

# WELCOME TO ST. MARY'S

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## Sharing the Good News

**John 4:35b: Lift up your eyes;  
the fields are ripe for harvest.**

**Our Bible study** takes place at 9:30 each Sunday. We are exploring and studying the Gospel of John. All are invited to take part in the spirited discussion that happens in the Parish Center before Mass.

### **Prayer list**

**For those fighting cancer:** especially Margie, Jody, Bishop Jack, David, Muriel, Lois

**For those in need of uplifting prayer:** especially the Kopf family, the Mueller family, Bruce, Bonnie, Jerry, Donna, Lucas, Fr. Bill, Fr. Shawn, Diane, Emma, Candi, Randy, Debbie, Jonas, Zac and Reise

**For those in long term care:** especially Grace, Harold, Carol, Margery, Maryann, Marilyn, Miriam

**For all persecuted Christians throughout the world and for those in danger because of their Christian faith:** especially Mahendra, Dipendra, Reshma, Tirtha, Purna, their families and Churches; all the pastors in Nepal, and for the Transformation Spiritual Church

**For the spiritual growth of St. Mary's Anglican Church.**

**Update: Board:** St. Mary's advisory board will meet Wednesday, **August 7** at 10 am in the Parish Center.

## FR. TOM'S SCHEDULE

**Sunday** 9:30 AM Bible Study in Parish Center  
10:30 AM – **Mass** followed by coffee hour; Mass at Villas of Holly Brook at 2 PM on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month

### **Wednesday**

**Office hours** 10 AM – 1 PM; 1:30 PM - 4:00 PM at Villas of Holly Brook  
**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday – 10 AM.** Church council mtg.

### **Thursday**

**Mass** at 10:30 at Villas of South Park; 12:45-3 PM at Villas of South Park

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Members of the board are Fr. Tom, Vicar, Deacon Tom, Treasurer, and Graham McCoy. The board meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month at 10 am. All are welcome, and your input is coveted. The date of the September meeting is September 4.

There are three main issues to be tackled at this month's meeting, so you might want to give your representatives some feedback.

- 1.) Should we invite Basil and Carol to return to our service? Fr. Tom tries to chose hymns that are easy to sing, but he does not always succeed.
- 2.) As you know, Fr. Bill is my mentor; he is also once again filling in at Holy Trinity in Geneseo. When he was here on the 22<sup>nd</sup>, he shared with me an idea that his congregation there had adopted. They are going to begin having coffee hour out in the community each Sunday. My thought is that we could do this one Sunday a month, say the fourth Sunday. This would definitely give us visibility in Chatham.
- 3.) The latest issue of the **Autom** catalog arrived this week, and it included a new item: kneeling cushions for \$19.95 each, which seems to be a good price. So the question would be, does anyone see a need for them? Right now, we either sit or stand. Would anyone kneel if they were available?

### **New feature: Thoughts from the Vicar**

**Pulling weeds?** For many reasons, it seems like I have been spending more time in the yard lately, concentrating on three tasks: mowing, picking up limbs and pulling weeds. I do some of my best thinking when I am working in the yard and as I was pulling weeds this week, a thought came to my mind. How can I be sure that this weed that I am pulling out is not a flower? You know, I am sure that we all have people that we think of as "weeds" in our lives. But the fact that God created them in his image means that those people that we consider to be like weeds are really God's flowers. Hold this thought for Sunday's Bible study. Fr. Tom

**Readers for August** Below you will find the lectors for the month of August. I will no longer be printing out booklets each Sunday, however, there will be a booklet on the podium from which to read the lessons. We would ask that the lector just before Diane hand the book to her when finished.

#### **August 4**

OT – David (Sylvia)

Psalm – Elisabeth

NT – Diane

Prayer – Tressie

#### **August 11**

OT – Sylvia

Psalm – Tressie

NT – Elisabeth

Prayers – Diane

**August 18**

OT – Tressie  
Psalm – David  
NT – Sylvia  
Prayers – Elisabeth \*

**August 25**

OT – Diane  
Psalm – Elisabeth  
NT – Tressie  
Prayers – Sylvia