



<b>Saturday,</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>October 3, 2009</b> Anmari Sardilli by her family
<b>Sunday,</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>October 4, 2009</b> Marge McGovern by Bob & Marilyn Slabinski
9:30 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Pace by family
11:00 a.m.	Albert & Mary Nedorostek by William & Phyllis Nedorostek
<b>Monday,</b> 7:45 a.m.	<b>October 5, 2009</b> Ethel Zekas
<b>Tuesday,</b> 7:45 a.m.	<b>October 6, 2009</b> Fr. Robert Bergin
<b>Wednesday,</b> 7:45 a.m.	<b>October 7, 2009</b> Celia Beede by Dick & Claire Selinga
<b>Thursday,</b> 7:45 a.m.	<b>October 8, 2009</b> Fr. Felix Maguire
<b>Friday,</b> 7:45 a.m.	<b>October 9, 2009</b> Deceased members of the Rourke family
<b>Saturday,</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>October 10, 2009</b> Paul Devin & the Intention of Lucy Devin by family
<b>Sunday,</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>October 11, 2009</b> Adele Slabinski by Bob & Marilyn Slabinski
9:30 a.m.	Henry Grenier & Gertrude Macdonald by family
11:00 a.m.	Thomas & Frederica Walsh by the Cunningham family

#### Readings for the Week of October 4, 2009

Sunday:	Gn 2:18-24/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12
Monday:	Jon 1:1--2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday:	Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday:	Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4
Thursday:	Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13
Friday:	Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26
Saturday:	Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28
Next Sunday:	Wis 7:7-11/Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

The Office of Catholic Schools for the Archdiocese of Hartford would like to express its deepest gratitude to all who participated in last weekend's HOPES Collection on behalf of our Catholic elementary schools. We deeply appreciate your support.

The second collection this week is the monthly offering.

#### Calendar

10/5	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	6:30 p.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Gr. Parent mtg. – Church
	7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
10/6	7:00 p.m.	Planned Giving Seminar – Gath. Space
10/7	7:00 p.m.	Human Needs Committee–Hosp. Room
10/9	noon	Prayer Shawl Group – Gath. Space
10/11		Coffee Sunday
	9:30 a.m. mass	Choir
10/12	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
10/17	4:30 p.m. mass	Choir
10/18	11:00 a.m. mass	Two or More

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

**George Bonetti**

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

*"Life comes at you fast,"*

the catch phrase of a major insurance company, reminds us that lives can be changed in a split second. Learn how to be prepared for whatever life sends your way by attending a free **Estate Planning Seminar** at St. Mary Church on Tuesday, October 6 at 7:00 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Office of Development of the Archdiocese of Hartford and St. Mary Church. This 90-minute session will provide simple and practical ways to plan for the future. An attorney will present a wealth of information on Wills, Advance Care Directives, Trusts, tips on reducing your taxable estate and other helpful financial information. You will receive a valuable packet of useful items. Refreshments will also be served. Space is limited so register early by calling the Office of Development at 860 547-0513.

*Don't forget*

to look over the proposed by-laws for the **Women's Guild**. They can be found on the back counter in the gathering space. If you would like to discuss the proposed by-laws feel free to contact Betty Faitella at 485-0551 or by e-mail at [faitella@sbcglobal.net](mailto:faitella@sbcglobal.net). We will be voting on them at the November meeting.

The Guild will be sponsoring a **"Bakeless Bake Sale"** after masses on October 17 and 18. Information will be in next weekend's bulletin. The proceeds from this sale will go towards our scholarship fund. Your support of last year's sale was most appreciated.

The annual **Pot Luck Supper and Tea Cup Auction** will be held on Tuesday, October 20 in the gathering space beginning at 6:00 pm. Each member is asked to bring a favorite dish to share along with an auction item costing a minimum of \$5. The Guild's telephone committee will be contacting members. All women of the parish are invited and may call Irene Engel at 675-8633 for more information.

*Religious Education News*

*Home Study* - Home Study materials will be available for pickup 9:00 a.m. – noon, Sunday through Friday at Hart House the week of October 4.

*Grade 2 Parent Meeting* -There will be an informational session for parents of students who will be receiving their first communion in the spring. The meeting will be October 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the church.

*A New Experience*

Individuals (ages 17 and older) are – at all times - invited and welcome to join our adult choir which rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 -8:00 p.m. Knowing how to read music can be helpful, but *is not* necessary as the music is easy to learn. Please take a moment and talk with Rick after any mass or call him at 860-793-2737. This is an exceptional opportunity to become part of a rewarding, and fun ministry for our parish. Thank you.

*St. Mary's Parish Council September 8, 2009  
Committee Reports*

**Small Church Core Group** – *Steve Ferraro*: Small Church Communities is “ordinary people connecting life and faith on a regular basis.” Each meeting begins with a reading and reflection followed by discussion. Also, the group will be showing a DVD about the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Small Church Communities within the Hartford Archdiocese.

**RCIA/Adult Faith Formation** - *Deacon Tom Sutak*: The RCIA program has one potential candidate. A new RCIA team is being formed, including Robert Murphy and Kathryn Lowry, which will be developing the program with the assistance of the Office of Religious Education. Adult Faith Formation is planning an event centered on the movie “Fire Proof.” Anyone who is thinking about getting married, is married or is facing problems is encouraged to attend.

**Religious Education** – *Deacon Tom Sutak*: As of September 7, there are 629 students in the program with 82 catechists. The First Communion class has 63 students and the Confirmation class has 62. There have been steps taken into looking at ways to prevent the spread of the N1H1virus which include a daily wipe down of tables and chairs with disinfectant. The “Think First & Stay Safe” program is scheduled for grades 1 and 5.

**LEAP/DIVE** – *Karen Herbert*: LEAP/DIVE started early this year to prepare for the Youth Spectacular where they will be performing two skits that they hope to bring back to the parish. Both LEAP and DIVE have meetings planned through Christmas with events that include visits to Metro Ministries, New Horizons, and Immaculate Conception Men’s Shelter.

**Finance Committee** – *Jim Shortley and Fr. Golas*: The income exceeded the budget. Expenses were slightly over budget, however, the parish is in good shape. There was major work done on the Hart House and minor work will be done on the landscaping on the old church site which is included in the expenses.

**Liturgy Committee** – *Fr. Golas*: The committee will be meeting in October.

Minutes will continue in next weekend’s bulletin.

*The Guild of St. Agnes Home*

on Mayflower Street, West Hartford is conducting its annual drive for membership. St. Agnes Family Center provides residential care for expectant teens, young mothers and their babies. These prenatal and post-natal programs protect the lives of the unborn and teach mothers parenting and independent living skills. If you do not receive a membership letter and would like to support this worthy cause, please pick up a membership envelope in the entrance ways of the church or contact Alice Flynn 673-2198 or Kathleen Ruzbasan 673-2038.

*Prayer Shawl*

group will meet on Friday, October 9 at noon in the gathering space at Church. Bring your lunch if you wish. The shawls are given to people who are sick, having an anniversary, baby or special birthday. Call Pat Robotham with questions 673-3435.

*Bulletin deadline*

The deadline to submit articles for the October 18 bulletin is Friday, October 9 at 10:00 a.m. Thank you.

St. Mary parish welcomes the following newly registered members:

*John & Dorothy Fojtik & family, Unionville  
Michael & Joanne Mahonski & family, Farmington*

*From Rev. Peter Ciuciulla, Comboni  
Missionaries Director*

We wish to gratefully acknowledge your generosity and that of the good people of St. Mary Parish. Your offering in the amount of \$3,830.00 represents your heartwarming response to the mission appeal that our missionary preached for the benefit of the Society for the Comboni Missionaries. May our Lord bless and reward you for the interest and concern you have shown for our missionaries. Best wishes to you and your parishioners.



**Who, What,  
Where, and When...**

Archbishop Henry Mansell, Archbishop of Hartford, will celebrate the Annual Archdiocesan **Respect Life Mass** on Sunday, October 4 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph. The Mass, which begins at 2:00 p.m., will recognize parish pro-life representatives and young adults. A children’s choir from St. Bernard Parish, Enfield, will sing with Dr. Ezequiel Menendez at the organ. Please bring your family and friends to join in the celebration of life.

The Knights of Columbus will hold a **pasta dinner** from 3:00 to 6:00 PM on Sunday, October 18 at their council home on New Britain Avenue. Cost for adults is \$8, seniors and children \$6. Please call Neil Kelsey 916-1295 with questions.