

Mass Intentions for the Week



Saturday,	November 21, 2015
4:30 p.m.	Deceased members of the Legion of Mary Worldwide by the Legion of Mary
Sunday,	November 22, 2015
7:30 a.m.	Marylin Thomas by her husband
9:30 a.m.	Jeff Smith by Mike & Lori McNaboe
11:00 a.m.	Eugene Rudiak by Bridie Rudiak & Elaine Searle & family
Monday,	November 23, 2015
7:45 a.m.	Dorothy & Walter Tierney by family
Tuesday,	November 24, 2015
7:45 a.m.	Fern Beaulieu by Judy Welcome
Wednesday,	November 25, 2015
7:45 a.m.	Bob Slabinski by his wife Marilyn
Thursday,	November 26, 2015
9:00 a.m.	Rose Reynolds by the Purrier family
Friday,	November 27, 2015
7:45 a.m.	Pat Priola by Rick & Bernice Tonucci
Saturday,	November 28, 2015
4:30 p.m.	Eugene Huppe by his family
Sunday,	November 29, 2015
7:30 a.m.	Joseph Gondek, Jr. by his wife Teresa
9:30 a.m.	Joseph Lombardi by Scott O'Dell & Courtney O'Dell Piper
11:00 a.m.	Sebastian "Mike" Motta by Ken & Julie Bradley

Readings for the Week of November 22, 2015	
Sunday:	Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37
Monday:	Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday:	Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday:	Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19
Thursday:	Dn 6:12-28/Lk 21:20-28
Friday:	Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33
Saturday:	Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36
Next Sunday:	Jer 33:14-16/1 Thes 3:12--4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Parish Support November 15, 2015

Weekly	\$9,879.00
On-line giving	<u>\$ 987.00</u>
Total	\$10,866.00

The second collection this weekend supports the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Thank you for your support.

Calendar

11/23	7:00 p.m.	Legion of Mary—Gathering Space
11/28	4:30 p.m.	Mass Choir

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

Michael Vacca

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



Come to the Fair!

As Christmas is almost upon us and we are looking for special gifts for the ones you love, we invite you to the Fair Trade sale here at St. Mary after each of the weekend masses on December 12-13. Fair Trade is double giving since each item you purchase is a gift for someone you care about while enabling the farmers, weavers, metal workers, etc. to provide for their families and communities. Come see (and purchase) the beautiful woven goods from Guatemala, woodwork from El Salvador, hammered metal art from Haiti along with pure chocolate, olive oil, coffee and cocoa from Ghana, Palestine and Haiti and other countries. CREA, the Center for Reflection, Education and Action, is a member of the network of organizations working to bring the products to markets for those who produce them. Call Clara Ryan (860) 673-0756 with questions.

Children's Christmas Party and Ornament Workshop 2015



The Knights of Columbus and the Fun Committee present a combined event: The Children's Christmas Party and Ornament Workshop on Sunday, December 13 from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Unionville. All children, grandchildren and friends of the Knight of Columbus members and St. Mary Star of the Sea parish members are welcome to attend (children should be ages 12 and under). This year, the party includes Magic of Christopher, 4 cute, easy ornaments, in addition to Face Painting, and a Twelve Days of Christmas raffle. Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive on a fire truck to deliver cheer and goodies to the kids. **Please SIGN UP for the event no later than December 6** so we can properly prepare for that special day. Sign up sheets will be available at St. Mary Church Gathering Space, K o C Hall or contact Olivia or Timothy Germano at (860)678-0597 or (860) 212-2516. A Collection box will be in the Fr. Golas Gathering Space: We need empty toilet paper rolls for one of the ornament projects this year.

Human Needs Committee:

Tags for various organizations including: Farmington Families, Hispanic Health Council, Farmington Fuel Bank, Tabor House, St. Vincent DePaul Society, Burlington Families, Burlington



Food and Fuel, Friendship Center, Crisis Pregnancy Center, Family Life Education, Services for the Elderly and tags for diapers (please do not wrap diapers) to go to those in need. Tags will be hung on our Giving Tree by members of the Human Needs Committee the weekend after Thanksgiving. Parishioners may remove the tags and return the gifts (with tags attached please) no later than December 13th. Some of the tags represent a special gift for someone. If you take a tag, please be certain to provide the item. If a gift is not returned or returned late, that person's wish will not be met. Please return gifts during regularly scheduled weekend masses only. Please put all gift cards and checks to Farmington Fuel Bank & Burlington Food & Fuel in the locked box under the tree. If you cannot, please contact Alice Crozier 860- 673-4282 or alcroz@att.net . Thank you.



All Women of the Parish: *The Women's Guild Christmas party* will be a fun "Potluck" on Monday, December 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the Father Golas Gathering Space. The party will include an optional toy drive and teacup auction. Feel free to donate a toy and/or a "Christmas item" for the auction. Please RSVP to Arlene O'Sullivan at 860 675-4786 or arleneosullivan@att.net by Dec. 1 for details.

The next pre-baptism class

will be held Thursday, December 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the Hart House for those who have not previously attended. Please call the rectory to register. Baptisms may be scheduled after attendance at the class. The next class will be held in February.

The rectory and religious education office will be closed on November 26 and 27 in observance of Thanksgiving. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday.



Who, What, Where, and When...

Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service of Farmington/ Unionville will be held on Tuesday, November 24 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Church, Farmington.

On November 29th, at the 11:00 mass, we will celebrate the **Rite of Welcoming** for those who are studying to enter the Catholic Church. Our church will be enriched by the presence of these new members.

One of our parishioners is working on her Girl Scout gold award and asks for your help. We will be holding a collection for used eyeglasses. The glasses will be taken to Union Eye Works where they will be read for prescription. An event will be held at West District School where the glasses will be redistributed to those in need, at no cost to them. A receptacle will be left in the gathering space for the next few weeks. Please contact Olivia Germano with questions.860 678-0597. Thank you.



Thanksgiving Day Prayer 2015

O God, ever good and merciful,
look graciously upon us as we celebrate Thanksgiving Day.

Our nation has been richly blessed,
and we thank You for the necessities of life
that so many of us enjoy in abundance.

May we never take these gifts for granted
or forget that they come from You, the Creator and
Author of Life.

We pray for those among us who suffer
as a result of material, spiritual or moral poverty.
Enkindle in us a greater charity toward our neighbor in
need,

and help us as a people to build
a more just and peaceful society and world.

We pray in a special way for those who are persecuted
for their faith throughout the globe.

Thank you, Father, for all Your blessings,
In the Name of Christ Our Lord. Amen