



## Mass Intentions

<b>Saturday,</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>November 14, 2009</b> Victor DiMugno by his daughter
<b>Sunday,</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>November 15, 2009</b> Michael Gaughan by Bob & Marilyn Slabinski
9:30 a.m.	Krystyna Platkiewicz (1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary) by her family
11:00 a.m.	Helen & Robert O'Sullivan by their family
<b>Monday,</b> 7:45 a.m.	<b>November 16, 2009</b> Joseph Cycenas
<b>Tuesday,</b> 7:45 a.m.	<b>November 17, 2009</b> Ed Welcome by his wife Judy
<b>Wednesday,</b> 7:45 a.m.	<b>November 18, 2009</b> Ann-Marie Jeffers McCoy (1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary) by her family
<b>Thursday,</b> 7:45 a.m.	<b>November 19, 2009</b> Intention of Chris Archambault by Janice Colucci
<b>Friday,</b> 7:45 a.m.	<b>November 20, 2009</b> Arthur Szczepanski by the Peterson family
<b>Saturday,</b> 4:30 p.m.	<b>November 21, 2009</b> Deceased members of the Legion of Mary worldwide by the Legion of Mary
<b>Sunday,</b> 7:30 a.m.	<b>November 22, 2009</b> Marylin Thomas (5 <sup>th</sup> anniversary) by her husband
9:30 a.m.	Cecilia Bede by the Kane family
11:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the Rocco family

### Readings for the Week of November 15, 2009

Sunday:	Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32
Monday:	1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/ Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday:	2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday:	2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday:	1 Mc 2:15-29/Lk 19:41-44
Friday:	1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday:	1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday:	Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

For nearly 40 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has embodied Catholic social teaching through pursuing justice and upholding the dignity of the human person. CCHD funds community projects led by low-income individuals. As more Americans feel the weight of the economic crisis, CCHD needs your support in next week's collection more than ever. Thank you for your generosity.

### Calendar

November	Food pantry month
11/16 9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
7:00 p.m.	Pre-baptism class – Rectory
7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
11/17 6:45 p.m.	Women's Guild Mtg. – Gath. Space
11/21 4:30 p.m. Mass	Two or More

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

*John Mercureo*

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

### 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 the ministry must be confirmed (or currently in the confirmation class) and be willing to attend training. We are also looking for individuals who might want to fill in as needed from the substitute list. If you are interested or need additional information, please contact Rosemary Frombach, 673-3471, or e-mail frombachr.@sbcglobal.net

### The Women's Guild

will hold their annual Christmas party on December 9 in the gathering space. This year's party will start with a social hour at 6:00 p.m. followed by a Pizza Party at 7:00 p.m. Cost for the party will be \$10 per person. The telephone committee will be calling members for reservations and payment can be made to St. Mary's Women's Guild and mailed to Barbara Wolf at 14 Catalpa Court, Avon. If you have any questions, please call Barbara at 673-0273. Reservations must be made no later than December 1. If you would like to participate in the evening's festivities please bring a \$10 wrapped gift.

The Guild will meet on November 17 in the gathering space beginning with the Rosary at 6:45. This is an important meeting as we will be discussing the proposed new by-laws and if possible voting on them. Please plan to attend as your input is important.

### Thank you from Chris & Mark Robinson

to everyone who bought a copy of *Smoke, Fire and Angels -- Tragedy on Avon Mountain and the Life-Changing Aftermath*. Your generosity will help the families who lost loved ones as a result of the July 2005 Avon Mountain crash. We very much appreciate the support and kind words of everyone who stopped by our table last weekend. If you missed the opportunity to buy the book in the gathering space, it is available for sale at [www.smokefireandangels.com](http://www.smokefireandangels.com); it is also available at Borders in Simsbury and Farmington, and Barnes & Noble in Canton and Farmington. You can also contact us directly at 693-3128.



**Christmas Ornament Workshop**

How much fun can you have at the Annual Christmas Ornament Workshop (C.O.W.)? Sign up your kids age 12 and under for a fun afternoon to find out! Calling all kids! Make great ornaments for

your Christmas tree! Enjoy a special visitor from the North Pole! Refreshments will be served! Sunday, November 29, Gathering Space, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. RSVP using sign-up sheets after all Masses OR use our On-Line Sign-Up: [stmarysrsvp@yahoo.com](mailto:stmarysrsvp@yahoo.com). Any questions please call Lynne Murphy 673-9551 or Laura Roberts 673-2307.

**Legion of Mary - Change of Heart is the Only Change We Need**

It is the tears of repentance that lead to the melting of our hardened hearts. If we are to become like Jesus, we must first have the courage to recognize and acknowledge our sinfulness. Only then can we ask His forgiveness, in sincerity and truth. The Legion of Mary encourages all its members, both active and auxiliary to fully participate in the sacramental life of the Church, including Reconciliation. It is the power of the Eucharist that impels Legion members to engage in the spiritual works of mercy under the guidance of their Spiritual Director. And in our all actions, we acknowledge our need of Mary, our Blessed Mother.



**Food Pantry Month**

Food and monetary donations for the Farmington Food Pantry will be collected during the month of November by St. Mary's Human Needs Committee. The Pantry is in need of personal care products such as shampoo, soap, toothpaste and feminine

hygiene products, laundry soap, paper towels, condiments such as mayonnaise or ketchup, jelly, pasta sauce or easy-to-prepare meals for children. For every \$1.00 donated the pantry can purchase \$10.00 worth of groceries. Checks may be made payable to **Farmington Food Pantry and mailed to Farmington Congregational Church, 75 Main St., Farmington, CT 06032.** Thank you for any contribution you are able to make!

**Bulletin deadline**

for the weekend of November 29 is Thursday, November 19 at noon due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

St. Mary parish welcomes the following newly registered members:

- Raymond & Caren Anselmi, Farmington*
- Robert & MaryAnn Kenney, Farmington*
- Julian & Audrey Schroeder, Farmington*

**Baptism Preparation Program**

As you prepare for the birth of your child, please plan to attend the pre-baptism program scheduled for the third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the rectory. The date of the baptism can be scheduled after attending the program. Parents must be registered parishioners. For more information and to register, please call the rectory.

**Gift Bearers**

If you are attending the Mass scheduled for your loved one and would like to bring the gifts to the altar, please let the ushers know 15 minutes before Mass.

**Lost and Found**

Please check the Lost & Found box in the table in the worship space near the Usher Room for items you may have left behind. Items not reclaimed by the end of each month will be donated.

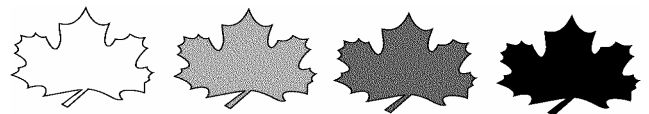


**Who, What, Where, and When...**

Knights of Columbus **Turkey Trot Dance - November 21** - Cocktails & hors d'oeuvres from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Dinner at 7:00 p.m. -Dancing 8:00 p.m. - 12:00. All church members are welcome to join in the festivities. For tickets call Co-Chairman Preston Williams 836-3546 or Bernie Erickson 673-1659. \$20.00 per person or \$35.00 per couple. Reservations by November 16.

Avon Health Center, 652 West Avon Rd., Avon, **Holiday Fair** - November 21 - 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Cookies By the Pound Bakery, Raffle items, Lunch, Visit with Santa 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**'Hope for the Holidays,'** a program to help those who are grieving the loss of a loved one, will be held at St. Stanislaus Church, Bristol on Tuesday, December 8 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. at the Bartlewski Center, 510 West St. Bristol. Please call Karen (860) 582-3652 to register.



*Laughter is one of God's gifts to us.....*

An optimist is a person who starts a new diet on Thanksgiving Day.

Irv Kupcinet

Thanksgiving dinners take eighteen hours to prepare. They are consumed in twelve minutes. Half-times take twelve minutes. This is not coincidence.

Erma Bombeck