
Fr. Corey's Comments

➤ *Thank you very much to Kate Fitzgerald and all who attended this year's successful Mission Trip to Camden, N.J. The hard work, the prayer and the fellowship brought a clearer face of the Lord to all those involved. There is so much prep work that needs to be done, and Kate does it all wonderfully. The group of adults act not only as chaperones, but mentors and examples to our young people. Their Christian witness is invaluable. The teens that volunteered for this Mission were indeed 'sent out', giving of their vacation time, to minister to the least of their brothers and sisters. In turn, they were given the blessing and grace of those with whom they worked and served. Finally, we pray for those at the work and prayer sites in Camden. May they find happiness, health and the abundant blessings of God.*

➤ *In the Bethel/Danbury area, we are blessed to have a good number of Lebanese people. St. Anthony Maronite Catholic Church gathers many Lebanese to worship and community; to continue their heritage and share their lives with the community at large. There is joy in the community because previously "venerable" Maronite brother Estephan Nehme was beatified on Sunday morning in Lebanon. The Holy Father remembered Blessed Estephan after the Angelus prayer in St. Peter's Square, entrusting the people of Lebanon to his protection. We are happy for our Church as Blessed Estephan continues on the road to Sainthood. A special congratulations to the Maronite Church and the people of St. Anthony's at this most joyful event. If you would like to attend St. Anthony's for a Sunday Liturgy, you will enjoy a beautiful and solemn Mass and a different face of our Catholic Church.*

➤ *In the past we have had our "Thank You" party for volunteers right after Christmas. Because of the weather and for the sake of my sanity, I have decided to move the Party to the Fall. This year we will celebrate on September 10, a Friday night. This year we will have a buffet dinner and dancing. Invitations will go out in July, and we hope to see you then.*

➤ *The second reason people should go to Mass each Sunday: Answers to Prayers. People go to Church to pray and worship God, but is there any evidence that prayer works? A number of experiments have been conducted on hospital patients, showing substantial evidence for the positive effect of prayer.*

One such study was conducted by R. Byrd at San Francisco General Hospital. He studied 339 coronary patients over a ten-month period. The double blind study divided the patients into two groups. The first group was prayed for by Church members of various denominations (Judeo-Christian). The people assigned to prayer were given the first names of the patients and asked to pray for them regularly throughout the ten-month period. The control group was well matched to the test group as to seriousness of illness, age of patient, etc. According to Byrd, the prayer group had "less congestive heart failure, required less diuretic and antibiotic therapy, had fewer episodes of pneumonia, had fewer cardiac arrests, and were less frequently ventilated". The patients, doctors, nurses and hospital staff had no knowledge of the purpose of the study. Subsequent studies have confirmed this result.

➤ *On the weekend of July 17th/18th our Diocese will observe Mission Co-Op Sunday. Our speaker is Father Terence Lee from the Mill Hill Fathers. St. Joseph's Missionary Society is Britain's own missionary Society founded by Cardinal Herbert Vaughan in the late 19th Century. Over the last 160 years, missionaries coming from Europe, and more recently from Africa and Asia, have joined ranks to proclaim the Gospel throughout the world.*

Acting on the Lord's command, Mill Hill Missionaries are ready to leave country and culture in order that the Gospel of Christ may bring together people of different races and may become incarnate in every culture and nation. We look forward to hosting Father Lee and we anticipate a wonderful and informative homily.

“FUN IN THE SUN”

JULY 12-16

Fr. Corey’s Comments (Cont’d.)

➤ Remember that Monday, July 26, is the Feast of St Joachim and St. Anne, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the grandparents of Jesus. It is the Church’s Grandparent’s Day. We invite all grandparents to come to Mass that Day for a special blessing and the intercession of these two wonderful Saints.

➤ For those who need this prayer, please use it or pass it on. God, our Father, I turn to you seeking your divine help and guidance as I look for suitable employment. I need your wisdom to guide my footsteps along the right path, and to lead me to find the proper things to say and do in this quest. I wish to use the gifts and talents you have given me, but I need the opportunity to do so with gainful employment. Do not abandon me, dear Father, in this search, but rather grant me this favor I seek so that I may return to you with praise and thanksgiving for your gracious assistance. Grant this through Christ, our Lord. Amen

➤ I know a lot of our folks watch EWTN. Often, they pray the OUR FATHER in Latin. Also, if you travel, especially to Rome, you may want to learn the OUR FATHER in Latin, so here it is.

*Pater noster, qui es in caelis:
sanctificetur Nomen Tuum;
adveniat Regnum Tuum;
fiat voluntas Tua,
sicut in caelo, et in terra.*

*Panem nostrum cotidianum da nobis hodie;
et dimitte nobis debita nostra,
Sicut et nos dimittimus debitoribus nostris;
et ne nos inducas in tentationem;
sed libera nos a Malo.*




Each of our Priests has two days off during the week as follows:


- Fr. Corey – Wednesday & Thursday;
- Fr. Cyrus – Thursday & Friday;
- Fr. Ed – Monday & Tuesday;
- Seminarian Matthew – Monday & Tuesday.


Rectory closes 2:30 Mon.–Fri. for the summer.

A reminder to all parents with children signed up for the first week of our camp, which begins on MON., JULY 13th, at 8:30am. Parents are required to escort and sign their children in at our **School Gym**. Pick-up/sign-out time is **promptly** at 12:30pm also in the **School**.

 *Off to Camp* There are still some spots open for Camp the week of JULY 19-23, from 8:30am-12:30pm. Registration forms are available in the Church vestibule, at the Rectory, or online. **Cost: \$100 per child per week.**

St. Mary School 2010-2011 Registration
School year - There is ongoing registration for grades k-8. For more information please call **Sr. Anne McCarthy** (744-2922).

 **REGISTRATION** – Rel. Ed is available for children in K-8th grade. They **must** attend each year in **Grades 1-8** in order to make their sacraments. If you have a child entering **Kindergarten** or **1st grade** **not** yet registered for the Fall, please check our website: **www.stmarybethel.org** for a registration form. You may send it in or leave it in our mailbox by the door. **Rel. Ed. is officially closed until Aug.**

ST. MARY CLOTHING BANK
is closed for the summer and will reopen **THUR., SEPT. 9th**, from 9:30-11:30am. 

 **DOROTHY DAY VOLUNTEERS**
WED., JULY 13th: *Our turn to Cook.*

ATTENTION MOTORCYCLISTS!

7th Annual "Road Hogs for Josh" Motorcycle Ride

Sunday, July 25, 2010

9:00am: Start – Ridgefield Fire Department
2:00pm: Finish – Jacqueline Restaurant/Bethel

A good day for a great cause!
Call **Rick Lawlor** for more info.

203-470-8084

or visit website: **relawlor.net**





CAMP

July 19-23, 2010

Monday - Friday,

8:30am-12:30pm

St. Mary School Grounds, Bethel

Cost is \$100 per child per week

This is the 12th year of our summer camp for children in grades k-6 (for the 2009-2010 school year). Amusements, Water Slides, Rock Wall, Games, T-shirts, Prizes, Bible and Saint Stories, Arts & Crafts, Songs, Prayer and much more!

Registration forms are available in the vestibule of the Church, at the Rectory, and also on our website: www.stmarybethel.org. Return forms and payment to the Rectory with checks payable to: St. Mary Church.

For more information, please call Kate Fitzgerald at 744-5777 or visit our website!

ABSOLUTELY NO WALK-INS!!!

ST. MARY SCHOOL 13th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Redding Country Club
109 Lonetown Road, Redding, Ct.

MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2010

11:30am – Lunch & Registration

1:00pm – Shotgun Start

5:30pm – Hors d'oeuvres & Buffet Dinner

One best ball of foursome, gross and net

\$175.00 by July 15th, after \$200.00
per player includes:

- Greens fee and Cart;
- Lunch;
- Refreshments on course;
- Cocktail Party;
- Dinner.



Return the form below with your check(s) payable to Saint Mary School to:

Steve DeMarco, 4 Drummers Lane,
Newtown, Ct. 06470

(Any questions? Steve DeMarco: 203 270-3597.)



ST. MARY GOLF OUTING

August 23, 2010 – 1:00pm

1. _____
(Captain/Contact – Phone # _____)
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

St Mary Vacation Bible School

July 26-July 30, 2010, 9:00-11:45am

Ages 3-8 years old

\$15.00 per child

Child's Name _____ Age _____

Child's Name _____ Age _____

Child's Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

Parent's Name _____

Phone # _____ Cell # _____

Emergency Name _____

Phone # _____

List any medical conditions, food restrictions, or allergies below:

I understand that neither St. Mary Church, nor any of its employees or volunteers is responsible for any injury sustained by my child. I accept full responsibility for any medical expenses as a result of any such injury sustained.

Parent/Guardians _____

(Signature)

If your child is already bored with summer and needs a week of fun, there are still some spots available. You may drop this form in the mail box at the Religious Education Office Monday-Friday, 9:00am - 4:00pm.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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| MON., JULY 12 | 6:30 | + | Michael McCloskey – Family |
| | 9:00 | + | Daniel Kiah – Helen & Dan Driscoll |
| TUES, JULY 13 | 6:30 | + | Nancy & Andy Deeb – Patricia Kelly |
| | 9:00 | + | Eileen Oberhammer – Family & Friends |
| WED., JULY 14 | 6:30 | + | Deceased Members of Pavia Council #48 – Brother Knight |
| | 9:00 | + | Mary Egan – Guertin Family |
| THU., JULY 15 | 6:30 | + | Heavenly Stock Intentions |
| | 9:00 | + | Peggy O’Neill – Family |
| FRI., JULY 16 | 6:30 | + | Cathryn Costello |
| | 9:00 | + | Sophie & Ed Nepple – Rosemarie & Vern Nepple |
| SAT., JULY 17 | 8:00 | + | Alice McShane & Brendan Duffy |
| | 5:30 | + | Joseph DiPalma - Daughter |
| SUN., JULY 18 | 7:00 | + | Dan Kiah – Lil & George Eckie |
| | 8:30 | + | Blanche & John Kowalski - Sons |
| | 10:00 | + | Nancy Antunes – Family |
| | 11:30 | + | George Newett – Leone Family |
| | 5:30 | + | Thomas Ford – Chamberlin & Folan Families |



II – Christopher O’Connor & Kerri Kaylor
I – Gregory Kilcourse & Lisa Villamana



GOAL: \$15,000

COLLECTION: \$11,813

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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: *Parish Secretary***  
**Paul Orsino: *Property Manager***

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (743-4557)**  
**Mary Ferri: *Director***  
**Peggy Gavin: *Secretary***  
**Dennis Nauheimer (RCIA): 794-9488**  
*(Call if interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your  
 initiation as a Catholic with Confirmation and/or Eucharist.)*

**MUSIC MINISTRY**  
**Michael Ferrari: *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 12:45pm.***  
**(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  
 celebrate.*