

St. Francis & St. Clare Roman Catholic Community

Faith Formation News

Little Flowers Girls Club

Little Flowers Girls Club invites you to join us for crafts, fun and friendship. The Little Flowers Girls Club is a program that strives to provide young Catholic girls of our parish ages 5 and up with an opportunity to gather and learn about their Catholic heritage, faith, and traditions.

Using saint's biographies, the Catechism of the Catholic Church and Sacred Scripture, the girls will learn the basics of the Catholic Faith in a fun and friendship-filled environment. The girls will gain friendship that will support their faith and beliefs. They will learn virtues and prayers, earn badges, do crafts and study the lives of the Saints.

All meetings are at the Ministry Center on Sunday evenings from 5:00-6:15 pm.



Schedule:

- October 13
- October 27
- November 10
- November 24
- No meeting in December
- January 12
- January 26
- February 9
- February 23

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**To sign up please contact:
Brittany Brunning @
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Points of Interest

Masses

- Weekends:
St. Mary's Saturday 5 p.m.
Sunday 8 a.m.
- St. Patrick's: Sunday 8 a.m.
Sunday 11 a.m.

Children's Liturgy of the Word during 11 a.m. Mass

- Weekdays:
Tues-Wed 8:30 a.m.
St. Mary's
Thu-Fri 8:30 a.m.
St. Patrick's

Events

Blessing of the Animals



When: October 6, 2013 @ 2:00pm

Where: Ministry Center Parking Lot (Rain location: MC Gymnasium).

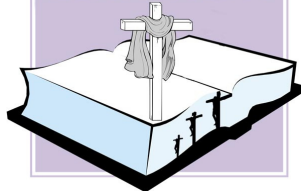
Cancer Service

October 6 @ 2:30pm
Where: St. Mary's Church following the Pet

Blessing.



Religious Education



The first Religious Ed Mass is **10/27/13** @ St. Patrick's Church. This Mass will involve the Middle School and St. John

Bosco children. As well as the children's choir.

This year we will be combining the Children's Choir at the churches. That

means that on the days of the Mass the entire choir should report. I understand that some children will miss a scheduled class. The Mass will count for the time that they would have been there. It will not be considered a missed class. I will be asking children this weekend and contacting you about rehearsal.

Rehearsal for choir and readers will be on **Friday, 10/11 & 10/25** from 6-7 pm @ St. Pat's

If you have not already done so, please review your handbooks and return the sign-off sheet at your earliest convenience.

No Classes: October 13th All Programs & October 27th Middle School.

If you would like to receive these newsletters via e-mail, please send me an e-mail @ dfavia@dor.org. I will be more than happy to put you on the list.

**Children's Choir
Ongoing Recruitment
If interested please call the faith formation office 651-4351**

Sacraments

- ◇ Sacramental Registration Meeting (PARENTS ONLY) for First Penance & First Eucharist Monday September 30, 2013 @ 7:00 pm Parish Ministry Center, Waterloo.
- ◇ Meeting for First Penance (PARENTS ONLY) 10/9 @ 7:00pm @ Ministry Center.

Penance and Reconciliation is a sacrament of healing.

- ◇ Rite of Enrollment 1st Penance 10/13, 9:30 @ St. Mary's

To participate in the Sacramental Preparation programs, a candidate

will be enrolled when he/she has received foundational catechesis.

Check out "Looking Ahead" for future meeting dates.

Look to the bulletin for information about Confirmation coming in January.

Parish News

SMILE!!!!!!!!!!

Parish Directory time. The next opportunity for having pictures taken for the Parish Directory will be Tuesday October 8th - Saturday October 12th at the Ministry Center in Waterloo. The first round of picture taking was in August. This will be the last opportunity to before the directory is published.

A number of people have already signed up for the October dates, but many more are available. I would encourage you to call **1-877-764-4535** to set up an appointment to have your picture taken for FREE. You will also receive a FREE picture. You are all important members of the parish; it would be an honor to have your picture in our directory.

DING! DING! DING!

The bells will be renewed and ringing again at Sts. Francis & Clare worshiping sites. This is an opportunity to have a loved one memorialized in our bell renovation program. Please see insert for more information.

Adult Education

R.C.I.A

R.C.I.A. stands for *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*. It is a process for those who are thinking about joining the Catholic Church.

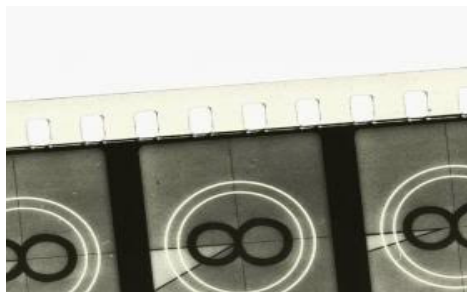
October Dates: Mondays 9/30, 10/7, 10/21, 10/28. **No class 10/14**

Cinema Divina

October 23, 6:30 pm, Ministry Center

View **“The Way”**, a powerful & inspirational story about family, friends, and the challenges we face

while navigating this ever-changing & complicated world. Starring Emilio Estevez & Martin Sheen. USCB Rating A-III (Adults), MPA- PG-13



Coming November 13, 6:30 pm, Ministry Center

View **“The Jeweller’s Shop”**, the story of a mysterious jeweller & the struggles and triumphs in the marriages of three couples. An all-star cast of Burt Lancaster, Olivia Hussey and Ben Cross shine in this film based on the book by Pope John Paul II.

Movie goodies provided! RSVP to Marie Leo, mleo@dor.org or 651-4351

Family Faith Formation

WE ARE CONNECTED!!!!

Fall Series:

Cultural Realities of Today’s Families (10/1 – 10/29)

- **“The Eclipse of the Sense of God”**
 - Understanding Secularism
- **“Speedbumps, Detours, and Obstacles”**
 - Today’s Barriers to the Gospel
- **“OMG! @Pontifex is gr8! LOL! #jmj**

#papafrancisco”

- The Broad Advancement of Technology and Social Media

• “The Traveling Salvation Show”

- The Opportunity for the Catholic Church In Menu of Worship Choices

• “Hey, Get Out of That Pew!”

- Discipling Every Day, Every Way

Use the link below to access the webinars.

<http://homelinks.dor.org>

Click on “Webinar Archive”

Enter **Username: SFSC**

Password: family

Click on the session you would like to view. Speakers or headphones required.

Resources

We all want the children in our lives to have faith, but sharing our faith requires both words and actions—and a living faith of our own. Build your child’s foundation of faith while strengthening your own relationship with Christ. Author Tom Rinkoski offers keys for growing healthy and holy family relationships.

<http://www.americancatholic.org/Newsletters/CU/preview.aspx?id=286>

“This is Discipling” is a great short visual for talking about evangelization because it really shows how this is the mission of all God’s people - not just in Church but in their homes, their work places and everywhere.

Check out the YouTube video: “This is Discipling” by Leonardo Calderon.

Faith Formation Office Hours
Mon, Wed & Thur 9-6
Tue 9-4, Fri 9-12
Sun during RE

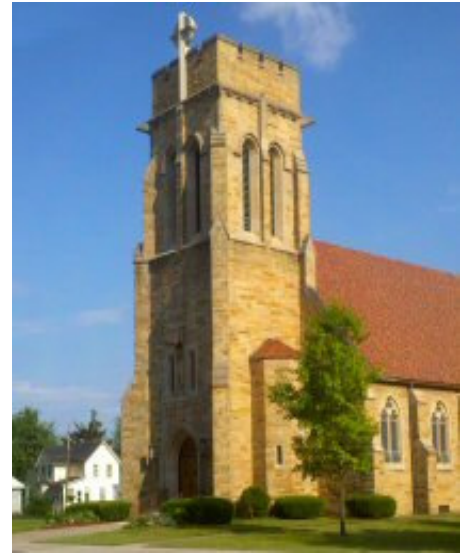
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One Faith, One Community



The Parish of St. Francis & St. Clare was created in 2013 with the merger of St. Mary's Parish in Waterloo and St. Patrick's Parish in Seneca Falls. The community operates as a single parish with two worship sites.

Looking Ahead

NOVEMBER

- All Saints Vigil Mass 10/31
5pm @ St. Mary's
- All Saints Mass 11/1 8:30 am
@ St. Pat's
- Day Light Savings 11/3 turn
clocks back-don't forget RE.
- No Religion (Veteran's Day)
11/10
- Cinema Divina 11/13 (pg 3)
- 1st Penance Workshop 11/16
1:00 pm @ St. Mary's



- 1st Penance 11/20 6:30 @ St.
Mary's
- Rehearsal for RE Mass 11/22
- Holiday Bazaar 11/23 @ Min-
istry Center
- Rehearsal for RE Mass 12/6
- Religious Education Mass
12/8 9:30 @ St. Mary's