



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday,	July 4, 2020
4:30 p.m.	Mrs. Mary Neulinger by her family
Sunday,	July 5, 2020
7:30 a.m.	For Healthcare workers
9:30 a.m.	St. Mary Parish
11:00 a.m.	For an End to the Pandemic
Monday,	July 6, 2020
7:45 a.m.	Ed Wassik by his family
Tuesday,	July 7, 2020
7:45 a.m.	Marion Cassineri by her family
Wednesday,	July 8, 2020
7:45 a.m.	Hector Sanchez by his daughter
Thursday,	July 9, 2020
7:45 a.m.	Helen Motta
Friday,	July 10, 2020
7:45 a.m.	Sebastian "Mike" Motta
Saturday,	July 11, 2020
4:30 p.m.	Thomas N. Toce (2nd anniversary) by his family
Sunday,	July 12, 2020
7:30 a.m.	For Healthcare workers
9:30 a.m.	St. Mary Parish
11:00 a.m.	For an End to the Pandemic

Calendar

7/7 9:00 a.m. Foodshare Truck—St. Mary Parking Lot

Weekend Masses will resume in our parish on July 4 at our regularly scheduled times:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Dispensation from Sunday obligation has been granted to all Catholics of the Archdiocese of Hartford by the Archbishop through September 5, 2020.

The elderly, the sick and those who care for anyone who is vulnerable remain encouraged not to attend at this time.

Confessions will resume July 4 at 3:30 p.m.

Dear Parishioners:

Perhaps my biggest concern for opening the Church on the 4th of July is how can we sanitize the Church and the restrooms after every Mass effectively and quickly? We have decided to employ our custodian and use something called a "fogger." We have already received a generous contribution but we could always use more. Thank you for your generosity in the past and in the future.

Monsignor Motta

Readings for the week of July 5, 2020

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 [cf. 1]/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30
 Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 9:18-26
 Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10 [9a]/Mt 9:32-38
 Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [4b]/Mt 10:1-7
 Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16 [4b]/Mt 10:7-15
 Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17 [17b]/Mt 10:16-23
 Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mt 10:24-33
 Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14 [Lk 8:8]/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Religious Education News

To date there have been no announcements/guidelines forthcoming from the Archdiocese concerning the requirements for "start-up" of our religious education program this fall. It is likely that some program restructuring to accommodate social distancing and increased sanitizing efforts will be required. Re-scheduled dates for our First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation celebrations will be announced when a "new normal" comes into view. Check the parish bulletin (on our website) for any updates.

Going forward - **registration for the 2020/2021 religious education year has begun and will continue through August 7th.** Registration forms are available in the entrances to the Gathering Space and in the box on Hart House front porch.

Parish Support June 28, 2020

Weekly	\$ 3,065.00
On-line giving	\$ 1,926.00
Total	\$ 4,991.00

Thank you!

The second collection this weekend is the monthly offering. Thank you for your generosity.

Returning to Mass

The do's and do not's

Both Daily and Weekend Masses are scheduled to resume. But before coming to mass there are a few things that you should know.

You might notice...

- there are pews that are blocked off. This is to ensure social distancing.
- no water in the Baptismal font.
- less liturgical ministers (no altar servers) serving at mass.
- there is no singing.
- no Missalette in the pews.
- Communion will only be received in the hand. The priest or Eucharistic Minister will drop it into your hand. No gloves should be worn to receive Communion as there will be no touching.

The Do's:

- Do wear a mask at all times.
- Do sit with your family but maintain a distance of six (6) feet between your family and the parishioner next to you.
- Do wash your hands both before leaving your house to arrive at church and after returning home.
- Do use the hand sanitizer provided upon entering the Worship Space.

The Do Not's:

- Please do not come to Mass if you or any family members are feeling sick.
- Please do not hang out in the Gathering Space before or after Mass.
- Please do not remain in the Worship Space after Mass. Staff must thoroughly disinfect the Worship space in between Masses.
- Please do not hold hands during the Our Father.
- Please do not touch during the Sign of Peace such as holding or shaking hands. You may offer a head nod instead.

While these changes might feel awkward, they are in place in order to keep everyone safe and healthy.

Holy Hour has resumed at our parish on Fridays from 8 - 9 AM.

Adoration on First Fridays will not resume until further notice.

For Your Information

Social Justice—The Foodshare Truck will be available in the Church parking lot from 9—9:30 a.m. July 7. If you have questions regarding the Foodshare program, call Pat Robotham, Site Coordinator, at 860 673-3435.

The Legion of Mary now meets every Tuesday at 4pm via Zoom. It's been very successful. We pray for all prayer intentions placed in the box in front of the Statue of Joseph.

Parish Prayer Line—If you or someone in your family is in need of prayers and would like to be added to our parish prayer list, please call Joyce Cruess at (860) 673-2945.

Laughter is the best Medicine

Sammy asked his mother if he could fill his little plastic pool with water, and since it was such a nice day, she agreed. Looking out the kitchen window, Sammy's mother was amused to see him lift the family's dog into the pool, then watched as he quickly dunked the dog's head and let it out a moment later. Next he went and got the family's pet rabbit out of its hutch and did the same thing. Sammy's mother was getting very curious although it was obvious he wasn't harming his pets. She went back to her chores until Sammy came running into the house

"Mommy, can you please help me? The cat doesn't want to be baptized."

