

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday,	September 26, 2020
4:30 p.m.	Louis & Rolande Genest by family
Sunday,	September 27, 2020
7:30 a.m.	Angela Sienko by her family
9:30 a.m.	St. Mary Parish
11:00 a.m.	For Healthcare Workers
Monday,	September 28, 2020
7:45 a.m.	Daniel Machuga
Tuesday,	September 29, 2020
7:45 a.m.	For an end to the Pandemic
Wednesday,	September 30, 2020
7:45 a.m.	St. Mary Parish
Thursday,	October 1, 2020
7:45 a.m.	Deceased members of the Rourke & Joyce families
Friday,	October 2, 2020
7:45 a.m.	Angela Sienko by her family
Saturday,	October 3, 2020
4:30 p.m.	Joseph Colette (1st anniversary) by Maureen & Sal Acampora
Sunday,	October 4, 2020
7:30 a.m.	Joseph Fialkiewicz
9:30 a.m.	For Healthcare Workers
11:00 a.m.	Pauline Pierce by the Daddario family

Readings for the week of September 27, 2020

Sunday:	Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32
Monday:	Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 [6]/Lk 9:46-50
Tuesday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51
Wednesday:	Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15 [3]/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday:	Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14 [13]/Lk 10:1-12
Friday:	Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4ab, 4c-6, 10-11 [11]/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Saturday:	Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130 [135]/Lk 10:17-24
Next Sunday:	Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 [Is 5:7a]/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

Parish Support September 20, 2020

Weekly	\$6,039.00
On-line giving	<u>\$1,771.00</u>
Total	\$7,810.00

Thank you!

Calendar

9/29 9:00 a.m. Foodshare Truck—St. Mary Parking Lot

Weekend Masses have resumed in our parish at our regularly scheduled times:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

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

Confessions have also resumed at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday.

In light of continued uncertainty regarding the extent and duration of the coronavirus in the State of Connecticut and throughout the Archdiocese of Hartford, Archbishop Blair has now extended dispensation to each and every Catholic in the Archdiocese of Hartford from the Sunday obligation through Saturday, November 28, 2020, which is the last day of the current liturgical year. The Archdiocese of Hartford continues to monitor the severity of the situation surrounding the pandemic and will provide updates regarding decisions reached for the archdiocese as they are made.

Religious Education News-

Just so there is no confusion about the status of the religious education program this year, **All "In-Person" classes (grades 1-10) have been suspended for the 2020/2021 year.** Social distancing, masks, contact tracing, sanitizing of facilities, and other safety and hygiene required protocols are expected to remain in effect through the fall, winter and potentially the spring rendering "In Person" classes unfeasible. There is no plan to transition to scheduled classes should the threat of the Covid-19 virus subside mid-year.

That being the case, the Religious Education Office is in the process of rolling out a comprehensive home study curriculum for students in grades 1-10. **"Parent – Teaching - at Home"** will be the only option for the 2020/2021 year.

Until the Covid-19 protocols have been relaxed by the cognizant state authorities and the Archdiocese, we will continue to do our best (with the help and support of parents) to present a meaningful faith formation experience to all our students during these challenging times.

Any and all questions concerning the status of our religious education program can be directed to the Religious Education Office.—tel. (860 675-8522) or e-mail: st.mary.unionville.re@gmail.com.

Returning to Mass

Before coming to Mass there are a few things that you should know.

You might notice...

- Pews are blocked off to ensure social distancing.
- There is no water in the Baptismal font.
- less liturgical ministers (no altar servers) serving at Mass.
- there is no singing and no Missalettes 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. Use 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 remain in the Gathering Space or Worship Space before or after Mass. These areas must be disinfected.
- Please do not touch during the Sign of Peace such as holding or shaking hands. You may offer a head nod instead.

From the Human Needs Committee:

Please, if you can, help support our local food pantries and Foodshare with a monetary donation today. 1 in 9 of our neighbors in Hartford and Tolland counties are worried about having enough food.

Our local information:

The Farmington Food Pantry, Inc.

P.O. Box 84

Farmington, CT 06034-0084

farmingtonfoodpantryct.com

Burlington Food Bank

200 Spielman Highway

Burlington, CT 06013

FOODSHARE

450 Woodland Avenue

Bloomfield, CT 06002-1342

Foodshare.org

Thank you for your generosity!

For Your Information

Social Justice—The Foodshare Truck will be available in the Church parking lot from 9—9:30 a.m. September 29. If you have questions regarding the Foodshare Program, call Pat Robotham, Site Coordinator, at 860 673-3435.

Unionville Lions Club—\$50,000 Donation -The Unionville Lions Club was an instrumental leader in this effort providing the first and largest private donation through a matching gift challenge. It is amazing that the Unionville Lions Club collected, processed and transported approximately **1 million cans and bottles** to support the children of Farmington through the playground project. The Unionville Lions Club is a leader in humanitarian service by helping serve the needs of people in Unionville and Farmington. Examples include: donating a handicap accessible van for FAVRAH, providing \$22,000 for the West District School Playground, donating \$30,000 for a Farmington dial-a-ride van, and providing \$10,000 annual scholarships to Farmington High School students. The Unionville Lions Club meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at 87 West Avon Road, Unionville. New members and volunteers are welcome! **We thank the Unionville Lions Club for their generosity, leadership and support for the community**

The Grotto Gift Shop at the Shrine of Lourdes in Litchfield, 50 Montfort Rd., Rte. 118, Litchfield is now open from 12:30 to 4:00 on Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday. New merchandise has arrived with a selection of outdoor statuary, rosaries, medals, and inspirational jewelry. Plus, wedding, anniversary and Baptism and baby gifts are available for these special occasions. For further information, call 860-567-0891. Covid safety precautions will be observed.

WELCOME

St. Mary parish family welcomes the following *newly baptized members*:

Olivia Mae Lizotte

Audrey Grace Roselli

Visit our parish website

www.stmary-unionville.org