



# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Saturday,</b> 4:30 PM	<b>August 4, 2007</b> Lillian Clark by Sylvie & Jim Doyle
<b>Sunday,</b> 7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM	<b>August 5, 2007</b> In Honor of God the Father Jim Johansen (1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary) by his family Uldric & Simone St. Amand by William & Phyllis Nedorostek
<b>Monday,</b> 7:45 AM	<b>August 6, 2007</b> Fr. James Boyle
<b>Tuesday,</b> 7:45 AM	<b>August 7, 2007</b> Barbara Sheridan by the Sands family
<b>Wednesday,</b> 7:45 AM	<b>August 8, 2007</b> Mom Gondek (1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary) by her family
<b>Thursday,</b> 7:45 ARE	<b>August 9, 2007</b> Annette & Philip Tumminelli by Margaret Mitchell
<b>Friday,</b> 7:45 AM	<b>August 10, 2007</b> Maurice Sponzo by the Golas family
<b>Saturday,</b> 4:30 PM	<b>August 11, 2007</b> Andrew Marek (8 <sup>th</sup> anniversary) by his wife & children
<b>Sunday,</b> 7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM	<b>August 12, 2007</b> Helen Muszynski by the O'Connor & DeMeo families Kenneth Masek & granddaughter Kelsie Masek by the Masek family Sally Tagalicod by Jean & Mark Ouellette

## Readings for the Week of August 5, 2007

Sunday:	Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21
Monday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36
Tuesday:	Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday:	Nm 13:1-2, 25-14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/Mt 15:21-28
Thursday:	Nm 20:1-13/Mt 16:13-23
Friday:	2 Cor 9:6-10/Jn 12:24-26
Saturday:	Dt 6:4-13/Mt 17:14-20
Next Sunday:	Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

*He replied to him, "Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?" Then he said to the crowd, "Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." - Lk 12:14-15*

The second collection this weekend is the monthly offering.

## CALENDAR

8/6	9:30 AM	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:30 PM	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

*Kenneth Masek*

This is a venerable tradition and we ask you to keep him in your prayers.

### *From Fr. Golas,*

The tragic circumstances involving Dr. William Petit and his family have been the focus of our state since it happened nearly two weeks ago. Our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family at this time. His words at the memorial of his wife and daughters display a genuine sense of Christian value and love. We can hope that his words inspire more to consider seriously their priorities.

Their tragedy also gives us much to consider about our society. Drug addiction is a serious problem that needs to be addressed effectively by individuals and our society. In addition, the criminal justice system is under scrutiny for its role in dealing with the perpetrators of this terrible crime. These are issues not only for those who deal with addiction or criminal behavior, but a society that needs to address problems not as isolated entities but in reality as part of a greater fabric that connects all of us. This tragedy invites us to consider how we see ourselves individually and as a community and as part of a larger social network. Then with all involved, we can address the major issues we face with all the resources available to find a better way. As Christians, we bring our tradition of justice, mercy and love based on the gospel to offer our input to society often confused about what it values.

I will be away for vacation from August 8 – 13.

## SALESIAN MISSIONS

Taking their name from their Patron, Saint Francis deSales, the Salesians were founded by St. John Bosco in 1859. Don Bosco told his Salesians: "Our mission is to form good Christians and loyal citizens." Pope John Paul II writing on Don Bosco's educational mission said, "Don Bosco's pedagogical method is not only applicable to every culture, but can be profitably adapted even to non-Christian religions." This papal comment gives a sort of universal sweep and scope to the work of Don Bosco, which is still followed by his Salesians today.

The 34,000 Salesian Priests, Brothers and Sisters work in over 3,700 centers in 130 countries worldwide and their work continues to grow in size and need. Their mission is to improve the lives of the poor, innocent children by: Teaching them in their academic trade and agricultural schools; Guiding them in their youth centers; Caring for them in their medical clinics and giving them food and safe haven in their shelters. Annually, over three million young people are given a chance to live a life of dignity. Next weekend, the second collection will be in support the Salesian Missions.

ST. MARY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF JUNE 5, 2007

The June 5<sup>th</sup> Parish Council meeting, the last of the 2006-07 year, began with the welcoming of newly elected members, Sylvie Doyle, George Marcello, Robert Prindiville and Jim Shortley. Terms end June 30 for outgoing council members Pat and Paul Robotham, Maurice Goldberg and Rick Daddario and Betsey Giovannucci, Teen representative. The council thanks the outgoing members and Nelson Waters, outgoing president, for their support and dedication to the parish council. The following members have been elected to serve as officers for the 2007-2008 year – Robert Slabinski, President, Fran Javaruski, Vice President and Phyllis Nedorostek, Secretary.

Committee Reports: *Religious Education*: Deacon Tom Sutak reported the enrollment for religious education is expected to be approximately 856 students for the coming year and is expected to continue to be large in the future. Tuition payments for religious education are lagging for last year's tuition. Parents or guardians must notify the parish of hardship to waive the fee. Confirmation class is also expected to be at or above the 85 student cap that the program can handle. The nominal fee that the parish charges is approximately half of the charge of other parishes. It was suggested that we consider increasing the charge.

*Liturgy*: Brian Beisel reported that the Liturgy committee met in May. There are currently a sufficient numbers of ushers, lectors and servers for the Sunday masses. There is a full complement of Eucharistic ministers, but they may recruit one more. At their last meeting, the group discussed the parish website and the need to provide Ed O'Reilly with updated Parish Council minutes. The council noted this concern and will remedy it. *Faith Formation*: Deacon Mike Sponzo reported the seven members of this committee meet regularly. In an effort to expand awareness of this committee as well as to further its goals, they plan to contact each activity or group in the parish to find out what they can do to relate to those committees. *Small Church Core Group*: Fr. John Golas reported that this group had a social gathering on June 20 and on June 25<sup>th</sup> the team met with staff to share their plans for the future of the group. They hope to increase the number in the group and share their vision to combine life and faith. June 5 Parish Council minutes will conclude in next weekend's bulletin.

St. Mary parish family welcomes the following newly registered members:

*Deborah & Richard Dionizio, Unionville*  
*Dana & Brian Hastings & son, Unionville*  
*Dina & Dale Hileman & family, Avon*  
*Nancy Vichi, Avon*



Anne Galliot is being commissioned as Extraordinary minister of Holy Communion at the 4:30 PM Mass on August 4. Anne is a member of the Legion of Mary involved in prison ministry. She will bring the Eucharist to those in prison as well as those parishioners in their homes. She also will assist at the weekend liturgies. Congratulations and many blessings to Anne in this ministry

MUSIC MINISTRY GATHERING

All those presently involved in our parish's music ministry (cantors, choirs, vocal/instrumentalists) and those who wish to participate in the music ministry, are asked to attend a brief meeting in our gathering space on Wednesday evening, Sept. 5 from 6:30 – 7:30 PM. Pizza/refreshments will be served. Your attendance is important. Thank you!

Rick



Picnic

OUR 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

Our 50<sup>th</sup> Annual parish picnic will probably be held sometime in the month of September 2007. Meanwhile though, our FIRST annual Parish Picnic will be celebrated this

September 9<sup>th</sup> at the Knights of Columbus picnic grounds (New Britain Avenue, Unionville). Please watch and listen for more details in coming weeks. Help us build wonderful memories of parish family life. Thank you.

LEAP!Life Everlasting – Awakening Possibilities

*Proud 2B Catholic Music Festival*  
*A Catholic experience for all ages*  
*August 11 – 1:00 – 9:00 PM at the Marist House in Framingham, Mass.*

Last year was an awesome experience and we wanted to share it with the parish. The theme is 'Power to be Faithful' which will be celebrated with praise and worship music, powerful breakout talks, Mass, Reconciliation and Adoration. There will be inflatable games and a children's interactive and learning tent, food and wonderful t-shirts. Go to Proud2BCatholic.com for more information or call Karen Herbert 675-7970. Tickets are \$20 – they do have family rates! We will meet at the church at noon and caravan to the festival. Please join us as we celebrate the passion of our faith!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

*"The harvest is abundant – but the laborers are few."*

Luke 10:2

Those interested in becoming a catechist, or in helping us comply with the requirements of the Archdiocesan "Safe Environments" program as a hall monitor are asked to contact the Office of Religious Education for additional information.

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