



Saturday,	February 9, 2013
4:30 p.m.	Alice Flynn
Sunday,	February 10, 2013
7:30 a.m.	Sam McGovern (100 th birthday) by Bob & Marilyn Slabinski
9:30 a.m.	Michael Zweigle by his family
11:00 a.m.	Marie E. Foley by her family
Monday,	February 11, 2013
7:45 a.m.	Fern Collen (1 st anniversary) by Marie Bouchard
Tuesday,	February 12, 2013
7:45 a.m.	Catherine "Kat" Gregerick by her loving family
Wednesday,	February 13, 2013
7:45 a.m.	Sam McGovern by St. Mary's Women's Guild
5:00 p.m.	Prayer Service – Distribution of Ashes
7:30 p.m.	St. Mary Parish
Thursday,	February 14, 2013
7:45 a.m.	Gordon Hamel by his family
Friday,	February 15, 2013
7:45 a.m.	Timothy Scully by the Scully family
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Saturday,	February 16, 2013
4:30 p.m.	Theresa & Modesto Bonini by family
Sunday,	February 17, 2013
7:30 a.m.	Ed Welcome by his wife Judy
9:30 a.m.	Jean Ringrose by St. Mary Choir
11:00 a.m.	Ann Jakobowski (3 rd anniversary) by her family

Readings for the Week of February 10, 2013	
Sunday:	Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11
Monday:	Gn 1:1-19/Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday:	Gn 1:20--2:4a/Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday:	Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
Friday:	Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday:	Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32
Next Sunday:	Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

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On behalf of our Catholic secondary school students, the Superintendent of Catholic Schools, Dr. Dale R. Hoyt, would like to express sincere thanks to all those who supported the 2013 High School Collection. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

Gordon Hamel

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

Calendar

2/11	9:30 a.m. Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
2/12	7:00 p.m. Pre-baptism class – Rectory

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 13

7:45 a.m.	Mass and Distribution of Ashes
5:00 p.m.	Prayer Service with Distribution of Ashes
7:30 p.m.	Mass and Distribution of Ashes
	Stations of the Cross – Fridays – 7:00 p.m.

Regulations during Lent about Fast and Abstinence

Abstinence from meat for those 14 years of age or over unless one is sick and fasting between the ages of 18 and 59 on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Abstinence from meat is observed on all Fridays of Lent. Fasting means one full meal a day, 2 light meals and no in-between meals.

The *focus question* for the Fourth Sunday "C" cycle February 3, 2013: *Who in your life needs to hear God's truth from you or who speaks God's truth to you?*

Lenten Confessions

If you have gotten caught up in the busyness of life and have fallen away from the Sacrament of Reconciliation, you can change that. This Lenten season, the Archdiocese of Hartford is initiating an Archdiocesan-wide effort to inspire Catholics to experience God's love and mercy offered in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Every church in the Archdiocese will be open on Mondays from 6 - 7 p.m. during Lent for Confessions. To help you prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, visit Light4you.info

"Catholicism" is a faith formation video series that brings the beauty, goodness and truth of the Church to life so that you can better understand and share your faith. On **Monday, February 18th at 7:00 p.m.** - part II of the series - *"Happy are We: The Teachings of Jesus"* will be presented in the church. To every generation, the words of Jesus have proven fascinating, sometimes confounding, deeply transformative, and always unforgettable. So please consider joining us as we journey around the world and deep into the faith.

Men's Retreat: A Season of Promise

Holy Family Men's Retreat- Fri., Feb. 15-Sun. Noon	
2 suppers, 2 sleeps	2 breakfasts, 2 wakeups
2 lunches, 2 naps(?)	2 masses, 2 workshops
2 presentations	2 activity choices, film
2 early riser snacks	2 late evening snacks
Time alone	Reconciliation opportunity
Time with others	-Personal conference opportunity
2 good and 2 important to miss.	Assistance available and

no charge for first time retreatant. Call Bob Bonato, 673-5251, John Keany, 673-6187 or visit HolyFamilyRetreat.ORG

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What's Cookin'??!!

St. Mary's Women's Guild is thrilled to present a cooking demonstration and tasting by Matthew Popkin of **Matthew's Restaurant** on Tues., Feb. 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the church gathering space. What's on the menu? Caesar Salad, The Best Risotto and Mini Guinness Mousse, paired with an appropriate wine, of course! *All women of the parish are invited to join us for this lip-smacking event.* Please **RSVP to Marilyn Slabinski at 860-673-4669 by 2/14** if you would like to attend. Checks for \$5.00, payable to *St. Mary's Women's Guild*, should be mailed to Marilyn at 287 Plainville Avenue, Unionville 06085.



Are you faith-filled? faithful? female?

St. Mary's Women's Guild warmly invites all women of the parish to a Lenten women's evening retreat at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford. Please join us on Wednesday, March 20 from 6-9 pm for an inspirational evening entitled **Faith-filled, Faithful, and Female: Mary the Mother of Jesus and Women in the Church** with Sr. Miriam Therese Winter, M.M.S. The evening includes a buffet dinner, conference and liturgy. The price for the retreat is only \$15.00 if purchased through the Women's Guild. Please **RSVP to Marilyn Slabinski at 860-673-4669 by 3/15**. if you would like to attend. Checks payable to *St. Mary's Women's Guild* should be mailed to Marilyn at 287 Plainville Avenue, Unionville 06085.

The Women's Retreat for our parish begins on Friday, February 22-24 at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center in Farmington. Give yourself the gift of quiet time to "hear God's voice." This year's theme is **"If Only You Knew the Gift!"** For more information call Mary Ann Dubin 860 677-2028 and leave a message. Registration forms are at the Church entrances or on-line www.ourladyofcalvary.com

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St. Mary's Parish Council Minutes for January 8, 2013 - continued

Women's Guild: The Guild's recent annual Christmas Party was a large success, with close to 60 women in attendance. The catered dinner featured entertainment by four members of the Valley Chordsmen. The next meeting of the Guild will be held on Tuesday, January 15, at 7:00. The evening's program will be a presentation by a member of the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation.

Spring Music Festival: John Giovannucci of Two or More folk group submitted a proposal for SpiritFest, a festival sponsored by St. Mary's Youth Ministry consisting of faith-sharing, Christian contemporary music, fun and food for Catholic/Christian Youth and their families. The purpose of the event is to raise funds for a scholarship fund that would allow Catholic/Christian youth to

attend youth ministry activities such as SoulFest. After much discussion, it was decided that the event be organized on a smaller basis, and that a subcommittee be formed to formulate plans for a smaller event.

Nominations: Betty Faitella and Ed O'Reilly will assist Dick Selinga with the nominations process for new Council members. Dick will create a schedule and report back to the council at the March meeting.

Year of Faith/Catholicism DVD: Fr. Robert Barron's series *Catholicism* was presented to parishioners on December 3 and 10. Turnout was good for both sessions. The continuation of the series is tentatively scheduled for the five Mondays of Lent, with the exception of 3/11.

By-Laws: The Council discussed the revised by-laws. Additional changes were recommended. A motion to accept the revised by-laws, with changes made at the January Council meeting, was made, seconded, and passed. A list of parish committees lacking Council representation was distributed; Council members were invited to serve as liaison for one or more of the various church committees listed.

Meet & Greet Suggestions: The Building and Grounds Committee has met with electricians, who are currently gathering information regarding the lighting concerns in the lower parking lot. The decision was made to hold a second Wine and Cheese Social in April. Council members were asked to suggest ways in which parish newcomers might be welcomed. Following a discussion in which many ideas were presented, the Council decided to table the discussion until the March Council meeting. Council members were provided a draft copy of a Committee/Ministry Procedures document which will eventually be given to the various church committee heads.



Did you know...

three of our parishioners, Donna Dellacamera, Mary Ann Dubin and Scot Scala, have embarked on a mission trip with the Haitian Ministry from St. Patrick's Church in Collinsville? They are spending five days in Lilavois, Haiti visiting and working with Sainte Thérèse Parish and School, which the ministry has been supporting since 1999. Please keep them in your prayers as they experience life in Haiti and bring the love of Christ to this very special community.

Request for Tax Information

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