



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, 4:30 PM	November 1, 2008 Bill LaPointe (3 rd anniversary) by his family
Sunday, 7:30 AM	November 2, 2008 For the deceased members of our parish and parish family
9:30 AM	For the deceased members of our parish and parish family
11:00 AM	For the deceased members of our parish and parish family
Monday, 7:45 AM	November 3, 2008 Donna Biller by her family
Tuesday, 7:45 AM	November 4, 2008 Frank & Marguerite Welcome by Judy Welcome
Wednesday, 7:45 AM	November 5, 2008 Rocco Cifaldi (1 st anniversary) by his family
Thursday, 7:45 AM	November 6, 2008 George & Amelia Kramer
Friday, 7:45 AM	November 7, 2008 Joseph Fabrizio by his family First Friday Adoration
Saturday, 4:30 PM	November 8, 2008 Dad Gondek by his family
Sunday, 7:30 AM	November 9, 2008 Thomas O'Connor by his family
9:30 AM	Ruth Hrinak by her son
11:00 AM	Thomas Walsh by Peter Simcik

Readings for the Week of November 2, 2008

Sunday:	Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40
Monday:	Phil 2:1-4/Lk 14:12-14
Tuesday:	Phil 2:5-11/Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday:	Phil 2:12-18/Lk 14:25-33
Thursday:	Phil 3:3-8a/Lk 15:1-10
Friday:	Phil 3:17-4:1/Lk 16:1-8
Saturday:	Phil 4:10-19/Lk 16:9-15
Next Sunday:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16 17/ Jn 2:13-22

The second collection this weekend is the monthly offering.

Calendar

November	Food Pantry Collection
11/3	9:30 a.m. Legion of Mary – Hart House 7:30 p.m. Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
11/7	First Friday Adoration
11/8 & 9	Bethlehem Christian Community
11/9	Coffee Sunday

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

John Harris

This is a venerable tradition and we ask you to keep him in your prayers.

Special Mass for the Deceased

In remembrance of all St. Mary's parishioners who have died this past year, there will be a special Mass on November 12 at 7:00 p.m. During the Mass a list of names will be read and a candle will be lit in their honor. If you would like to include a member of your family who was not a parishioner, please write down their name and place in the basket at the back of the church prior to Mass. We will light one community candle for all the names. A small reception will follow the Mass.



Care for God's Creation

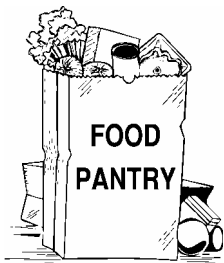
"We show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. This environmental challenge has fundamental moral and ethical dimensions that cannot be ignored." (FC)

Care for our earth is a duty of our faith and a sign of our concern for all people. We should strive to live simply to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. We must respect God's creation and to ensure a safe and hospitable environment for all, especially children at their most vulnerable stages of development. We should work for a world in which people respect and protect all of creation and seek to live simply in harmony with it for the sake of future generations.

First Friday Adoration

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place this Friday, November 7 from after the 7:45 a.m. Mass until 5:00 p.m. concluding with Benediction. Once again we encourage you to plan your schedule to include an hour of adoration. Be assured of an abundance of graces for you and your family. Our aim is to have a minimum of three adorers for every hour. Kindly sign your name and phone number on the poster in the gathering space. We need your phone number in case there is a funeral or a cancellation. Thank you.

Human Needs



During the month of November the Human Needs Committee will collect food to replenish the Farmington Food Pantry. All non-perishable items are needed, especially macaroni and cheese, kids' snacks for lunch and toilet paper. If there is an expired date on the item, the Food Pantry cannot distribute it so please be sure to check the dates of the items you donate.

Also, for every \$1.00 donated, the pantry can purchase \$10.00 worth of groceries. (Checks may be made payable to Farmington Food Pantry). Thank you for any contribution you are able to make!

Annual Christmas Ornament Workshop

November 30 – 1:30 – 3:30

Please look for a sign-up sheet starting November 15. There will be lots of great things to make – some new, some old. There will be refreshments and a visit from the guy in the red suit as well!

The Women's Guild

would like to thank everyone for supporting their recent Pasta Supper. It was a fun evening for all. The winner of our 50/50 raffle was Rose Killiany.

Bethlehem Christian Families

representing Christian wood carvers of Bethlehem will visit next weekend and offer hand carved olive wood from the Holy Land of Bethlehem, nativity scenes, rosaries, Christmas ornaments. Income of the sales will benefit the Christian wood carvers of Bethlehem. Items may be viewed in advance on line at www.shepherds.gifts.com

The Prayer Shawl Group

will meet on Friday, November 14 at noon in the gathering space. Bring your lunch. Questions? Call Pat Robotham 673-3435.

Annual Women's Retreat for St. Mary Parish

is scheduled for the weekend of January 30 – Feb. 1 at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat House in Farmington. Please mark your calendars for this weekend of reflection and camaraderie with women from our parish as well as other parishes. Registration forms can be found in the bookcases at the entrances of the church. If you have questions, please contact Sylvie Doyle at 674-8454 or Maryann Dubin at 677-2028.

St. Mary parish welcomes the following newly registered members:

- Arthur & Anita Mafale & family, Unionville*
- Richard & Barbara Morris & family, Burlington*

Keep Us Informed

Please let us know if you have an address change. Many of you let us know you've moved by updating your address on your weekly envelopes. This is a great way to alert us and keep our census current. Thank you!

Lost and Found

Please check the Lost & Found box in the table in the worship space near the Usher Room for items you may have left behind. Items not reclaimed by the end of each month will be donated.

To Your Health

Cold and flu season is here. If you are worried about exposure to germs from a handshake during the Sign of Peace during the Mass, please feel free to extend the Peace of Christ to those around you in another way. A nod or smile, along with the words "The Peace of Christ be with you" will adequately convey your wish to your fellow members of St. Mary Parish family.



Who, What, Where, and When...

Tunxis Hose Co. #1 – Annual Family Breakfast – Sunday, November 16 -7:00 a.m. – noon. Tunxis Hose Station, School Street, Unionville Adults: \$6.00; Seniors: \$5.00; Children: \$4.00 (under 12).

Knights of Columbus Turkey Trot Dance – November 22 – cocktails & hors d'oeuvres from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. – Dinner at 7:00 p.m. Dancing from 8:00 p.m. – midnight. All church members are welcome to join in the festivities. For tickets call Co-chairmen Preston Williams 836-3546 or Bernie Erickson 673-1659 - \$20.00 per person or \$35.00 per couple. Reservations by November 13.

Holy Cross Parish, New Britain –November 29 - Dance from 8:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m. featuring Aquarius band – benefits parish needs. Cost \$18.00 per person – includes soda and ice. Sandwiches and other Polish delicacies will be available for purchase. Please contact Holy Cross rectory 229-2011 or Olivia 678-0597 for further information.

Farmington Services for the Elderly is seeking new volunteers to deliver meals to elderly and handicapped neighbors in our community. If you would consider becoming one of these special volunteers, here's what you can expect: Time Commitment – approximately 1 ½ hours once a month; Driving – drive in only one section of town - use less than a gallon of gas! A good feeling for helping others - *Priceless!* Please call Nancy Walker at 673-1441 for more information or to volunteer.