

SAINT MARY'S PARISH

MARLBORO, NEW YORK

Welcome!

New parishioners are welcomed and encouraged to register at the rectory. All parishioners are encouraged to participate in the spiritual and social life of the parish.



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MASS SCHEDULE

At Saint Mary-Saint James Church

Saturday Vigil Mass
4:00 pm

Sunday Masses
8:00 am & 11:00 am

At Our Lady of Mercy Chapel

Sunday Mass
9:30 am

DAILY MASS

Monday through Wednesday
Mass in St. Mary's
9:00 am

Fridays
Mass in St. Mary's
9:00 am

DEVOTIONS

First Friday Mass
9:00 am Mass followed by Exposition and Adoration of Blessed Sacrament until 2:00 pm

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Please call the rectory to schedule a baptism. Sponsors must have a sponsor certificate from their priest as proof that they are practicing Catholics.

RECONCILIATION

Confessions will be heard on Saturday from 3:00 - 3:30 pm in Saint Mary-Saint James Church.

ANointing of the Sick

If someone is homebound or in the hospital please notify the Rectory. Arrangements can be made for the person to receive the Sacraments.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made at least six months before the wedding so that necessary preparations and instructions can be given as requested by church law.

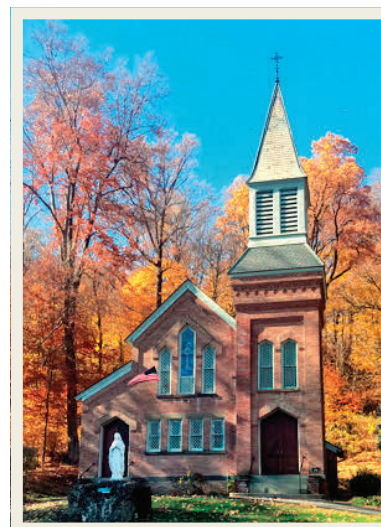


RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CENTER

845-236-4340

Adults: Convert Instruction (RCIA)

Children: For information regarding days and class times, please call the Religious Education or Rectory Offices at 845-236-4340.



OUR LADY OF
MERCY CHAPEL

16th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 19, 2026

SATURDAY, JULY 18TH

4:00PM Cindy Shaffer

SUNDAY, JULY 19TH

8:00AM Fr. Fred Nickle

9:30AM People of the Parish – Living & Deceased

11:00AM Schupp Family

MONDAY, JULY 20TH

9:00AM No Intention

TUESDAY, JULY 21ST

9:00AM John Reynolds

WEDNESDAY JULY 22ND

9:00AM Edward Delsante

THURSDAY, JULY 23RD

9:00AM No Intention

FRIDAY, JULY 24TH

9:00AM No Mass

SATURDAY, JULY 25H

4:00PM Cindy Shaffer

SUNDAY, JULY 26TH

8:00AM Jim & Libby Manion

9:30AM People of the Parish – Living & Deceased

11:00AM Christa Blenkle

Confessions are heard on Saturdays at 3-3:30 pm

BRINGING UP THE GIFTS

If your family has requested the intention for a particular weekend Mass, we invite you to bring up the bread and wine during the Offertory procession. Just please let one of the ushers know before the Mass begins and they'll let you know what to do. It can be one way to honor the memory of the person for whom that Mass is being offered.

WE ASK YOUR HEALING PRAYERS

FOR...Pat Pelella, Andrea Primavera
and all in our parish who are ill or
recuperating from an illness.



TITHING REPORT –

July 12th: Wkly - \$3636

Black/Indian Mission: \$1019

- **FYI:** The parish office is now located in the small house across from the hall. The days and times that I will be actually in the parish office for the rest of July will be limited. So please call or email. Phone and email are checked daily and someone will get back to you. Rectory phone numbers are: 845-236-4340 and 845-393-5005 and the email is: stmarysmarlboro@gmail.com



We warmly welcome all our visitors to St. Mary's and invite you participate and enjoy our liturgies. If you are new to our parish and would like to register as a parishioner, please call the rectory office at 236-4340

CATECHISM 101

From the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic 79

224. What are the sacraments and which are they?

The sacraments, instituted by Christ and entrusted to the Church, are efficacious signs of grace perceptible to the senses. Through them divine life is bestowed upon us. There are seven sacraments: Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist, Penance, Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders, and Matrimony.

225. What is the relationship of the sacraments to Christ?

The mysteries of Christ's life are the foundations of what he would henceforth dispense in the sacraments, through the ministers of his Church.

"What was visible in our Savior has passed over into his mysteries." (Saint Leo the Great)

BROTHER JUNIPER



A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS
HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 19, 2026

“But though you are master of might, you judge with clemency, and with much lenience you govern us, for power, whenever you will, attends you. And you taught your people, by these deeds, and those who are just must be kind, and you gave your children good ground for hope that you would permit repentance for their sins.”

This Old Testament passage portrays the God who loves us without reserve telling us to be just, and a sign of it is found in deeds of kindness. That perhaps is the good seed of Matthew's gospel passage, the tiny mustard seed, (for us the simplest act of kindness) or the unseen leaven, influencing the lives of others.

The God of Wisdom wants the best for us, but we need to respond to this 'good ground for hope.' Yes, the Spirit himself intercedes for us.

**REFLECTING ON THE SCRIPTURE READINGS
BEFORE MASS**

You can enrich your experience of the Liturgy of the Word during Mass by reflecting on the Scripture readings before the Mass. It could help you to better hear what God is trying to say to you through His Word and it also gives you the opportunity to do your own study on these passages to get a better understanding of the context in which they were written. The next week's Mass readings are in the bulletin every week.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday

Wis 12:13, 16-19; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

Monday

Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Mt 12:46-50

Wednesday

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Thursday

Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Mt 13:10-17

Friday

Jer 3:14-17; Mt 13:18-23

Saturday

2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Solomon, realizing that he will succeed his father David as King of Israel and Judah, begs the Lord to give him wisdom and understanding in order to rule his people well. The Lord grants his request saying, "...there will come no one to equal you."

Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30

As heirs of God and heirs with Christ, we suffer in order to be glorified with Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52

Jesus speaks again about the "reign of God," telling the parables of the buried treasure and the merchant's search for pearls. In each parable, Jesus emphasizes that the "reign of God" is more precious and valuable than any treasure.

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Father Hanley Council 7266 meets on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in the parish hall. If you are interested in becoming a member of the council, contact Joe

Lopiccolo at 917-657-8045.

MASS INTENTIONS

There are many daily openings available for Mass Intentions. **What does it mean to have a Mass "offered" for someone?** An individual may ask for a Mass for several reasons – in thanksgiving for something or for the intention of a person (such as a birthday, anniversary, or a special occasion), or for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. While there are no weekend masses left for 2026 there are plenty of daily masses and the 2027 Mass book will open in Mid-September, the opening date will be in the bulletin the end of August.

PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY

Please pray for the safety of our parishioners in the military.

Captain Onorino Tamburri, US Army

Captain Roy Wood, III, US Army

SSG Dominick A. Tomanelli, II, US Army Ranger

PFC Samuel Borchert, US Army

MSgt Justin D. Hoey, US AirForce

PO3 Michael Caserto, US Navy

HM3 (FMF) Ian Siegel, US Navy

Lance Cpl. Michael McLaughlin, US Marine Corp

Sgt Major Anthony R. Simons, US Marine Corp

MSgt Thiara Espinosa-Simons, US Marine Corp

If you would like to add or make changes to any of the listed military, please email: stmarysmarlboro@gmail.com



The Defeat of Evil

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying: “The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat and then went off. When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared as well.” - Matthew 13:24-26

The introduction to this parable should wake us up to the reality of the evil one in our midst. The specific action of the “enemy” in this parable is disturbing. Imagine if this story were true and you were the farmer who worked very hard at sowing the seed throughout your field. Then, if you awoke to hear the news that weeds had been sown also, you would be quite saddened, angered and disappointed.

But this parable is especially about the Son of God. Jesus is the one who has sown the good seed of His Word and watered that seed with His Precious Blood. But the evil one, the devil, has also been at work trying to undermine the work of our Lord.

Again, if this were a true story about you as a farmer, it would be hard to refrain from much anger and a desire for revenge. But the truth is that Jesus, as the Divine Sower, does not allow the evil one to steal His peace. Instead, He has allowed this action of the evil one to remain for now. But in the end, the works of evil will be destroyed and burned in the unquenchable fire.

What’s also interesting to note is that Jesus does not root out all evil in our world here and now. According to the parable, He refrains so that the good fruit of the Kingdom will not be negatively affected. In other words, this parable reveals to us the interesting truth that the “weeds” all around us, that is, the evil alive within our world, cannot affect our growth in virtue and entrance into the Kingdom of God. We may have to endure evil on a daily basis and find ourselves surrounded by it at times, but our Lord’s willingness to allow evil for now is a clear sign that He knows it cannot affect our growth in virtue if we do not let it.

Reflect, today, upon the reality of evil in our world. It’s essential that you name evil activity for what it is. But evil cannot ultimately affect you. And the evil one, despite his malicious attacks, will ultimately be defeated. Reflect upon the hope that this truth brings and renew your trust in the power of God this day.

Divine Sower, I pray that You do deliver us all from the evil one. May we be freed from his lies and snares and always keep our eyes upon You, our Divine Shepherd. I turn to You in all things, dear Lord. Jesus, I trust in You.

< KID'S > KORNER

Gospel Today | 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Mt 13:24-43

Jesus tells us the Good Word grows within us, as the yeast grows within the dough – quietly and unseen, with great results!

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JESUS' PARABLES SHOW Small beginnings become marvelous expansions

Draw a line from Column A to Column B to match the "Seeds of Faith" to the "Expanded Kingdom."

Column A

The
Good
Word



Mustard
Seeds



Yeast
Cells



Column B

Risen
Breads



Mustard
Tree



Many
Believers



Parent / Child Activity

Watch a seed sprout - Take a clear cup and line it with a wet paper towel. Put a dried, uncooked seed between the paper and cup. Keep wet and in the sun. **Watch what happens!** (try watermelon seeds dried for one week)

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