

March 7, 2015 Saturday,

> 4:30 p.m. Joyce Courtemanche (1st

> > anniversary) by her family

Sunday, March 8, 2015

> 7:30 a.m. Betty Flynn 9:30 a.m. Alice Flynn 11:00 a.m. **Thomas Brady**

by his wife & family

Monday, March 9, 2015

> 7:45 a.m. Mary Flynn Tyler by Ed & Cathy Kane

Tuesday, March 10, 2015

7:45 a.m. Jack Flynn Wednesday, March 11, 2015 7:45 a.m. Carrie Flynn March 12, 2015 Thursday,

Betty Flynn Friday, March 13, 2015 7:45 a.m. Alice Flynn

7:45 a.m.

Saturday, March 14. 2015

> Bryan Urso by is family 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 15. 2015

> 7:30 a.m. Betty Flynn

9:30 a.m. Helen Marie Walsh by St. Mary's Choir

11:00 a.m. Joseph Donnelly

by Kathleen Conlin & family

Readings for the Week of March 8, 2015

Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15,

19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30 Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35 Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19 Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23 Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34 Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41

or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Parish Support—March 1, 2015

Weekly \$10,681.00 On-line giving \$ 1,433.00 Total \$12,114.00

Monthly \$4,924.00 On-line giving \$ 542.00 Total \$5,466.00

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

Calendar

3/9 7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary-Gathering Space

3/15 9:30 a.m. Mass Choir

> 4:00 p.m. Soup & Bread—Gathering space

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.

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 more information, 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.

Bible Study

There will be a 22 week study of the Gospels of Matthew, Mark & Luke using the *Come and See* program, published by Emmaus Road Publishing. The workbook is entitled THE SYNOPTIC GOSPELS and will be used in conjunction with a Catechism of the Catholic Church and either a New American Bible or The Revised Standard Version of the Bible (Catholic Edition). We will meet at the Hart House Saturday mornings from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM. Classes will start on Saturday, March 14th. If interested, please call Bob Murphy at (860) 673-9551.

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 15th from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. 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.

Mens' Retreat Report

Men, the retreat this February was exciting, informative, uplifting and enjoyable. It was agreed by all that it was light and yet appropriate for the beginning of Lent. Plan on joining us next year by putting aside the date now. February 28, 2016.

Girl Scout Sunday is scheduled for Sunday March 15 at the 9:30 Mass. This is a special opportunity for all the girls to celebrate their faith inviting God into their daily lives and asking for his guidance in their girl scouting endeavors. All girl scouts are invited to attend the service. Please contact Olivia Germano at 860-678-0597 to register your daughter's attendance.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 8, 2015

Religious Education News

Attention Grade 2 Parents

A parent/catechist meeting is scheduled for *Thursday March* **26**th *in the Church at 6:00 p.m.* The agenda will include a review of First Communion requirements, policies and procedures. First Communion will be celebrated on *Saturday*, *May* **9**th *at* **10:00** *a.m.*

Grade 10 Confirmation Candidates and Parents

Reminder – Confirmation information forms and documents are **OVERDUE** to the Religious Education Office. This information is required and the sacrament cannot be conferred upon the candidate until all is in place. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on *Monday, April 27th at 7:00 p.m.* with Archbishop Emeritus Henry J. Mansell presiding.

Religious Education Registration

Registration for the "2015 – 2016" Religious Education year will begin the weekend of *March 15th*. All new and returning students are required to submit a registration form. Forms will be placed in the entrances to the Gathering Space and Hart House. The normal registration period will end the weekend of *May 17th* after which a late fee will be imposed and class assignments made on a "space available" basis.

Returning Home Study students (grades 3-8) will be re-assigned to the Home Study curriculum unless a change of status is indicated on the form at the time of registration.

Those new to the program are asked to provide a baptismal certificate and evidence of completion of prior religious education so that a proper grade level assignment can be made.

Council Matters

It's that time of year again! St. Mary's parish council is seeking four energetic and dedicated parishioners who are interested in joining us for a 3-year term beginning in July. The 12 member parish council serves in an advisory capacity to the pastor; our mission is to act as a communication link between the pastor and the parish community. Nominations will take place the weekend of March 21/22. Do you want to have a pulse on the happenings in the parish? Do you know someone else who would fit the bill? You may nominate confirmed parishioners 16 years of age or older including yourself. Ballot recipients will be contacted to determine their willingness to serve. Put on your thinking caps as to who you would like to represent our parish on the Council. This is your parish, this is our parish. Let's make it the best it can be!

The 2015 **Archbishop's Annual Appeal** is now underway in our parish. Your support of this year's Appeal ensures the essential charitable, educational, and pastoral ministries of the Archdiocese of Hartford are carried forward. We hope you can help meet our parish goal. If you would like to make a gift, kindly mail in your pledge card. You may also visit the Archdiocesan website at archdioceseofhartford.org or call the Appeal Office at 800 781-2550.



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 (a day option is also possible). The retreat takes place at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center, 31 Colton St., Farmington 860-677-8519. Please contact Mary Hagadorn for more information: mhagadorn@sbcglobal.net or 774-249-4508 or call retreat house directly.

The **11th Annual Easter Egg Hunt** will be held on **Saturday, March 28 at 1:00 PM** on the Church grounds for children ages 12 and under. Please arrive early. Sign-up sheets are available in the Gathering Space, or you can call Laura Roberts at 860-673-2307 or email stmarysrsvp@yahoo.com

Children's Worship Update-Did you miss the sign up weekend last weekend? Don't worry there is still time to sign up to volunteer or sign your child up. We will be starting this ministry on Sunday, April 12th during the 9:30 mass. Parents will drop their children off in the Hospitality room before mass and pick them up on their way out. During our meeting time with the children, we follow a set curriculum including the Old Testament Reading, Responsorial Psalm, and Gospel Reading for the week. We follow up with a child-centered discussion, activities, and music reinforcing the messages offered from the readings. We close our time together with the Profession of Faith and closing games before being picked up at the end of mass. We are looking for more adults and youth, that have been confirmed, to help lead the children of St. Mary's. You could lead with a youth helper, or work with another parent as a team teacher. Keep in mind that we follow a set script and curriculum, so anyone can do it! If your child would like to join us, just encourage them to stop in the Hospitality room. There is no registration... all are welcome!! Please feel free to contact us at children.ministry@stmary-unionville.org with any questions or to volunteer to help teach.

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.

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