

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	April 25, 2015 Ivore Bouchard by his wife Marie & family
Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	April 26, 2015 Ben Kozyra (12th anniversary) by Barbara Wolf
9:30 a.m.	Jonerie Cosentino by family
11:00 a.m.	Attilio Bove by his family
Monday, 7:45 a.m.	April 27, 2015 Alice Flynn
Tuesday, 7:45 a.m.	April 28, 2015 Jack Flynn
Wednesday, 7:45 a.m.	April 29, 2015 Betty Flynn
Thursday, 7:45 a.m.	April 30, 2015 Carrie Flynn
Friday, 7:45 a.m.	May 1, 2015 St. Mary Parish
Saturday, 4:30 p.m.	May 2, 2015 Sabrina Crowe & John Bergstrom by the Hemingway family
Sunday, 7:30 a.m.	May 3, 2015 John Slabinski by Bob & Marilyn Slabinski
9:30 a.m.	Edward G. Berlinski (6th anniversary) by family
11:00 a.m.	Prosper Larose by his wife Marilyn & family

Readings for the Week of April 26, 2015

Sunday:	Acts 4:8-12/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18
Monday:	Acts 11:1-18/Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26/Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24--13:5a/Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25/Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33/Jn 14:1-6
Joseph the Worker:	Gn 1:26--2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Mt 13:54-58
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52/Jn 14:7-14
Next Sunday:	Acts 9:26-31/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

Parish Support—April 19, 2015

Weekly	\$7,999.00
On-line giving	<u>\$1,430.00</u>
Total	\$9,429.00

The second collection this weekend is the Peter's Pence Collection. Next weekend the second collection is the monthly offering.

Calendar

4/26	2:00 p.m. Hula Hoops & High Fashion—Gath. Sp.
4/27	7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary
	7:00 p.m. Confirmation

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.

Our **Haiti Ministry** will be presenting their experiences from the recent trip to Haiti at all the masses next weekend

St. Mary's Thank You Event - Important Request

The Fun Committee is holding a meeting on Monday, May 4th in the Gathering Space to plan the annual *Thank You Event* for volunteers of the parish, and we need your help. This year Monsignor would like to have a dinner for the event. We are hoping to hold it on Friday, June 5th. If you are able to help organize and setup/cleanup the event with us, please attend this important meeting. Please call Laura Roberts at 860-673-2307 if you can help with the event, and even if you can't make the meeting. Thank you. Sincerely, FUN committee members.

St Mary's will once again participate in the **Baby Bottle Drive** in support of the Crisis Pregnancy Center (CPC) of Unionville. Empty baby bottles will be available in the gathering space after each Mass on Mother's Day weekend, May 9 and 10. Please pick one (or two!) up, fill it with spare change, and return it on Father's Day weekend, June 20 and 21. For questions, call Gina Broadbent at 860-989-4768 or visit the CPC website at www.thecrisispregnancycenterct.org.

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

*Ryan Alexander King
Lauren Kristy Marich
Landon Bryce Regan*

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

will take place this Friday from after the 7:45 a.m. Mass until noon. We would like to have three adorers for every hour. Please sign up on the poster in the Gathering Space. We will need your phone number in case of cancellation or a funeral. If you sign up and are unable to come, please call Elaine at 860 352-2281.

Parish Council Bulletin Minutes—March 11, 2015

Msgr. Motta provided the opening prayer by asking God for his continued blessings on our church and on all our Parish Activities and to help us be good disciples.

A Retreat for the Confirmation class will take place on March 22nd at Holy Family Monastery. Confirmation is scheduled for April 27th.

Training for altar servers will take place on Sunday, March 15th. There are currently 22 altar servers in the program. Six altar servers will be needed for Confirmation. Servers are also currently being scheduled for Holy Week, Easter Sunday and Divine Mercy Sunday using the website SignUp Genius.

In January, 32,000 meals were packaged at the “End Food Hunger Packaging Event,” with donations of time and funding from parishioners. The meals will be distributed to Gifts of Love, Food Share, and the Farmington and Burlington food banks. In March, movie night will be about unconditional love. April will bring the Spring Fundraiser and the start of the Children’s Worship Ministry. Relay for Life will take place in May. Teen Weekend Retreat is scheduled for June 19th through the 21st. Soul Fest will take place in August.

The youth ministry newsletter has been reformatted with a new design, less announcements and more content. The Facebook page is updated each Sunday with the Gospel and a relating graphic or artwork.

The mission of the new Children’s Worship Ministry is to educate 3 to 6-year-olds about the mass and our Catholic faith. The program is created to focus on the Gospel through readings that are child-centered and activities and music to reinforce the Gospel message and will follow the structure of the mass. The coordinator for this ministry is Danielle Frissora. Children’s Worship Ministry will begin on April 12th and run through June 28th during the 9:30 mass

Liturgy Committee meetings will be held once a month in the Hospitality Room after the 11:00 mass. Discussion continues as to the responsibilities that currently fall under the Liturgy Committee. The next meeting will take place on March 22nd after the 11:00 mass.

The Finance Committee may begin putting funds aside in a reserve fund for church upkeep and repairs. For example, this year alone \$18,000 was spent on snow removal. The Building Committee will begin assembling numbers regarding upkeep and repair.

The Human Needs Committee had their Butter Braid and Cookie dough fundraiser in January. On March 15th, the committee will sponsor its annual Soup and Bread meal to benefit Catholic Relief Services. In April, they will be collecting donations for the Farmington and Burlington Food Banks.

An ice dam on the west wall of the church caused a leak and subsequent ceiling damage in the Reconciliation room; the damage was repaired by a roofing contractor. Dave Popielarczyk donated his time and talents to install additional shelving in the storage closets in the Gathering Space and he charged the church only for supplies. Mr. Popielarczyk is also making a new Paschal Candle stand which will include wheels, enabling easier movement of the candle down the main aisle of the church.

On Tuesday, March 17th there will be a Corned Beef Dinner at the K of C. A \$5.00 donation is requested, as well as an appetizer or dessert.

Sandy Purrier has stepped down as Chairperson for the Decorations Committee. Two volunteers have come forward to take over.

The Fun Committee is planning the Annual Easter Egg Hunt for Saturday, April 4th.

The Women’s Retreat is scheduled for March 14th.

Divine Mercy Sunday will take place on Sunday, April 12.
Bulletin minutes will conclude next weekend.

Mobile Foodshare

The mobile Foodshare truck will now be at St. Mary’s (in the commuter lot) every first and third Tuesday of the month from 9-9:30 a.m. to distribute food. If you wish to volunteer, or have any questions, call Pat Robotham at 860 673-3435.

Religious Education News**Religious Education Registration**

Registration for the “2015 – 2016” Religious Education year has begun. 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.

✓ Check This Out...

Hats Off at Trinity! An interfaith Day of Creative Caring and Praying—Saturday, May 2—Trinity Episcopal Church, 55 River Rd., Collinsville. Join us as we crochet, knit and sew hats for preemies through adults. Please bring a finger food to share. Drinks and paper goods will be supplied. RSVP to 860 693-8172.