

The Catholic Communities of Eastern Broome

First Sunday of Advent

Our Lady of Lourdes, Windsor

St. Joseph's, Deposit

St. Joseph's, Sanitaria Springs

St. Mary's, Kirkwood

HOPE

"TOGETHER, CELEBRATING OUR FAITH!"

The Catholic Communities of Eastern Broome are faith filled parishes guided by the Holy Spirit and committed to each other and our neighbors. Dedicated to strengthening our relationship with God through prayer and worship, we seek to welcome all, share our faith and assist our brothers and sisters in their time of need. We come together as one to celebrate our faith, to hear God's Word and grow in the assurance of God's love.

Catholic Communities of Eastern Broome Parish Office

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Mon - Thur 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am—Noon

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Our Lady of Lourdes

594 Kent St.

Windsor, NY 13865

Mass Time: Sunday 9:00 am

St. Joseph's Deposit

98 Second St.

Deposit, NY 13754

Mass Time: Sunday 11:00 am

St. Joseph's Sanitaria Springs

659 NY Rt. 7-B

Sanitaria Springs, NY 13833

Mass Time: Sunday 8:30 am

St. Mary's Kirkwood

975 NY Rt. 11

Kirkwood, NY 13795

Mass Times: Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 10:30 am



For more information on
Jubilee 2025, please visit:
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Sunday, November 30, 2025
First Sunday of Advent

Dear Parishioners,

What a wonderful time of year! The spirit of thankfulness continues as we move into the beginning of the new church year with the celebration of the first Sunday of Advent. This is a wonderful time of preparation and expectation as we look forward to the celebration of our Lord's birth with hope! Let us prayerfully enter into the Advent Season.



As we gather with family and friends, we remain mindful of those who need our assistance during this holy season. Whether we reach out to others through prayer, a friendly visit or in concrete material ways, there are many ways in which we can help our brothers and sisters. I encourage you also to share the gift of faith in Jesus, and His church. This is a time of year when many people consider coming back to church. Your friendly invitation may be just what they need to return.

Let us be mindful of the many needs of our world, our nation and our local community during this holiday season. May we bring these many needs to prayer and action during the beautiful season of Advent.

Advent Blessings,
Barbara Kane

***CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
CHURCHES OF EASTERN BROOME
IMMACULATA MEDALLION
AWARD RECIPIENTS***

***Anne Waymire—Sanitaria Springs
Ursela Kreamer—St. Mary's
Robert "Bob" Acquisto—OLOL
Bridget Davis—Deposit***

The Immaculata Medallion is an award recognizing and honoring lay people who generously and unselfishly volunteer their time and service to their parishes. The award honors "the unsung heroes in our midst who build up our parish communities by extraordinary service in parish ministry in volunteer service."



We thank Anne, Ursela, Bob, and Bridget for all their time and talent. They will receive their award from Bishop Lucia at a Vesper Service at **2:30 pm next Sunday, December 7th at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Syracuse.**
ALL are invited and welcome to attend!

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
HOLY DAY MASS SCHEDULE
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8TH**

**10 AM—DEPOSIT
12:10 PM—ST. MARY'S
5 PM—OUR LADY OF
LOURDES**



**SAVE THE DATE—UPCOMING EVENT
ADVENT SPIRITUAL RETREAT**

The Catholic Communities of Eastern Broome will be having an Advent Spiritual Retreat on Friday, December 12th from 1:30 pm—3:30 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes.



ALL are welcome to join Father Peter for this retreat. There will be time for exposition, rosary, adoration and confession will also be available.
More information to follow.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION CORNER

ST. MARY'S

December 7th—Faith Formation

December 14th—Student Mass

LOL

November 30th

Jesse Tree decorating before Mass

DEPOSIT

December 7th—Class



ST. MARY'S

FAMILY ADVENT

WREATH MAKING

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30 TH

AFTER 10:30 am Mass

in the Parish Hall



LOL COFFEE HOUR

It's time to update the volunteer refreshment list for Coffee Hour.

If you would like to join the list or be taken off, please sign up or leave a note on the sheet in the vestibule.

If you are already on the list, no need to sign up, I will keep you on. **We are also in need of DECAF coffee, 8 oz. hot cups, paper plates and napkins.**

If you have any questions, please see Christine Barnes.



HOLIDAY GIFT CARDS

This December, youth ages 11-17 years living in Broome County will have the opportunity to receive a gift card through the month of December at a Catholic Charities pantry. To help us meet this holiday need, we are inviting our parish communities to donate gift cards from youth-friendly stores such as Walmart, Target, Dick's, TJMaxx, and Burlington Coat Factory. We hope to provide each teen with a gift-card in the range of \$25-\$40. Donations in \$5 increments are especially helpful to ensure flexibility. Gift card donations may be given to the parish (please drop cards in an envelope marked "Holiday Gift Cards" in collection basket) or you may drop off gift card donations to Catholic Charities at 232 Main Street in Binghamton. Thank you for any assistance you can provide in helping put a smile on all youth this holiday season.



LAST WEEK'S

SACRIFICIAL OFFERING

ST. MARY'S KIRKWOOD

Collection	\$	3,391
Restoration:	\$	147
Weekly On-Line Giving:	\$	793

ST. JOSEPH'S SANITARIA SPRINGS

Collection	\$	826
Restoration:	\$	0
Weekly On-Line Giving:	\$	170

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Collection	\$	743
Restoration:	\$	0
Weekly On-Line Giving:	\$	285

ST. JOSEPH'S DEPOSIT

Collection	\$	462
Votives:	\$	5
Weekly On-Line Giving:	\$	155

Please join us in praying for
the sick of our
parish communities



*Michelle Gorman, Margaret Murray, Rita Morgan,
Fred Whitney, Dan Fish, Gerri McErlean,
Jeff Briggs, Julie Steele, Diane Yonchuk,
Carolyn Depaolo, Mary Ann Cline, George Whiting,
Alana Neer, Tom Williams, Beverly Akulis, Kevin
Kane, Joan Puccio, Robert Acquisto,
Wanda Chisarick, Jane Daley, Bev Gorman,
Lori Decker, Jessica Griffiths, Caesar Siedlecki,
Ray Vitiello, Karen Krasowsky, Bill Bennett,
Corky Mott, Giovanni Depolli, Jean Aswad,
Mary Kramer, Joe Hauptfleisch, Shirley Dennison,
Tony Russell, JoAnne Meyer, The Grogan Family,
Sarah Henry, Leo & Jan Grippen, Stephanie Davis,
Kendra Decker, Jeannie Hurlburt,
John & Arlene Dubay, Juliana Widmer,
Celia Santalucia, Ralph Blodgett, Connie Cotter,
Mary Joan Bayer, Anna Drankowski*

THE WORD AMONG US ADVENT BOOKLETS



We are pleased to make available to you Advent booklets with daily activities to guide your spiritual preparation during the beautiful season of Advent. The booklets are available at all entrances of the church.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 29, 2025

**4 pm—St. Mary's
Lillian Veselka
requested by the family**

Sunday, November 30, 2025

**8:30 am—St. Joseph's, SS
Parishioners of Eastern Broome**

**9:00 am—OLOL
Parishioners of Eastern Broome**

**10:30 am—St. Mary's
Kevin Burns
requested by Sharon & Dan Fish**

**11:00 am—St. Joseph's Deposit
Doug Moore—requested by Linda Crews**

Thursday, December 4, 2025

9 am— Prayer Service—St. Mary's

Saturday, December 6, 2025

**4 pm—St. Mary's
William & Julia Lawless
requested by Joan Covert**

Sunday, December 7, 2025

**8:30 am—St. Joseph's, SS
OPEN INTENTION**

**9:00 am—OLOL
Marie Crane
requested by Diane & Joe Pollara**

**10:30 am—St. Mary's
John Bruetsch—requested by Nancy**

**11:00 am—St. Joseph's Deposit
Thomas Hanrahan
requested by his daughter Sarah**

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF

JOAN COVERT

**MAY HER FAMILY &FRIENDS
FIND COMFORT AND PEACE.**



"NOTES OF HOPE"

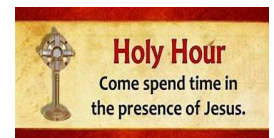
During this season of Advent—do you know of someone on your heart who needs a message of hope, encouragement or love, or just a little note to let them know that they are thought of and held in prayer?



This weekend you will find in the vestibule "Notes of Hope" - a postcard for you to take and write a message to anyone you want. We ask that you write your message, address the postcard, and leave in the collection basket or drop off to the parish office, and we will pay for the postage and send your "Note of Hope." It's a simple, tangible and to the point way of spreading a message of Jesus' love and compassion.

ST. JOSEPH'S DEPOSIT

**Holy Hour
1st Wednesday of the month
5:00 pm—December 3rd
ALL ARE WELCOME!**



FOOD PANTRY HOLIDAY BASKETS

We are asking that St. Joseph's donate cans of corn and fruit cocktail to help fill baskets for the Deposit Food Pantry Christmas Holiday Baskets. Your donations can be left at the entrance to church or in the church hall.

ADORATION

**Come join us at St. Joseph's on Wednesday's
for silent time with God from Noon—1 pm.**

ALL ARE WELCOME!

ST. MARY'S FOOD PANTRY

Our pantries have been serving more people as of late and the pressure on them will likely increase. Please consider a donation of non-perishable food items to help in this time of need. Pantry staples, such as canned fruit and vegetables, pasta and sauce, peanut butter and jelly, mac and cheese, cereal, soup, tuna fish, etc., would be most appreciated!



ATTENTION 50+ PARISHIONERS

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR NOON MASS AND OUR CHRISTMAS 50+ LUNCHEON

Let's celebrate the Christmas season together! **Please join us for noon mass on Wednesday, December 17th at St. Mary's**, followed by a delicious meal in the parish hall.



Enjoy a plate full of ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, orange glazed carrots, butternut squash soup, salad, and delicious Christmas cupcakes.

We hope all parishioners 50+ can join us for prayer, food, and fellowship. To help us plan for the day, sign up sheets are available at all parishes.

**50+ CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON
ST. MARY'S
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17th
FOLLOWING NOON MASS**

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY

For the past 43 years, our Diocese has joyfully celebrated World Marriage Day, a beautiful tradition honoring the enduring commitment of married couples.

We invite couples who will celebrate their 25th, 50th, or beyond wedding anniversaries in 2026 to join us for this special celebration.



The Word Marriage Day Mass will be celebrated on February 15, 2026 at 2 pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Syracuse.

The Most Reverend Douglas J. Lucia will celebrate Mass and invite all couples in attendance to renew their commitment to Holy Matrimony. If celebrating your 25th, 50th, or 50+ anniversary in 2026, please contact the parish office at 607-775-0086 to receive a special invitation from Bishop Lucia by Friday, December 18, 2025.

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026—2:00 PM
CATHEDRAL OF THE IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION**

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

ST. MARY'S & ST. JOE'S, SANITARIA SPRINGS

Thank you to all those that filled and distributed bags and donated money to help with this years Food Basket Distribution. You helped provide a delicious meal for those in need.

*Thank
you!*

SOCIAL SATURDAYS CAREGIVER RESPITE



St. Mary's is part of the **SOCIAL SATURDAYS RESPITE PROGRAMS** hosted monthly by area church communities. Social Saturdays is a group respite program providing small group social engagement for care recipients while providing a break for their caregivers. Participants engage in discussions, light chair exercises, arts and craft activities, games, a light lunch and so much more! There is no cost to attend and guests do not need to be a member of the parish to participate. St. Mary's Respite Program is the third Saturday of each month.

Our next session is

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20TH
11:00 AM – 2:00 PM - ST. MARY'S PARISH HALL.**

Please RSVP to 607-775-0086 if you plan on attending.

HOPE APPEAL 2025

We ask all parishioners to prayerfully consider contributing to this year's HOPE Appeal.



Pledge cards are available at all entrances to the church. You can also donate online

at syracusediocese.org

2025 Hope Appeal Goals

St. Mary's—\$14,071

Our Lady of Lourdes—\$6,776

St. Joseph's Deposit—\$4,780

St. Joseph's Sanitaria Springs— \$5,708

***THE LIGHT IS ON
ST. MARY'S, KIRKWOOD
MONDAY, DECEMBER 15TH
4 PM – 6 PM***

CELEBRATE THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF

EASTERN BROOME

OUR LOCATIONS

Main Office : (607) 775-0086

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Parochial Vicar:

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Our Lady of Lourdes

Trustees: Scott Symons & Christine Barnes

Catechetical Leader: Jen Barton

St. Joseph's Deposit

Trustees: Lawrence Rowe & Mary Spencer

Catechetical Leaders: Judy Lloyd/Bridget Davis

St. Joseph's Sanitaria Springs

Trustees: Mike Hubenthal & Teresa Monico

Faith Formation Program combined with St. Mary's

St. Mary's, Kirkwood

Trustees: Dennis O'Dea & Jeffrey Kerr

Faith Formation Program combined with St. Joseph's,
Sanitaria Springs

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Please contact the parish office prior to the child's birth for information on Baptismal preparation.

Reconciliation

The Sacrament is available on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month at St. Mary's from 3:30 pm - 4 pm.

You may also call for an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick

The sacrament of strength and healing is available upon request for those who are sick or elderly.

Please do not wait too long to call the office for assistance. Please do not wait until your loved one is near death.

You can also request the sacrament at area hospitals.

Marriage

Couples should contact the Office to make an appointment with the Parish Life Director to begin their preparation for marriage. Marriages should be scheduled at least six months before the anticipated wedding date.

Illness

Due to HIPPA privacy laws the parish is not notified when parishioners are hospitalized.

We ask you contact the parish office when a loved one is hospitalized.

Bereavement

We would like to help you with your needs at your time of loss. Please contact the office for assistance.

ATTENTION ALL WEEKEND MASS VOLUNTEERS & FAITH FORMATION PARENTS

**All Liturgical Ministers and parent volunteers,
are required to attend Safe Environment Training.**

**Participants can register online at
safeenvironment@syrdio.org**

- **Tues., Dec. 2nd, 1pm, St. Ambrose, Endicott**
- **Wed., Dec. 3rd, 6pm, St. James, Johnson City**
- **Wed., Dec. 10th, 10am, St. Francis Assisi, Bing.**

**** THE DEADLINE FOR EUCHARISTIC
MINISTERS TO BE VIRTUS CERTIFIED
IS DECEMBER, 31, 2025 ****

PARISH REGISTRATION FORM

Please indicate parish choice:

☐ St. Joseph's, Deposit ☐ St. Joseph's, Sanitaria Springs ☐ Our Lady of Lourdes, Windsor ☐ St. Mary's, Kirkwood

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

☐ I am new in the parish and wish to register ☐ I am previously registered and would once again like envelopes

(Please mail completed registration form to the Parish Office at 975 NY Rt. 11, Kirkwood, NY 13795 OR put in collection)

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