

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	July 18, 2009 John Harris by his family
Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	July 19, 2009 Intentions of Thomas & Joan Gunning by the Gunning family & Kathy Arle
9:30 a.m.	Helen & Tom Kenyon by their family
11:00 a.m.	Florence Larkin
Monday, 7:45 a.m.	July 20, 2009 John Mikolajcik by Andy & Mary Smolen
Tuesday, 7:45 a.m.	July 21, 2009 Ronald Rimiller by his family
Wednesday, 7:45 a.m.	July 22, 2009 Fr. Augustine Giusani
Thursday, 7:45 a.m.	July 23, 2009 Fr. Patrick Curran
Friday, 7:45 a.m.	July 24, 2009 Fr. Charles MacDonald
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	July 25, 2009 Special Intention
Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	July 26, 2009 Daniel Delaney by Bob & MaryJane Oliveira
9:30 a.m.	James Nicksa by his family
11:00 a.m.	Elisabeth Leary (3 rd anniversary) by her family

Readings for the Week of July 19, 2009

Sunday:	Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34
Monday:	Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday:	Ex 14:21---15:1/Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday:	Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Thursday:	Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Mt 13:10-17
Friday:	Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23
Saturday:	2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28
Next Sunday:	2 Kgs 4:42-44/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

Calendar

7/20	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room

From Fr. Golas,

The Comboni Missionaries of the Heart of Jesus will be coming to St. Mary for a Mission Appeal the weekend of July 25/26. They were founded in 1867 by Saint Daniel Comboni, the first Bishop of Central Africa. Originally they were a group of priests and brothers from all over Europe doing mission work in Africa under the name of "Institute for the African Missions." They became a religious society in 1895. Up to recent years they were popularly known as "Verona Fathers." Presently the Comboni Missionaries number close to 1,800. There are just as many Comboni Missionary Sisters. They serve in over thirty countries of Africa, Europe, the Americas and Asia. The Comboni Missionaries care for the poor and most abandoned people in any area of the world that the Holy See may want to entrust to them.

Funds collected during the Missionary Cooperative Plan go mostly into a small mission project fund that sponsors people-related projects in Africa and Latin America. Currently many of these projects are directed to refugee resettlement in the Sudan (Darfur included), Uganda and Congo, AIDS prevention and AIDS orphans' assistance, training of local missionaries, both lay and religious, women's education at secondary level, and establishing wells and other sources of safe water for desert dwellers in Ethiopia, Eritrea and Kenya.

Fr. Luigi Zanotto, a Comboni Missionary from Verona, Italy, will be with us for the Mission Appeal Weekend. In his family three brothers and two sisters are consecrated to the missions as priests and nuns. Ordained a priest in 1968, he worked in Latin America with the indigenous and in formation of lay ministries. At present, he is the Director of Justice and Peace Department of the Comboni Missionaries in Montclair and is the main representative of Africa Faith and Justice Network (NGO) to the United Nations.



From the Human Needs Committee:

A school supply collection of new items will be held the weekend of August 1st and 2nd for those in need in the town of Farmington. Suggested items are: #2 pencils, pens, crayons, glue sticks, pocket folders, rulers, notebooks, loose-leaf filler paper, post-it notes, back packs, lunch packs or any other appropriate items. If you have any questions, please contact Diane Magnuson at 673-3927. Thank you for your support.

Lectors Wanted

We are currently seeking parishioners who have an interest in joining the St. Mary Lector team. Lectors must be effective communicators and have the ability to understand and express the spirit of the scripture readings at Mass. Candidates for this ministry must be confirmed and be willing to attend training. If you are interested or need additional information, please contact Rosemary Frombach, 673-3471 (frombach.r@sbcglobal.net).

A Certificate of Recognition

was recently presented to St. Mary parish for its outstanding service to Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center. Our Pastor, Fr. Golas, has promoted the ministry of the retreat center in many ways – by helping defray the cost of first-time retreatants, promoting days and evenings of reflection and also for being the only Church sponsoring a hole at their annual golf tournament fundraiser. Thank you, Father Golas!

Slow Down, Look Back

Find the healing presence of God in the daily stuff of our lives. Come visit our Small Church Community (Archdiocese of Hartford's gift to us). We meet at the Hart House 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. every other Wednesday July 22 – August 5 – August 19 – September 2. If you would like more information, please call Clara Ryan 673-0756.

How Does a Person Become Catholic?

Simply through the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). Our parish-based RCIA program begins in October, meets weekly and culminates at the Easter Vigil. If interested, or if you know someone who might be, please contact Deacon Tom Sutak, Faith Formation Coordinator, at (860) 675-8522 for more information.

Religious Education News

Thinking Ahead to the Fall -If you know someone who might be interested in helping to pass on our faith to other members of our parish as a catechist for grades 1-10, as a mentor for our RCIA candidates, a facilitator for some of our Adult Faith formation activities, or as a trainer in our *“Think First – Stay Safe”* child safety program, please contact Deacon Tom Sutak at (860) 675-8522 for more information.

Altar Servers -If you are interested in joining our Altar Server team please call the Office of Religious Education 675-8522 for details. Candidates must be in the fourth grade at a minimum and **be willing to serve at any weekend Mass and on special occasions (feast days) as scheduled.** Candidates will be required to attend a training session and work along side more experienced servers to gain experience.

Religious Education Registration - Registration forms submitted to the Office of Religious Education after June 14th must include a \$15 late fee in addition to the regular tuition amount. All students (new and returning) must register to be included in the program which begins in September. Registration forms are located in the entrances to the Gathering Space.

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

Anna Grace Workman

Welcome

We welcome all who celebrate with us at St. Mary parish whether visitors, long-time resident or newly arrived at our parish. If you are not a registered member of our parish community, please fill out a census form located on the tables inside the worship space and return to the rectory. It is necessary to be registered to arrange baptisms, marriages, enroll in CCD classes and to obtain sponsor certificates as Godparents and witnesses

A Family Perspective

by Bud Ozar

The gospel today reports so many “people were coming and going ... they had no opportunity even to eat.” If that sounds like your family, then today's gospel is for you. Don't let your family become another statistic; deliberately make and take time for the relationships in your life. Quality time is quantity time!


FOR YOUR INFO

Mass of Healing and Hope: Tuesday, July 21 at 7:30 p.m., the Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary, Bloomfield, with rosary at 6:55 p.m. Presider: Rev. Michael Dolan. Trained prayer teams available after Mass. Call the Charismatic Renewal Office 860 243-8234 for more information.

St. Lucian's Residence in New Britain is a non-profit home for seniors, providing them with basic living needs. For over 75 years the Daughters of Mary have provided a safe, caring and Christian environment for the residents. Please call 860 223-2123 for more information.

At a Catholic school

your children will find “learning that reaches higher” and acquire the skills and qualities necessary to achieve in this challenging world. Make a solid investment in your child's future by exploring your Catholic schools where students are still being accepted for fall, 2009. Visit www.HigherStandardsNow.com and choose a Catholic school.

Church Bulletin Bloopers

The Fasting and Prayer Conference includes meals.

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 p.m. – prayer and medication to follow.