

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	February 21, 2015 Eugene Rudiak by Elaine Searle & family
Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	February 22, 2015 Sam McGovern by Bob & Marilyn Slabinski
9:30 a.m.	Alvine Gagnon by Pete, Terri & Eric Peterson
11:00 a.m.	Lionel & Dorothy Therriault by Jay & Fran McCaffrey
Monday, 7:45 a.m.	February 23, 2015 Betty Flynn
Tuesday, 7:45 a.m.	February 24, 2015 Jack Flynn
Wednesday, 7:45 a.m.	February 25, 2015 James Bombara by his family
Thursday, 7:45 a.m.	February 26, 2015 John Shortley by his family
Friday, 7:45 a.m.	February 27, 2015 Paryse Fracasso by Maria Savastio
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	February 28, 2015 Mrs. Mary Neulinger by her family
Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	March 1, 2015 Betty Flynn
9:30 a.m.	Elaine Tetreault by Mary Sirois Grzybowski
11:00 a.m.	John Franciosi (5th anniversary) by his family

Readings for the Week of February 22, 2015

Sunday:	Gn 9:8-15/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15
Monday:	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday:	Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32
Thursday:	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12
Friday:	Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26
Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48
Next Sunday:	Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Rom 8:31b-34/ Mk 9:2-10

Parish Support—February 15, 2015

Weekly	\$4,169.00
On-line giving	<u>\$1,103.00</u>
Total	\$5,272.00

The second collection next weekend is the monthly offering.

Calendar

2/23	7:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary— Gathering Space
2/28	4:30 p.m. Mass	Choir

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.



Reconciliation—Mondays—6:00—7:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross—Fridays—7:00 p.m.

In the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, also called confession, we meet the Lord, who wants to grant forgiveness and the grace to live a renewed life in him. The Church encourages frequent confession in order to grow closer to Christ Jesus and his Body, the Church. This Lenten season, the Archdiocese of Hartford is working to make it easier for Catholics to experience God's love and mercy in this sacrament. All the churches of the Archdiocese will be open for confessions every Monday during Lent from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. For help in preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, visit Light4you.info

Save these dates! March 10, March 17, March 24 & March 31. Msgr. Motta will offer presentations on the Sacraments at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. All are invited to attend.

Lenten Fast and Abstinence Regulations are as follows:

1. Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on the Fridays of Lent.
2. Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
3. Fasting means eating only one full, meatless meal. Two other smaller, meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each one's needs. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

Spend Lent Growing Closer to God Simply by Listening

Would you like to grow closer to Christ this Lent? Pick up a Lenten bundle of 7 faith-filled Catholic CDs after Mass at the Lighthouse Kiosk and listen to one CD a week during Lent. Celebrate Easter knowing that your simple efforts during the Season of Lent have helped you truly grow closer to Christ. (Suggested donation is \$20)

Seven CDs included are:

Feb 22- Freedom Through Forgiveness – the Sacrament of Confession by Ken Yasinski

March 1- The Fourth Cup by Dr. Scott Hahn

March 8- The Second Greatest Story Ever Told by Fr. Michael Gaitley

March 15- My Beloved Son: Mediations for Lent by Fr. Robert Barron

March 22- The Seven Last Sayings of Christ by Dr. Scott Hahn

Palm Sunday March 29- Glimpses Along the Way of the Cross by Msgr. James P Shea

Easter Sunday April 5-The True Meaning of Easter by Archbishop Fulton Sheen

1st Sunday of Lent

There are some people who can look at an old house, or an empty room and see all the possibilities, exactly what it will look like before a single thing is done. In their mind's eye, they picture a home, with walls fixed and painted, woodwork stained, repairs made and carpet installed. Foreseeing the final outcome is an extraordinary gift that guides the work of making things new again.

Believers have an advantage as they observe their Lenten practices. They know the outcome, they see the final result, and in their mind's eye are witnesses to the resurrection, even as they fast, sacrifice and pray. The final victory of Jesus on Easter morning is what defines Lent, guiding the faithful's penance and preparation. We are given an extraordinary gift that allows us to make room for Christ in our hearts and minds and souls.

Don't be stingy, or fearful, or hesitant. Like the renewal of an old home, the best renovations cut deep, removing all that is useless and decayed, and replacing it with good and sound material. The pain and difficulty of sacrifice makes room for grace, helping us to achieve the vision and foresight of Ash Wednesday: turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel!

Stop, Look, and Listen to this!

The Human Needs Committee

will meet Wednesday, February 25th at 7:00 p.m. in the Hospitality Room. All are welcome. If you have any questions, please call Alice Crozier at 860 673-4282.

Women's Retreat Invitation

"Touched by Wisdom, Held in Hope" is this year's retreat theme. Take time to tap into the "wisdom within" and enjoy time away on March 13-15, 2015 (a day option is also possible). This fabulous retreat takes place at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center, 31 Colton St., Farmington, Ct. 860-677-8519. Please contact Mary Hagadorn for more information: mhagadorn@sbcglobal.net 774-249-4508 You can also call retreat house directly.

Haiti Fun-Raiser at Flatbread—Canton

Come join us on

Monday, February 23, 2015, 5-9 pm

For an evening of fun, fellowship and food
at Flatbread Restaurant!

Proceeds (including take-out) will support the feeding
program at St. Therese School in Haiti.

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

Ryan Michael Roselli

Request for Tax Information

If you require a "Statement of Contributions" for 2014, please complete and return this form to the rectory. Forms may be mailed or placed in the weekly collection. E-mails 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 patience and cooperation.

Name

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