

Mass Intentions for the Week



Saturday,	March 15, 2014
4:30 p.m.	Patricia Martucci by the Dillon family
Sunday,	March 16, 2014
7:30 a.m.	Robert Gondek, Jr. by Dad & the Gondek family
9:30 a.m.	Bryan Urso by his family
11:00 a.m.	Lorraine Marcello by the Greiner family
Monday,	March 17, 2014
7:45 a.m.	Ed Welcome by his wife Judy
Tuesday,	March 18, 2014
7:45 a.m.	Antonia Bonilla, Laureano Bonilla & Tina Santiago by Norma
Wednesday,	March 19, 2014
7:45 a.m.	Alice Flynn
Thursday,	March 20, 2014
7:45 a.m.	John Shortley
Friday,	March 21, 2014
7:45 a.m.	Betty Flynn
Saturday,	March 22, 2014
4:30 p.m.	Joan Gilligan by family
Sunday,	March 23, 2014
7:30 a.m.	Loretta Zanini by her family
9:30 a.m.	Anna Pavano by her daughter Rita Kocienda
11:00 a.m.	Diane & Edward Boisvert by their daughter

Readings for the Week of March 16, 2014

Sunday:	Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
Monday:	Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38
Tuesday:	Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12
Wednesday:	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/ Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Thursday:	Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31
Friday:	Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
Saturday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday:	Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Parish Support March 9, 2014

Weekly	\$7,586.00
On-line giving	<u>\$1,235.00</u>
Total	\$8,821.00

You may return your envelope for Easter flowers at any Mass.
Thank you.

Calendar

3/17	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary—Hart House
	7:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary—Hosp. Room
3/18	6:00 p.m.	Women's Guild Pot Luck-Gath. Space
	7:00 p.m.	New Day Bereavement—Hosp. Room

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

Doris & George "Butch" Lasek

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



Mondays

Reconciliation—6:00—7:00 p.m.

Fridays

Stations of the Cross—7:00 p.m.

Lenten Confessions

Let the light in this Lenten season by going to confession. Every Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Hartford will be open for the Sacrament of Reconciliation Mondays from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Save the Date!

Soup and Bread

St. Mary's Human Needs Committee will host a Soup and Bread meal with proceeds to benefit Catholic Relief Services on Sunday, March 30 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. in the gathering space. Tickets will be sold after all masses next weekend Saturday, March 22 and Sunday, March 23. The tickets are \$6.00 for adults; children 6 and under free. If you would like to help by preparing soup for 8 – 10 people or providing bread or dessert, please call Alice Crozier (860)-673-4282.



St. Patrick's Church in Farmington has again invited our parish to join with them in their annual **Faith Walk**, to be held on Good Friday, April 18 at 10:00 a.m. The Faith Walk is an outdoor, living stations of the cross. We have been invited not only to attend, but also to take on various character roles depicted in the Stations. There are roles for children through adults, making this a perfect Lenten opportunity for families, as well as individuals. Anyone interested should contact Dick Selinga at rselinga@sbcglobal.net.

Gift Bearers

Please let the ushers know at least 15 minutes prior to Mass if you would like to bring up the offertory gifts if you have requested the Mass intention that day. Thank you.

The Legion of Mary

will be offering a New Day Bereavement group for 10 consecutive Tuesdays through 5/13. The group will meet in the Hospitality Room from 7:00-8:30 pm. Losing a loved one is one of the most painful and difficult experiences we face in our lives. This program helps you develop strategies to cope with 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 or Kathy Dossot (860)673-3163 .

The 2014 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

The Archbishop's Annual Appeal helps provide the critical funding needed to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, counsel those in despair, offer much-needed assistance to the unemployed, and make medical care available to those without health insurance. Your gift to the 2014 Appeal will help to continue these and other vital ministries, services, and programs that reach out to so many in need.

During Lent,

let's reflect on this and find ways to change our habits of thought and consumption. Pope Francis in his World Day of Peace message in January said; "The human family has received from the Creator a common gift: nature. The Christian view of creation includes a positive judgment about legitimacy of interventions on nature if these are meant to be beneficial and are performed responsibly,.....by wisely using resources for the benefit of all, with respect for the beauty, finality and usefulness of every living being and its place in the ecosystem...yet so often we are driven by greed and the arrogance of dominion, possession manipulation and exploitation; we do not preserve nature; nor do we respect it or consider it a gracious gift which we must care for and set at the service of our brothers and sisters, including future generations."

Lenten Disciplines of Fasting and Abstinence

Here are the rules for fasting and abstinence on Good Friday: Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal. Catholics in good health ages eighteen to fifty-nine are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Good Friday and to abstain from meat all other Fridays in Lent. Youth thirteen and older are to abstain from meat on these days. Abstinence from meat on Fridays: Canon 1251 specifies that Catholics refrain from eating meat on all Fridays, as an act of penitence. In the US, Catholics are permitted to substitute another penance outside of the season of Lent. During Lent, however, all Catholics are obliged not to eat meat on Fridays.

***Women's Guild End of Winter Pot Luck Supper***

Women's Guild's "Winter's End" Pot Luck supper will be held Tuesday, March 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the Father Golas Gathering Space. If any member was not contacted by phone or e-mail and wishes to attend, please call Claire Selinga at (860) 673-5524 or cselinga@sbcglobal.net

Afternoon Tea & Vintage Fashion Show

on April 6 at 2:00 pm in the Gathering Space. Enjoy teas, scones, sandwiches, & desserts elegantly served. Tea cup auction, hat contest and surprises! Reservations required - call (860) 673- 5251 by March 31. \$12 pp, young ladies 12 and under \$5.

St Mary's Women's Guild is pleased to offer ***scholarships to high school seniors*** who plan to continue their education beyond high school, and who are parishioners of St. Mary's Church in Unionville. Applications are available in the bookshelves of the church entryways and in the guidance departments of Farmington, Avon, Lewis Mills and St. Paul High Schools. Applications must be received by: **Saturday, April 5, 2014.**

Irish Blessings

*Always remember to forget
The troubles that passed away,
But never forget to remember
The blessings that come each day.*

*May you have warm words on a cold evening,
A full moon on a dark night,
And the road downhill all the way to your door.*

***Request for Tax Information***

If you require a "Statement of Contributions" for 2013 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.

Name _____

Address _____