

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	March 13, 2010 Maria Harkness by Bob & MaryJane Oliveira
Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	March 14, 2010 Zita Meligonis by Bob & Marilyn Slabinski
9:30 a.m.	Lena & Nicholas Civitillo by family
11:00 a.m.	Aurise Smith by her sister-in-law Donna Dellacamera
Monday, 7:45 a.m.	March 15, 2010 Ann Jakobowski by Vito & Kim Perna
Tuesday, 7:45 a.m.	March 16, 2010 Robert Gondek, Jr. by Dad & family
Wednesday, 7:45 a.m.	March 17, 2010 Ed Welcome by his wife Judy
Thursday, 7:45 a.m.	March 18, 2010 Donald Ryan, Jr., (1 st anniversary) by his family
Friday, 7:45 a.m.	March 19, 2010 Loretta Zanini (14 th anniversary) by her family
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	March 20, 2010 Jim Hodges by the Petersons
Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	March 21, 2010 John Franciosi by the Tarczanin family
9:30 a.m.	Leonora D. Nolan
11:00 a.m.	John Harris by his family

Readings for the Week of March 14, 2010

Sunday:	Jos 5:9a, 10-12/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Monday:	Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54
Tuesday:	Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16
Wednesday:	Is 49:8-15/Jn 5:17-30
Thursday:	Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
Friday:	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Saturday:	Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53
Next Sunday:	Is 43:16-21/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

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The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

Keith Edward Legowski

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



Stations of the Cross

Fridays - 7:00 p.m.

During Lent, the Church calls on us to fast from certain things and feast on others. For example,

Fast from discouragement ... feast on hope.

Fast from thoughts that weaken ... feast on promises that inspire.

Fast from complaining ... feast on appreciation.

Fast from self-concern ... feast on compassion for others.

Calendar

March		St. Agnes Baby Shower
3/14	4:00 – 6:00 p.m.	Soup & Bread Meal – Gathering Space
3/15	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
3/16	6:00 p.m.	Irish Dinner – Camp Happy Hill
3/18	7:00 p.m.	Book Group – Gathering space
3/21		Guild Bake Sale
	9:30 a.m.	Adult choir
	11:00 a.m.	Two or More
3/22	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room

From Fr. Golas:

Rev. Melvin A. Shorter, C.P. a Passionist priest from Pelham, New York, will be conducting a **Lenten mission** for our parish March 21 – 24. His theme is **“A Divided Heart is the Heart of the Problem.”** The topics of the presentations, which will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the church, are listed below. Additional priests from the area will be available for confession on March 23.

March 21	Topic: “Change Today?!” Luke 10:29-37 The Parable of the Good Samaritan
March 22	Topic: “Letting Go” Mark 1:14-20 Come Follow Me
March 23	Topic: “Father, Forgive Them” Luke 15:11-24 The Prodigal Son Penance Service
March 24	Topic: “The Disciples said: ‘Send the People Away.’ Jesus said: ‘Give the People Yourself.’ Matthew 14:13:21 The Feeding of the Five Thousand

The Focus question for the Third Sunday of Lent, C cycle March 7:

The fruits of the Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness gentleness and self control. What fruits are most visible in your life? What fruits would you like to be more productive of?



6th Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

Don't forget to sign up your children, ages 12 and under, for the 6th annual Easter Egg Hunt to be held on **Saturday, March 27 at 1:00 p.m.** in the gathering space. Sign-up sheets are available in the gathering space, or you can email stmarysrsvp@yahoo.com with the

following information: *Parent's Name, Phone#, and Ages of children attending.* This is a rain or shine event so please dress for the weather. For questions, please call Laura Roberts 860-673-2307

St. Mary's Human Needs Committee

will host a Soup & Bread Meal with proceeds to benefit Catholic Relief Services this Sunday, March 14 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. **Tickets will be available at the door** for \$5.00 for adults; children 6 and under free.

St Mary's Women's Guild

is again sponsoring a baby shower during the month of March to assist unwed mothers, their newborns and toddlers at St. Agnes Home, West Hartford. Items needed are diapers size 1-5, blankets, strollers, bottles, pacifiers, wash cloths, baby wipes, baby toys, teething rings, and clothing through size 24 months. All items should be new, wrapped and tagged with sizes noted. Gifts may be left in the portable crib in the gathering space. For further information please contact Kathleen Ruzbasan 673-2038.

Students- Please check the Guidance Dept. of Farmington, Avon, Lewis Mills and St Paul High Schools for a **scholarship application**. Applicants must be parishioners of St Mary's Church, Unionville who plan to continue their education beyond high school. Deadline for applications is April 17. Please send completed applications to Carole Charette, P. O. Box 266, Unionville. CT 06085. Applications are also available at church in the bookcases at each entrance. Please call Betty Faitella, 860-485-0551 with questions.

A Bake Sale will be held after all masses on March 21 in the gathering space to benefit various projects and scholarship fund. You may help by preparing a homemade item or baked goods and dropping them off in the gathering space on Saturday the 20th. It would be helpful for the committee if you would price your own items and mark the item ingredients, especially if it contains nuts. If you have questions, please call Betty Faitella at 485-0551.

Minutes St. Mary's Parish Council January 5, 2010

Peer Connections A group of 10 young ladies from the parish attended the Revolve Tour in Hartford in December. The group helped the residents of New Horizons to decorate their apartments and wrap gifts for the Christmas season. A group went to Immaculate Conception Men's Shelter in Hartford on New Year's Eve to serve dinner to the men, to provide music and were presently surprised when they got to sing with one of the men at the shelter who played the guitar.

Finance Committee The parish is in good shape. There will be a change in members for the committee, three members will be leaving and new members joining.

Liturgy Committee The committee met with several ministries including the Ushers and the Eucharistic Ministers. The committee recommended to the Eucharistic Ministers to stay at their seat until after the Lord's Prayer and also recommended that they sit on the choir side of the church. Minutes continued next weekend.

Religious Education News

Religious Education Registration - Registration for the '2011' Religious Education year will begin the weekend of **March 14th**. All new and returning students are **required** to submit a registration form. Forms will be located in the entrances to the Gathering Space. The normal registration period will end the weekend of **May 16th** after which date a late fee will be imposed.

Returning Home Study Students will be re-assigned to the Home Study curriculum (grades 3-8) unless a change of status is indicated at the time of registration.

Those new to the program must provide a baptismal certificate and evidence of completion of prior religious education so that a proper grade level assignment can be made. Please contact Deacon Tom at 860 675-8522 with questions.

March 26 & 27 LEAP! 8th grade & up - Hammering out a weekend of Giving & Getting JOY! - Friday night at Immaculate Conception Men's Shelter. We will make and serve dinner and sing with 80 men of Hartford. The next morning (6:30 a.m.) we will go by bus to Brooklyn, NY to Metro-Ministries and go out into the city with professional missionaries to pick up children (ages 3 - 18) by bus. We will bring them back to Metro-Ministries where you will sit with children who depend on God's love and who will show you how to truly praise him! \$35/ person.

DIVE! & LEAP! We will arrive home to meet with the Dive! kids at Avon High School at 6:40 to attend St Ann's Annual Passion Play - \$7/ person - proceeds being donated to Haiti. Contact Karen 860 675-7970 for details.

This weekend marks the start of the 2010 **Archbishop's Annual Appeal** in our parish. You will receive a letter from Archbishop Mansell seeking your support. Together we can impact the lives of thousands. Our work as a Church in social services, healthcare, and pastoral services is exciting, challenging and fulfilling. It is work we must do together in **Returning the Lord's Goodness**, out of love for one another and for God. Please respond as generously as possible.

For Your Information

Mass of Healing and Hope, Tuesday, March 16 at 7:30 p.m., the Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary, Bloomfield, with rosary at 6:55 p.m. Our own **Two or More** will provide the music. Presider: Rev. Arthur Audet. Trained prayer teams available after Mass. Call the Charismatic Renewal Office 860 243-8234 for further information.

The Women's Auxiliary of **St. Francis Hospital & Medical Center** - **Annual Membership drive** takes place through April 16. 2010 marks the 84th anniversary of the auxiliary. Please help us help Saint Francis by becoming a member of their organization. Additional information can be found in the entrance ways or call your parish representative, Carol Hamel at 860 673-5257 with questions. Thank you for your support.

Request for Tax Information

If you require a **"Statement of Contributions"** for 2009, please submit your name, and address to the rectory. You may place in the weekly collection basket. E-mail requests are acceptable and may be sent to: rectory@stmary-unionville.org. **Telephone or expedited requests will not be accepted.** Please plan accordingly. Statements will be sent via return mail daily. Thank you for your cooperation.



congregation.

The well known legend of the shamrock connects it to St. Patrick and his teachings. While preaching outdoors, he is said to have illustrated the existence of the Holy Trinity or "Three in One" by plucking a shamrock from the grass growing at his feet and showing it to his

Happy St. Patrick's Day!