



# Mass Intentions for the Week

<b>Saturday,</b>	<b>September 22, 2012</b>
4:30 p.m.	Paulette Blais by her family
<b>Sunday,</b>	<b>September 23, 2012</b>
7:30 a.m.	Joyce Nicholson by Alice, Andrew & Phillip Crozier
9:30 a.m.	Penny D'Addabbo & Helen & Al Szewczul by the Szewczul family
11:00 a.m.	Alice Flynn
<b>Monday,</b>	<b>September 24, 2012</b>
7:45 a.m.	Marian Crowe by Barbara & Rod Milligan
<b>Tuesday,</b>	<b>September 25, 2012</b>
7:45 a.m.	Sheila Vachras
<b>Wednesday,</b>	<b>September 26, 2012</b>
7:45 a.m.	Timothy Murphy by Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Stross
<b>Thursday,</b>	<b>September 27, 2012</b>
7:45 a.m.	Joseph Abate by Pete & Jane Peterson
<b>Friday,</b>	<b>September 28, 2012</b>
7:45 a.m.	Bob Rogers (1 <sup>st</sup> anniversary) by Katherine Rogers
5:00 p.m.	Wedding – Robert Dunlap – Alicia Martin
<b>Saturday,</b>	<b>September 29, 2012</b>
4:30 p.m.	Rolande & Louis Genest by family
<b>Sunday,</b>	<b>September 30, 2012</b>
7:30 a.m.	Gertrude Blais by the Wiseman family
9:30 a.m.	Stephen Hogan by St. Mary's Choir
11:00 a.m.	Eugene Rudiak by Elaine Searle & family

Readings for the Week of September 23, 2012	
Sunday:	Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16---4:3/Mk 9:30-37
Monday:	Prv 3:27-34/Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday:	Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday:	Prv 30:5-9/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday:	Eccl 1:2-11/Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Eccl 3:1-11/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Jn 1:47-51
Next Sunday:	Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

The second collection this weekend benefits Catholic elementary schools. Thank you for your support.

## Calendar

9/23	1:00 p.m.	Parish Picnic – Knights of Columbus Pavilion – Unionville
9/24	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
9/25	7:00 p.m.	Women's Guild Mtg. – Gathering Space
	7:00 p.m.	Bereavement Mtg. – Hospitality Room
9/27	7:30 p.m.	Haitian Ministry Mtg. Gathering Space
9/30	9:30 a.m. Mass	Adult Choir

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

*Ed Welcome*

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

## From Fr. Golas,

This year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council and the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the publication of the "Catechism of the Catholic Church". Pope Benedict XVI has proclaimed a "Year of Faith" beginning October 11, 2012 and concluding on the Feast of Christ the King, November 24, 2012. A year of faith is a time designated by the Pope for the faithful to deepen their understanding and commitment to the Lord. In the upcoming Year of Faith, Pope Benedict's intention for declaring this time is a summons to an authentic and renewed conversion to the Lord, the one savior of the world" (Porta Fidei 6). This weekend please take a pamphlet home for your own personal guidance for the year. In addition, the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops USCCB.org has more information. I hope this will be a time of strengthening our understanding of our faith in the Lord and commitment to him.

**Focus question** for the Twenty-fourth Sunday "B" cycle September 16, 2012: What does taking up your cross mean in your life?

## It's not too late

to join the **New Day Bereavement group** that meets in the hospitality room of the church from 7:00-8:30 p.m. on Tuesday evenings. Sponsored by the Legion of Mary, it will meet through November 20. There will be a time for prayer, reflection, journaling and sharing. For further details and to sign up please contact one of the following Legionaries Kathy Dossot (860)673-3163 or Chris Zweigle (860)677-5369.

## Religious Education News

### K - 9 Class Start Dates

Classes for the 2012-2013 Religious Education year will begin Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>. Catechists will be calling with the day, time and location of their respective classes.

**Home Study materials** will be available for pickup at Hart House, Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. to noon, the week of October 8<sup>th</sup>.



**Don't forget this weekend is  
St. Mary Parish Picnic**

Sunday, Sept. 23 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Knights of Columbus Pavilion, Unionville.  
If you haven't signed up, it's not too late.

Bring a dish to share and join the fun! There will be a horseshoe competition for adults and teens with prizes for the winner, face painting a bounce house. Hot dogs, hamburgers and beverages provided by the Knights of Columbus and St. Mary Church. Please call Alan Norris 860 675-5952 with questions.

**St. Mary's Parish Council Minutes for  
September 4, 2012** Bulletin Edition

**RCIA:** There are three potential candidates for the RCIA program. The RCIA process will begin in October.

**Religious Education:** The CCD Program will begin on September 30. There are currently 530 enrolled students. This year's Confirmation retreat will be held on September 17. It will be a partnered effort with Immaculate Conception Parish in New Hartford and Immaculate Heart Parish in Harwinton.

**Youth Ministry:** Amanda McCaffrey has assumed leadership of Youth Ministry as of July 1. Upcoming events include Peer Connections Kickoff Weekend on September 8 and 9. On Sept. 30 members will participate in Catholic Youth Spectacular 2012, sponsored by the Archdiocesan Youth Ministry Office.

**Human Needs:** The Human Needs Committee has collected, to date, 60 pounds of flip tabs for the Shriners Hospital. In August the committee collected school supplies for the town of Farmington.

**Finance:** Mid-year financial results were reported to the Council.

**Liturgy:** The Liturgy Committee is in need of lectors, and welcomes any parishioners who would like to participate in this ministry. They are also seeking new members to serve on the committee, especially ushers and Eucharistic Ministers.

**Women's Guild:** The Women's Guild recently mailed approximately 300 surveys to women of the parish for the purpose of updating their records and ensuring that their programs are relevant and are meeting the needs of current and potential new members.

**Website:** Ed O'Reilly provided an update on the parish website. In existence since 2003, the website contains mission and contact information for the staff and 38 different ministries. Upcoming changes to the website will include new menu navigation, wider screen, new pages for ministries, a church tour, Children's Area, Women's Guild Calendar of Events, and Mailing Lists.

**Social Justice Committee:** Pat Messina is stepping down as Chair of the Social Justice Committee. Pat is seeking a parish member, willing to become involved in social justice issues, to assume leadership of the Committee.

*Council minutes will conclude in next weekend's bulletin.*

**St. Mary's Women's Guild**

will hold their *first meeting* on September 25. It will be a reception for all women of the parish. We have Bruce Douglas from *Rails to Trails* as our speaker. Come and meet new women and see what the Guild has planned for the year. It should be a fun year. Any questions, please call Marilyn Slabinski at 860 673-4669.

All past presidents and committee members, if you have any files that would show the new board members what you have done in the past, it would be very helpful if you would contact Marilyn Slabinski at 860 673-4669.

St. Mary's Women's Guild will hold their *pasta supper* on October 24 at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Tickets will be available after all masses the weekend of October 6/7. \$10 adult; \$5 children under 6; Family of 5 and larger (mother, father and children under 12) \$25. Take out tickets also available. Tickets at the door will be \$12.00. Advance ticket purchases will help us plan our food purchasing and preparation. Please call Marilyn Slabinski with questions.

**St. Mary's New Haiti Ministry Partnership**

Please join us on Thursday, September 27, 7:30 p.m. in the gathering space for an audio-visual presentation with questions and answers on the *new St. Mary's Haiti Ministry* partnership with St. Patrick's Parish of Collinsville. The ministry, which was established in 1999, assists St. Therese Parish and School in Lilavois, Haiti, providing a daily feeding program for 300 children, scholarships for graduating seniors and teacher support. A special mass in honor of the Haiti Ministry will be held at St. Patrick's on Sunday, Sept. 30 10:00 a.m. and all are welcome. If you would like to learn more about Haiti, its people and St. Mary's *new* Haiti Ministry partnership, please join us. For more information on the Ministry, visit the website at [www.st-patrick-collinsville.org](http://www.st-patrick-collinsville.org) and click on 'Ministries'. If you have questions, please contact parishioners Scot Scala at [scotscala@sbcglobal.net](mailto:scotscala@sbcglobal.net) or Mary Hagadorn at [mhagadorn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mhagadorn@sbcglobal.net). We look forward to seeing you on September 27<sup>th</sup>!

**✓ Check This Out...**

The sixth annual *Unbound: Freedom in Christ Conference* with Neal Lozano on DVD will be held at the Archdiocesan Center, St. Thomas Seminary, Bloomfield, Friday Sept. 28 from 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 29 from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Call 860 243-8234 for registration information.

Holy Cross Parish, New Britain invites all to *Fall Ball*, their semi-annual dance on October 27 from 8:00 p.m. till 1 a.m. The dance will feature EUROPA band and is for the benefit of parish needs. The cost per person is \$20.00 (\$25.00 at the door) and includes soda, ice and a plate of sandwiches for each table. Paczki and other Polish delicacies will be available for purchase. BYOB. Please contact the Holy Cross Rectory at (860)229-2011 or Olivia at (860)678-0597.