
MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

MON., MAR. 16	6:30	+	John & Margaret Shannon – Shannon Family
	9:00	+	Bruno Timpano – Sholtes Family
TUES, MAR. 17	6:30	+	Mary Deakin – Family
	9:00	+	Peter Clarke – Mendence Family
WED., MAR. 18	6:30	+	Christopher Urban – Family
	9:00	+	Edward Nielsen – Jane Culhane
THU., MAR. 19	6:30	+	Muriel DiMatteo – DiMatteo Family
	9:00	+	Anthony Spak – Judy Spak
FRI., MAR. 20	6:30	+	Nancy Shannon Potts – Shannon Family
	9:00	+	Rosaire Lavigne – 9:00am Mass Group
SAT., MAR. 21	8:00	+	William Yarr (<i>10th Anniv.</i>) – Daughter, Kathy
	5:30	+	Nancy DiPalma – Family
SUN., MAR. 22	7:00	+	Clair DePietro – Carol & Bob DiMatteo
	8:30	+	Raymond Nuttall – Family
	10:00	+	Barbarajean Ellis – Arline Reilly & Family
	11:30	+	Catherine Falvey – Family
	5:30	+	Jennifer Perna – Caraluzzi Family



WELCOME TO THOSE WHO WERE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Daniel Thomas Buehler

Bennett Russell Malo

Jolie Noel Malo

III – *Michael Connor & Courtney Mason*

I – *Louis DiMeglio & Sarah Lauderowicz*



GOAL: \$15,000

COLLECTION: \$15,314

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*If you, or a family member, are planning a stay at Danbury Hospital,  
please inform the Rectory so a member of the clergy may visit.*

**PARISH OFFICE (744-5777)**

**Sheila Kurjiaka:** *Bulletin Editor*  
**Kate Fitzgerald:** *Secretary*  
**Paul Orsino:** *Property Manager*  
**Steve DeMarco:** *Parish Council President*  
**Jane Shannon:** *Cemetery Administrator*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (743-4557)**

**Mary Ferri:** *Director*  
**Peggy Gavin:** *Secretary*  
**Dennis Nauheimer (RCIA):** 794-9488

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

**Mike Macelletti:** *Music Director*  
**Elizabeth Barnes:** *Choir Director*  
**Debbie Caraluzzi:** *Contemp. Group Director*

**ST. MARY SCHOOL (744-2922)**

**Sister Anne McCarthy:** *Principal*  
**Linda Curry:** *Secretary*

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Monday – Friday:** 6:30 & 9:00am  
**Saturday:** 8:00am & 5:30pm  
**Sunday:** 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30am & 5:30pm

**CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

**Saturday:** 4:00 - 5:00pm.

**BAPTISMS:** *Every Sunday at 1:00pm.*  
(Call the Rectory to Schedule.)

**PRE-BAPTISM CLASSES:** *Twice a Month.*  
(Call the Rectory to Schedule.)

**ARRANGEMENT FOR MARRIAGE:**

*Couples must meet with a parish clergyman at  
least six (6) months before the marriage is to be  
celebrated.*

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## *Fr. Corey's Comments*

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➤ *Congratulations to Pat Perkins-Wilson, member of our RCIA program and Extra-ordinary Minister of Holy Communion, for her work with mothers with daughters and sons in the military. Pat organized a group for mothers in northern Fairfield and southern Litchfield counties, as well as Putnam County, N.Y. The group began meeting in December at the Stony Hill Fire Department in Bethel, and by the third meeting last month had already grown to 22 members. The meetings are the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00p.m.*

*The issues military mothers have to deal with range from the simple to those that are complex and emotional. The Blue Star Mothers are nonpartisan and nonpolitical. Wilson-Perkins said, "It's an honor to be the mother of a military service man or woman, but it also comes with inherent risks and worries. Blue Star Mothers are there for each other." Thanks for all your hard work and inspiration Pat.*

➤ *While I am offering a word of thanks, we collected over 480 boxes of cereal for the Morning Glory program on this Ash Wednesday. The program directors told us that was enough cereal to supply the needs of their morning breakfast program for more than a month. You folks are the best. You sure are putting your Lenten almsgiving into practice. God bless your generosity.*

➤ *Have you made your pledge to the Annual Bishop's Appeal this year? It is my goal to double participation by our parish this year. Pledges don't have to be a huge amount. Please prayerfully consider helping the Diocese to do the charitable work that one person or one parish simply cannot do alone. Here is what your pledge does....Catholic Charities Senior Nutrition is a vital feeding program available at 11 sites in Southwestern, CT. In addition to these sites, Meals-on-Wheels are also delivered on a daily basis throughout the Diocese. The program is open to seniors 60 years of age and older and provides a source of nourishment and socialization.*

*Dana has been a volunteer for the Senior Nutrition Program at the Senior Center in Westport for the past four years. The program serves over 60 people daily and upwards of 80 are served lunch on Thursdays. Dana told us that as a retiree he was looking for something to do and spoke to one of the staff who suggested that he help out as a waiter. He began waiting on tables on Tuesday's and Thursday's, serving guests lunch and clearing tables.*

*The Diocesan-wide program serves 530 congregate meals a day and 768 meals a day to meet the needs of the homebound. 91% of the clients served through this program are considered at nutritional risk; 70% are 75 years of age or older; 53% have incomes at or near poverty levels and 29% are minority or low-income minority. Your gift to the 2009 Annual Bishop's Appeal helps support crucial feeding programs such as this through Catholic Charities.*

➤ *As Lent continues I ask the same question again...When was the last time you celebrated the Sacrament of Penance? At minimum we should go to confession at least 4 times a year; it should be a season reminder. If you haven't been in years, not to worry; the priests are there to welcome you without judgment, with kindness, care and openness. If you don't remember how to do it, we will help your through it. I promise it will be a wonderful experience to unburden your soul, receive God's abundant love and grace and start life fresh and new. Confessions are heard every Tuesday night during Lent from 7:00 – 9:00pm, in every Catholic Church in the Diocese of Bridgeport. That's right, I am talking directly to you. Come to the Lord and live life anew.*

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## Fr. Corey's Comments

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➤ *Just a reminder, because of the huge crowds on Palm Sunday, the 11:30am Mass will be moved to 12:00 on that day only. It will give everyone enough time to leave the 10:00 am Mass and the parking area and the next Mass to get off 302 into the parking lot and find a place in the Church.*

➤ *I did say that I would share the names of the seven Archangels with you. So, here they are:*

**St. Michael** (One who is like God): *He is the leader of the heavenly hosts and cast Lucifer and the fallen angels from heaven. He is the angel that executes the decision on each person's eternal destiny on judgment day. His insignia is a set of scales.*

**St. Gabriel** (God is my strength): *Angel of God's dignity, angel of the annunciation. Angel of the Day of Judgment, blowing his horn for the assembling of the nations.*

**St. Raphael** (God is my health): *He has symbolic association with Jesus' priesthood; the angel who moved the waters of the pool when Christ worked a cure and is chief of guardian angels.*

**Uriel** (God is my light): *He is the Interpreter of prophecy; guarded Jesus' tomb.*

**Jophiel** (the Beauty of God): *He has symbolic association with God's splendor; drove Adam and Eve out of Eden.*

**Chamael** (Angel of God's wrath): *He wrestled with Jacob; appeared to Jesus in Gethsemane.*

**Zadkiel** (the Righteousness of God): *He is the Angel of God's justice; stopped Abraham from sacrificing Isaac.*

**Jophkiel** (the Purity of God): *He guides the Jews in the wilderness.*



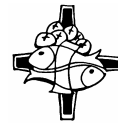
A **MEMORIAL SERVICE** will be conducted on **MON., MAR. 30<sup>th</sup>**, at **7:30pm**. This service is to remember, honor, pray for and pray to deceased members of our families. After the Service refreshments will be served in the **Parish Hall**. For more details call **Deacon Mike** (203 733-5880).

### **ST. MARY CEMETERY CLEAN-UP**

In preparation for Easter we will be cleaning up at the Cemetery. If there is anything on the grave that you wish to keep, please pick it up by **MON., MAR. 29<sup>th</sup>**. If not, leave it there. **YOU DO NOT NEED TO PICK UP ITEMS YOU DO NOT WANT!**



**LOAVES & FISHES COLLECTION** is used to feed the hungry and provides an opportunity for us to make sacrifices for those in need. Place your envelopes in the offertory collection anytime during Lent.



Next weekend, **MAR. 21 & 22**, there will be a **Catholic Relief Services** collection.



**MEALS-ON-WHEELS:**  
**WEEK OF DELIVERIES**

**EASTER FLOWERS:** To make it easier for the decorating committee, we ask that you give a monetary donation for flowers instead of bringing your own. Donations may be put in the basket or brought in to the Rectory.



### **ST. MARY BOOK CLUB** – **March Book:**

**"Becoming Who You Are"**, by **James Martin, S.J.** Please join **Deacon John** in the **Children's Room** at **7:30pm**, on **TUES., MAR. 31<sup>st</sup>**, for group discussion.

**April Book:** **"Mere Christianity"**, by **C. S. Lewis** for discussion at **7:30pm** on **TUES., APR. 28<sup>th</sup>**.



# YOUTH NEWS

**LENTEN CONFESSIONS** are every Tuesday evening from **7:00-9:00** during Lent. If you can't attend with our group, please try to attend another one. It is a time for reflection and awareness.

## **JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP – SAT., MAR. 14<sup>th</sup>**



Our **St. Patrick's Day Dance** will be from **7:00-9:00pm**, in the **Parish Hall**.

**\$10.00 admission**, with prizes for your **BEST IRISH LOOK**.

## **SENIOR YOUTH GROUP: Overnight Activity. Start Collecting Donations Now!**

## **JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP – Flower Delivery**

for **Bishop Curtis** has been rescheduled for **SUN., APR. 26<sup>th</sup>**, from **11:30-12:30**.



We'll meet after Mass and drive over.



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## **JUST A REMINDER:**

**Kiss a Frog Workshop – 3/20, 7:00- 8:30;**

**3/21, 3:30- 5:00.**

## **ST. MARY MEN'S RETREAT – LAST CALL!**

Many men have been thinking about making the retreat, but they haven't done anything about it! Now is the time to make it happen. Join us from **MAR. 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>**



for a weekend of rest, prayer, relaxation, and conferences at the **Holy Family Retreat Center**. Call the **Retreat Center** (860 521-0440), register online: [www.holyfamilyretreat.org](http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org), or call **Nick Santarelli** (203 470-7102) for more information.

## **WOMEN'S RETREAT – If you would like to**



join us at the **Holy Family of Nazareth Center**, in Monroe, on **APR. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>**, please sign up in the Vestibule after Mass any weekend in March.

Cost of the weekend is \$140.00 Any questions, please call **Deacon John** (744-2106) after 7pm.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### **NEXT REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING:**

**MON., MAR. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 8:15pm**, in the **Parish Hall**.

The Knights invite you to their **FISH FRY** on **FRI., MAR. 27<sup>th</sup>**, from **5:30-7:30pm**, in the **Gym**. If you don't have time to sit and eat, try our new drive-up, takeout service. Menu and price details are in the vestibule.



### **EASTER FOOD COLLECTION**

Starting this weekend, **MAR. 14/15**, the Knights will be putting together food baskets for the needy for Easter. If you wish to donate, you may drop off dry and canned goods in the **Church vestibule** until **MON., APR. 6<sup>th</sup>**. **Anything you can give will be appreciated.**

### **SOUP and STATIONS**

On **FRI., MAR. 20<sup>th</sup>**, at **6:30pm**, we shall offer a simple supper – a choice of two non-meat soups, bread/crackers and a drink for \$1.00 (money going to charity). Just a simple Lenten meal with a beautiful spiritual tradition followed by **Stations of the Cross** at **7:00** in Church.



### **AOH ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION**



**TUES., MAR. 17<sup>th</sup>: 9:00am** – Flag Raising, Barnum Square, then to Town Hall for second Flag Raising. Sandwiches and Corned Beef & Cabbage dinners will be served from **12:00 until 10:00pm** at the **Hibernian Hall**, 161 Main Street, Danbury. For more information call **Joan** (743-3542).

**Immaculate High School** will present **WEST SIDE STORY** on **THUR., APR. 2**, and **FRI., APR. 3**, at **7:30pm**, and **SAT, APR. 4**, at **1:30** and **7:30pm**. Limited reserved seating tickets are \$18. All other seating and matinees are \$15. Buffet dinner available on Saturday between performances at \$15, children under 6 are free. For tickets call **798-2273**.



# SCHOOL DAYS



St. Mary School Auction Raffle Tickets for a 42" TV will be sold after all Masses this weekend, MAR. 14/15, & next, MAR. 21/22. Proceeds benefit St. Mary School.



St. Mary's will host its first 5K Fun Run on SAT., MAY 16<sup>th</sup>. If you would like more information, please call Eve Olson (744-5540). More details to come.

St. Mary School Science Fair will be held on THUR., MAR. 19<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00-8:30pm, in the Gym. All are welcome to attend.

There will be early dismissal on FRI., MAR. 20<sup>th</sup>, at 11:15am, for Professional Development Day.

Our Athletic Banquet will be held on SUN., MAR. 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 4:00pm.

Congratulations to St. Mary Boys Jr. Varsity team, Championship winner in the Danbury Parochial School basketball tournament. The boys finished the season with an 11-2 record. John Jerolimo and Dylan Olson were named to the All-Tournament Team.

Congratulations to St. Mary Boys Varsity team, Championship winner in the Danbury Parochial School basketball tournament. The boys finished the season undefeated with a 13-0 record. James Jerolimo and Shane Raymond were named to the All-Tournament Team.

## Lenten Season

PENANCE: Every Tuesday night, from 7:00-9:00pm, in the Church.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Every Friday night, at 7:00pm, in the Church.

FRIDAYS: Days of ABSTINENCE (no meat)

PARISH MISSION: MARCH 23, 24, & 25.

*Please join us at Saint Mary School's  
15<sup>th</sup> Annual Auction  
Featuring our Silent and Live Auctions,  
with several new and exciting items!!*

*Date: Saturday, March 28<sup>th</sup>*

*Time: 6:00pm*

*Place: Stony Hill Inn*

*Cost: \$35 per person*

*Price Includes:*

*Salad*

*Choice of: London Broil with Bordelaise sauce,  
or Chicken Piccata*

*served with a vegetable medley*

*Penne pasta with garlic and oil*

*Dinner rolls with butter*

*Dessert*

*Coffee or tea*

*We have amazing items to fit every budget!  
Come and check out the incredible deals, or  
just come and have a great time!*

*St. Mary School appreciates our Parish support.*

*Would you be interested in donating a new or  
unused item? Do you have a local business, or  
are you a service professional who would like to  
donate a new product, service or gift certificate?*

*For donation information please call*

*Cindy Iazzetta (730-8026).*

*To reserve your table please call*

*Marnie Gleissner (743-3343).*