

Mass Intentions

Saturday, 4:30 PM	January 17, 2009 Ed Welcome (4 th anniversary) by his family
Sunday, 7:30 AM	January 18, 2009 Eileen Woods (10 th anniversary) by her family
9:30 AM	George Wolf (4 th anniversary) by Barbara Wolf & family
11:00 AM	Anastasia Jakobowski (10 th anniversary) by her family
Monday, 7:45 AM	January 19, 2009 Ed Welcome by Barbara Wolf
Tuesday, 7:45 AM	January 20, 2009 George Wolf by Judy Welcome
Wednesday, 7:45 AM	January 21, 2009 Rita Flanigan by her family
Thursday, 7:45 AM	January 22, 2009 For an end to abortion in America
Friday, 7:45 AM	January 23, 2009 Evan Gagnon by the Rosato family
Saturday, 4:30 PM	January 24, 2009 Frances Wildes by Flo and Al Bilelo
Sunday, 7:30 AM	January 25, 2009 Thomas & Ethel McKiernan by Ellen & Joseph Jankowski
9:30 AM	Intention of Thomas & Joan Gunning by the Gunning family & Kathy Arle
11:00 AM	Daniel Jakobowski (10 th anniversary) by his family

Readings for the Week of January 18, 2009

Sunday:	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42
Monday:	Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 7:25---8:6/Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	Heb 8:6-13/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday:	Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday:	Jon 3:1-5, 10/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

The second collection this weekend supports Catholic high schools. Thank you for your support.

Calendar

1/18	7:00 p.m.	Fun Committee Mtg. – Hosp. Room
1/19	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
1/20	7:00 p.m.	Pre-baptism class – rectory
	7:30 p.m.	Women's Guild mtg.– Gathering space (weather permitting)

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

Anastasia Jakobowski

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

Religious Education News

Parents of Grade 2 Students - First Reconciliation is scheduled by group for Monday, January 26th (Wednesday, January 28th – snow date). Please refer to your First Reconciliation/First Holy Communion program schedule for group times.

Grade 10 Confirmation Candidates and Parents - Reminder – Confirmation information forms and documents are due in the Office of Religious Education. This information is required and the sacrament cannot be conferred upon the candidate until all is in place.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Wednesday, May 6th at 7:00 p.m. with Archbishop Mansell presiding.

The confirmation rehearsal is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, May 3rd at 6:00 p.m. in the church. Sponsors are asked to attend if possible.

The Confirmation retreat is scheduled for Sunday, April 5th, 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Holy Family Retreat Center, West Hartford. Details will be announced as the date approaches.

Dive!

Divinely Inspired-Visualized Eternity

Join us on Friday, January 23rd from 7:00-10:00 p.m. at the Teen Center on School Street, next to the fire station-down from Union School. Did you ever have an 'ah ha' moment? Come and have a blast while we explore what it is to have an epiphany, like the disciples did when they finally realized that they had met Jesus on the way to Emmaus. We will play games, eat pizza, and have movie night. You will have amazing moments of 'ah ha' and many laughs too! Bring a friend and share the fun experience. Dive! is a youth group for 6-8th graders who want to share faith in a fun way! Call Karen Herbert 675-7970 as soon as possible with your RSVP!

LEAP!

Life Everlasting - Awakening Possibilities

We will have a gathering on Saturday, January 24th from 7:00-10:00 p.m. at the Teen Center on School Street. We will have a Movie Night with great discussion on what grabs your heart and what do you need to do to follow Jesus more closely. We will also have pizza, laugh a lot and have a blast with a new game! Bring a friend and share a night of faith and fun! LEAP! is a teen group for grades 9 and up.

The Women's Guild

will hold their monthly meeting on January 20. There will be a short meeting followed by bingo. Come join us for the meeting and fun!

Members of the Human Needs Committee

will be selling butter braids this weekend and next weekend to benefit a local charity. Payment of \$11.00 (check payable to the Human Needs Committee) is required at order placement. Pick up will be Friday, January 30 at the church between 3:30 – 7:00 p.m. All orders not picked up during that time will be donated to a soup kitchen. The pastries are frozen and come in several different fillings. They are tasty and easy to prepare. If you have any questions, please contact Colleen Kelly 675-5120.

Please save your can flip tabs which will be collected again in the spring by the Human Needs Committee to benefit burn victims.



Save the Date! February 15

2 – 4 p.m.

Gathering Space

“Mardi Gras Reception” for volunteers – Details in next weekend’s bulletin.

St. Mary's Women's Retreat

There is still time to register for the Women's Retreat for St. Mary's Parish scheduled for the weekend of Jan 30th - Feb 1st at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat House in Farmington. Registration forms can be found in the bookcases at the entrances of the church, or you can register by calling the retreat house at 677-8519 or online at www.ourladyofcalvary.com. If you have any questions please contact Sylvie Doyle 674-8454 or Maryann Dubin 677-2028.

St. Mary parish welcomes the following newly registered parishioners:

*Ervin & Christine Lauterbach, Avon
Moirra McCullough, Farmington
Paul & Joyce Soucy & family, Unionville*

FOR YOUR INFO

The Divine Mercy Holy Hour will be celebrated at St. Ann's in Avon this Sunday, January 18 from 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. We will offer the intention of the Holy Hour for an end to abortion and the dignity of every human life.

Mass of Healing and Hope – Tuesday, January 20 at 7:30 p.m.-The Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary, Bloomfield, with rosary at 6:55 p.m. Presider: Rev. Richard Shellman. Trained prayer teams available after Mass. Call the Charismatic Renewal Office 860 243-8234 for more information.

Knights of Columbus Valentine's Dance -February 7
Cocktails & hors d'oeuvres from 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM; Mystery Dinner at 7:00 PM; Dancing 8:00 PM – 12:00. All church members are welcome to join in the festivities. For tickets call Co-Chairman Preston Williams 836-3546 or Norm Lavergne 673-1965. \$20.00 per person or \$35.00 per couple. Reservations by January 30, 2009.

Request for Tax Information

If you wish to ensure deductibility of your contributions to the parish, please use a check or your parish envelopes. The parish tracks contributions made through the parish envelope system and will upon request provide a **"Statement of Contributions"** for the year.

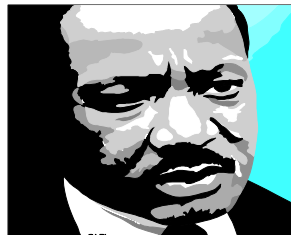
If you require a **"Statement of Contributions"** for 2008, please complete and return the following form to the rectory. Forms may be mailed or placed in the weekly collection basket. E-mail requests are acceptable and may be sent to: rectory@stmary-unionville.org. Telephone or expedited requests will not be accepted. Please plan accordingly. Statements will be sent via return mail weekly. Thank you for your cooperation.

Name _____

Address _____

Prayer for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Heavenly Father,
you made all people in the world.
On this day,
help us to remember that everyone is precious to you.
Inspire us to reflect on this truth:
That although we are not all the same,
we all have equal value in your sight.
On this day,
help us to always judge the actions of others
based only upon your standards of right and wrong
and never on the color of one's skin.
And on this day,
let us not only remember past wrongs committed,
but look ahead with hope to a blessed future. Amen



The rectory office will be closed on Monday January 19 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.