



<b>Saturday,</b>	<b>September 21, 2013</b>
4:30 p.m.	Emile & Lucille Sirois by family
<b>Sunday,</b>	<b>September 22, 2013</b>
7:30 a.m.	Alice Flynn
9:30 a.m.	Mary Daddario by Ed & Cathy Kane
11:00 a.m.	Helen Bradbury by the Gondek family
<b>Monday,</b>	<b>September 23, 2013</b>
7:45 a.m.	David Fackelmann by his family
<b>Tuesday,</b>	<b>September 24, 2013</b>
7:45 a.m.	Joe Amico by Jerilyn & Gabe Caprio
<b>Wednesday,</b>	<b>September 25, 2013</b>
7:45 a.m.	Henry Giedzinski by Carol McCallum
<b>Thursday,</b>	<b>September 26, 2013</b>
7:45 a.m.	Alice Flynn
<b>Friday,</b>	<b>September 27, 2013</b>
7:45 a.m.	Elinor O'Brien by Bob & Clare Archer
<b>Saturday,</b>	<b>September 28, 2013</b>
4:30 p.m.	Louis & Rolande Genest by family
<b>Sunday,</b>	<b>September 29, 2013</b>
7:30 a.m.	St. Mary Parish
9:30 a.m.	Ken & Irene Harvey (60 <sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary) by their family
11:00 a.m.	Jackie (Martin) Vaillancourt by her family

#### Readings for the Week of September 22, 2013

Sunday:	Am 8:4-7/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13
Monday:	Ezr 1:1-6/Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday:	Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday:	Ezr 9:5-9/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday:	Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Hg 2:1-9/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday:	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Lk 9:43b-45
Next Sunday:	Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

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*"The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones; and the person who is dishonest in very small matters is also dishonest in great ones. If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth?" - Lk 16:10-11*

The second collection this weekend supports our Catholic elementary schools. Thank you for your generosity.

#### Calendar

9/23	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
9/24	6:45 p.m.	Women's Guild Mtg. Gathering Space

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

*Timothy Scully*

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



#### Confirmation Program News

There will be a parent/student kickoff meeting **October 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the church**. An overview of the program/schedule will be presented. All parents and candidates are strongly encouraged to attend.

#### Home Study Curriculum

Materials for the Home Study curriculum will be available for pickup the week of October 13<sup>th</sup>. To arrange for pickup times other than Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – noon, please call the Religious Education Office @ (860) 675-8522.

#### Comfy Cushy Chairs

There will still be some empty chairs available in the choir loft when the adult choir resumes singing again at our weekend masses. Please consider joining the group and claim **your** chair! Invite your family and friends to join with you. (They can each have their own chair too). Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00 pm. An ability to read music is not necessary as the repertoire is always easy. Simply come to our next rehearsal this Wednesday evening. Thank you.

#### Women's Guild News

All women of the parish are invited to attend the first Women's Guild meeting of the year, to be held on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 6:45 p.m. in the gathering space. Our speaker will be Patty O'Brien, the North Central Regional Director of the Alzheimer's Association, CT Chapter, who will speak on the 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's and the myths and truths about aging and memory loss. Her video presentation will feature physicians and Alzheimer's patients. Refreshments will be provided.

~ **Upcoming Events** ~

Tuesday, October 15

**Pot Luck Supper**

Wednesday, October 23

*Pasta Supper at Knights of Columbus Pavilion*

**St. Mary Parish Council Minutes for September 3, 2013 ~ Bulletin Edition ~**

**Welcoming of New Pastor:** The Parish Council welcomed Rev. Msgr. Michael Motta to the first Parish Council meeting of the year.

**Youth Ministry:** Eleven participants attended the Rock Cats Baseball game in July. Seventeen students participated in Soul Fest 2013. The Peer Connections Kickoff Weekend took place on the weekend of 8/31-9/1. The first meetings of the year will be LEAP! on 9/20, and DIVE! on 9/21. On 9/29 members will participate in Catholic Youth Spectacular 2013, sponsored by the Archdiocesan Youth Ministry Office. New volunteers have joined the Core Team; first meeting has yet to be decided. The newly-formed Children's Liturgy committee will be meeting within the next few weeks.

**Finance:** The Finance Committee met on Wednesday, 7/31. There are no major financial issues or concerns at this time. Some incomes are lower this year than last, due to fewer collections as a result of storm-related weather. The World Energy re-lamping project is being carried out by George Marcello and Dave Popielarczyk.

**Liturgy:** The Liturgy Committee met on 4/8. The committee discussed the need to invite parishioners to serve as ushers. Music director Rick Daddario will introduce more songs from the hymnal over the next year. Amanda will chair the Children's Liturgy Committee. The Office for Divine Worship will host Liturgy Day 2013 on 9/14 at the Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary. St. Mary's will pay the \$35 registration fee for any Liturgy Committee member, liturgical minister, or Parish Council member who wishes to attend. Rosemary Frombach has resigned as chair of the Liturgy Committee. The committee is seeking a parishioner who might wish to chair the Liturgy committee.

**Women's Guild:** The Women's Guild will host Coffee Hour on the second Sunday of every month through March. The Guild will be welcoming Msgr. Motta to the parish at their Coffee Hour on 9/8. The Guild's first meeting will be held on 9/24. The annual Pot Luck Supper will be held on 10/15; the Guild's annual Pasta Supper will be held on 10/23. A presentation on safety will highlight the Guild's 11/19 meeting.

**Buildings and Grounds:** A new light has been installed in the lower parking lot by CL&P to address the lighting concerns in that area. The new interior LED lights will be installed in the church as soon as issues regarding grants and rebates have been resolved. Bob Archer hired a lawn care crew to remove weeds around exterior of church. At the Ministry Fair Bob will be seeking volunteers to help care for the exterior of the church and rectory on a year-round basis.

**Prayer Chain:** The Prayer Chain has received over 150 Prayer requests since the first of January.

**Men's Retreat:** Information regarding the Men's Retreat will be available at the Ministry Fair.

**Décor Committee:** The committee has been busy preparing the Hart House for a new year of CCD classes.

**Haitian Ministry:** Representatives from the ministry will be present at the Ministry Fair.

*Bulletin minutes will conclude next weekend.*



St. Mary parish family welcomes through the sacrament of baptism:

*Parker Michael Regan*

St. Mary parish family welcomes the following newly registered members:

*Catherine L. Lee, Avon*

*Mary Podgorski, Unionville*

*Kristen & Richard Sabonis & family, Farmington*

*Andrew & Jason Eselunas & family, Unionville*

***The Legion of Mary***

will be offering a New Day Bereavement group for ten consecutive Wednesdays 10/2 thru 12/11. The group will meet in the hospitality room of the church from 7:00-8:30 p.m. The holidays are a difficult time for those who have lost a loved one. This program helps you develop strategies to cope with your grief. It will be a time for prayer, reflection, journaling and sharing. For further details and to sign up please contact Chris Zweigle (860) 677-5369.

***Monday, September 23 is FAMILY DAY!***

Archbishop Henry Mansell is encouraging parishioners throughout the Archdiocese to eat dinner together as a family and enjoy each other's company. More than a decade of research by the National Center on Addiction and substance Abuse at Columbia University has consistently found that the more often kids eat dinner with their families, the less likely they are to smoke, drink or use drugs. Information is available on the tables as you exit the church.

***Defending Our Religious Liberty***

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