

## THIS WEEKEND'S SCRIPTURES

Mother-in-law jokes used to be a staple of stand-up comics. The comic strip: Hagar the Horrible, continues the tradition even today, often with Hagar taking off on a voyage just as Helga's mother arrives for an extended visit. In Mark's Gospel, Simon's mother-in-law appears not as a comic foil but as someone through whom the power of God is made manifest. When Jesus cures her of a fever, she is restored to her position in the community, offering the customary hospitality to guests. In what way has God's power been made manifest in our own lives?

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday & Sunday Masses - Feb. 4/5, 2012

Saturday at 4:30 pm and Sunday at 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Gregory Puerto, Ann Burt, Michael Uhl  
Philomena Smith and Joseph Berben.

9:00 am - Mon., Feb. 6, 2012 ---- Rev. Dan McNichol  
9:00 am—Tues., Feb. 7, 2012 ---- Rev. Dr. David Shaum  
9:00 am—Wed., Feb. 8, 2012 ---- Kathleen Dowling  
9:00 am—Thurs., Feb. 9, 2012 --- Communion Service  
9:00 am—Fri., Feb. 10, 2012 ----- Dale Nicholson

### Saturday & Sunday Masses - Feb. 11/12, 2012

Saturday at 4:30 pm and Sunday at 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Thomas Wickman, Polly Balduc, Carl J. Marion,  
Michael Hurley and Monica Amyot Bourgeois

## SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

The Scripture Reading for Next Sunday, Feb. 12, 2012 are:

**Leviticus 13: 1-2. 44-46**

**1 Corinthians 10:31 - 11:1**

**Mark 1: 40-45**

## IN MEMORIAM

Please Remember all who have Died from our Parish, Families and Community. *We especially remember:*

Donna Donaldson

## PARISH SUPPORT

Last Weekend was: \$ 8,277.00

**Thanks to All** for your weekly and generous support of your St. Mary's Parish Community. **Thanks for** "Making Up" your weekly support of your parish when away on vacation, when ill, or when weather conditions keep you from attending Mass., etc...

**Just to let you know:** 2011 Statements of Financial Support for your IRS Tax Reporting were mailed to you at home on this past Tuesday, January 31, 2012. **This Mailing also included** some updates to the Parish about Parish Activities Present and Upcoming.

## THIS WEEK at ST. MARY'S

### Saturday, February 4, 2012

10:00 am to Noon - Faith Formation Retreat - Grade 4.  
3:30 pm - Confessions.  
4:30 pm - Vigil Mass for Sunday.

### Sunday, February 5, 2012

8:00 am - Sunday Mass at St. Mary's Church.  
9:15 am - Faith Formation Classes: Grades K thru 5.  
10:30 am - Sunday Mass at St. Mary's Church.  
(Grade Four Family Liturgy at Mass)  
7:30 pm - AA Open Meeting in the Parish Hall.

### Monday, February 6, 2012

7:00 pm - Apostolado - Conference Room  
8:00 pm - AA Meeting.

### Tuesday, February 7, 2012

4:30 pm - Faith Formation Classes - Grades K thru 5.  
6:30 pm - Faith Formation Classes - Grades 6 thru  
6:30 pm - Joint Pastoral Council & Finance Council Mtg.

### Wednesday, February 8, 2012

4:30 pm - Faith Formation Classes - Grades K thru 5.

### Thursday, February 9, 2012

7:00 pm - Adult Choir Rehearsal in Church.

### Saturday, February 11, 2012

11:00 am - Maryknoll Affiliates  
1:00 pm - Faith Formation Retreat - Grades 6 & 7.  
4:30 pm - Vigil Mass for Sunday.

### Sunday, February 12, 2012

8:00 am - Sunday Mass at St. Mary's Church.  
9:15 am - Faith Formation Classes: Grades K thru 5.  
10:30 am - Sunday Mass at St. Mary's Church.  
10:30 am to 5:30 pm - Confirmation Retreat.  
7:30 pm - AA Open Meeting in the Parish Hall.

## MASS CHANGES/UPDATES

**As you know** English Speaking Churches began to implement the updated Translations of the Mass. To Assist you with Responses during Mass: There are RESPONSE CARDS in the PEWS, please do not remove these Response Cards from the Church. **At the End of Mass - Please Return these PEW CARDS to the Place you Took them From.**

**For your Personal Use** there are available - In the Gathering Area of Church - Next to the Weekly Parish Bulletins - "Pocket Size" Response Cards for Mass. These are free and you are invited to Take One and to Keep it for your Personal use.

**Also during Mass, all are Asked to -BOW Slightly:**

1. When the Priest Bows or Genuflects after the Words of Consecration.
2. When you are in the Communion Line - and - 2 or 3 people before receiving communion.

**LENT BEGINS - FEBRUARY 22**

*Lent begins with Ash Wednesday*

- **Ash Wednesday - February 22, 2012**

9:00 am - Mass with Distribution of Ashes.

12:00 pm & 5:30 pm - Ash Wednesday Service in Church.

**REDISCOVER CATHOLICISM**

This past Christmas St. Mary's Church, Crescent distributed over 1400 copies of the Book: Rediscover Catholicism: A Spiritual Guide to Living with Passion & Purpose by Matthew Kelly. It is our hope that you are "enjoying" the read of this book. However, some have asked about organizing a Discussion Group centered on this book. To that end...we are planning to have several "Discussion Group's" during early Lent 2012 here at St. Mary's, Crescent and at Corpus Christi Church, Ushers/Round Lake.

**Discussion Groups will be held here at St. Mary's, Crescent on:** Monday, March 5th and March 12th at 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm in the Conference Room of the Parish Hall. Our Facilitator will be Marge Milanese.

More information about these Groups will be forthcoming. However, continue to Read the Book: Rediscover Catholicism over the next weeks leading up to Lent 2012.

For more information about a DVD or a CD *that is a synopsis* of the second half of the Rediscover Catholicism Book that is entitled: "The Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality" go to the Website: [DynamicCatholic.com](http://DynamicCatholic.com).

**Also, for a free Study Guide for the Book: Rediscover Catholicism** go to [www.DynamicCatholic.com](http://www.DynamicCatholic.com) --- then click on: "Parish Resources" --- then click on "Study Guide".

**AMAZING GOD:**

***The Heart of Christ***

A DVD presented by Bishop Hubbard on the Theme of "The Heart of Christ" will be presented here in the Parish on three consecutive Wednesdays at 1:00 pm and at 7:00 pm in the Conference Room of the Parish Center.

**The Dates:**

Wednesday, February 29 & March 7 & March 14, 2012

**The Times:**

The 1:00 pm sessions *will be led by* Sister Christopher.

The 7:00 pm sessions *will be led by* Deacon Paul.

**The Place:**

The Conference Room of the St. Mary's Parish Center.

More information about the Amazing God DVD Presentation by Bishop Hubbard is also available on the Diocesan Website. The DVD and Study Guide can also be viewed by going to: [www.amazinggodrcda.org](http://www.amazinggodrcda.org)

**A SPECIAL WEEK in LENT 2012**

**March 24 thru March 28, 2012**

*St. Mary's Church in Crescent and Corpus Christi Church in Ushers/Round Lake are happy to announce that internationally known: Vince Ambrosetti will be visiting our Parishes for a Ministry Day, a Family Concert, and a three day Retreat - March 24 thru 28, 2012.*

**Plan now to be part of all the following Lent 2012 and March 2012 events led by Vince Ambrosetti: For more information, go to [www.parishmission.org](http://www.parishmission.org)**

**MINISTRY DAY**

***with Vince Ambrosetti***

- **Saturday, March 24, 2012 - Ministry Day.**

**10:00 am - 3:00 pm - Ministry Day - (Includes Lunch)**

**Place: St. Mary's Church, Crescent.**

All Parishioners, Ministers, & Volunteers of the both Parishes are Invited.

*(In Early March we will be asking for your RSVP)*

**FAMILY/PARISH CONCERT**

***with Vince Ambrosetti***

- **Sunday, March 25, 2012 - Family/Parish Concert.**

**5:00 pm - Concert led by Vince Ambrosetti for all Members of St. Mary's & Corpus Christi.**

**Place: Corpus Christi Church, Ushers, NY**

*A Social follows Concert in the Parish Hall.*

**LENTEN RETREAT**

***with Vince Ambrosetti***

- **Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday,**

**7:00 pm --- March 26, 27 & 28, 2012**

Lenten Retreat led by Vince Ambrosetti.

**Place: St. Mary's Church, Crescent**

*Social Follows each evening in the Parish Hall.*

**OTHER LENTEN ACTIVITIES**

- Throughout Lent and the entire year - we continue to collect **Food Items for the Local Food Pantry.** Please Place your Food Donations in the "Food Box" located in the Entryway at the Main Entrance of Church.
- **Lenten Alms for our Sister Parishes in Guatemala** will be collected at the End of Lent during Holy Week or Easter or Easter Week.
- Consider becoming involved in one of the **Ministries of the Parish, especially at the weekend Masses,** Contact the Office or designated coordinator for more information, etc...

## **CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE THANK YOU**

The parish has received many thank you notes for your generous participation in the Christmas Giving Tree. The following are a few of those notes:

- Thank you for a very nice Christmas this year, it meant a lot to me. Have a Happy New Year.
- Thank you so much. God be with You.
- Thank you for making my Christmas so wonderful.
- Thank you for your time and your gifts this holiday season.
- We all had a great Christmas this Year. Thank you so much for the wonderful Gifts.
- Thank you so much for the gifts! It shows that there are people who care about veterans who go above and beyond.
- I would like to say how nice it is for me to live in this area and to have people who care and reach out. I have no close family. Thank you so much and God Bless you all.
- Thank you for all the warmth I received from you in all of your caring and sharing this Christmas. God Bless and Happy New Year!

## **MINISTRY to the SICK**

...is about honoring the spirit...  
...is about walking alongside...  
...is about learning from others...  
...is about being still...  
...is about listening with the heart...  
...is about being present to another person's pain...  
...is about respecting disorder and confusion...

Ministry to the Sick is about going to the wilderness of the soul with another human being... and letting God do the rest.

**If you would like to part of our Ministry to the Sick here at St. Mary's Church, Crescent --- please contact: Sister Christopher at 371-9632 ext, 11 for more info, etc...**

## **REMINDER**

### ***When Winter Weather Strikes***

The 9:00 am Weekday Mass/Communion Service at St. Mary's, Crescent will be Cancelled if the area schools are "Closed" or "Delayed Two Hours"

## **WOMEN'S BOOK GROUP**

On Friday March 16, 2012, the Women's Group will meet from 10 AM until 12 PM in the church hall. We will be discussing the book "Rediscover Catholicism" by Matthew Kelly. This is the book given to all parishioners at Christmas. While supplies last there are free copies in Church. If there is enough interest in an evening meeting we will have one then as well. Please come and join us in our discussion of this fascinating, relevant book on our faith. We will serve coffee and home-made muffins. Women of all ages are welcome. If you have any questions or are interested in doing an evening meeting please call or email Kathy Andonie at 371-3785 or [kathvandonie@aol.com](mailto:kathvandonie@aol.com).

## **FAITH FORMATION UPDATES**

### **FAITH FORMATION CLASSES**

*Faith Formation classes are back in session. Wednesday evening classes for grades 6,7,8,9 begin on March 7. Please contact Debbie ([mckown7@yahoo.com](mailto:mckown7@yahoo.com)) or Mary Anne ([smcff@nvcap.rr.com](mailto:smcff@nvcap.rr.com)) in the Faith Formation Office with any questions.*

### **CONFIRMATION PREPARATION**

The next Confirmation sessions will be held here at St. Mary's on February 6, 15 and 28 from 6:30-8:30pm. E-mail reminders will be sent out prior to each of the classes. If you have any questions, please contact our office at 371-9521 or [smcff@nvcap.rr.com](mailto:smcff@nvcap.rr.com). The next sessions will be held on March 5, 6, 7 at St. Edward's Parish.

### **CONFIRMATION RETREAT**

The next Confirmation retreat will be held on Sunday, February 12 beginning with 10:30 Mass followed by a short gathering for families in the Parish Hall then the retreat for Confirmation candidates only. The retreat concludes at 5:30pm. If you were scheduled for the January retreat that was cancelled and would like to attend this retreat, please contact the Faith Formation Office. E-mail reminders will be sent to candidates and families who have signed up for this date.

### **6/7 GRADE RETREAT**

The next retreat will be held on Saturday, February 11 from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm (*including mass*) at St. Edwards Parish. If you still need to register for the retreat, please contact the Faith Formation Office.

## **ADULT EDUCATION SERIES**

### **"Christ, Coffee & Conversation"**

*St. Edward the Confessor Church, Clifton Park, NY*

You are invited to attend any to these "One Night Courses" held at the **St. Edward the Confessor Church Social Hall** during the coming 3 weeks from **7:00 pm to 9:00 pm on:**

- **Monday, February 6.....Topic: The Afterlife**
  - **Monday, February 13.....Topic: The Bible & Creation**
  - **Monday, February 20.....Topic: Salvation**
- Presenter: Peter Avento, S.T.D. All are Welcome!*

## **PASTORAL CARE WORKSHOP**

*Sponsored by Corpus Christi Church Pastoral Care*

*Thursdays, April 19, 26, and May 3rd, 10th, 24th and 31st*

*Corpus Christi Church, Ushers, NY*

*6:30 pm—8:30 pm.*

*For more information, contact Jackie Connolly at 877-8506 ext. 374.*

## FEBRUARY 5, 2012

### **FAITH FORMATION:**

Catechumenate (RCIA)	Sr. Mary Christopher	371-9521
Apostolado Hispano	Dan Lara	786-0622
Marriage Prep Team	John & Kathy Andonie	371-3785
Faith Formation ( <i>K thru 12</i> )	Mary Ann Cureau	371-9521
First Eucharist, First Reconciliation, & Confirmation:		
	Mary Ann Cureau	371-9521

### **PRAYER & WORSHIP:**

Eucharistic Ministers	Jane Hegener	371-9632
Acolytes		
Lectors	Joan Hagglove	371-7876
Hospitality Ministers	Linda Lambert	237-6560
Communion Service	Pat Grennon	371-6053

### **CHRISTIAN SERVICE:**

Pyramid Lake Weekend	Rich & Missy Belotti	371-4569
Youth Ministry	Chris Fox	371-9521
Building Bridges	Santa Orlando	371-9632
Human Concerns	Helen Hubert	371-9191
	Carol Smith	371-4336
Parish Pantry	Lori McAuliffe	371-9632
Women's Club	Kathy Andonie	371-3785
Knitting & Crocheting	Cathy McGrath	371-8557
Sunshine Outreach	Lisa Dillon	373-7089
Monthly Meals	Mary Anne Cureau	371-9521
Widowed/Divorced&Sep	Laurie O'Brien	371-3831
Alzheimer's Care Team	Pat Haffner	371-8503
Support for the Grieving	Kim Hostig	371-9632

### **PASTORAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE:** 371-9632

Maria Elena Hamm	Kathy Spsychalski
Monica Kurzejeski	Todd Collet
Joseph Fontanelli	Michael Tesoriero
Deacon Paul Kisselback	Rev. Joseph Cebula

### **CHURCH ADMINISTRATION:**

Finance Committee Chair	Matt Duddy	371-9632
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