

Mass Intentions  *for the Week*

Saturday,	June 9, 2018
4:30 p.m.	Kenneth & Mary McCaffrey by Jay & Fran McCaffrey family
Sunday,	June 10, 2018
7:30 a.m.	Bob Slabinski by his wife Marilyn
9:30 a.m.	Gary Castor by Kathy & Ed Lesco
11:00 a.m.	Virginia Thompson by her family
Monday,	June 11, 2018
7:45a.m.	Rudy & Honey Selinga by their son
Tuesday,	June 12, 2018
7:45 a.m.	Larry Fitzgerald
Wednesday,	June 13, 2018
7:45 a.m.	Edward Murphy, Jr. by Bob Murphy
Thursday,	June 14, 2018
7:45 a.m.	Sebastian "Mike" Motta
Friday,	June 15, 2018
7:45 a.m.	Philomena Nevaratne by her family
Saturday,	June 16, 2018
2:00 p.m.	Wedding - Andre French—Julia Diampaolo
4:30 p.m.	Stanley Kerr
Sunday,	June 17, 2018
7:30 a.m.	Ed Welcome by his wife Judy
9:30 a.m.	Joseph Mihalek by the Gurski family
11:00 a.m.	Helen Harris by her family

Readings for the Week of June 10, 2018

Sunday: Gn 3:9-15/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7bc]/2 Cor 4:13--5:1/Mk 3:20-35
 Monday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [cf. 2b]/Mt 5:1-12
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 17:7-16/Ps 4:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7a]/Mt 5:13-16
 Wednesday: 1 Kgs 18:20-39/Ps 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab and 8, 11 [1b]/Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 18:41-46/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13 [2a]/Mt 5:20-26
 Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14 [8b]/Mt 5:27-32
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 19:19-21/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/Mt 5:33-37
 Next Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26-34

Parish Support—June 3, 2018

Weekly	\$8,064.00
On-line Giving	<u>\$1,322.00</u>
Total	\$9,386.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$2,822.00

The second collection this weekend is the monthly offering.

Calendar

Month of June Flip tabs

6/11	7:00 p.m. Golf Mtg.—Gathering Space
6/12	9:00 a.m. Foodshare truck—St. Mary Parking lot 7:00 p.m. Legion of Mary—Hospitality Room
6/14	7:00 p.m. Pre-baptism Mtg.—Hart House

The **baby bottles** that you picked up on Mother's Day to support the works of the Crisis Pregnancy Center in Unionville should be returned to the church, with your donations on Father's Day weekend, June 17th. The Crisis Pregnancy Center provides compassionate and loving emotional, physical and spiritual support to women, helping them make plans to keep and parent these babies, or to make an adoption plan. Please contact Jane Peterson if you have any questions (860 673-3597). Thank you for supporting this great cause so generously every year.

From the Human Needs Committee:- During the month of June, the Human Needs Committee will collect aluminum pull tabs from beverage cans. A container is located in the gathering space. Shriners Hospitals for Children in Springfield and Boston recycle tabs and raise money for programs that directly benefit the children in their care. Please contact Donna Dellacamera at 860 675 -5924 or ddellacamera@comcast.net for more information. Thanks for your support!

From FISH/Friends in Service to Humanity of NWCT: I would like to thank St. Mary Church and volunteers for helping and hosting the Outreach Program and thinking of our food pantry at Fish, NWCT in Torrington. We serve over 1753 individuals, 522 families and distributed 108,459 meals year ending 9/30/17. God bless, Margaret Ruzbasan Franzl, Food Pantry Manager.

From Loaves & Fishes Ministries, Inc.: We want to thank your congregation for the two large boxes containing literally several hundred rice and beans "instant meals", made by members of your congregation and delivered to us by Paul and Pat Robotham. These meals will help make the difference to our clients at Loaves & Fishes Ministries. In the Asylum Hill neighborhood of Hartford, very low food security is what we address every day. Clients report their lives changed because they come to the group kitchen hungry and leave having eaten what is often their only hot meal of the day. We appreciate your commitment to our clients.

Religious Education Registration

Registration is underway for our Religious Education Program for the 2018/2019 year. Annual registration is required for all students. Planning for the year takes place well in advance of classes starting and cannot proceed until the overall program size is known. Registration forms are located in the entrances to the Gathering Space. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the Religious Education Office at (860-675-8522) or st.mary.unionville.re@gmail.com

New Catechists are Always Needed

If you have any inclination to help support our religious education program, contact Deacon Tom as soon as possible. tel: (860) 675-8522 or e-mail: st.mary.unionville.re@gmail.com Team teaching is encouraged – class schedules are flexible (within the constraints of our resources) and tuition is waived for instructors. **Hart House hall monitors** are also needed for us to be compliant with the Archdiocesan “**Protecting God’s Children**” requirements. Parents who wait patiently while their children are in class are asked to consider volunteering as a hall monitor. Tuition is also waived for hall monitors.

Volunteers Needed for our Cemetery

Eight to ten able-bodied persons are needed to do some cosmetic work at our cemetery on Huckleberry Hill Rd. in Avon. We have an erosion problem and a few of the areas need attention. We had sod installed and our immediate need is watering, which needs to be done a couple of times a day. We have the hoses but need the manpower to do the watering. This need is immediate. I would like to organize 4 or 5 teams of two people and tackle the areas that need watering. We are also in need of someone who can do some masonry work since the cement capping on top of one or more of the pillars entering the cemetery are in need of repair. Please contact Bob Archer 860 673-9941 or email: bob.archer@att.net to discuss. Thank you for any assistance you can offer.

The Legion of Mary will take a summer break from our first Saturday Peace Rosary for the months of July and August. We thank all the parishioners that have joined us and look forward to September when we will resume. Please continue to pray the Rosary. Our Blessed Mother needs all of our help! God Bless

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Social Justice—The Foodshare Truck will be available in the Church parking lot from 9—9:30 a.m. June 12. If you have questions regarding the Foodshare program, call Pat Robotham, Site Coordinator, at 860 673-3435.

The next **pre-baptism class** for those who have not previously attended will be held on Thursday, **June 14** at 7:00 p.m. in the Hart House. You must be a registered parish member to participate. The next class will be held in August 2018. **Please call the rectory by Tuesday, June 12 to register.**

Teen Weekend Retreat -June 15 - 17, 2018

Teens are invited to attend a faith-filled weekend guaranteed to inspire teens to share their gifts and talents with their parishes, schools and wider community when they return from the retreat. This retreat weekend is a unique opportunity for teens to create a memorable faith experience with their peers in a sacred atmosphere. We will explore this year’s theme, “**Grace Enough.**” In this age of division, tension and change, we will discuss the many ways God’s grace empowers us and supports us on life’s journey. Together, we will reflect on how living in God’s grace guides us to make good choices leading to true happiness and peace. For more information about Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center visit www.holyfamilyretreat.org. **To register, please contact st.marys.peerconnections@gmail.com.**

Church Chuckles

God created us because he thought we’d enjoy it.

Sixteen year old Mary stormed into the house and burst into tears: “If God is my copilot, how come I keep failing my driver’s license test?”

A little known Bible story tells why the first man stopped sharing every thought and feeling with his wife. One day in the garden, Eve turned to Adam and asked, “Does this fig leaf make me look fat?” Adam, not knowing any better, gave her an honest answer. Eve got depressed and reached for the nearest available food—an apple—and the rest...well, the rest is history.