



Saturday, 4:30 PM	February 2, 2008 John Paruske by his family
Sunday, 7:30 AM	February 3, 2008 Joseph Bombara by his family
9:30 AM	Susan Seitz by the Nicksa family
11:00 AM	Rachel McGovern by her family
Monday, 7:45 AM	February 4, 2008 Joseph Schwarz by Patricia & Thomas Daly
Tuesday, 7:45 AM	February 5, 2008 Joseph Schwarz by Kevin Daly
Wednesday, 7:45 AM	February 6, 2008 Roland Rouleau by Rudy & Jeannine Wulff
5:00 PM	Prayer Service
7:30 PM	St. Mary Parish
Thursday, 7:45 AM	February 7, 2008 Virginia Hatfield by her husband Fred
Friday, 7:45 AM	February 8, 2008 Fr. James Boyle
7:00 PM	Stations of the Cross
Saturday, 4:30 PM	February 9, 2008 Mary Bianchi by the Turski/Sheintop families
Sunday, 7:30 AM	February 10, 2008 Skip Woods by Wyatt Simard
9:30 AM	Dora & Albert Cromack by family
11:00 AM	Dolores Huminski by Doug & Diane Leonard & family

Readings for the Week of February 3, 2008

Sunday:	Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a
Monday:	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday:	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3/Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday:	Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20-6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
Friday:	Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday:	Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32
Next Sunday:	Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11

The second collection this weekend is the monthly offering.

Calendar

2/3	2:00 PM	Volunteer reception – Gath. Space
2/4	9:30 AM	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:30 PM	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
2/9	4:30 PM	Choir sings
2/10		Coffee Sunday

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

Mary Bianchi

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



February 6, 2008

7:45 AM	Mass and Distribution of Ashes
5:00 PM	Liturgy of the Word & Distribution of Ashes
7:30 PM	Mass & Distribution of Ashes

Stations of the Cross

7:00 PM Fridays

St. Mary Star of the Sea

Parish Lenten Series

A Review and Renewal of the Basics of the Catholic Faith

7:00 PM

Monday, February 11 – *Teaching Office of the Church*
Deacon Michael Sponzo

Monday, February 18 – *What We Believe*
Karen Herbert and Robert Murphy

Monday, February 25 – *We Celebrate*
Deacon Thomas Sutak

Monday, March 3 – *We Live*
Fr. John Golas

Monday, March 10 – *We Pray*
Fr. Mathew Kappalumakkel

Men Take Note

Every man who reads this knows that any business that doesn't take inventory and check its priorities from time to time is a company headed for trouble. When was the last time you checked your spiritual inventory and the priorities of the things that really matter? A retreat is the ideal time to do this, so sign up now for St Mary's Men's Retreat at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford. For more information call Ray Crozier at 673-4282 or contact the Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford at 521-0440, or register on line at www.holyfamilyretreat.org.

Leap!
Life Everlasting -Awakening Possibilities

There is a popular bumper sticker that reads "God Bless America", but hasn't America already been blessed. It is easy for us to fall into a mindset of viewing 'our' world as 'the' world, because it's all we generally see. Maybe God has blessed us with everything we have so we can bless and give to others. Come join us on **Saturday, February 9 from 7-9:30** at the Teen Center in Unionville, School Street. We will share in a great 12 minute movie, have lively discussions, sing totally cool songs and have a lot of laughs playing games while we discover a spiritual direction that will help us discern how blessed we are this Lenten Season. Please come and bring a friend! Call Karen Herbert 675-7970 with questions.

Ski Trip
Saturday, March 1 - Mt. Snow, Vermont

Come ski/snowboard with us! Always lots of fun for families or individuals! Lesson and rentals available. Don't ski? Tubing & cross-country skiing available nearby or just explore a quaint Vermont town via the Moo-ver. Call Maureen for details: 673-6145. Sponsored by St. Mary's Fun Committee.

St. Mary parish welcomes the following newly registered members:

Rita Goz, Farmington
Edward & Marian Ramond & daughter, Burlington



The Women's Guild would like to express its sincere thanks to Mr. Charles Thomas for his generous donation in memory of his wife Marilyn Thomas. The donation made by Mr. Thomas will be added to our scholarship fund for this year. Thank you!!

Cook books will be on sale after mass Coffee Sunday, February 10.

The Guild of St. Agnes Home, Inc....

wishes to thank all who contributed to the 2007 membership drive and the Red Stocking Drive. From the Archives of *The Catholic Transcript* (Jan. 2008) – 25 years ago, 1983, "St. Agnes Home, the only maternity home in the state serving unwed teenage mothers, set another precedent this week when it admitted the first young mother and her baby to its new Lourdes Family Center, housed in the former Corpus Christi Convent here (Wethersfield)...The Center, the first of its kind in Connecticut, provides new mothers with a place to stay while finishing their education or undergoing vocational training so they will be able to support themselves and their children. For further information contact Alice Flynn 673-2198 or Kathleen Ruzbasan 673-2038.

St. Mary parish family welcomes through the sacrament of baptism:

Alexa Kate Blaha
Will Matthew Larock

Prayer Shawl

The group will meet on February 8 at noon in St. Mary's gathering space. Bring lunch. Call Pat Robotham if you have any questions 673-3435.

From the Hospital for Special Care:

On behalf of the patients and staff at Hospital for Special Care, I would like to thank you for your generous donations given to the patients during the holiday season. With these donations, patients who would have gone without presents received gifts. The many different items donated were useful to a large group of our patient population.

Why We Use Ashes

The use of ashes is thought to have begun with Pope Gregory the Great in the 6th century. In the Old Testament ashes were used as a sign of humility and mortality as well as sorrow and repentance for sin. Receiving ashes on the head as a reminder of mortality and a sign of sorrow for sin was a practice of the Church by the 10th century. The ashes are from burnt palm. In some places the ashes are put on the forehead in the sign of the cross as a reminder of the anointing with oil in baptism. In other places, ashes are scattered on the top of the head.

Why We Call it Lent

Lent, from an Old English word for Spring, is known as Quadragesima, or "forty" in Latin and the Romance languages. 40 days is a Biblical symbol for a special time of preparation. The official day of "farewell" is Mardi Gras, French for "Fat Tuesday," because all the butter and lard had to be used up before Lent. The Lenten fast and abstinence from meat in most parts of the world is confined to Ash Wednesday and Fridays during Lent, and now allows for eggs, milk and cheese.

Request for Tax Information

If you would like a copy of your contributions for 2007, please complete and return the form below to Paula at the rectory. (You may leave the request in the collection basket.). Or you may e-mail your request to rectory@stmary-unionville.org or fax to 673-2001. A statement will be promptly mailed to you. *Thank you for your cooperation. No phone calls, please.*

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