

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday,	March 11, 2017
4:30 p.m.	Joan Gilligan by her family
Sunday,	March 12, 2017
7:30 a.m.	Bob Slabinski by his wife Marilyn
9:30 a.m.	Girl Scout Sunday
11:00 a.m.	For Mary O'Donnell in celebration of her 100th birthday by her family
Monday,	March 13, 2017
7:45 a.m.	Anne Dawson by St. Mary's Women's Guild
Tuesday,	March 14, 2017
7:45 a.m.	Sebastian "Mike" Motta
Wednesday,	March 15, 2017
7:45 a.m.	Charles Generose by Mark & Carla Grimm
Thursday,	March 16, 2017
7:45 a.m.	Robert Gondek, Jr. by Dad and Gondek family
Friday,	March 17, 2017
7:45 a.m.	Ed Welcome by his wife Judy
7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross
Saturday,	March 18, 2017
4:30 p.m.	Bryan Urso by his parents
Sunday,	March 19, 2017
7:30 a.m.	Catherine Ward by her family
9:30 a.m.	Robert Chamberlain Jr. by the Parlows
11:00 a.m.	Jean Heller by Barbara Schwaber

Readings for the Week of March 12, 2017

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9
 Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8-9, 11, 13/Lk 6:36-38
 Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23/Mt 23:1-12
 Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14-16/Mt 20:17-28
 Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 16:19-31
 Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
 Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-4, 9-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
 Next Sunday: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Parish Support March 5, 2017

Weekly	\$9524.00
On-Line giving	<u>\$1,621.00</u>
Total	\$11,145.00
Monthly	\$4,717.00
On-Line giving	<u>\$ 910.00</u>
Total	\$5,627.00

Calendar

Baby Shower month

3/12	Coffee Sunday
3/14	7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary—Hospitality Room
3/14	7:00 p.m. W.G. meeting—Gathering Space
3/18	4:30 Mass Choir

Fridays

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

Do you want to let go of patterns of sin, grow in the life of virtue and experience a joyful conversion? Let the light of God's mercy shine on you this Lenten season by going to confession.

- Monday, March 13—6:00 p.m.
- Monday, March 20—6:00 p.m.
- Monday, March 27—6:00 p.m.
- Monday, April 3 - 6:00 p.m.
- Monday, April 10—6:00 p.m.

DIY Spirituality for Lent
Saint Mary, Star of the Sea Church, Unionville,
Do it Yourself Spirituality

Join with Fr. Michael Dolan to explore the rich spiritual heritage of our Catholic Faith that can form your life for happiness and give you the interior skills to cope with challenges.

Sunday, March 12 Sacred Space—7:00 p.m.

Explore the holy places of your own life and the sites that are sacred to you.

Thursday, March 16 Symbols—7:00 p.m.

Come to a deeper understanding of the symbols that inform and represent your life.

Wednesday, March 22 Sacred Time—7:00 p.m.

Make the time you are given by God meaningful.

Tuesday, March 28 Body & Soul—7:00 p.m.

Grow the connection that makes you fully human.

Our first **Boy Scout Sunday** is scheduled for **March 26** at the 9:30 Mass. "Duty to God" is an important part of the foundation of scouting's commitment to ethical, oral and spiritual growth. We would like to bring together all boy and cub scouts for a special celebration of Scout Sunday. Please contact Olivia Germano at 860 212-2516 or oliviagermano@sbcglobal.net to register your son's attendance as well as inform of interest in participating in the service through readings, singing or carrying the flag. Deadline for registration is March 19.

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

Kathleen Julia Lamb

The 2017 *Archbishop's Annual Appeal* is now underway in our parish. Your support of this year's Appeal ensures that 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. Keep in mind that an early pledge will allow the donor to best use the monthly payment plan.

The Guild of St. Agnes Family Center would like to thank the parishioners of St. Mary Star of the Sea who recently responded to our Membership Drive and our Red Stocking Drive. It is greatly appreciated.

From the Friendship Service Center of New Britain, Thank you for your generous contributions in support of our programs and residents. Your gift of clothing helps to make the burdens of poverty a little lighter at a time when our clients are celebrating new victories but still have many needs. It makes a difference. Your kindness is a blessing.

Haiti Ministry

Please pray for our Haiti ministry members who will be visiting St. Therese March 16-21st. That weekend look out for our spring fundraiser flyer "Rebuilding Ste. Therese One 'Bloc' at a Time!" Our meetings are on the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at St. Patrick's hall in Collinsville--all are welcome! Contact person: Mary Hagadorn email - mhagadorn@sbcglobal.net

Dispensation from Lenten Abstinence on Friday, March 17

Archbishop Leonard Blair has formally dispensed the Faithful of the Archdiocese of Hartford from the obligation to abstain from meat on the Memorial of Saint Patrick, Bishop, which will be observed this year on Friday, March 17. Inasmuch as fasting is a spiritual good, meant, in the words of the Catechism "to help us acquire mastery over our instincts and freedom of heart," the Faithful who partake of meat on Mach 17, 2017 are encouraged to observe the Lenten abstinence on Thursday, March 16, or Saturday, March 18.

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The Divine Mercy Holy Hour will be celebrated at St. Ann in Avon on March 12th from 2:30 – 3:30 pm. Our Lord told St. Faustina, "For the soul that trusts much will be given." Please join us as we place our trust in Jesus.

St. Mary's Guild will meet at 7 p.m. in the Fr. Golas Gathering Space -Tuesday, March 14 and Tuesday, April 18. All women of the parish are welcome to attend.

Save the Date! - April 23, 2017—Noon -Luncheon at the Country Club of Farmington.-**ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.** More information to follow.

Learn more about how God is with us in the Bible -The Birth of Jesus raises too many questions that just can't be answered in an eight minute homily! If you want to delve deeper into the meaning of God's gift to us at Christmas, come learn about our Catholic Biblical School. Contact us, or come to our Celebration of Sacred Scripture on Sat., March 25. The enrollment processes begins in spring, and classes begin in early September. Visit our website (www.orehartford.org) or contact the Office of Education, Evangelization and Catechesis (catholic.biblical.school@aohct.org, 860-242-5573, ext. 2670).

During the month of March St. Mary's Guild is having a baby shower for the babies at St. Agnes Family Center in West Hartford. There is a playpen located in the Father Golas gathering space for the unwrapped gifts.

Request for Tax Information

If you require a "Statement of Contributions" for 2016, 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 promptly. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

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