

Calendar

5/25	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room
5/30	8:00 a.m.	Tag Sale – St. Mary Church

Saturday,	May 23, 2009
4:30 PM	Peggy Pelletier (20 th anniversary) by her family
Sunday,	May 24, 2009
7:30 AM	George Wolf and the Intentions of Barbara Wolf by family
9:30 AM	Chuck Marti (5 th anniversary) by family
11:00 AM	Vilma Gerger by Mr. & Mrs. Jose Marques & children
Monday,	May 25, 2009
7:45 AM	Fred & Catherine Nagele by Madeleine, Donna & Cathie Cannon
Tuesday,	May 26, 2009
7:45 AM	William Carsten by William McGrath
Wednesday,	May 27, 2009
7:45 AM	Fr. Matthew Shanley
Thursday,	May 28, 2009
7:45 AM	Fr. Philip Cascia
7:00 PM	Candlelight Living Rosary
Friday,	May 29, 2009
7:45 AM	George & Amelia Kramer
Saturday,	May 30, 2009
4:30 PM	Deborah Therriault (37 th anniversary) by the Jay McCaffrey family
Sunday,	May 31, 2009
7:30 AM	Viola & Daniel Delaney by Barbara Wolf
9:30 AM	David Kost by his mother
11:00 AM	Michael Reilly (4 th anniversary) by his wife

Readings for the week of May 24, 2009

Sunday:	7 th Sunday of Easter: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; 1 Jn 4:11-16 Jn 17:11b - 19
Monday:	Acts 19:1-8/ Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday:	Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday:	Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday:	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26
Friday:	Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19
Saturday:	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Jn 21:20-25
Next Sunday:	Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39 Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Deacon Mike's 15th Anniversary Celebration

Deacon Michael Sponzo celebrates the 15th anniversary of his ordination to the Order of the Diaconate in June. Deacon Mike will be present at the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, June 14. We are thankful for his ministry to our parish. A small reception will follow the mass. All are welcome to attend. More information will be in next weekend's bulletin.

Religious Education News

Home Study Materials - Parents are reminded that Home Study materials (*End-of Year tests and Home Study Program Guides*) are **overdue!** Please return them to the Office of Religious Education so that the 2008/2009 Religious Education year can be closed. Promotions to the next higher grade cannot be granted if this material remains outstanding.

Catechists - If you have not yet returned your Catechist Guide and Attendance Register, please do so as soon as possible. Students **cannot** be promoted to the next higher grade until these items are received.

Registration for the 2009/2010 Religious Education Year began on April 18 and will continue until June 14. Registration forms are located in the entrances to the gathering space. **All students (new and returning) must register to be included in the program which begins in September.** Only registered members of the parish and religious education registration forms accompanied with the tuition payment will be accepted. The tuition structure for 2009/2010 is: grade K - \$25, grades 1-8 - \$40, grades 9-10 - \$55. **A late fee of \$15 per household will be assessed for registrations received after June 14th.** Late registrants will be assigned to classes on a space available basis. Please contact the Office of Religious Education with any questions. tel. (860) 675-8522.

Mark your calendar!

We are being honored with a visit from the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima from 5:00 p.m. June 9 until 12 noon June 10. There will be a Fatima Holy Hour Tuesday, June 9 at 7:00 pm. June 10 there will be a veneration of rosaries hourly beginning after the 7:45 a.m. mass and until the statue leaves us at 12 noon. Please set aside time to spend time with our Blessed Mother. This is an incredible blessing for our parish and our families.

Just a Reminder

The Candlelight Living Rosary is scheduled for this Thursday evening, May 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the church. Come honor our blessed mother in prayer, song and quiet meditation. Refreshments will be provided following the service. All are welcome!

Jesus said to his disciples: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved." - Mk 16:15-16
Parish Support May 17, 2009

St. Mary's Peer Connection - Feel the Vibe!

DIVE! Divinely Inspired-Visualizing Eternity - Middle School Kids
LEAP! Life Everlasting-Awaking Possibilities -High School Teens
CALLed! Confirmed Adults Living and Learning -College & Young Adults

Congratulations! Your school year is or is about to be over and you made it! Let's spend some time together relaxing and having fun. On June 6 we will be going to Six Flags for a day filled with fun, faith and lots of laughs! We will gather at the church at noon -bus to leave at 12:45 -and return at 10 p.m. (rain or shine). The cost is \$30 (\$ in by 5/31) or \$35 (after 6/1) which includes: admission, \$9.50 food pass and transportation. All are invited. Come with an open heart and an open mind to share a great day with friends old and new. For reservations contact Karen Herbert at 675-7970 or kherbertc@comcast.net

The Movie Night "Champion of Faith" and the Rock Cats game scheduled for May 30/31 have been canceled due to school calendar conflicts. We will reschedule for the fall.

Bulletin Minutes Parish Council Meeting of May 5, 2009

The Parish Council met on May 5, 2009. Discussions and actions involved the following committee reports:

Religious Education – *Karen Herbert*: On May 6 around 70 students will be confirmed.

LEAP/DIVE – *Karen Herbert*: LEAP took its first mission trip to Brooklyn in New York City to Metro Ministries. 3,000 children ranging in ages from 2-14 years old go through this ministry each Saturday and 10-15, 000 during the Christmas season. LEAP then went to the United Nations to observe three exhibits: Visions of Rwanda, Landmines, and Drums of Slavery. The group then went to Central Park to the Peace Garden. In 2009, members of LEAP attended the New England Catholic Youth Conference in New Hampshire in March and will be attending a Leadership Retreat at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Harford in June. Karen Herbert would like to develop a core team of adults who would expand Youth Ministry in the parish. The core team would plan community involvement, mission trips and group meetings. They would also be in charge of food and other tasks needed to grow this ministry.

A college-aged program, headed by Steve Ferraro, is under development at this time.

Finance Committee – *Fran Javaruski*: St. Mary's financial position for quarter ending 3-31-09 remains sound. Total income and expenses are close to the budgeted amounts.

Liturgy – *Fr. Golas*: This year the parish celebrated a prayerful and meaningful Holy Week. Easter liturgies were well organized. The ushers and additional Eucharist Ministers were well prepared. The Liturgy Committee has ended its meetings for this year but offered the lectors a workshop to take place in June from the Archdiocese.

Old Business

Planned Gifts – *Fr. Golas*: On May 11 this committee, consisting of two Parish Council members David Parducci and Dr. Robert Kozol and two Finance Committee members Michael Andreana and Steven Geissler, will meet with Bob McTiernan, the Manager

of Major Gifts and Planned Giving for the Archdiocese. The committee plans to offer a presentation to the parish in the fall.

Clean Up of the Mezzanine – *Phyllis Nedorostek*: Phyllis has contacted all ministry chairpersons to clean out all unused items from the mezzanine on May 15 and May 16. Betty Faitella, Women's Guild President, will also be at the church to collect any items that may be used at the Women's Guild Tag Sale.

Census Committee– *Fran Javaruski* Fran thanked her committee for their help in conducting the parish census. To date, over 40% of the parish has submitted 2009 Census forms. The parish will continue its efforts to register all parishioners by means of a mailing sent out on May 5, followed by contact by the members of the Legion of Mary, throughout the summer.

2009 Nominating Committee – *Bob Prindiville*: The committee has completed its task. After the twelve step process 4 new council members have been elected, Neil Kelsey, Dave Popielarczyk, Judith Reilly and Charles Thomas. Three new officers have also been nominated; Jim Shortley for President, Bob Kozol for Vice President and Amanda McCaffrey for secretary.

Bulletin minutes will conclude next weekend.

Baby Bottle Fundraiser

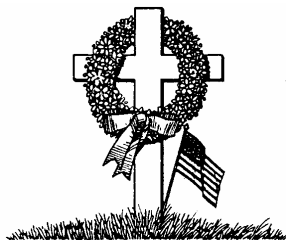
Please save your spare change for a baby bottle fundraiser for the Crisis Pregnancy Center which will begin the weekend of June 6/7. Details in next weekend's bulletin.

The Tag Sale

will be held on Saturday, May 30 from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Last days to drop off items are May 26 & 27 at the Hart House from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. and from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Be considerate – PLEASE no anonymous drop offs except for the designated hours as there is minimum storage space. **Please no drop offs on Memorial Day.** Volunteers are needed to sort, price on drop off days and the day of the Tag Sale (including clean-up after the event). Call Barbara Wolf at 673-0273 with questions or if you are able to help. Proceeds from the tag sale will be shared between the beautification of the property of the old church and The St. Vincent De Paul Society. Thank you in advance for your donations and your time.

St. Mary parish family welcomes through the sacrament of baptism:

Harrison Edward Reid



The rectory office will be closed on Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day and will reopen on Tuesday, May 26.