



Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	August 22, 2009 Robert Krenn by Richard F. Miller
Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	August 23, 2009 Viola Delaney by Bob & MaryJane Oliveira
9:30 a.m.	Prosper Larose by George Larose
11:00 a.m.	Gerald Dionne by Mr. & Mrs. Donald Morin
Monday, 7:45 a.m.	August 24, 2009 Art Beaulieu by daughter Judy Welcome
Tuesday, 7:45 a.m.	August 25, 2009 Michael McHugh by Margaret Mitchell
Wednesday, 7:45 a.m.	August 26, 2009 George & Amelia Kramer
Thursday, 7:45 a.m.	August 27, 2009 Ted Parent (6 th anniversary) by his wife
Friday, 7:45 a.m.	August 28, 2009 Joseph & John Matarese by wife & mother
4:00 p.m.	Wedding – Parrish Castor – Chelsea DaCruz
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	August 29, 2009 Frances Wildes (1 st anniversary) by Christine, Mark & Chris Napolitano
Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	August 30, 2009 Eleanor Majewski (11 th anniversary) by Carole & Wilbur Charette
9:30 a.m.	Frank & Anna Bugnacki by family
11:00 a.m.	Paul Devin (1 st anniversary) Dennis P. Devin (26 ½ anniversary) by family

Readings for the Week of August 23, 2009	
Sunday:	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69
Monday:	Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
Tuesday:	1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday:	1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:	1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51
Friday:	1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13
Saturday:	1 Thes 4:9-11/Mk 6:17-29
Next Sunday:	Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/ Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Calendar

8/24	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room

From Fr. Golas,

The Connecticut Catholic Men’s Conference (CCMC) will be held on October 3 at the Chevrolet Theatre in Wallingford. For more information contact the CCMC website: www.ctcatholicmen.org or call (203) 710-0440. This Saturday conference was a great experience of faith last year. I hope that many men of our parish join with men from our state that day to strengthen the faith of their lives, family and community.

Religious Education News



We are still searching for
Catechists
for the following grades...

Grade	1	3	5	6	8
Catechists Needed	1	2	1	2	1

Hall Monitors are also needed for weekday classes at Hart House. If your child is attending a weekday class, consider volunteering for this important role. Please contact Deacon Tom at the Office of Religious Education for details tel: (860) 675-8522 e-mail: st.mary.re@sbcglobal.net

Altar Servers Needed

Altar Servers are needed at the 7:30 and 11:00 a.m. masses. If you are in at least the 4th grade and are interested in becoming part of our server team, call the Office of Religious Education for more information.

Peer Connections

On Saturday, Aug 29 we will be hosting our **1st annual 'pre-season kick-off'**. We invite everyone and their families and friends to join us for an energetic game of kick ball and ice cream sundaes. It is the perfect way to check out what it is like to have fun while sharing your faith with your peers. We will meet at the Teen Center on School Street (next to the fire station) from 6-9:00 p.m. Please contact Karen Herbert kherbertct@comcast.net or call 675-7970 to get more information.

Adult Choir to Resume

Weekly practices for the Adult Choir will begin on Wednesday, September 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Individuals, 17 years of age or older, wishing to join the choir are invited to see Rick after any weekend mass or to please contact him at 860-793-2737. Thank you.



What's the focus of the focus question?

If you would like to hear a few thoughts or share a few thoughts on the weekly focus question then save a little time, next week after the 9:30 or 11:00 a.m. Mass in the gathering space to share ideas.

Save the Date

On October 6, 2009 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. there will be a **Will and Life Planning Seminar** to be held in the gathering space conducted by the Committee for Planned Giving and Endowments and representatives of the Archdiocesan Office of Development. Please join us and find out how you can support St. Mary Star of the Sea and pass on our Catholic faith and heritage. For more information, visit www.Catholigivingaoh.org. Our faith is the most valuable treasure we can pass on!

The Traveling Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

Would you like to welcome the Blessed Mother into your home? The Legion of Mary will deliver and pick up the beautiful statue of Our Lady of Fatima along with prayers and rosaries for you to say as she remains your guest for one week. What better way to start the new school year or to show Mary how much you love her? Add your name and phone number on the board in the gathering space and we will contact you for a convenient time. Please call MaryAnn Dubin 677-2028 with questions.

How Does a Person Become Catholic?

Simply through the **R**ite of **C**hristian **I**nitiation for **A**dults (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.

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

Jesus put all the cards on the table in today's gospel and "many walked away" because they found it too "hard." Are you committed to the relationships in your family as they really ARE or to the mental fantasy of how YOU WANT THEM to be?

✓ Check This Out...

Revival and Healing Evenings – Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary, Bloomfield. September 1 and 2, 7:30 p.m. Seating is limited, so please register ahead. Call the Charismatic Renewal Office (860) 243-8234.

St. Stanislaus Parish, 510 West St., Bristol will hold its annual **Polish Festival "Dozynki"** on September 12 & 13 on the grounds of St. Stanislaus Church on Saturday from noon – 10:00 p.m. and Sunday 11:30 – 7:00 p.m. Rides and games for children, live Polka music, homemade Polish food. For more information, please call St. Stanislaus Parish office at (860) 583-4242.

Catholic Youth Spectacular -Beyond Sunday: Reading the Signs-Getting Home- Sunday, September 20, 2009 -Keynote: Steve Angrisano. House Band: eXaudio -Special Guests: Destiny Africa Youth Choir from Kampala -Catholic Idol, Big picnic, Reconciliation, Mass with Archbishop Mansell -Rock Cats Stadium, New Britain -\$30.00 by Sept 11th. \$35.00 at the door. For ages 7th grade and up. Contact our Youth Minister, Karen Herbert 675-7970 or call Shawnee Baldwin Archdiocesan Office of Religious Education 860-243-9465 ext 20.

New Retreat Season at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center "Be Not Afraid...Living in God's Care" is the theme for this year's retreat season at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford. The antidote to fear is hope, and that is exactly what we are offered through the message of Christ in the Gospels. A retreat can remind us of this message of hope. We will find solace in our faith tradition, and a renewed sense of possibility. For details on Holy Family's retreats for men, women, couples, youth and those in recovery from substance abuse, or to register, visit www.holyfamilyretreat.org or call 860 521-0440.

