

Mass Intentions

Saturday,	May 5, 2012
4:30 p.m.	John Bergstrom & Sabrina Crowe by the Hemingway family
Sunday,	May 6, 2012
7:30 a.m.	Alice Flynn
9:30 a.m.	Johneric Cosentino by his family
11:00 a.m.	Deceased members of the Therriault & Daniels families by Jay & Fran McCaffrey
Monday,	May 7, 2012
7:45 a.m.	Gertrude & Charles Neubauer
Tuesday,	May 8, 2012
7:45 a.m.	James F. McGuire by Gary A. Kasey
7:00 p.m.	Confirmation
Wednesday,	May 9, 2012
7:45 a.m.	Robert Bandzak by Ann Dyndiuk
Thursday,	May 10, 2012
7:45 a.m.	Ronald Francis Clouette by Lisa Macaro
7:00 p.m.	Living Rosary
Friday,	May 11, 2012
7:45 a.m.	Jack & Carrie Flynn
Saturday,	May 12, 2012
4:30 p.m.	Joseph Gondek
Sunday,	May 13, 2012
7:30 a.m.	Eleanor Majewski & Helen Tylutki by their families
9:30 a.m.	Joseph McMahon (1 st anniversary) by his family
11:00 a.m.	Bessie Creehan by her family

Readings for the Week of May 6, 2012	
Sunday:	Acts 9:26-31/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8
Monday:	Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday:	Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday:	Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8
Thursday:	Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11
Friday:	Acts 15:22-31/Jn 15:12-17
Saturday:	Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21
Next Sunday:	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

The second collection this weekend is the monthly offering.

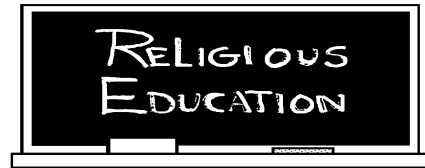
Calendar

5/7	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
5/10	7:00 p.m.	Living Rosary
5/12	4:30 p.m.	Mass Adult Choir
5/13	9:30 a.m.	Mass Two or more

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

John Harris

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



Home Study Students

The deadline for receipt in the Religious Education Office of completed home study student workbooks and Home Learning Guides was **May 3rd**. Please return your student's materials as soon as possible. Promotion to the next higher grade is contingent upon successful completion of this year's curriculum.

Religious Education Registration

The normal registration period for the '2013' Religious Education year ends **May 20th**. Registrations received after that date will be assessed a registration "late fee" with students being enrolled on a space available basis only. All new and returning students are **required** to submit a registration form. Forms are located in the entrances to the Gathering Space.

Save this date! – Tuesday, May 22. We are privileged to have Peter Wolfgang, Executive Director of Family Institute of Connecticut as our guest speaker. Peter will address contemporary issues facing families today – traditional marriage, freedom of conscience, health care and life issues, etc. – all of which touch our lives. Please plan to attend. It will be time well spent. *Be informed – Be Present* – 7:00 p.m. May 22 in the gathering space. Please call Elaine 860 352-2281 for more information.

The Human Needs Committee

will meet on Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Hospitality Room. All are welcome. If you have any questions, please call Alice Crozier 860-673-4282.



May, the Month of Mary

From Pope Benedict XVI, we understand the importance of our dependence on and devotion to our Mother Mary: To the Virgin Mary – the Pope observed – I wish to commend all the people of God living in this beloved land. She supports families in love and

education; make fruitful the seeds of vocation that God amply sows among young people, instill courage in the face of trials, hope amidst difficulties, renewed energy in doing good. The Madonna comforts the sick and all the suffering, and helps the Christian communities so that no one in them is marginalized or needy, but everyone, especially the smallest and weakest, feels welcomed. The Holy Father and the Legion of Mary encourage everyone to pray the rosary daily especially in the month of Mary. This devotion draws us closer to Jesus. He hears and answers our heart's desires. Nothing is too great or small. The Legion has placed an intention box to Mary in the Gathering space. Everyone of all ages is invited to write to Mary. Do not forget to write in our book of thanksgiving for your prayers answered last fall. During the month, the Legion will pray for all intentions. Rosaries and pamphlets can be found at the entrances of the church throughout the month. The Legion will present the intention box to Mary at the Candlelight Rosary on **May 10 at 7:00 p.m.** Please join us!

Come to the Feast! Small Church Communities will be holding their annual potluck dinner in the Gathering Space immediately after the 4:30 PM Mass, Sat., June 2. Come and meet members of other groups and share in the fellowship! There are about 40 of us now! All members of an SCC group or those contemplating joining or simply curious about SCC are all welcome to attend. Please contact Maureen to sign up: mwmosk@comcast.net or 860-673-6145.

St. Mary's Women's Guild will hold its Spring Banquet on Tuesday, **May 15.** We will gather at church at 6:00 p.m. to celebrate a Mass for all deceased members of the Guild and of new officers. Dinner will be at 7:00 at Matthew's Restaurant, Mill Street, Unionville. We will enjoy a buffet, which includes Matthew's famous roasted chicken, baked salmon, and sirloin tips, salad choices, assorted side dish choices and dessert. The cost of the dinner is \$24 which includes tax and gratuity. Reservations for the banquet **MUST** be prepaid and made no later than **May 8th**. Please feel free to call Barbara Wolf at 673-0273 to make your reservation. Your check can be made payable to St. Mary's Guild and mailed to Barbara at 14 Catalpa Court, Avon, CT 06001.

Defending Our Religious Liberty -Hello Friends. I am Archbishop Henry Mansell. Why does the government think it does not have to respect our Catholic Church and our moral convictions? Has it forgotten the contributions that the Catholic Church has made to the poor and needy for centuries? Catholic social service agencies, including adoption and foster care agencies, parish food banks, and soup kitchens, all will be impacted tragically if the federal health care mandate is not overturned. Please contact the offices of your Congressional Representatives and United States Senators to express your opposition to the mandate. For addresses and phones numbers, please visit: www.ctcatholic.org or www.archdioceseofhartford.org

Archbishop's Annual Appeal -Next weekend is Commitment Weekend! All parishioners will have the opportunity to make a pledge to the 2012 Archbishop's Annual Appeal during Mass.

Sample Gift Plan

Total Pledge	5 Monthly Payments	Daily Sacrifice	Cost Comparison
\$1,000	\$200	\$6.67	Cost of a deli sandwich
\$500	\$100	\$3.33	Cost of coffee and a muffin
\$250	\$50	\$1.67	Cost of one cup of tea
\$100	\$20	\$0.67	Cost of a bag of chips

Stop, Look, and Listen to this!

Mother's Day Breakfast - Sunday, May 13 – 7:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Tunxis Hose Station, School St., Unionville Adults: \$7.00; Seniors: \$5.00; children under 12: \$4.00.

50th Anniversary Mass of the consecration of the Cathedral of Saint Joseph Hartford, CT 06105 May 20 at 3 p.m. Join Archbishop Henry J. Mansell as he celebrates the Golden Anniversary of our Mother Church! A reception will follow the Mass. All are invited!

The Stories Workshop Come spend the day and grow your appreciation for what God has done for us. The Stories Workshop will be held on May 19 from 9:00 – 2:00 p.m. at Covenant Presbyterian Church/The Barn, 124 Old Farms Rd., Simsbury. Lunch will be included. Join Michael Kelly Blanchard and David Blauw as they weave together story and song, and training. The Stories workshop is a fun, entertaining and practical program to enhance the way congregations and ministry groups listen to each other and care for each other's needs. It uses the medium of life-stories and the story-songs of Michael Kelly Blanchard. Please call 860 658-9772 for further information.