

*Making a difference in the lives of those we serve...*



**Capuchin Franciscan Friars of the Province of St. Mary -Chapter 2011**

We have lived in our church community of Capuchins for over 30 years. During that time my husband and I have raised 8 children in the parish of St. Joseph. The caring, personable and understanding nature of the Capuchins assigned to St Joe's have greatly enriched the faith of our children in their formative years.

Memories of retreat weekends, summer work programs, CYO and just everyday living experiences have left them with a deep feeling of love and a strong sense of belonging to their faith regardless of where life might have taken them. Most of them have moved away but when they return home for visits, they always look forward to attending Mass at St Joseph's. They've invited the Capuchins attend weddings, baptize their babies and even join us for informal family gatherings.

The Capuchin Friars will always be very dear to our hearts no matter where we all end up. It's because of the Capuchins our lives as parents and teachers of the faith has been made so easy.

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The Capuchin Franciscan Friars of the Province of St. Mary have ministered at St. Joseph Parish, New Paltz, NY since 1975 [40 years].

