



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	February 25, 2012 Lionel Therriault (15 th anniversary) by Jay & Fran McCaffrey
Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	February 26, 2012 Carl & Louise Niederer by family
9:30 a.m.	John Franciosi (2 nd anniversary) by his family
11:00 a.m.	Dennis & Paul Devin by family
Monday, 7:45 a.m.	February 27, 2012 Jim Hodges by the Peterson family
Tuesday, 7:45 a.m.	February 28, 2012 Mrs. Mary Neulinger by her family
Wednesday, 7:45 a.m.	February 29, 2012 Antoinette Maras by her daughter Sylvie
Thursday, 7:45 a.m.	March 1, 2012 Jack & Carrie Flynn
Friday, 7:45 a.m.	March 2, 2012 Henry Grenier by his family
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	March 3, 2012 Chester Regeski by Aunt Chris & nephews Mark & Chris
Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	March 4, 2012 Special Intention
9:30 a.m.	Robert Krenn by his family
11:00 a.m.	John Harris by his family

Readings for the Week of February 26, 2012

Sunday:	Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15
Monday:	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday:	Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday:	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12
Friday:	Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday:	Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

The second collection next weekend is the monthly offering.

Calendar

2/27	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
2/29	7:00 p.m.	Human Needs Mtg. – Gath. space
3/3	4:30 p.m. Mass	Adult choir

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

Edward L. Burke

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

From Fr. Golas:

We are pleased to announce that St. Mary Star of the Sea will soon provide **Online Giving** – a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation. Very soon you will receive a letter explaining our on-line giving program. When you participate, your gift will transfer directly into the parish bank account. And you won't have to remember to write a check. More details will be available in the weeks to come.

The **Focus Question** for the Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time "B" cycle February 19, 2012: Who are the people that bring you to Jesus?

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 in 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.

Please note: The **regular meeting** of the Women's Guild will be held on March 20 at Camp Happy Hill on West Avon Rd. in Unionville. An **Irish dinner** will be served at a cost of \$10 per member and \$12 for **a** guest. This year in order to have all members be able to attend, we are limiting the number of guests a member can bring to **one**. The Telephone committee will be contacting members soon. If you are not contacted by the telephone committee and wish to attend, please call Betty Faitella at 860-485-0551.

"Nobody sees a flower, really, it is so small we haven't time, and to see takes time, like to have a friend, takes time." Georgia O'Keefe Come, make and take the time with Small Christian Communities. Meet and befriend your Lord and Savior, have a nice visit with your fellow parishioners as we get together where the Gospel meets life. Clara Ryan

New Small Church Groups forming for Lent

A short video about SCC can be found at www.sccquest.org
(click on resources)

Contact Maureen 860 673-6145 mwmosk@comcast.net



Stations of the Cross

Fridays – 7:00 p.m.

During Lent,

Do something good for others.

Schedule regular time to pray for people who are in need, by name.

Visit someone who is home-bound.

Help someone you know who is in need.

Catch up with a long-lost friend or family.

Use your talents to help someone else out.

First Friday Adoration

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament will take place this Friday from after the 7:45 a.m. Mass until 5:00 p.m. concluding with Benediction. We would like to have three adorers for every hour. Please sign up on the poster in the gathering space. We will need your telephone number in case of cancellation or a funeral. Call Elaine Atiyeh at 860 352-2281 with questions.

Freedom Sunday

On February 26 churches around the world will be praying for those held captive. Please join us in this worldwide day of reflection on the freedom Jesus brings, singing songs of redemption and prayerfully considering supporting the global projects of the **Not For Sale Campaign**. From India to Australia, Myanmar to San Francisco, Costa Rica to New York, churches around the globe will collectively ring the Freedom bell to declare that they are Not For Sale, you are Not For Sale - and no one should be For Sale. Please contact Karen Herbert with questions at 860 675-7970.

In honor of **Freedom Sunday**, St. Patrick Church in Farmington, 110 Main Street, will host "**Soup and a Movie**" on Feb 29, at 6:00 p.m. in their church hall. The video "Lives for Sale" is a documentary created by Maryknoll, which connects the issue of Immigration with Human Trafficking. All are invited - No reservations required. If your parish is interested in hosting a Lenten Movie Night, OCSJM is available to help! The Office has access to several social justice films relating to Fair Trade, Human Trafficking, Poverty, and Immigration. We can also combine a movie night with a Fair Trade coffee and chocolate tasting, to introduce, or to help your parish become involved in the Fair Trade movement. For more information, contact Lynn or call the office at (203)777-7279 or Pat Messina (860) 675-7163.

Human Needs

The next meeting of the Human Needs Committee will be Wednesday, February 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the gathering space. All are welcome. If you have any questions, please call Alice Crozier at 8606734282.

St. Mary parish welcomes the following newly registered members:

Kate Barrett, Avon

Edward & Dorothy Berlinski, Farmington

Allen & Michelle Jones & family, Avon

Michael Spring & Kelly Gnitzcavish – Unionville

Jennifer Weinberg, Bristol

Reduce Your impact in Heating and Cooling

The Energy Star program has recommendations to help you save money and reduce your Carbon Footprint (fuel used, that will add carbon monoxide to the environment). You can save up to 20% on a typical heating and cooling bill. (energystar.gov). St. Mary's Environmental Awareness Team (S.E.A.) Please contact Clara Ryan with questions at 860 673-0756.

Check This Out...

The Office for Catholic Social Justice Ministry will sponsor a **Lenten Retreat** for those in Social Justice Ministry entitled "Justice for People and Planet" on Sat., March 10, 9:00-2:00, at Sisters of St. Joseph Convent, 27 Park Road, West Hartford. The retreat will be facilitated by Margaret Galiardi, a Dominican Sister who is currently serving as Executive Director of the Spiritual Life Center in West Hartford. The \$35 fee includes continental breakfast and lunch. Call (203) 777-7279 for more information and to register.

7th annual **St. Patrick's Celebration**/afternoon of songs, stories, poetry, music (jigs, reels) and step dancers at the Hoffman Auditorium in the Carol Autorino Center for the Arts and Humanities Campus of St. Joseph's College West Hartford Sunday, March 11 2:30 p.m. (pre-concert refreshments in lobby) Musicians: Dan Ringrose (vocals/guitar) Jeanne Freeman, Loretta Murphy, Michael Cooney, Janine Randall Tickets - 860-231-5555.

Request for Tax Information

If you require a "Statement of Contributions" for 2011, please complete and return this form to the rectory. Forms may be mailed or placed 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 regular mail daily. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Address _____

