer put forth a radical abortion proposal that would go far beyond Roe vs. Wade. The Governor's bill would, among other things, force Catholic hospitals to allow abortions and make abortion virtually immune from any reasonable state regulation such as parental notification or informed consent. His bill would enshrine abortion in our law as a 'fundamental right' and legalize it through all nine months of pregnancy, for virtually any reason.

Take action now to tell your lawmakers to oppose this extreme bill! For the sake of pregnant women and their unborn children, please take a minute to communicate your opposition to your state Senate and Assembly representatives. Visit [www.nyscatholic.org](http://www.nyscatholic.org)

**Angel Food Ministries** has a solution for those of us who have trouble meeting our monthly food budget. For \$25, participants can purchase a box of food that include: Ribs, Chicken tenders and breasts, Salisbury Steak, stuffed manicotti, Lasagna Hamburger, Pasta salad, frozen carrots, corn, steak fries, waffles, corn muffin mix, white rice, peanut butter and a dessert item. The food is ordered and paid for on June 2 and may be picked up on Saturday June 16th locally at First Baptist Church or at the Kanona United Methodist. Order forms are available at the parish office.





## SENT TO SERVE

Notes from Deacon Ray Defendorf

# Come Holy Spirit!

The Feast of Pentecost has always been one of my favorites. Over the years I have experienced the power of the Holy Spirit in many ways and through the ministry and prayer of many people. St. Paul tells us that the Spirit manifests herself in numerous ways in the Body of Christ. Not all have been given the same gifts, but the same Spirit has taken up residence within our hearts, giving us life and calling us to ministry.

One way that the Spirit manifests itself is through the Prayer Group that has met weekly for many years to pray for our parish and give praise to God. Currently the group meets on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory dining room. The meeting includes scripture reading, inspired song and intercessional prayers. On the third Wednesday of each month, the group sponsors a Healing Mass at which Fr. Peter presides. Music for the Mass includes popular "Praise" music. Following Mass, Father Peter and Deacon Ed lay prayerful hands on all who seek physical or emotional healing. Some also request the Sacrament of the Sick which Father administers with the prayer backing of those in attendance. If dis-ease of any kind has taken over your life and thought, I encourage you to attend a Healing Mass and also notify the office to add your name to our prayer list.

### The Spirit is Alive in Many Good Stewards

Many generous stewards of Time and Talent are deserving of our gratitude this Pentecost. Last weekend Deacon Ed Wight delivered a magnificent homily on prayer, reconciliation and the Holy Spirit. At Sunday Eucharist, Christina Cardona gave a riveting witness about her experience at the "Senior Scene" retreat day with Bishop Clark. Meanwhile, Christina's proud papa John Cardona, has put his daughter's call to service into action. John has agreed to head our Trash and Treasure Tent which opens on June 1st, a day ahead of our International Food Festival. John has put out a plea for help in marking items for the sale. If you have time to spare, this is a great opportunity to serve your parish without making a long-term commitment of time.

Mary Faucett and her team of volunteers prepared and served two Bereavement Luncheons last week. At Saturday's luncheon which followed a memorial service for Bobby Shader, over 180 guests enjoyed Chicken with Biscuits. On Sunday, over 100 enjoyed Eggs, Sausage, potatoes and Pancakes prepared and served by Al and Eve Hanning and their team of volunteers.

Our Faith Formation classes ended last weekend. Since September our dedicated teachers and assistants have helped us pass on our heritage of faith to our young people. Thanks to our Faith Formation volunteers: Grades Pre-K & K: Jane Rohrbach, Maryann Aston, Jordan Snell; Grades 1 & 2: Jill Gaudino; Grades 3 & 4: Mary McConnell, Penny Ruest; Grades 5 & 6: Sheri Neu, Robin Kelly; Grades 7 & 8: Bob Colomaio, Maryellen Becken, Grades 9 - 12: Joe Schuster, Vivian Strache; Substitutes: Kim

Sestak, Penny & Bill MacNamara, Judy Harris. Mary Carol Wall, our Youth Minister turned 50 last week. May we all be as young, vital and inspirational in living our faith as she – regardless of age.

### Educating Worthy Students in Ghana . . . and a Special Student at Alfred University

On Wednesday evening, Fr. Peter Anglaaere shared with us the commitment he has made to assist 24 young people in his native Ghana attend high school. If you would like to assist Father by sponsoring a student (or partially sponsoring a student) please call, write or email the parish office. We'll work out the details with Father and link you up with a worthy student.

Speaking of Fr. Peter - he will soon become a student himself. Father has been accepted in a Master of Education/Counseling Degree program at Alfred University. Father's participation in this two year degree program will hopefully insure that he'll remain with us for at least that long. Father has received a scholarship from Alfred that will cover 25% of his \$30,000 annual tuition. The Diocese has a scholarship program for employees that will potentially cover an additional 25% of his tuition. If you think that you might be able to financially help Father Peter achieve this degree, please let him know. We'd like to assist Father as well, but have not as yet completed our parish budget for the fiscal year 2007-2008. Or if you have ideas as to how St. Mary's might help - please let me know.

Have a good week living in God's Holy Spirit. Serve one another well.

*Deacon Ray*



Our annual International Food Festival along with the Trash & Treasure sale is next Saturday! We are still in need of used items in good condition for the sale. We are accepting items such as bed linens, pillows, drapes, kids toys, books, dishes and furniture, but please NO CLOTHES! The rectory garage is open during the day to drop off any items that you wish to donate. If you have any questions, or need items picked up please call the church office.

We also need the stewardship of our parishioners to help make the festival a success. We need plenty of cakes and pies for our cake wheel, as well as cabbage rolls for the Polish booth. We also need volunteers to help run the booths throughout the day. If you would like to offer your time and/or talent, please contact the office.

If you still have raffle tickets, please return them to the office by Friday, June 1st. If you need more raffle tickets, stop by the office and pick some up.

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