



*\*Please note that the mass times on the bulletin cover do not yet reflect the current changes*

**SCHEDULES & MASS INTENTIONS**

**Week of September 9, 2018**

**Sat 4:00 PM** For the People  
**Sun 7:30AM St. Agnes** – Gil, Ellie & Mike Kupfer by Laura & Pam  
**Sun 11:00 AM** Rita Morgan Keeler by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Custeau  
**Wed 9:00 AM** For the People  
**Thurs 9:00AM** For the People  
**Sat 4:00 PM** For the People  
**Sun 7:30 AM St. Agnes**– For the People  
**Sun 11:00 AM** Jerry & Doris Flint 50th Anniversary by Jeannine Griffin

**Parish Support**

Offering for the weekend of **September 2, 2018**  
(Our Goal is \$1,250.00 each week)

**Sunday Collection**

Loose	\$494.00
Envelopes	\$693.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1187.00</b>
Bldgs.& Maint.	\$522.00

**Important Change: Checks:** The Diocese has informed us that we are technically St. Mary Parish Charitable Trust in terms of financial matters and not Our Lady of Good Help. So please **make out any checks to St. Mary Parish** from now on. Thank you.

**GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER. - 2 Corinthians 9:7**

**Readings for the Week of September 9, 2018**

**Sunday:** Is 35:4-7a/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

**Monday:** 1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11

**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19

**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 7:25-31/Lk 6:20-26

**Thursday:** 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38

**Friday:** Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

**Saturday:** 1 Cor 10:14-22 (442)/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

**Next Sunday:** Is 50:5-9a/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35



Pray for .....

*The safety of our service men and women working as peacekeepers in today's trying times and for all who are ill, especially Lindsey Layn, Linda Bunn, Richard Barra, Mary McManus, Virginia Wolf, Carlita La Porte, Joel Rivera, Ginger Stearns, Betty Ferraro, Joseph Duprey, Charlotte Swain, Marilyn Morris, Mary Doherty, Ann-Marie Ford, David Philipsen, Katherine Bryant, Gloria Peduto, Rene Hendricks, Brendan Holbriiter, Rosa Santos and Jean Pfenning*



**Ministry Schedule**

<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	<b>Lectors</b>
09/08 Sally Foster	Pike Mitchell
09/09	Wanda Murray
09/15 Mary Bugnacki	Laurie Bertrand
09/16 Jeannine Griffin	Terry Zimmer
<b>Gift Bearers</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
09/08 E. Parmelee & S. Munger	David Bertrand
09/09 S. Ouellette Family	A. & O. Depatie
09/15 T. Howland Family	Jordan Bertrand
09/16 T. Depatie Family	B. Stanley & A. Hayes

**Collection Counters**

09/09 Donna Swington & Paula Bizon
09/16 Glenda Gearwar
09/23 Katherine Bryant



**St. Mary's Cemetery**

Location: RT 73 E. Forest Dale Rd, Brandon Contact Information - Please call St. Mary's Rectory.

**PARISH WEBSITE**

Please visit our parish website: [www.saintmaryagnes.org](http://www.saintmaryagnes.org) for updates, news, activities, schedules of liturgical ministries and various resources to help you. For suggestions on our website, send your ideas to: [gale@ottercreekmedia.com](mailto:gale@ottercreekmedia.com).

**Office is open on Wednesday**  
**10:00 am—3:00 pm**  
**Thursday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm**

**2nd Collection for weekends in Sept.:**

- 09/09 Vermont Catholic Magazine**
- 09/16 Utility Fund– Goal: \$500**
- 09/30 Catholic University**

**Parish Fundraising:** There is only **1 week left** for our Annual Raffle. Drawing Sept. 16, 2018 after the 11 AM Mass. We really need your support to help sell tickets. If we could all just take 6 tickets to sell it will boost our sales and hopefully be a big success! We thank you for all your support. Prizes: 1st -100 Gals. Fuel oil from Mike's Fuel, 2nd - \$300 Cash, 3rd - \$25 Gas Card from Keyser Energy, 4th—\$25 Gas Card from Keyser Fuel, 5th—\$25 Gas Card from Keyser Fuel, 6th—Quilt & Pillow, 7th—Quilt & Jewelry, 8th—Box of Truffles from Keyser Energy. Tickets are \$10 each or 6 for \$50. Thank you for your support! For Tickets call Jean Lamarre 247-8179 .We also have a **50/50 Raffle:** Tickets \$1 each or 7 for \$5

**Fall Cleaning:** Fr. Moe and I were taking about the chandeliers in the rectory. There are three of them that have NOT been cleaned for years!!!!!! Next **Tuesday, September 11** beginning at 9:00 am we can make them sparkle again. So bring your buckets, cloths and whatever else you would like to use. Call me if you have questions or comments. The more the merrier, there are lots of pieces to each one. Thank You, Jeannine Griffin (247-3432)

**Parish Finance Council:** Meeting on Wednesday, September 19, at 6 PM.

**CCD News:** It's now time to register your child(ren) for religious education. Please fill out a registration form, found in the back of the church. You may put the form in the collection basket at church, drop it off at the rectory, or mail it to the rectory, as soon as possible. Please keep in mind that the first class is on September 16<sup>th</sup> and all grades will have classes on Sundays, from 9:45 to 10:45 am. Please let me know if you have questions, or if you would like to volunteer! Any questions please contact Guy Beck at 352-9040 or [gjbeckfamily@myfairpoint.net](mailto:gjbeckfamily@myfairpoint.net).

**Harvest Fest:** Will be held September 30th at Esterbrook Field from 1-4 PM. We will be setting up at noon with Baked Goods/Donuts/Coffee and Hot Cider. If you would like to bake something it would be greatly appreciated. Or just stop by and say hello! Please contact Jean Lamarre at 353-7881 with any questions.

**From the Pastor's Desk:**

**Holyday and Holiday Mass Schedule**

**Committee Information:** The first meeting of the ad hoc committee to determine the holyday and holiday Mass schedule for Saint Agnes, Saint Alphonsus and Saint Mary's will take place Monday evening September 10<sup>th</sup>. This is the first of four meetings. Fourteen parishioners are serving on the committee, seven from Our Lady of Good Help and seven from Saint Alphonsus. This committee will look to create a schedule for Christmas, Ash Wednesday, the Triduum services and the holydays of obligation. The crafting of this schedule, where two parishes share one priest, will involve both change and compromise. Some of the values that will be used to determine the new schedule are as follows.

**Consistency:** Create a master schedule that will be followed year after year so that family celebrations for the holidays are not in flux. In addition, creating a set Mass schedule for holydays will reduce needless confusion on times and places for people to meet their obligations.

**Awareness of Age Diversity:** While many of our parishioners are retired, the master schedule needs to give adequate opportunity on days of obligation for working families with school children to attend Mass and services.

**Adequate Attendance:** The number of people attending justifies having the Mass or service.

**Sufficient number of Masses:** The guiding objective of this exercise is to have an acceptable number of Masses to meet the needs of both parishes. At the completion of the process, the collective number of Masses between both parishes should be less, not more.

There are six additional values and they will be printed in the bulletin in the next few weeks. I will keep you informed on the committee's progress.

Fr. Moe

**Reflections for the Week**

**As God Sees Us:** "The Lord raises up those who were bowed down. The Lord loves the just; the Lord protects strangers." Psalm 146: 8-9. In God's kingdom, the poor are seated first. The afflicted are gently raised up, and those cast into ditches are rescued. Barriers fall and rigid hierarchies come apart. Touched by the spirit, what is broken heals. Even nature shares in this surge of energy. As healing spreads, we burst forth like mountain streams. "Let me tell you who I am. Please share our meal." The call of justice persists. It runs deeper than we can imagine. In God's kingdom, the hightowns look up from their critiques, and we who are rich loosen our grip on what consumes us. In our world, the affluent rarely stand in line. We do our business quickly and do not wait and wait for our turn to arrive. Our children do not scramble to get home safely after school. We do not find shut-off notices in the mail with hefty late fees to resume service. High interest loans do not entrap us when paychecks do not stretch. The fruit and vegetables are fresh and not too over-priced where we shop. If the poor loiter nearby, they get relocated to distant streets. We do not welcome low income housing in our neighborhood. We are good people but that goes too far. How do we get closer to God's kingdom? Today my parish takes a step to face our history and seek reconciliation through a liturgy of remembrance. Many parishioners did not realize that our congregation, like others, refused to open its doors to black Catholics to worship or enroll their children in the parish school. The racial divide that runs through history and communities also runs through our church. A designated African American parish was started in Omaha in 1918. Before then, black Catholics asked to worship in our church. The pastor let them use the side chapel several times a month after Sunday Masses. Then, the congregation complained and this stopped. It is time to stop hiding from painful realities. God, do not abandon us when we face failures. Please dispel our fear. Heal us and set us free. [onlineministries.creighton.edu](http://onlineministries.creighton.edu)