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| Saturday, | November 18, 2017 |
| 4:30 p.m. | Pete Maysa (4th anniversary) by his family |
| Sunday, | November 19, 2017 |
| 7:30 a.m. | Marylin Thomas by her husband |
| 9:30 a.m. | Helen & Al Szewczul & Frank & Penny D'Addabbo by the Szewczul family |
| 11:00 a.m. | John Reno by his wife Patricia Reno |
| Monday, | November 20, 2017 |
| 7:45 a.m. | Angela Sienko by her family |
| Tuesday, | November 21, 2017 |
| 7:45 a.m. | Sebastian "Mike" Motta |
| Wednesday, | November 22, 2017 |
| 7:45 a.m. | Fern Beaulieu by Judy Welcome |
| Thursday, | November 23, 2017 |
| 9:00 a.m. | St. Mary Parish |
| Friday, | November 24, 2017 |
| 7:45 a.m. | Marie Wassik by the Wassik family |
| Saturday, | November 25, 2017 |
| 4:30 p.m. | Rosemarie McMahon (1st anniversary) by her family |
| Sunday, | November 26, 2017 |
| 7:30 a.m. | Angela Sienko by her family |
| 9:30 a.m. | John P. Callahan (25th anniversary) by his family |
| 11:00 a.m. | Lillian Clark by her family |

Readings for the Week of November 19, 2017
 Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-5/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21
 Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43
 Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-7/Lk 19:1-10
 Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15/Lk 19:11-28
 Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44
 Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd-12/Lk 19:45-48
 Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19/Lk 20:27-40
 Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-3, 5-6/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

Parish Support November 12, 2017

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| Weekly | \$ 7,597.00 |
| On-Line giving | <u>\$ 1,418.00</u> |
| Total | \$ 9,015.00 |

The second collection this week supports the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Thank you for your generosity.

Calendar

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| 11/19 | 2:00 p.m. | Women's Guild Christmas Cards— Gathering Space |
| 11/21 | 7:00 p.m. | Legion of Mary—Hospitality Room |
| 11/25 | 4:30 p.m. | 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.

The Knights of Columbus and the Fun Committee present a combined event: ***The Children's Christmas Party and Ornament Workshop*** on Sunday December 3 from 12:30 to 3:30 pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 301 New Britain Ave, Unionville. All children, grandchildren and friends of K of C members and St. Mary Star of the Sea parishioners are welcome to attend. Children should be ages 12 and under. This year, Magic by Ed Popielarczyk will provide the entertainment. The children will work on an ornament project, have fun getting their face painted and have a chance to win a prize in Twelve Days of Christmas Raffle. We will also have a special visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus! Please sign up no later than November 26 so we can properly prepare for the special day. Sign-up Sheets are located in the Fr. Golas Gathering Space at the church or contact Olivia or Timothy Germano at (860) 678-0597 or (860) 212-2516.



TO ALL WOMEN of St. Mary Star of the Sea: Please join us ***Sunday, November 19 at 2:00 p.m.*** to write Christmas cards to send to our men and women overseas and those in our Veterans' Hospital. Cards will be provided or you may bring your own. Cookies, tea and coffee will be provided. Please join us and enjoy the wonderful feeling of giving back. There will be a box in the Gathering Space where anyone may donate Christmas cards for this event. If anyone needs a ride, please contact Kathy Hancock, 675-1139, and she will try to arrange it.

Thank you!

I am genuinely grateful to all who attended and supported the piano concert I recently presented here in our church. The free-will offering collected at the concert, to benefit the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation totaled \$2,412.00 - all of which has been donated to the foundation. I will present another concert next year at this time, and hope to once again see so many in attendance. Thank you so very much, Rick

From the Human Needs Committee:

The **Christmas Giving Tree**, decorated with gift tags to assist individuals and families in need, will be set up in the gathering space after Thanksgiving. Each tag represents a specific gift and associated charitable organization. Information about each organization is provided on the poster next to the tree. If you take a tag, please be certain to provide the item requested by December 10. You may return the wrapped gift and the original tag during the regularly scheduled masses on the first 2 weekends of December. Diapers do not need to be wrapped. Gift cards or monetary donations including checks, may be placed in the locked wooden box under the tree.



PLEASE - Return gifts for tags taken, no later than Sunday, December 10. Attach original tag to wrapped gift, or envelope. You may contact Donna Dellacamera at (860) 675-5924, or ddellacamera@comcastnet for any questions. Thank you for your generous support!

Youth Ministry

December 9: Advent Celebration (Saturday 7 p.m.)

Families are invited for a night of worship with music as we celebrate the birth of our Lord.

December 15: Winter Service Project (Friday 7 p.m.)

Help us spread warmth and comfort again this year as we pack our Winter Comfort Care packages for seniors & homebound individuals in our church communities (Farmington, Avon, Burlington)

Please RSVP to: st.marys.peerconnections@gmail.com. Joanne Fishman, joanefishman@comcast.net, 860-378-7583



Stop, Look, and Listen to this!

The **Community Ecumenical Service** will be held this year at the First Church in Farmington November 21 7:30 p.m. All are invited to attend.

The Archbishop O'Brien Library and The Office for Catholic Social Justice presents **"Why Dorothy Day Matters" Reception & Book Signing By Dr. Ben Peters M.S. Divinity, Ph.D. Theology** -Dr. Peters explores the work of Dorothy Day through his first book published in 2016 Called to be Saints: John Hugo, the Catholic Worker, and a Theology of Radical Christianity. His book examines the influence Father John Hugo and his retreat had on Dorothy Day and the Catholic Worker movement. The occasion will include a reception and book signing as well as books for purchase at the site. The event is free and open to the public. Saturday December 2 from 10:30-12pm in the Archbishop O'Brien Library at 467 Bloomfield Avenue in Bloomfield, CT. To register, please contact the Archbishop O'Brien Library at 860-242-5573 Ext. 2608 or 2623 or email the Office for Catholic Social Justice Ministry at agnes.dann@aohct.org.

Thanksgiving Day Blessing

O God of all things in heaven and on earth, you give all your people in the world the gift of life, the gift of family, the gift of work, and the gift of rest. On this, our national day of Thanksgiving, we turn all our thoughts to you, from whom all blessings flow. Bless all our work, our friends, and our families both near and far. We humbly ask for the ability to continue our work for your kingdom and the ability to gather freely to worship you without fear. We ask you to give our years ahead your blessing and protection. We ask all this through Christ the Lord, your Son and our brother. Amen

The rectory and religious education offices will be closed on Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24 for Thanksgiving and will re-open on Monday, November 27 at 9:00 a.m.



Helping



Hands Needed

In order to maintain beauty seasonally in our church we need helpers to care for several small areas for instance: statue of Mary, paschal candle, gathering space, watering flowers weekly, front door wreaths, etc. Expenses for flowers/supplies will be covered. Interested in helping? If so please

call Lynda Bonato 860 673-5251.