

Rev. Douglas Cunningham, Administrator

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 06, 2018

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As announced or by appointment

Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

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“YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD, YOUR GOD, WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR BEING,
WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND YOUR NEIGHBOR AS
YOURSELF.” Luke 10:27

“REMAIN IN MY LOVE.” John 15:9



Weekly Stewardship Report: Last Sunday, April 29, 2018

Regular Collection: Envs: \$2,524. Loose: \$325.

Total Regular Collection: \$2,849.

Diocesan Collection: HomeMissionsAppeal-\$115. **Other Income:** Easter-\$10. 50/50-\$75. (CapitalAcct)

Because of your contributions, we were able to pay the following bills this week: **ChHallExps:** \$96. **Donation:** \$100.(Sr.Kathleen)

FFormation: \$100. **Mo.DioAssess:** \$1,433. **MChRepairs:** \$1,100. **Salaries:** \$1,300. **Total Bills Pd: \$4,129.**

Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated!

Bills To Be Paid Next Week: \$3,558.

Thank you for your generous support of last Sunday's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Your contributions will help strengthen the Church at home and ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States.



2018 HOPE Appeal-The Annual HOPE Appeal will kick off next weekend in our parish. The programs, services and ministries supported by the Annual HOPE Appeal help meet the needs of people in our parish and diocese. The HOPE Appeal serves all of us in different ways. Your financial support is needed to further the good works of the Appeal.

CCSS-SP's Monthly 50/50 Raffle

There were 30 participants in April's 50/50 and the winners were Norman & Elsie Poyer, winning \$75.00. Congratulations!

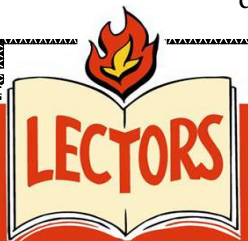
Thank you to all who participate, this raffle helps fund our parish's Capital Account. There are extra 50/50 raffle envelopes at the entrances of our churches. Cost is \$5.00 per envelope.



THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

Our Beautiful End, We Long for the Beautiful By Matthew Leonard

We grow frustrated when sunsets fade, children grow up, and special moments pass. Will beauty be forever fleeting? Internationally known Catholic speaker, Matthew Leonard, expounds upon our experience of beauty and its powerful role in drawing us closer to our Creator and glorious home in Heaven. Parish Code : CFMRY



The Lector's Corner

From the Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers and Proclaimers of the Word, p. ix, Expressive Proclamation

In a **narrative**, find an emotion or points of view for each character, keeping in mind that these might change **during** the reading. In an **exhortatory** text, all the emotions are heightened, so make **bold** choices and practice conveying them with your *voice, eyes, and face*.

A **didactic** text might seem emotionless, but assuredly there is emotion present. A teaching is usually given out of *love* for the community being taught.

Contact: Michael Thayne, Lector Ministry Coordinator, thaynem@earthlink.net.

Vocation View - Take time this week to pray over the Gospel reading you heard today. It might seem odd at times, but Jesus teaches us that real freedom in life is not to be found in keeping our lives as our own, but in giving them away in loving service. The freedom that God offers us is only to be found when we make a loving self-gift to the Lord and His people. It is when we experience this authentic freedom, that we will also experience authentic joy.

But before you can experience any of this, you must take a leap of faith. Give your life away, and you will find the Life that your heart has been searching for all along. To find out more, call 315-470-1468.



Embrace: An Evening for Married Couples

Is your wife hiding the remote control? Does your husband have "selective hearing?" Join us for a fun, practical evening discussing real issues in marriage with marriage veterans, Chris and Linda Padgett. Event is \$40 and includes dinner. Couples will also be invited to renew their commitment to Holy Matrimony.

Dates and Locations: **Wednesday, May 9th** - Immaculate Conception Church, 400 Salt Springs Rd, Fayetteville, NY Register online: <https://embracefayetteville.eventbrite.com>

Wednesday, June 13th - Good News Foundation 10475 Cosby Manor Road, Utica, NY Register online: <https://embraceutica.eventbrite.com>

Wednesday, June 27th - Our Lady of Good Counsel, 701 W. Main Street, Endicott, NY Register online: <https://embraceendicott.eventbrite.com>



WP Ecumenical Food Pantry-During the month of **May** we are collecting **cereal** for the WP Ecumenical Food Pantry.

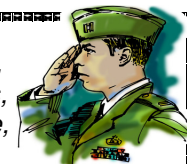
There are marked baskets at the entrances of our churches. Thank you for all your food & monetary donations.

A Family Perspective - Today's gospel challenges us to "love one another as I have loved you."

Jesus is our model and he asks us to "lay down our life." (our time, attention, opinions and needs) for each other. This is the sacrament of the family, when God is made available in our sacrificial love for one another.



Please Pray For Our Following Friends and Family in the Military: Major Corrine Miller, A2C Derek Lescord, Devon McGill, Joshua Lilley, PV2 James McGill, Lt. Cpl John Larkin, Jr., USMC, Sgt. Heather Fox, Brett Hayes, Captain Caleb Miller, Sgt. Megan Ballard, A1C Brendan Schneider, Kris Carstens, LC USMC Daniel Morehouse, SSG Steven Gross, USMC Staff Sgt. Dan Votra, Sgt. Nicholas Stone, Lt. Paul McDonald, Major John Thomas, Major Joy Thomas, Lt. Commander Marvin Joel Scott III, AF2nd Lt. Emily Steele, OS3 Jonathan Schneider, Sgt. Jacob Rau, Sgt. Zachary Reardon USMC, Staff Sgt. Justin Blaisdell, Staff Sergeant Michael Hetzler, Lt. LCDR Maria Lescord, and our pastor, Lt. Colonel Douglas Cunningham.



If you have a friend or family member serving our country and would like their name mentioned weekly in our bulletin, to be kept in our prayers, please contact our parish office.

Mission Statement for The Catholic Community of St. Stephen - St. Patrick

We are a Roman Catholic Community of faith, welcoming the strength found in diversity. We are committed to using our time, talent, and treasure in proclaiming the Kingdom of God through prayer, fellowship, and service.

We experience our unity at the Eucharistic Table of the Lord, and our direction from the Word of God.

If you know of parishioners that have not been able to come to Mass because they are homebound, please let the Parish Office know so our Hospitality Groups can provide contact with them through visits and cards, and perhaps they would like to receive a copy of our bulletin.

Remember
Our Homebound Members

Hospitalized or ill: Please notify rectory or email lcrowley@zfastest.net so we can provide for their/your spiritual needs.



If you know someone that is ill, facing surgery, or some other kind of difficulty, and needs our prayers, please call Dottie Angel at 656-9230 or Pat Canfield at 849-6978. Dottie will lead the Prayer Chain we have at The CC of St. Stephen-St. Patrick. Supporting each other with the Power of Prayer is the best medicine.

Parish Council

Chairperson - Don Alexy & Don Barry

Vice-Chairperson - John Mihalko

Secretary - Brittney Penrose

PARISH STAFF

Directors of Faith Formation - (WP)Cecelia Carstens, 323-5114

(Marathon)Helen Mathews, 423-7656

Church Organist/Music Director - Jennifer Cafferty

Maintenance - (Please call parish office w/maintenance concerns)

Parish Business/Office Manager-Mary Wied Bulletin Deadline: Tuesday, Noon - Phone, Mail or Email, ststephenstpat@syrdio.org

Our bulletin and OLPH's can be viewed online at www.ccssp.com.

Daily Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday	May 06	8:30 AM Whitney Point...for Anthony Sortino...by Pat & Lyle Tredo
		10:30 AM Marathon...for Marge Carroll...by John Carroll
		In Thanksgiving...Anon
		12:00 PM OLPH... for Antonia Buttigieg...by Josephine Kellogg
Tuesday	May 08	8:30 AM Marathon...for The People Of Our Parish
Next Sunday	May 13	8:30 AM Whitney Point...for Fr. Pat Keating...by Paul O'Donnell
		for Ginny Martin...by Ray & Gladys Nolan
		10:30 AM Marathon...for Harry Baker...by CCSS-SP's Hospitality Committee
		for Patricia Campbell...by Roanna Askew
		12:00 PM OLPH...for Antonia Buttigieg...by Josephine Kellogg

Readings for the Week of May 6 through 13, 2018:

Today: Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26--16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15,22--18:1; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

Next Sunday: Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mk 16:15-20

The readings for today, Sixth Sunday of Easter, begin with #934, in our Journeysongs Hymnals. Next Sunday: The Ascension of the Lord.

WP Ecumenical Food Pantry: M-Th & Sat, 10am-Noon & Thurs Eve, 6-8pm. Closed Fridays, Holidays, & when school is closed for inclement weather. **Food Pantry Chairperson:** Roger Calice **Clothing Bank:** M,Tu & Sat, 10am-Noon.

Mobile Food Pantry: 1st Friday of Month at WP Church parking lot. Truck arrives around **9:30am** (unless holiday)



Whitney Point

Greeters: Ingrid Jordak, Peggy Kemp

Next Sunday: Cathy Cummings, Anne Clerkin

Lector: Gene Jordan Next Sunday: Jason Somers

Altar Servers: Lana Jordan, Nora Jordan

Next Sunday: Ian McMullen, Grace Russell

Marathon

Bob Barry, Don Barry

Marie Joseph, Alice Sliter

Lector: Mike Thayne Next Sunday: David Thon

Angela Barry, Camdyn Kashuba

Ryan & Stephen Eaton

Eucharistic Ministers: Pat Walter, Emily Jordan, Mary Jo Whitehead

Next Sunday: Roger Calice, Cecelia Carstens, Jerry Rothenberg

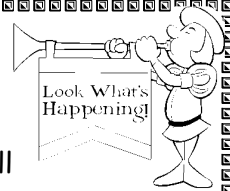
Don & Karen Barry, Eric Barry

Linda Caminiti, Kathy Cusick, Patty Thon

May Ushers: Bob Barry, Richard Barry

THANK YOU FOR YOUR MINISTRY SERVICE TO OUR PARISH!

This Week In Our Parish



Today, May 6th

- 9:00-10:30am - Faith Formation Classes - Marathon Church Hall
- 9:30am - May Crowning of the Blessed Mother - Marathon Church
- 9:20-11:00am - Faith Formation Classes - Whitney Point Church Hall
- 12:00-2:00pm - Confirmation Class - Whitney Point Church Hall
- 3:00pm - Sr. Brigid O'Mahoney Presentation - Whitney Point Church

Tuesday, May 8th

7:00pm - Parish Council Meeting - Marathon Church

Thursday, May 10th

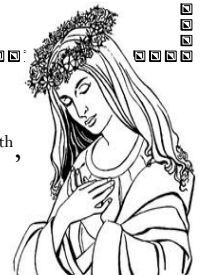
7:00-8:00pm - Adoration - Marathon Church

Saturday, May 12th

8:00am - Christian Men Of Faith Meeting - Whitney Point Church Hall

Sunday, May 13th

Birthright Carnation MOTHERS' DAY Sale at our three churches



Whole Community Catechesis
Readings and Questions for Discussion
Reading 1 - Acts of the Apostles
10:25-26,34-35,44-48
 The gift of the Holy Spirit comes to Cornelius and his household, and they are baptized.
Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 98:1,2-3,3-4
 A song of praise for God's salvation.
Reading 2 - 1 John 4:7-10
 God is love.
Gospel - John 15:9-17
 Jesus commands his disciples to love one another.
Adults: How is love of others connected to love of God?
Children: How can I show Jesus' love to others this week?



FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION:

May Crowning of the Blessed Mother today, May 6th, at 9:30am at our Marathon Church. Our children will be participating and reciting the Rosary. Please join us for the crowing and then after Mass for coffee and cookies downstairs.



Happy Mother's Day

Birthright of Ithaca - Flower Sale - Birthright is an organization that helps pregnant women by offering alternatives to abortion. They offer free self-administered pregnancy tests, prenatal information, medical referrals, financial assistance and adoption referrals. They also offer diapers, formula, maternity and baby clothes. ALL SERVICES ARE FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL. Birthright's Annual Mother's Day Flower Sale will be next Sunday, May 13th at our three churches. One flower for \$1., 1/2 dozen for \$5. & one dozen for \$10. Please extend your support to Birthright, an organization that helps many families and works hard for a better world.



Come and Visit with Jesus

Did you know that every Thursday evening, for one hour, you can come and spend some time with Jesus? Eucharistic Adoration is just that; a chance to be within His presence and talk to him one on one. Come for a short amount of time or stay for all of it. This Thursday, May 10th, is at our Marathon Church.

Ministry Coordinator-Our Parish Council has established the position of Ministry Coordinator. The main responsibility of this individual would be to improve communication within and between the ministries as well as between the two church locations. This person will be the contact person when questions/needs/concerns arise within or between ministries, will work to implement the suggestions that are mentioned at our Visions Meeting, assist the Pastor in recognition of needs within the parish, attend Diocesan meetings to stay informed of current policies and opportunities within the Diocese and collaborate with Parish Council regarding the discerned needs and opportunities within the Parish. The Coordinator will receive an annual stipend. The Parish Council has ask Peg Orzel to assume this role and Fr. Doug has approved this.

Sanctuary Candles Burning for the month of May
 at our Marathon Church is in memory of
Deceased Members of Niggli & Cashel Families

given by Wayne & Carol Niggli
 at our Whitney Point Church is in memory of
Helmut Melzer & Daina Freimanis given by Vella Melzer



Sanctuary Candles-If you'd like to have the sanctuary candle lit in memory of a loved one, at our Whitney Pt. or Marathon Church, please call our parish office. Donation is \$20.00 for that month and memorial name(s) will be in bulletin.



THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Ecumenical Peace Garden

Spring is finally here and the Peace Garden will soon be in bloom with quiet instrumental music playing from 8:30am to 8:30pm. Once again, Countree Lawn and Landscaping will trim and prune the shrubs; re-edge the border of the garden and put down new mulch. We have resumed taking applications for engraved bricks and they are available in the vestibule. If you have any questions you are welcome to call Ken or Sylvia Bates at 743-0170 or 743-6317.



CCSS-SP Hospitality Ministry Committee is always in need of new people, retired or not, from all three church locations, to join our meetings every 3rd Tuesday for 1 or 2 hours. Our next meeting is Tues., May 15th, 9:30am, in our Whitney Pt Church Hall and we look forward to seeing you. Please join us!

Welcome Visitors and New Members!



We welcome all visitors and new members to our parish. Be sure to ask any questions or things you wonder about our parish.