### Aug 23rd, 2020 - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

# SAINT MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



#### **PARISH OFFICE**

Hours

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#### MASS SCHEDULE Weekdays

Tuesday 5:30 pm Wed, Thurs, & Fri 8:30 am

Weekends Saturday 7:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am St. Mary's Church &1:00 pm

Adoration Wed, Thurs & Fri 8:00 - 8:30 am

Confessions Tuesday 5:00 pm Saturday 6:00 pm

Rosary Saturday 6:35 pm Sunday 8:35 am

#### PASTORAL COUNCIL

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"And so I say to you, you are Peter, upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven..."

### Mass Intentions

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Tuesday,August 255:30 pm† John DonovanBy: Rita Hall		
Wednesday, August 26 8:30 am "Special Intention" By: Ostrowski Family		
Thursday, August 27 8:30 am † John Hajek By: Hajek Family		
Friday, August 28 8:30 am † Tom & Marie Donovan By: Jim & Judy Hall		
Saturday, August 29 7:00 pm <b>†</b> John Sauter By: Angela Dziewior		
Sunday, August 30 9:00 am Parishioner Mass		
1:00 pm <b>†</b> Joseph & Mary Barma By: Mary Ann Troge		
ST. MONICA August 27th		
<u>Upcoming Events</u>		
St. Mary's Cemetery Mass Sept 6th at 9:00 am		
<b>Parish Pastoral Council</b> Sept 8th at 6:30 pm		
<b>R.C.I.A Classes Begin</b> Sept 20th at 10:30 am		
Cemetery Council Meeting Oct 6th at 6:30 pm		
<b>Parish Finance Council</b> Oct 13th at 6:30 pm		
<b>Fr. Clayton's on Vacation</b> Oct 19th - 30th		
Here's your order, sir! A thousand business cards saying "Simon the Fisherman"!		
Simon! From now on		
you shall be known as Peter!		

### Within the Word - Keys to the Kingdom of Heaven

In order to show how religiously uncertain the world was, our Lord brought his Apostles to Caesarea Philippi. A place named after Caesar Augustus and King Herod. Its population was predominantly non-Jewish, (Gentile & pagan). One of its main attractions was a cave deep in a huge rock formation; as the first century Jewish historian, Josephus, said, "*a great cavity in the earth*." This was a place where many gods were worshiped. A pool of water was found in this cave, the depths of which were unknown. For the pagans, this measureless depth symbolized the bot-

tomless pit of Hades. Their rituals would consist of throwing their sacrificed animals into this pool in hopes that their gods would be appeased. Later, after the Roman Empire annexed this land, Roman temples were to be built in front of this cave to honor their gods; which included a cult dedicated to Caesar Augustus. In the Roman Empire during the first century, emperors were given divine status. In Caesarea Philippi, Jesus Christ posed a question to his Apostles; He asked: *"Who do people say that the Son of Man is?"* The Gospel of Matthew continues: *'Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.'* He said to them, 'But who do you say



that I am?' Simon Peter said in reply, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' Jesus said to him in reply, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven."

Our Lord, renamed Simon, son of Jonah, the "Rock," (way before Dwayne Johnson) In the eighth century B.C., Jews had fallen away from the worship of Yahweh, the one true God, and turned to other gods. From amidst this religious confusion, the prophet Isaiah raised his voice and told them to return to the rock from which they came from; the rock being Abraham. It was on this rock where God's lighthouse shined the light of truth in antiquity. This is where the standard of truth was to be found. Like the patriarch, St. Peter was to inherit this name, "Rock," near the huge rock in Caesarea Philippi. Again, within this rock was a hollowed cave where the multitudes, from many nations worshipped many false gods. But upon a new Rock, a Rock that would be made into a mountain, our Lord would then build his Church.

In the centuries to come, nations would stream toward this mountain to receive the knowledge of God. Indeed, the ministry of St. Peter continues to this day through Pope Francis. From him comes the religious and moral certainty amid a confused world. It is the same Rock that Abraham represented; it is the same Rock upon which Christ built his Church; and this Rock is none other than God Himself. As our Lord promised, the gates of hell would not prevail against it. If hell cannot prevail against it, neither can the culture of death and all that it represents. "life anew." But the further we drift from this rock…from God's mountain…from Peters chair, the further we drift from all that is holy…

The life of grace and the moral law that comes from Jesus Christ is the answer to religious uncertainty. Without Christ and His Church, we have no way to the kingdom, without Peter and the Keys, we'd be locked out forever...

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### St. Mary's Prayer List:

Mildred Blank Vinnie Bellock Jim & Adela Hagen Elizabeth Hall Gloria Kramer Helen & Andy Kwit Mary Claire Marshall **Courtney Miller** Lizzie Mitchell **Tony Oldigs** Lucille Ryczek Charlotte Rybick Leo Schneider George & Geri Smith Rosalee Verette William Zenk & all the families who are suffering from CoVid-19



#### **REGISTRATION:**

If you'd like to register with St. Mary's Parish, you can do so by calling, emailing or coming into the parish office during normal office hours.

#### **BAPTISM:**

If you would like to plan a baptism, please contact the parish office or make an appointment with Father.

#### **MARRIAGE:**

At the time of engagement, but not less than six months prior to the wedding, please call the parish office to arrange for marriage preparations and to schedule your wedding date.

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion bring the Eucharist to the homebound. Please contact the parish office for any

sacramental needs or visitation for the homebound.

#### **R.C.I.A.:**

Individuals wishing to join the Catholic Church, please contact the parish office to ask about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

### **Cemetery Mass - Sep 6th, 9 am!!**

Please put down on your calendars this coming Labor day weekend, we will be celebrating the 9 am mass outside, (weather permitting) at St. Mary's Cemetery, off of Hwy J, South-west of Lyndon Station.



(Google it) Most people are familiar with the mass setting. Please bring a chair or something to kneel or sit on. We will not be serving donuts at this time, we're still limited to how much we can 'socially do.' Bring a friend and/or family! Come to honor our country & those who are our laborers!

### Congrats to Kyle and Leah Hauck-Mills!

Friends, we've recently celebrated the marriage of Leah Hauck and Kyle Mills. Leah is the daughter of Crystal Chamberlin-Hauck, and Kyle is the son of



Charli and Todd Mills.

Please pray for them as they begin this new chapter in their lives. If you know them, give them a shout out and wish them well. They've come along way in preparing themselves for the Sacrament of Marriage. May God bless both of you! May He shower you with many blessings and Give you MANY children for the Kingdom!! :P

### Financial <u>Stewardship</u>

August 16, 2020

Adult Envelopes	\$1100.00	
Student Envelopes	\$5.00	
Offertory	\$634.00	
Holy Day	\$243.00	
Votive Candles	<u>\$135.00</u>	
Total	\$2,117.00	
Weekly Budget \$2,548.07		

(160 registered families)

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Budgeted	\$17,836.49
Contributed	<b>\$17,886.60</b>

#### Time to Go to St. Joseph

St. Joseph protected the Holy Family & we can trust ourselves, to him at a time when examples of fatherhood are so needed. We can ask him to help strengthen our families – as well as the bonds of our parish family during this time of hardship. St. Joseph Pray for us!



Floor Project Parishioners Goal: \$75,000 Total Received: \$67,600 Percent of Goal received: 90.13%

#### Annual Appeal

Goal: \$14,380 Total Pledged & Received: \$13,620.00 Percent of Goal pledged: 95.34%

#### Where's Fr. Clayton?

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