

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 6, 2016



Thank You to Our Ministries!

This weekend at our 9:15am Sunday Mass, we will honor our Saint Mary Parish Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion who take the Body and Blood of the Lord to the Sick at home, in nursing homes and other health care facilities. In doing so they truly represent our Parish Family's pastoral care and support.

On behalf of our entire Parish I thank them and also all of our men and women who serve as Eucharistic Ministers at Mass for their service to all of us.

To *all* of our Parishioners who give so much of themselves through Parish service, thank you! You are all witnesses of God's love for His People! We appreciate you, and our Parish is grateful for the work you do to make St. Mary Parish what it is today - a caring, spiritual community with so many ministries reaching out in so many directions.

God bless those who serve Christ selflessly through our ministries,

Msgr. Larry Bronkiewicz

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Msgr. Larry Bronkiewicz".

Pastor



MASS READINGS & INTENTIONS

MONDAY, November 7

Ti 1:1-9/Lk 17:1-6

7:00 AM Jack Morrisroe - 5th Anniversary
 12:00 PM Deceased Members of the Coscio Family

TUESDAY, November 8

Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Lk 17:7-10

7:00 AM Frank Bellacosa
 12:00 PM John O'Boyle

WEDNESDAY, November 9

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

7:00 AM The Cushing Family
 12:00 PM Dennis Rainaldi

THURSDAY, November 10

Phlm 7-20/Lk 17:20-25

7:00 AM Ada Leary
 12:00 PM Vincent Ryan Jr.

FRIDAY, November 11

2 Jn 4-9/Lk 17:26-37

9:00 AM Nancy and John Kearns

SATURDAY, November 12

3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1-8

8:00 AM Marion & Michael Thompson
 4:30 PM Elizabeth Hance

SUNDAY, November 13

Mal 3:19-20a/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

Church

7:30 AM Mary and Conrad Sponberg
 9:15 AM Ryan Adams
 11:15 AM William Melnick - 3rd Anniversary

Hall

10:30 AM Santina Alessi
 12:00 PM Parishioners of the Parish
 5:00 PM Battista Cerutti

CEMETERY CLEAN UP!

Fall cleanup of our Parish Cemetery is scheduled from **November 1 - 15**. We will prepare the Cemetery for the holiday season. Any remaining spring/summer/fall decorations will be discarded. If you wish to retrieve any, please do so before Nov 1st. As a reminder, no grave blankets/sprays are permitted and all decorations must adhere to the current regulations. Please refer to the **Cemetery Decoration Schedule and Regulations**, on the Parish website or at the Cemetery office. Questions, please contact Donna Barber at the Cemetery Office 438-3606 or at 203-733-4658. Thank you for your understanding.



Our next Pre-Baptism Class (required for parents who have not had a class within five years and wish to have their child baptized) will be held **Wed., Dec 14th** from 7:30-8:30pm in the Barn. Call our Parish Office to register.



GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

WEEKLY YEAR-TO-DATE

October 30, 2016	\$24,897	\$1,042,686
November 1, 2015	\$23,790	\$1,011,118

All Souls'

October 2016	\$4,176
October 2015	\$4,510

*This week's first collection, Military Services
 Next week's second collection, Facilities Repair
 FROM THE PASTOR: "How do you express your love for God? Some of the ways of expressing love are by giving and by serving joyfully!"*



2016 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

PARISH GOAL	\$305,000
RAISED TO DATE	\$486,467
% OF GOAL	159.50%



Please remember our sick in your prayers, especially Theresa Avento, Mary Jo Calamai, Patti Capilli, Bill Casey, Mary Clark and Thomas Mendez. (For the sake of privacy, only immediate family members may add someone to our prayer list. Individuals will be removed monthly unless we are otherwise notified.)

BAPTISMS

We welcome to the Family of God and our Parish Family, **Connor Lucca Galvin, George William Hafford, and Ramon Ignacio Velutini** who were baptized in our Church last weekend.

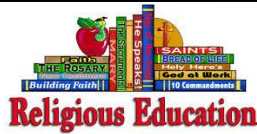


Candle Intentions

Remember a friend or loved one with a candle lit in their name. Candle Intention options:

- Adoration Chapel Tabernacle Candle - \$40 donation, for one week
- Church Sanctuary Candle - \$40 donation, for one week
- Church Altar Candles - \$20 donation each, for one week
- Hall Sanctuary Candle - \$20 donation, burns at Sunday Mass

All intentions will be noted in our Bulletin during the week requested and each Candle Intention purchased includes a card with envelope. Please purchase at our Parish Office.



Religious Education



Calling all Kindergarten and 1st Grade Religious Ed students! Our Religious Education Nativity Pageant will be held

on Sunday, December 11, at 3pm. Dress rehearsal is Friday, December 9, from 4:15-5:30pm. If interested in participating, please contact Laura Torok-Lobelson, Nativity Pageant Coordinator, at 203-438-4541 by Wed., November 9th. Participation is limited to 26 girls and 27 boys. Parent volunteers also needed.

Family Advent Wreath Assembly: Join us for this Parish-wide event on Saturday, Nov 19th from 2-4pm in the Hall. Make your own Family Advent Wreath! Cost for all materials is \$25. Prepare your home and family to receive the Peace, Love, and Joy of Christmas! Advent begins on Sunday, Nov 27th!



God's Gifts for All - Liturgy of the Word for Children with Disabilities Beginning Nov 13th at the 10:30 Mass and continuing every other Sunday. Children who have disabilities, which prohibit them from attending Religious Formation classes, are invited to come and celebrate Jesus in music and movement! Families and their children will attend Mass; at the beginning of the Liturgy of the Word, the children will proceed to their accessible classroom, #223 on the main floor. They will dismiss at 11:30am. Interactive materials, music and movement will be a big part of this class! Peer Witnesses, who have been confirmed or are preparing for Confirmation are encouraged to become a part of this spiritual journey. We are also seeking a Special Education Catechist. Please call Pat Postiglione, Director of Religious Education (438-6538), or Sharol Signorelli (438-2302) with questions.

LifeTeen Fall Retreat will take place Nov 11th-13th. Registration link at www.smcr.org/life-teen-1.



DEFENDING OUR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY



The federal health care mandate violates religious liberty because it forces conscientious objectors to actively go against their moral principles. It also deprives those objectors of the right - a right that others continue to exercise - to do what they see as morally required.

If you haven't done so already, please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate by calling U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445, and your elected state representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.

20th ANNIVERSARY



Saint Mary School
RIDGEFIELD

SMS Annual Scramble and Fall Harvest Dinner

SMS Friends and Families gathered for our annual Golf Scramble and Fall Harvest Dinner at Salem Golf Club. Thank you to all who planned, participated, and supported this event, which celebrates and supports our mission of making a Catholic education accessible to all! Special thanks to sponsors Copps Hill Shell, Georgetown Orthodontics, the Spera Family, the Whitehouse Family, Ridgefield Plumbing and Heating, and Ridgefield Glass!

Saint Mary School is currently enrolling students in select grades of Preschool through Grade 8 for the 2016-2017 school year, as well as accepting applications for the 2017-2018 school year. For more information, or to set up a tour, please contact Anna O'Rourke at (203) 438-7288, or visit www.smsridgefield.org.

*Our next **Senior Citizens' Lunch** will be on Tuesday, November 15th. Rosary begins at 11:30am in the Hall, with noon Mass and lunch to follow.*

RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE



Caring for life from the beginning to the end. What a simple thing, what a beautiful thing. So, go forth and don't be discouraged. Care for life. It's worth it." — Cardinal Bergoglio
www.smcr.org/respect-life

FAITH FORMATION CORNER



Financial Freedom God's Way
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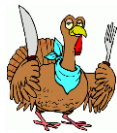
Believe God's Promise That Your Needs Will Be Met.

Sometimes God will do this through the abundance of others. However, He never promises to provide equally for everyone. As a Christian, learn to accept God's provision for you, because it is clear evidence of the role He has designed for you in His plan. Accept His provision without resentment because, "At this present time your abundance being a supply for their need, so that their abundance also may become a supply for your need, that there may be equality." (2 Corinthians 8:14 NASB)

www.focusonthefamily.com

CATHOLIC ACTION

Thanksgiving Food Basket Drive



Our Knights of Columbus are once again collecting non-perishable food donations to support their **Thanksgiving Food Basket Drive**. Donation bins are at the front & rear entrances of our Church & Parish Hall. The Knights, and those they serve, appreciate your support!

Children's Coat Drive

Please donate new or gently used clean winter coats for infant through teenage sizes. Bins are in the Church, School foyer and Religious Ed Office until 11/6. Coats will be distributed to our sister parish, St. Peter's in Bridgeport, CT. Thank you for your support!



ONGOING

DONATE: Food Pantries

During the month of **November**, all food collected goes to the **Knights of Columbus Thanksgiving Food Basket Drive**. Suggested food items: cereal, pasta, rice, canned foods, vegetable oil, and baby food. Also needed: full-size toiletries. Thank you!

St. Peter's Run



Please join our Catholic Action Team prepare and deliver lunches to the children of our Sister Parish, St. Peter's, Bridgeport on Saturdays. As there are no soup kitchens open in Bridgeport on the weekends, food support is greatly needed for the families of our Sister parish, especially during the winter months. We ask that you consider providing a bag lunch meal to about 200 children of St. Peter's who are enrolled in their Religious Ed program. Reimbursement for the cost is available. Thank you for considering serving Christ through the poor. Please go to this link to signup <http://bit.ly/2eZYCtf> or go to www.smcr.org.

Altar Decorating Help Needed

Do you like flowers and plants? Anita Barrios needs help with the week-to-week altar flowers as well as with planning and ordering for Christmas! Can you help? Call Anita for more details at 203-431-6705.

SMMC

St. Mary Mothers' Club: Join us for a Thanksgiving Toddler Tea in the Day Chapel on November 16th from 9:30am - 11:00am!

PILGRIM VIRGIN

November is a time of year for thanksgiving and in this year, the 100th Anniversary of the Fatima Apparitions, the time may be right for you to take the Pilgrim Virgin home and pray the rosary. To honor our Blessed Mother by praying the rosary, invite the Pilgrim Virgin of Fatima into your home. Contact Elma Stoveken at 203-894-1341.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

O = permanent or substitute adorer urgently needed.
X = 1 additional adorer needed.
Empty boxes = there are 2 or more adorers.

	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
12M-1am	X	X	X	O	X	X	X
1am-2am	X	O	O	O	O	X	X
2am-3am	O	X	X	X	X	X	X
3am-4am	O	X	X	X	X	X	X
4am-5am	O	X	X	X	X	X	X
5am-6am	X	X			X		X
6am-7am	X		X	X	X		X
7am-8am	X		X	X	X	X	X
8am-9am				X			X
9am-10am	X	X		X	X	X	X
10am-11am	X			X		X	X
11am-12N	X						X
12N-1pm	X				X	X	X
1pm-2pm	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2pm-3pm	X	X	X	X		X	X
3pm-4pm		X	X	X	X	X	X
4pm-5pm	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
5pm-6pm	X		X	X	X		X
6pm-7pm	X			X	X	X	X
7pm-8pm	X						X
8pm-9pm						X	X
9pm-10pm	X	X			X	X	X
10pm-11pm			X	X		X	X
11pm-12M	X		X		X	X	X

"One who has hope lives differently." Pope Benedict XVI. A wise statement by which we should all live. Each day we should begin our prayers with this thought in mind. Come to our Parish Adoration Chapel & reinforce this idea. Please sign up for an hour or as a substitute by calling Bill/Monica @ 914-533-2832. God bless us all!

EVERY Thursday evening, 7-9pm, in our Adoration Chapel, the Chaplet of Mercy, 7 Sorrows of Our Blessed Mother and 15 decades of the Rosary are sung and prayed. Please join us!



ST. MARY PARISH MEN'S MINISTRY

Membership in the STMMM is a lifetime invitation to come whenever you can! Once a member always a member. Come join us any Saturday @ 6:30AM for bagels, coffee and fellowship. Perhaps your spiritual life needs a tune-up. Come and see how Jesus' teachings can enrich your life and the life of your loved ones. stmmm.org

MARQUETTE COUNCIL OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Don't you want to be the best role model for your child? The easiest way is to share the faith with your children by spending time with them and "walking the talk." Connect the words to action! Join the Knights of Columbus for the opportunity to serve our church and community together WITH your children. We are looking for Dads and their kids to help us throughout the year. Contact John McNicholas at jmpmcnich@yahoo.com or visit www.kofc245.org for more info.