

# Peer Connections Newsletter

Check out the pictures from the 2014 Broomball Game. [Animoto - Broomball 2014](#)



## Calendar of Events

### Peer Connections

- February 15 - Peer Connections at Spare Time Bowling (CANCELLED)
- February 21-23 - Men's Retreat at Holy Family (For Dads & young men)
- March 5 - Ash Wednesday
- March 7- LEAP!
- March 8 - DIVE!
- March 15 - Family Mass & Dinner
- March 14-16 - Women's Retreat at Our Lady of Calvary (For Moms & young women)
- April 4 - LEAP!
- April 5 - DIVE!
- April 6 - Service Project (Horace Bushnell Children's Food Pantry)
- May 3 - Free Car Wash
- May 9 - LEAP!
- May 10 - DIVE!
- June 1 - DIVE! Retreat (6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grades)
- June 7 - Peer Connections Summer Social
- June 20-22 - Christian Leadership Retreat at Holy Family Retreat Center
- July 12 - Family Outing to Rock Cats Game
- August 7-10 - Soul Fest 2014
- September 21 - Catholic Youth Spectacular

### Parish Events

Check the parish website for upcoming events  
[St. Mary Star of the Sea](#)

## Holidays and Holy Days

March 5 - Ash Wednesday

### Ideas for Lent

As Lent 2014 approaches the church will begin to prepare, we too need to make our own preparations. Check out the March Newsletter for the entire list of Lenten Activities. Some are done as an individual, some with your family and some are parish wide and volunteers are needed.

	Individual Activity
	Family Activity
	Parish Activity (Volunteers needed)

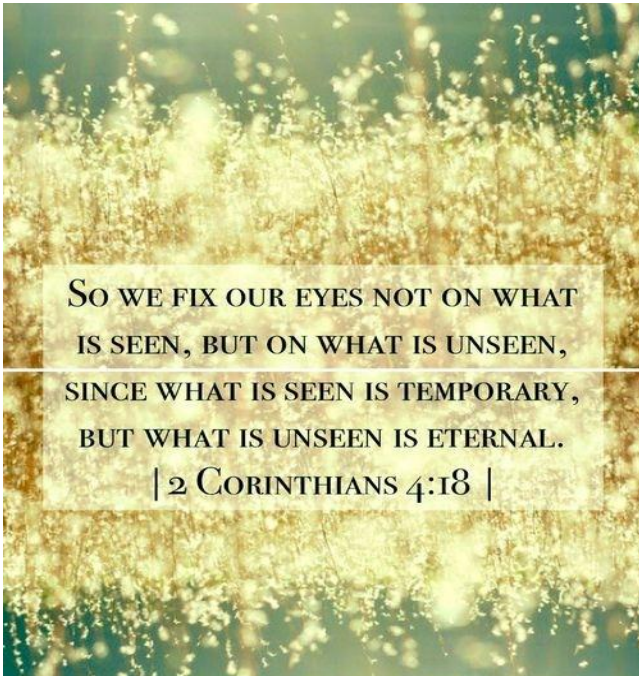
## Horace Bushnell Children's Food Pantry April 6, 2014

### Horace Bushnell Children's Food Pantry

Impacting Families in Connecticut

Together with other local youth groups we will be assisting at the Horace Bushnell Children's Food Pantry in Hartford. To get ready for this event, we will be collecting food, toiletry and clothing donations the weekend before. Everyone is asked to donate even if you can't attend the event.

Remember to always invite a friend to join you for every Peer Connection event. Send them the newsletter and get them to like us on Facebook!



SO WE FIX OUR EYES NOT ON WHAT IS SEEN, BUT ON WHAT IS UNSEEN, SINCE WHAT IS SEEN IS TEMPORARY, BUT WHAT IS UNSEEN IS ETERNAL.  
| 2 CORINTHIANS 4:18 |



Elana and Mrs. Gallo

### For Moms and Dads

Take some "me" time. Retreats are an amazing way for you to focus on yourself, relax, learn and strengthen your faith.

#### DADS

Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center  
February 21-23, 2014

<http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org/mens-retreats>

#### MOMS

Our Lady of Calvary Retreat House  
March 14-16, 2014

<http://www.ourladyofcalvary.com/home>

Moms can also attend the Women's Retreat at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center. There is no specific weekend for the women of St. Mary's.

## SAVE THE DATE

LEAP! - March 7 at 7pm  
DIVE! - March 8 at 7pm  
Family Mass & Dinner - March 15 at 4:30pm

### Service Projects

Jesus tells us in the Gospels to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the sick & imprisoned, shelter the homeless. However, no single person can do it alone. If you would like to lead a service project or have an idea for one, please email [st.marys.peerconnections@gmail.com](mailto:st.marys.peerconnections@gmail.com).



**Love. Grow. Serve.**

### Soul Fest 2014 August 7-10, 2013



Sign up today for the early bird special rate!

### Survey Question

What event or service project would you like to see on the calendar? Email your ideas to [st.marys.peerconnections@gmail.com](mailto:st.marys.peerconnections@gmail.com)



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Where we meet? St. Mary Star of the Sea Church or the Teen Center on School Street in Unionville