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## Fr. Corey's Comments

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*I hope I did not scare everyone the last couple of weeks with the news of the new translation of the Mass. I just want everyone on board when the changes come about. For those who have not checked the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops' website let me give you some example of what we are looking at when it comes to the new (but really the original) translation of our Mass. First, you are not going to "see" anything different. All the same parts of the Mass are there in the same order so not to worry about that. (Remember the bishops still must vote on the translation, but since the Vatican gave its "ok", it is pretty much a done deal.)*

*Here you can see the changes in the People's part for the Introductory Rites. I think many will recognize the wording for the Confiteor and the Gloria as the texts we used during the mid 60's and the exact translation of the Latin. For those of you who had a Latin/English Missal these were the words that were printed on the right of the page. As you can see the texts are much more poetic and have a deeper meaning than the language we presently use. For many, the beauty of the English language will be easily accepted and for some the beauty will take some time to get used to.*

PART OF MASS	PRESENT TEXT FOR PEOPLE	NEW TEXT FOR PEOPLE
Greeting	<i>Priest:</i> The Lord be with you. <i>People:</i> <b>And also with you.</b>	<i>Priest:</i> The Lord be with you. <i>People:</i> <b>And with your spirit.</b>
Penitential Act, Form A ( <i>Confiteor</i> )	I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have <b>sinned through my own fault</b> , in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; <b>and</b> I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord, our God.	I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have <b>greatly sinned</b> in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, <b>through my fault, through my fault,</b> <b>through my most grievous fault;</b> <b>therefore</b> I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.
<i>Gloria</i>	Glory to God in the highest, and <b>peace to his people on earth.</b> Lord God, heavenly King, <b>almighty God and Father,</b> <b>we worship you, we give you thanks,</b> <b>we praise you for your glory.</b> Lord Jesus Christ, <b>only Son of the Father,</b> Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: <b>receive our prayer.</b> For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.	Glory to God in the highest, and <b>on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you,</b> <b>we adore you, we glorify you,</b> <b>we give you thanks for your great glory,</b> <b>Lord God, heavenly King,</b> <b>O God, almighty Father.</b> Lord Jesus Christ, <b>Only Begotten Son,</b> Lord God, Lamb of God, <b>Son of the Father,</b> you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; <b>you take away the sins of the world,</b> <b>receive our prayer;</b> you are seated at the right hand of the Father, <b>have mercy on us.</b> For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*I shall continue to share examples with you so that the changes will not seem so foreign to us when they finally occur.*

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## *Fr. Corey's Comments*

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*Pope John II Care and Rehabilitation Center in Danbury is open to volunteers in their establishment. Youth groups, senior group or individual parishioners who are looking for a place to volunteer are most welcomed. If you are looking for service hours or looking for something to do and you are a 'people person', all the nursing care facilities are usually more than happy to accept volunteers.*

*There has been much talk about the passing of Senator Ted Kennedy. Two things I can say about him with certainty: He served in the Senate in faithful service to his country and at his death we should pray for him and that God is the sole judge of our souls. As many of you know near his death he wrote a letter to Pope Benedict, and as is customary a senior Vatican official wrote back in the Pope's name. I share with you both letters.*

*Most Holy Father, I asked President Obama to personally hand-deliver this letter to you. As a man of deep faith himself, he understands how important my Roman Catholic faith is to me, and I am so deeply grateful to him.*

*I hope this letter finds you in good health. I pray that you have all of God's blessings as you lead our church and inspire our world during these challenging times. I am writing with deep humility to ask that you pray for me as my own health declines. I was diagnosed with brain cancer more than a year ago, and although I continue treatment, the disease is taking its toll on me. I am 77 years old and preparing for the next passage of life.*

*I have been blessed to be part of a wonderful family. And both of my parents, particularly my mother, kept our Catholic faith at the center of our lives. That gift of faith has sustained and nurtured and provided solace to me in the darkest hours. I know that I have been an imperfect human being, but with the help of my faith, I have tried to right my path.*

*I want you to know, Your Holiness, that in my nearly 50 years of elective office, I have done my best to champion the rights of the poor and open doors of economic opportunity. I have worked to welcome the immigrant, to fight discrimination and expand access to health care and education. I have opposed the death penalty and fought to end war. Those are the issues that have motivated me and have been the focus of my work as a United States senator.*

*I also want you to know that even though I am ill, I'm committed to doing everything I can to achieve access to health care for everyone in my country. This has been the political cause of my life. I believe in a conscience protection for Catholics in the health field, and I'll continue to advocate for it as my colleagues in the Senate and I work to develop an overall national health policy that guarantees health care for everyone.*

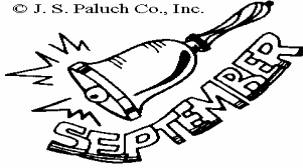
*I have always tried to be a faithful Catholic, Your Holiness, and though I have fallen short through human failings, I have never failed to believe and respect the fundamental teachings of my faith. I continue to pray for God's blessings on you and on our church and would be most thankful for your prayers for me.*

### ***The Holy Father's response:***

The Holy Father has read the letter which you entrusted to President Obama, who kindly presented it to him during their recent meeting. He was saddened to know of your illness, and asked me to assure you of his concern and his spiritual closeness. He is particularly grateful for your promise of prayers for him and for the needs of our universal church.

His Holiness prays that in the days ahead you may be sustained in faith and hope, and granted the precious grace of joyful surrender to the will of God, our merciful father. He invokes upon you the consolation and peace promised by the risen savior to all who share in his sufferings and trust in his promise of eternal life.

Commending you and the members of your family to the loving intervention of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Father cordially imparts his Apostolic blessing as a pledge of wisdom, comfort and strength in the Lord.



# SCHOOL NEWS



**REL. ED. CLASSES** will begin on:

- SUN., 9/13** – K-6 & Level I or II Confirmation
- MON., 9/14** – Level I or II Confirmation
- TUES., 9/22** – K-6
- THUR., 9/24** – K-6

A brief parent/child meeting will be held Mon., Tues., Thur. or Sun. evening in the **Church**; or Sun. morning in the **Gym**.

If you have not yet registered, please call **Rel. Ed. office** (743-4557). Some classes have filled up.

Next weekend, **SEPT. 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>**, there will be a **Second Collection** for **CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA** in Washington, DC. It was established over a century ago by U.S. bishops to provide quality academic and religious formation to young men and women.



## **ST. MARY BOOK CLUB: SUMMER BOOKS**



**“Christ the Lord: The Road to Cana”;**  
**“Christ the Lord: Out of Egypt”.** Both by **Anne Rice**. See you for discussion

on **TUES., SEPT. 22<sup>nd</sup>**, at **7:30pm**, in the **Children’s Room**. **PLEASE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE – 1 WEEK EARLIER!!!**

**RCIA** will have an **OPEN HOUSE** in the **Parish Hall** on **SUN. SEPT. 20<sup>th</sup>**, from **12:00-3:00pm**. We welcome anyone interested in finding out more about the RCIA process to join us at that time. For more info. please call **Dennis Nauheimer** (794-9488).



**Come Sing with the Choir!** The adult choir welcomes singers to become part of our Music Liturgy. If interested in joining, please call **Elizabeth** (798-0076).

**NO CLASSES** –

**MON., SEPT. 7<sup>th</sup>**



**WED., SEPT. 9<sup>th</sup>** – **Meet the Teachers Night**, at **7:00pm**, for parents of children in Grades PK-4.

**THUR., SEPT. 10<sup>th</sup>** – **Meet the Teachers Night**, at **7:00pm**, for parents of children in Grades 5 – 8.

**SMS ANNUAL MAGAZINE/MUSIC** continues until **MON., SEPT. 14<sup>th</sup>**. If you have not been approached by a student and would care to place an order, please contact the **School** (744-2922). We appreciate your support.

## **St. Mary School IBM Technology Upgrades**

The **IBM Corporation** supports the technology needs of K-12 Schools through their IBM Matching Grants Program. IBM employees and IBM retirees can participate in the IBM Matching Grants program in support of any school. Under the program when an IBM employee or retiree donates 20% of the cost of the equipment, IBM donates the remaining 80%. Each employee may donate up to a maximum of \$5,000 per year.

IBM employees who are parents of St. Mary School students are sponsoring a Technology Drive aimed at upgrading the school Computer Lab. We realize that these are tough economic times and computer technology may not be high on your personal priority list. St. Mary’s school has always been a leader in technology education, and through the generosity of IBM and its employees and retirees we have been able to continue to keep our equipment current.

If you are an IBM employee or an IBM retiree and are interested in assisting with our Technology drive, please contact **Ken Stevens** (203 792-2027) for further details.

# Coming Soon

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**Friends of the Bethel Public Library** is sponsoring a concert on **SAT., SEPT. 26<sup>th</sup>**, featuring Las Vegas/Atlantic City singer, **Steve Lippia**, who specializes in music of the Sinatra era. All proceeds will go toward the completion of the Library. The event will take place at **7:30pm** at the **Ives Concert Hall**, White Street, Danbury. Tickets are \$40 per person and are available: online at [www.wcsu.edu/tickets](http://www.wcsu.edu/tickets); at **WCSU (203 837-8499)**; or a check made out to **Friends of the Library** may be left at the Library circulation desk. For more information please call **Mary O'Leary (743-0861)**.

**COFFEE & ...** will be served after the **8:30 & 10:00 Mass** on **SUN., SEPT. 13<sup>th</sup>**.



## GREATER DANBURY IRISH FESTIVAL



**Ives' Concert Park, Danbury**  
**FRI., SEPT. 11<sup>th</sup> - 5:00pm-10:30pm**  
**SAT., SEPT. 12<sup>th</sup> - 11:00am-10:30pm**  
**SUN., SEPT. 13<sup>th</sup> - 11:00am- 6:30pm**

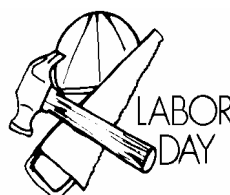
The Irish Festival will feature Irish entertainment, food and beverages, shopping, cultural exhibits, ceili and set dancing, and children's activities. **Adults: Fri. - \$5/evening, Sat. & Sun. - \$12/day; Children U-12 with adult - Free; 3-Day Pass - \$20. For more info.: AOH - 203 730-8211.**

If you are suffering from the pain of abortion (or know someone who is), experience the healing love of Jesus on a **RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT** weekend from **SEPT. 19-21**. The retreat will combine spiritual meditations, discussions, confession, a Memorial Service and Mass. Participation is strictly confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love and to help forgive yourself and others. This ministry is sponsored by the **Respect Life Office of the Diocese of Bridgeport**. For more information please call the **retreat director (203 218-0291)**; email: [Jeremiah31v17@aol.com](mailto:Jeremiah31v17@aol.com); or visit the website [www.rachelsvineyardbpt.com](http://www.rachelsvineyardbpt.com).

**OFF THE STREETS:** An emerging ministry has helped more than 40 people off the streets, out of shelters, and into real living spaces in rooming houses – and it can happen very quickly. Some parishioners have already contributed. As a result, this week alone we moved a destitute single mother and her 3-year old son into two rooms, AND we also moved two women out of the shelters and into a room they can call their own. With your help, that's four this week alone! You should receive a thank you note in the mail. It costs about \$600 to get even a **chronically homeless person** off the streets and into a room if they have any source of income. Once they get a room, they almost never go back to the streets. They see hope, and we are motivated to keep them in a safe place. Our funds are drying up, but with your help we can continue. 100% of your donation directly helps a homeless person off the streets – there is no paid staff at Dorothy Day Hospitality House. Please make a tax-deductible contribution to **DDHH, P. O. Box 922, Danbury, CT 06813-0922**; in the note section of the check identify it as follows **"to help a homeless person off the streets"**. If you have any questions, call **Deacon Mike (203 733-5880)**.



**RETROUVAILLE OF CT.** – If your marriage has become troubled, unloving or uncaring, you are thinking of separating, or are already separated or divorced, want to try again, then this program can help you. The next weekend: **SEPT. 18-20**. Retrouvaille couples from all or no faith are welcome. For more info. call **(1-800-470-2230)** or e-mail: [3001@retrouvaille.org](mailto:3001@retrouvaille.org).

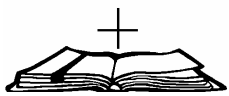


**THE RECTORY**

**WILL BE CLOSED**

**MONDAY, SEPT. 7<sup>th</sup>**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

<b>MON., SEPT. 7</b>	6:30	<b>NO MASS</b>	
	9:00	+ Millie Tortosa – Friends	
<b>TUES, SEPT. 8</b>	6:30	+ Andrew Hufnagel – Delores & Arlene	
	9:00	+ Marion Clark – Donna & Dan Kiah	Mass Intentions
<b>WED., SEPT. 9</b>	6:30	+ James Graham – McClusky Family	
	9:00	+ Tony Soegaard & Brendan Duffy	
<b>THU., SEPT. 10</b>	6:30	+ George Deakin – Family	
	9:00	+ Kathleen Schovel – Daughter, Kathy Schovel	
<b>FRI., SEPT. 11</b>	6:30	Dorothy Clarke ( <i>Health &amp; Blessings</i> ) – 9:00am Mass Friends	
	9:00	+ Victims & Families of 9/11 Attacks	
<b>SAT., SEPT. 12</b>	8:00	+ Andrea McGranahan – Ninivaggi Family	
	5:30	+ Bill Benzing – Wakeman Family	
<b>SUN., SEPT. 13</b>	7:00	+ Donald Slavick ( <i>12<sup>th</sup> Anniv.</i> ) – Family	
	8:30	+ Tony Soegaard – Walt & Cathy Richard & Family	
	10:00	+ Mae Raymond – Justine Savage	
	11:30	+ Admiral Donald L. Pilling – Virginia Lee Fessler	
	5:30	+ Dianne Howell – Christine Rostafin	

*Just a reminder: On weekends, the Church will open at 7:45am on Saturdays and 6:30am on Sundays.*



**WELCOME TO THOSE WHO WERE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

*Justin Christopher Koehler*

III – *Harold Woering, Jr. & Nicole Redonski*

II – *Robert Sanford & Tracy Horrocks*

I – *Jason Yelsits & Tara Piacitelli*



**GOAL:** \$15,000

**COLLECTION:** \$14,520

**PARISH OFFICE** (744-5777)

Sheila Kurjiaka: *Bulletin Editor*  
 Kate Fitzgerald: *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**

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 celebrate.*