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**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

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<b>MON., JULY 7</b>	6:30	+	Jennifer Timm – Matt Reynolds & Family	Mass Intentions 
	9:00	+	Deborah Quinn – Arline & Rob LeMay	
<b>TUES, JULY 8</b>	6:30	+	Ann Hulswit – Jed & Cornie Costello	
	9:00	+	Scott Catania – Amy Davenport	
<b>WED., JULY 9</b>	6:30	+	Jennifer Timm – Thomas & Lorraine Newsome	
	9:00	+	Deborah Quinn – Rose MacGuire	
<b>THU., JULY 10</b>	6:30	+	Denis Riordan – Family	
	9:00	+	Joe Freebairn ( <i>Birthday</i> ) – Wife, Eileen	
<b>FRI., JULY 11</b>	6:30	+	Giovan Giuseppe Lombardi – Patty, Paula, Sarah & Maria	
	9:00	+	Gloria Anderson – Grace O'Rourke	
<b>SAT., JULY 12</b>	8:00	+	Deborah Quinn – DeLuca Family	
	5:30	+	Boniface, Margaret & Victoria Banasik – Family	
<b>SUN., JULY 13</b>	7:00	+	Ken Angell – Ken & Kay Kopec	
	8:30	+	Christine Nuttall ( <i>9<sup>th</sup> Anniv.</i> ) – Family	
	10:00	+	Palma Crisci – Fudgy & Ned Belardinelli	
	11:30	+	Anna Marie Gaita – Mary & Frank Sullivan	
	5:30	+	Joseph DiPalma – Family	



**WELCOME TO THOSE WHO WERE NEWLY BAPTIZED**

*Jake Ryan O'Boy*

III – *Michael Clyne & Sarah Egan*

II – *Kevin Tita & Mary Kozlowski*

I – *Michael Braca & Elizabeth LaBua*



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**GOAL:**    \$15,000

**COLLECTION:**    \$13,447

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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*

**MUSIC MINISTRY**

**Mike Macelletti:** *Music Director*

**Elizabeth Barnes:** *Choir 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:** 11:30-12:00noon; 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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➤ *Welcome back to the young people and adults that were on our Parish Mission Trip to Lancaster, PA. Everyone got home safely, and, I must say, every single person seems to have grown spiritually and in the course of his or her journey has seen the face of God in everyone they served. It has been my experience that when anyone goes on mission, they receive more than they give. I am sure that the folks on this Mission Trip would heartily agree. A huge thanks goes to Kate Fitzgerald. Kate organized and put together this trip. She has kept everyone motivated, prayerful and enthusiastic throughout the preparation and duration of the trip. A million thanks to Kate, the other adults and teens... you made us proud and may God continue to bless the work you do.*

➤ *The final chapter in my vestments series... Dalmatic. The dalmatic is the outer vestment worn by the deacon and sometimes by the bishop under the chasuble if he pontificates. Although it was originally something like an alb, now with wide short sleeves and open at the side it reaches below the knees. In color it corresponds with the chasuble. The Cope – a long semicircular cloak, open in the front and reaching down to the heels, fastened at the breast with a clasp, with a hood or a nonfunctional one, taking the form of a shield. Originally, it was used as protection from the cold and rain, hence, the attached hood. Never used by the celebrant at Mass, it is the usual garment for processions, benediction, baptisms, and weddings (outside of Mass) and the solemn singing of the Liturgy of the Hours and during other services as each rite indicates. The bishop, priest or deacon can wear it. The Humeral Veil – an oblong, rectangular cloth or vestment, usually richly ornamented, placed over the shoulders and clasped in front of the chest, used in covering the hands when touching or carrying the monstrance or other sacred vessels. The custom arose out of reverence of not touching a holy object directly. Its primary use is in giving Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, carrying sacred vessels with their contents from one tabernacle to another or during processions with the Sacred Host, as on the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. In some countries, viaticum is carried to the sick in this fashion. Ok, so now you are wondering: What is Viaticum? Well, I am glad you asked. Viaticum is the term given to Holy Communion when someone near death receives it. It should not be deferred till such time that the sick person may lose consciousness. It may be received frequently so long as the danger of death exists; no laws of fasting bind the recipient. The receiving of this Sacrament strengthens a person through the Body of Christ and is a pledge of the Resurrection. Viaticum is food for the journey for the person who is near death.*

➤ *This past Sunday was not only the Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul, it was also Father Joseph's 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination to the priesthood. I can speak for all of us when I say that I am so grateful for all that Father Joseph does for our Parish. I hope that he is here for many more years. May our loving God bless Father Joseph in his ministry, his family and his diocese back home in Uganda. I am sure they miss him, but we are thankful that he is here. Fr. Joseph, AD MULTOS ANOS!!!!... Many Happy Years!!!!*

➤ *Many thanks to Catherine Gadarowski for her work in the Parish Clothing Bank. Taking the well deserved summer off, Catherine and her committee have worked tirelessly this year to get clothes from the greater Bethel area to places in the South and Midwest to folks who don't even have decent clothing to wear. Taking her directives straight from the Gospel... I was naked and you clothed me, Catherine has helped hundreds of families in their basic needs. I have mentioned Catherine before but even with a physical injury this year she has done wonderful work to help others and as a result has been a blessing to our parish. Many thanks for all you and your helpers do, Catherine. (The Clothing Bank will reopen on THUR., SEPT. 4<sup>th</sup>, 9:30-11:30am.)*

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## *A Meditation from Fr. Corey*

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*This weeks' meditation is a beautiful Easter Sermon from one of the Doctors of the Church (both East and West), St. John Chrysostom (347-407AD), who was so renowned for his preaching that his name Chrysostom means "golden throat". This beautiful sermon is read in many Churches on Easter Day. I hope you enjoy it.*

Are there any who are devout lovers of God?  
Let them enjoy this beautiful bright festival!

Are there any who are grateful servants?  
Let them rejoice and enter into the joy of their Lord!

Are there any weary from fasting?  
Let them now receive their due!

If any have toiled from the first hour,  
let them receive their reward.

If any have come after the third hour,  
Let them with gratitude join in the feast!

Those who arrived after the sixth hour, let them not  
doubt; for they shall not be short-changed.

Those who have tarried until the ninth hour,  
let them not hesitate; but let them come too.

And those who arrived only at the eleventh hour,  
let them not be afraid by reason of their delay.

For the Lord is gracious and receives the last even  
as the first. The Lord gives rest to those who come  
at the eleventh hour, even as to those who toiled  
from the beginning.

To one and all the Lord gives generously.  
The Lord accepts the offering of every work.

The Lord honours every deed and commends their  
intention.

Let us enter into the joy of the Lord!

First and last alike, receive your reward. Rich and  
poor, rejoice together!

Conscientious and lazy, celebrate the day!  
You who have kept the fast, and you who have not,  
rejoice, this day, for the table is bountifully spread!

Feast royally, for the calf is fatted. Let no one go  
away hungry. Partake, all, of the banquet of faith.  
Enjoy the bounty of the Lord's goodness!

Let no one grieve being poor,  
for the universal reign has been revealed.

Let no one lament persistent failings,  
for forgiveness has risen from the grave.

Let no one fear death,  
for the death of our Savior has set us free.

The Lord has destroyed death by enduring it.  
The Lord vanquished hell when he descended into  
it.

The Lord put hell in turmoil even as it tasted of his  
flesh.

Isaiah foretold this when he said, "You, O Hell, were  
placed in turmoil when he encountering you below."

Hell was in turmoil having been eclipsed.  
Hell was in turmoil having been mocked.  
Hell was in turmoil having been destroyed.  
Hell was in turmoil having been abolished.  
Hell was in turmoil having been made captive.

Hell grasped a corpse, and met God.  
Hell seized earth, and encountered heaven.  
Hell took what it saw, and was overcome by what it  
could not see.

O death, where is your sting?  
O hell, where is your victory?

Christ is risen, and you are cast down!  
Christ is risen, and the demons are fallen!  
Christ is risen, and the angels rejoice!  
Christ is risen, and life is set free!  
Christ is risen, and the tomb is emptied of its dead.

For Christ, having risen from the dead,  
is become the first-fruits of those who have fallen  
asleep.

To Christ be glory and power forever and ever.

Amen!

## “FUN IN THE SUN”

JULY 7-11 & JULY 14-18



A reminder to all parents with children signed up for the first week of our camp, which begins on MON., JULY 7<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30am. Parents are required to escort and sign their children in at our **School Gym**. The pick-up and sign-out time is promptly at 12:30pm, also in the **School**.



For Camp next week, JULY 14-18, from 8:30-12:30, *there are still some spots open*. Registration forms are available in the Church vestibule or at the Rectory. **Cost: \$90 per child per week.**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, July 28-Aug. 1, 9:00-11:45am**, for children 3-8 years old.

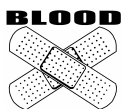
**Cost: \$15.00.** Registration forms are available at the Rectory or on our website: [www.stmarybethel.org](http://www.stmarybethel.org).



**CCD REGISTRATION** – Religious Education is available for children in K – grade 8. They must attend each year in **Grades 1-8** in order to make their sacraments. If you have a child entering **Kindergarten** or **1<sup>st</sup> grade** you need to register him/her for the Fall. **Rel. Ed. office** will reopen in **late AUGUST**. You can find registration forms at: [www.stmarybethel.org](http://www.stmarybethel.org).




The **AMERICAN RED CROSS** has asked that we remind parishioners that the need for blood does not stop during the summer months. To keep a safe inventory at our hospitals they must collect 650 units of blood each and every day in CT. For info. on local blood drives email: [whitemaa@usa.redcross.org](mailto:whitemaa@usa.redcross.org).



 **MARRIED COUPLES** – Give your marriage a well deserved vacation. Plan to go on a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** from FRI., JULY 18<sup>th</sup> – SUN., JULY 20<sup>th</sup>, and come back with your marriage refreshed and full of energy. For more information or to register, please call Joe & Jane Staszowski (860 644-7260) or email [meweekend@gmail.com](mailto:meweekend@gmail.com).

## Miscellaneous

**BEREAVEMENT:** The loss of a loved one is often traumatic and impossible to describe to others. Sometimes just trying to get on with our own day-to-day lives is not so easy. And, sometimes it's more complicated when interacting with others. If you are experiencing any of this, then you know it takes more than a few words of encouragement, a pat on the back, or even a gentle hug to bounce back. Our Parish Community can help you cope. Those of us who have been through this meet on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 6:00pm in the **Crying Room**. We generally close by 7-7:30pm. Contact Deacon Mike Oles (733-5880) for info.

**HOMELESS SHELTER: Dorothy Day Shelter** in Danbury is in need of additional men who would be willing to stay overnight at the Shelter once a month.  The Shelter has been open for more than 25 years and, along with the Soup Kitchen, is run completely by volunteers. You can't go wrong getting involved with the homeless; it's definitely a life-changing experience. There will be an informational meeting in the **Parish Hall** on WED., JULY 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30pm. All men in the parish are invited. Contact Deacon Mike Oles (733-5880) for more information.



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The **Knights of Columbus** has been given a few weeks at a rental property on **Martha's Vineyard**, with the proceeds from the rents to benefit their **Scholarship Fund**. This is an extraordinary offer, and the cottage is available for a number of weeks during the summer. If you would like details as to the location of the cottage, cost, summer weeks and fall weekends available, please contact Richard Schlemmer (948-1820-c; 744-5755-h).

**This is an offer solely from the Knights of Columbus and not from St. Mary Parish.**

**ST. MARY  
ANNUAL  
GOLF OUTING**

(Proceeds to benefit St. Mary School )

**The Golf Club at Oxford Greens  
Oxford, Ct.**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Handicapped Scramble**

**\$200.00 per player includes:**

**11:00am – Lunch & Registration**

**Greens fee and Cart;**

**12:30pm – Shotgun Start**

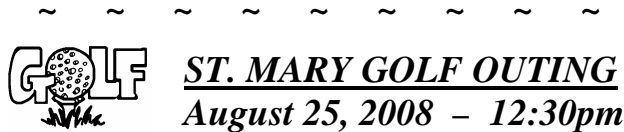
**Lunch;**

**5:00pm – Hors d’oeuvres Cocktail Party  
and Award Presentation**

**Refreshments on course;  
Cocktail Party.**

*Play is limited to 120 Golfers. All are welcome. “First Come, First Served”.*

*Fill out the form below and return it as soon as possible to The Rizzo Group,  
28 Federal Rd, Danbury, 06810 with your check made payable to: St. Mary School.*



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*For more information and to see how you can be a sponsor or make a donation please visit our  
website: www.stmarybethel.org, “Forms”.*