

# Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2016



## OUR NEW SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE Effective May 7-8, 2016

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With only two fulltime priests assigned to our Parish, along with additional outside priests offering much appreciated weekend help, combining some of our Masses makes good sense.

Next weekend, May 7-8, the following new Mass Schedule will go into effect:

Confessions – 3:30 – 4:30 PM - Church

Saturday – 4:30 PM Vigil Mass - Church (combining the  
present 4:00 and 5:30 Vigils)

Sunday – 7:30 AM Mass - Church (combining the present  
7:00 and 8:00 Parish Hall Mass)

9:15 Mass – Church – no change

10:30 Mass – Parish Hall – no change

11:15 Mass – Church – no change

12 Noon Mass – Parish Hall – no change

5 PM Mass – Parish Hall – no change

As you can see, most of the weekend Mass Schedule remains the same with the exception of the two Vigils which will become one and the first two Sunday Masses. Please note that Confessions will begin at 3:30 PM. We thank you for your understanding.

Msgr. Larry Bronkiewicz  
Pastor



**MASS READINGS & INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY, May 2**

Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a

- 7:00 AM Geza Decsy
- 12:00 PM Carey Depuy

**TUESDAY, May 3**

1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14

- 7:00 AM The Grassia Family
- 12:00 PM Mary Jo Calamai - Living

**WEDNESDAY, May 4**

Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15

- 7:00 AM James Gallagher
- 12:00 PM P.J. Varghese
- 7:30 PM Michael Kearney

**THURSDAY, May 5**

Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53

- 7:00 AM Anthony Falotico
- 9:00 AM Dorothy Morgan
- 12:00 PM Robert Linnon - 6th Anniversary
- 7:30 PM Parishioners of the Parish

**FRIDAY, May 6**

Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23

- 7:00 AM Mary Catherine Klug
- 9:00 AM Carey Depuy
- 12:00 PM Dr. Richard E. Stanton

**SATURDAY, May 7**

Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28

- 8:00 AM Tina and Armando Salvestrini
- 4:30 PM Lisa Cataldo

**SUNDAY, May 8**

Acts 7:55-60/Rv 22:12-14, 16-17, 20/Jn 17:20-26

**CHURCH**

- 7:30 AM Mario & Louise Serfillippi
- 9:15 AM Doris Ventres
- 11:15 AM Helen & Michael Turansky

**HALL**

- 10:30 AM Henry Kozlark
- 12:00 PM Tillie Rawald
- 5:00 PM Helen Knoche

**PLEASE NOTE:** Thursday, May 5, is **The Ascension of the Lord**. It is a holy day of obligation with a Vigil Mass on Wed, May 4, at 7:30 pm and Masses on Thursday, at 7:00 am, 9:00 am, 12 Noon and 7:30 pm in our Church. Our Parish Offices will be closed.



**MOTHER'S DAY CARDS** can be found in the back of our Church, Parish Hall or Parish Office. The Mother's Day donation envelope may be placed in the offertory basket or mailed directly to our Parish Office. A \$10 donation is suggested.



**GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING**

WEEKLY YEAR-TO-DATE

April 24, 2016	\$23,965	\$415,226
April 26, 2015	\$21,136	\$401,311

**Catholic Home Missions**

April 2016	\$4,029
April 2015	\$4,242

*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	\$210,526
% OF GOAL	69.02%

**PILGRIM VIRGIN**

The Easter Season is a time for prayer, sacrifice and penance. Our Lady's request at Fatima was for us to pray the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world. Invite the Pilgrim Virgin Statue to your home, a wonderful Marian devotion for your family. To schedule a visit call Elma Stoveken at 203-894-1341



*Please remember our sick in your prayers; especially Joseph Barone, Mary Jo Calamai, Patti Capilli, Bill Casey, JP Hinson and Beverly Scott.* (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 Roman Catholic Family of our Parish, **Sofia Valentina Berardo Melo, Vivian Chrystyna Mullen and Emma Donnaghy Soi**, who were baptized in our Church last weekend.

*Candle Intentions*

*Church Sanctuary Candle is Burning in Loving Memory of*



## Judith Knapp

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Please keep our 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade First Communicants in your prayers as they prepare for their First Holy Communion in the coming weeks. Thank you!



If you are interested in returning as a Catechist or becoming a Catechist or youth Peer Witness for Religious Education in September, please let us know by emailing us at [religioused@smcr.org](mailto:religioused@smcr.org) or call at 203-438-7335. Teaching our faith is truly a great and rewarding experience. .

If you are interested in volunteering for VBS 2016 "Cave Conquest," please go to our Saint Mary Parish website for the sign up link.

The last week of class for Religious Ed. is Sunday, May 1, through Thursday, May 5.

### Defending Our Religious Liberty



The Catholic Church is not asking for special treatment when it comes to the federal healthcare mandate, she is simply asking that every American's right to religious freedom be protected. This

right is not only about our ability to go to Mass on Sunday, or to pray the Rosary at home. It is about adhering to the tenets of our faith, so that we can contribute to the common good of all Americans.

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.



Saint Mary School  
RIDGEFIELD

### SMS Supports People of Flint, Michigan

Saint Mary Student Government sponsored a dress down day to celebrate Earth Day and support the people in Flint, Michigan. The Catholic Charities of Genesee Counties, which is the local Catholic charity for those living in Flint, is spearheading a program to distribute water to families in need. It takes a family of 3 a minimum of 30 water bottles a day to cook, clean, and complete other daily tasks.

Students in Kindergarten – Grade 8 were encouraged to give up something small to add a few dollars to the collection. Over \$775 was raised, and sent to the clean water program.

*Saint Mary School is currently enrolling students for the 2016-2017 school year. For more information about SMS, or to set up a tour, please contact Anna O'Rourke at 203-438-7288 or visit [www.smsridgefield.org](http://www.smsridgefield.org).*

### RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE

"I know without a doubt, that abortion is a violent act of murder and exploitation. And I know that our responsibility is to work and pray without ceasing for its end."

*Denver Archbishop Samuel J. Aquila - January 22, 2013*

Join us at **our next meeting, May 12 at 7:00 pm** in Room 218. For more information go to <http://www.stmarysridgefield.org/respect-life>

### FAITH FORMATION CORNER

#### Listen and Learn from Your Grandparents

But let me ask you: Do you listen to your grandparents? Do you open your hearts to the memories that your grandparents pass on? Grandparents are like the wisdom of the family, they are the wisdom of a people. And a people that do not listen to grandparents is one that dies! Listen to your grandparents.

--Pope Francis



**CATHOLIC ACTION**

**DONATE: Food Pantries** **On-going**  
 During the month of May all food collected will go to **The Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen**. The basket of food brought up during the offertory symbolizes our gifts of food to those in need. Please consider bringing a nonperishable item of food with you to Sunday Mass. Bins are located outside the Hall and the Church.

**SUPPORT FOR THE DIVORCED & SEPARATED**

If you are divorced, in the process of divorcing, or separated, come join our friendly, safe, confidential and uplifting support group that focuses on spiritual and emotional healing. While this group is Catholic in practice and nature, **all faiths are welcome**. The group meets every second and fourth Sunday of each month, 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM in the St. Mary Parish Barn (beige building next to our Church). For more info contact Jim Orkin, 914-420-7564, [jamesorkin@gmail.com](mailto:jamesorkin@gmail.com).

**Please Join Bishop Caggiano and the Catholic Charities Leadership for Catholic Charities' 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass & Family-friendly Reception Saturday, May 7th 5:30 p.m.**

**St. Matthew Church, 216 Scribner Ave., Norwalk Reception immediately following Mass.**

While not required, it would help if you register at [www.100thanniversarymass.eventbrite.com](http://www.100thanniversarymass.eventbrite.com) or call (203) 416 – 1333.

**ST. MARY PARISH FAIR IS SEPTEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>!**

Please look through your closets, drawers, and boxes for any **unwanted jewelry, jewelry boxes, accessories, etc.** The Jewelry Boutique for the Fair needs your help with these donations. All donations can be brought to our Parish Office to Marcia Giorgio or to Ruth VDN at 52 Ramapoo Road (1/2 mile from church). All proceeds from the sale go to funding the Fair expenses as well as other Parish activities. Thank you in advance for your help and donations!!!



**SAVE THE DATE!**

For The Sixth Annual  
**Praise & Worship Cabaret Dinner**  
**Friday, June 3**  
**Parish Hall at 7 p.m.**  
**More details coming soon...**

**EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

O= permanent or sub urgently needed. X=1 add is needed.

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

*With the Holy Father's message of Christ during this year of mercy, how can we not find & respond to Jesus in our own lives by simply visiting our Adoration Chapel where His Eucharistic Presence awaits us daily. Consider taking an hour which has a "O" in it. To sign up, please call Bill or Monica @ (914) 533-2832. God bless you all.*

**EVERY** Thursday evening, 7-9:00 pm, 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**

To paraphrase Paul, one of our founders: *We come to MM to be fed in our faith. We come to build fellowship. We strive to be better fathers, friends and coworkers. We have each other's back in good times and in bad; and we always leave our egos at the door.* Come any Saturday at 6:30 am in the Hall and check it out for yourself. Go to [Stmm.org](http://Stmm.org) for more info.

**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](mailto:jmpmcnich@yahoo.com) or visit [www.kofc245.org](http://www.kofc245.org) for more info.