

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 4:30 PM	November 15, 2008 Victor DiMugno by his daughter
Sunday, 7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM	November 16, 2008 Deceased members of the Legion of Mary worldwide by the Legion of Mary Ed Maloy by Tom & Marian Chrosniak Deceased members of the Rocco family
Monday, 7:45 AM	November 17, 2008 Ed Welcome by his wife Judy
Tuesday, 7:45 AM	November 18, 2008 Fr. James Boyle
Wednesday, 7:45 AM	November 19, 2008 Rosemarie Witkewicz
Thursday, 7:45 AM	November 20, 2008 Diane & Edward Boisvert by their daughter
Friday, 7:45 AM	November 21, 2008 Florence Larkin
Saturday, 4:30 PM	November 22, 2008 Michael Reilly by his family
Sunday, 7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM	November 23, 2008 Marilyn Thomas (4 th anniversary) by her husband Intentions of Thomas & Joan Gunning by the Gunning family & Kathy Arle Roland Cyr by his family

Readings for the Week of November 16, 2008	
Sunday:	Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21
Monday:	Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday:	Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday:	Rv 4:1-11/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday:	Rv 5:1-10/Lk 19:41-44
Friday:	Rv 10:8-11/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday:	Rv 11:4-12/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday:	Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/1 Cor 15:20-26,28/ Mt 25:31-46

Nearly 37 million people in the United States live below the poverty line and 13 million of those are children. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) works to create lasting solutions to the problem of poverty through real community change. Please donate prayerfully and generously to CCHD next weekend to help those in poverty help themselves. Visit www.povertyusa.org to learn more.

Calendar

November	Food Pantry Month
11/17	9:30 a.m. Legion of Mary – Hart House 7:00 p.m. Pre-baptism class – Rectory 7:00 p.m. Liturgy Meeting - Rectory 7:30 p.m. Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
11/18	7:15 p.m. Rosary followed by Women’s Guild Mtg. – Gathering Space

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

Doris & Butch Lasek

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

From Fr. Golas,

As is custom, there will be an Ecumenical Prayer Service on Thanksgiving Eve, November 26. First Church of Christ, Unionville will host this service at 7:30 p.m. All are invited. Pastor Thomas Dean of First Church will lead the worship and the combined choirs of various churches in Farmington have been invited. Rick Daddario, our Choir Director, will lead the music. I will be the homilist. This is another way of our giving thanks in prayer, music and worship.



Human Needs

Donations for the Farmington Food Pantry will be collected by the Human Needs Committee through the weekend of November 29/30. 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!

On the weekend of November 29/30 members of the Committee will put up the Giving Tree. Tags for various organizations will be placed on the tree. Parishioners may remove the tags and return the gift no later than the weekend of December 14. More information will follow in next weekend’s bulletin.

Baptism Preparation Program

As you prepare for the birth of your child, please plan to attend the pre-baptism program scheduled for the third month of each month at 7:00 PM in the rectory. The date of the baptism can be scheduled after attending the program. Parents must be registered parishioners. For more information and to register, please call the rectory.

Welcome back “Angel Voices”

We are so pleased to have the *Angel Voices*, under the direction of Donna LeBlanc, participating once again at our weekend liturgies. This highly-spirited group of children/young teens will sing at the 9:30 a.m. “Family Mass” celebrated on the second Sunday of each month from November through May (excluding January). We are grateful for their hard work and their dedication towards enhancement of our worship experience. Thank you all! We are blessed to have you.

Bulletin Deadline

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the bulletin for the weekend of November 29/30 must be transmitted earlier than normal. The deadline for notices for that weekend is **Thursday, November 20 at 9:00 a.m.** Thank you for your cooperation.

**A QUICK
REMINDER
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Our worship space is a very beautiful place for prayer and being present with the Risen Lord in the Eucharist. Please maintain an atmosphere of silence to foster these sacred moments by silencing all cell phones and electronic devices before entering the worship space and by holding conversations after Mass in the gathering space. Thank you for your cooperation.

St. Mary’s Women’s Guild

Need a gift for a hostess, a good friend, or that person who has everything? The Guild will be selling cookbooks after masses during the month of December. The cookbooks will be beautifully wrapped with a blank gift card so all you have to do is fill out the card and give it to that special person. This is a great way to do some Christmas shopping.

Look for details in the coming weeks about our upcoming Christmas party to be held on December 9.

St. Mary parish welcomes the following newly registered members:

- Charles & Christine Kawiecki, Harwinton*
- Matthew & Susan Stumm & son, Farmington*
- Jonathan & Sandra Sylvester & son, Avon*
- Michael & Jennifer Van Hoof, Avon*



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Save the Date!

**Christmas Ornament Workshop
November 30 – 1:30 – 3:30**

Sign-up sheets in the gathering space. Lots of great things to make – some new, some old. Refreshments will be available and a visit from the guy in the red

Leap! 2008

Life everlasting- Awakening possibilities

November 22 – 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. Leap Mystery Night...Join us for a fun-filled night. We will meet at the Teen Center on School St., Unionville (next to the Fire Station). GaGa is always the game of choice, however, there is much more in store...so come with a friend for food, lots of laughs and some faith sharing – the perfect prep for Thanksgiving.

Rent ‘The Ultimate Gift’ which we saw on Movie Night. It was amazing!!

From The Abufarha Family,

On behalf of the Christian families in Bethlehem, our group would like to thank you for welcoming us at your parish and supporting our mission of supporting some of the Christian families in the Holy Land. Together, through selling their olive wood carvings, we are helping them to maintain their only way of employment so that they may stay in their homeland. Once again, thank you for supporting our group.



Upcoming Events

Holiday Fair – Saturday, November 22 – 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. – Avon Health Center, 652 West Avon Rd., Avon – Gifts, “Granny’s Attic Boutique” Cookies By The Pound Bakery, raffle items – lunch at the Whistle Stop Café. Visit with Santa 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Bring a camera! Bring a friend!

“Coping with Grief and Loss during the Holidays” – Monday, November 24 – Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center, 301 Country Club Rd., Avon – 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. –Please R.S.V.P. by November 21 if you plan to attend – 673-8610.

Out of the Mouths of Babes

The Sunday school teacher was describing how Lot’s wife looked back and turned into a pillar of salt, when little Jason interrupted. “My mommy looked back once while she was driving,” he announced triumphantly, “and she turned into a telephone pole!”

A Sunday school teacher asked, “Johnny, do you think Noah did a lot of fishing when he was on the Ark?”

“No,” replied Johnny. “How could he, with just two worms?”

