

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 8, 2018



Preparing for Co-Op Mission Sunday Hands Together



Every summer, as part of the Mission Co-Op Program, the Diocese of Bridgeport welcomes missionary groups from around the world. Each year, these missionaries visit our parishes to educate the people of our Diocese about the missionary work of the Church, to request the support of prayer and to receive financial assistance for their needs. Every parish of our Diocese is given the opportunity to help in this vital work. Next weekend our Parish will hear from *Hands Together*.

"Hands Together is a non-profit organization devoted to educating, inspiring, and encouraging people to understand the importance of responding to the needs of the poor and disadvantaged. Our Mission, as we strive to build a more compassionate and human world, proceeds from the spiritual belief that we are all members of one, equal, interconnected family under a loving God.

Focus - "Responding to the Cry of the Poor"

Hands Together grew out of Fr. Tom Hagan's wish that college students and others hear "the cry of the poor" and "see the face of Jesus" in people living in the slums and rural areas in Haiti. Our projects rest upon a foundation of Catholic social teaching that recognizes the dignity of every person and the fundamental responsibility for the poor and vulnerable. We embrace, with a special love, people who are completely marginalized and are living in squalor.

Service

By establishing schools, orphanages, nutrition and feeding programs, medical clinics, sustainable-development projects, and partnerships with local leaders and communities, *Hands Together* is building a better world for thousands of suffering people in Haiti. *Hands Together* volunteers bring needed skills to many of our educational, health and sustainable-development projects. *Hands Together* supports other projects that align with our mission, both in Haiti and elsewhere." www.handstogether.org

We are grateful for your continued support of the annual Mission Co-Op Program in our Diocese.

In Christ,

Msgr. Larry Bronkiewicz
Pastor



MASS READINGS & INTENTIONS

MONDAY, July 9

Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Mt 9:18-26

7:00 AM Patricia E. Murphy

12:00 PM George Morena

TUESDAY, July 10

Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Mt 9:32-38

7:00 AM Kenneth Reed _

12:00 PM Attila Landhoffer

WEDNESDAY, July 11

Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Mt 10:1-7

7:00 AM Our Parish Clergy

12:00 PM Attila Landhoffer

THURSDAY, July 12

Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Mt 10:7-15

7:00 AM Peace in Our World _

12:00 PM The Sad and the Lonely

FRIDAY, July 13

Hos 14:2-10/Mt 10:16-23

7:00 AM Thomas O'Keefe

12:00 PM Attila Landhoffer

SATURDAY, July 14

Is 6:1-8/Mt 10:24-33

8:00 AM Michael Shelava

4:30 PM Louis and Fanny Sciaratta

SUNDAY, July 15

Am 7:12-15/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

Church

7:30 AM Annamae Jacobs

9:15 AM Parishioners of the Parish

11:15 AM Leslie Marie Parkel

Hall

10:30 AM Helene Cally

12:00 PM Bill Fitzgerald

5:00 PM Gino Baldaserini

CALLING ALL COOKS!



Join our Dorothy Day House of Hospitality volunteers to occasionally prepare salads and/or a tray of food for the main course that we serve the third Sunday of each month. Please contact

mbreilly28@gmail.com if interested. Thank you!

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 this **Wed., July 11th** from 7:30-8:30pm in the Barn. Please call our Parish Office to register.



GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

WEEKLY YEAR-TO-DATE

July 1, 2018

July 2, 2017

Peter's Pence

Due to July 4th printer schedules, financial reporting for last week's offertory will appear in next week's Bulletin.

GOING ON VACATION?

Please use *Online Giving* to keep up with offertory. Go to www.smcr.org and click on the *Online Giving* link. It's quick and easy. Your support during summer months helps sustain our Parish.



Prayers for the Sick



Please remember our sick in your prayers, especially **Sr. Margaret Brennan, Chris Carlson, Sally Gagliardi, Veronica Haley, Dean Ralph O'Sullivan, Judy McBride, Lee & Scott McCaughey, Maria Reyes, and Vincent Ryan.**

Only immediate family members may add someone to our prayer list. Individuals will be removed monthly unless we are otherwise notified.



Marriage Banns

I. Wilgen Misaray – Maria Luisa Deliot Canchaya

II. Justin William Turri – Rachel Ann Janasek

III. John Thomas Niebour – Brittany Michelle Marinucci

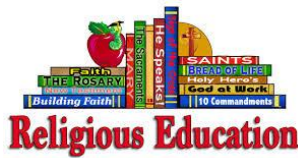
Candle Intentions

Church Sanctuary Candle is Burning for the Intentions of Bob Calamai

BAPTISMS

We welcome to the Family of God and our Parish Family **Abigail Cora Lake** who was baptized in our Church last weekend.





Saint Mary School
RIDGEFIELD

Summer Hours

Religious Education Registration is now open!
Visit our Parish website to register.

While school is out for the summer, the Saint Mary School Office is working hard in preparation for the upcoming year. We are working summer hours. You will find us Monday – Thursday, from 8:00am–12:00pm.

Saint Mary School is currently accepting applications for the 2018-2019 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.



ST. MARY PARISH
FALL FAIR
September 8th
10AM-4PM



EVENT RENTAL SPACE

Need a place to gather after a Baptism, Funeral or Wedding Rehearsal? St. Mary Parish offers a variety of venues for social events and meetings, including our Parish Barn for smaller groups and our Parish Hall for larger groups, up to 245. Dance floor, free parking and on-site caterer available. Please contact our Parish Office, 203-438-6538, for more information

WE NEED YOUR HELP!
SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER FOR THE FAIR!

VOLUNTEER

Please see the signup form in the Bulletin!



Respect Life Meeting: July 12th at 10am in the Day Chapel.

CAKE WALK!



Calling bakers of all ages to donate your favorite cake, pie, cookies or sweets. Donated baked goods will be used as prizes for winners of this fun Fair favorite event. Contact Jillian Savoca at jesavoca@gmail.com or Danielle Trant at danielletrant1@gmail.com to donate.

Drop off: weekend of the Fair

JEWELRY DONATION

We are collecting jewelry, jewelry boxes, jewelry accessories (watches, sunglasses, scarves, etc.) for the Fair. Please drop off donations at the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity!

WHITE ELEPHANT, USED TOYS & USED BOOKS

DROP OFF DATES:

- August 22 7-9 pm
- August 26 1-4 pm
- August 29 7-9 pm

Drop off Used Toys & Used Books at Day Chapel & White Elephant items at Nancy Bossidy Rec Center Gym (lower level behind the school)

FAITH FORMATION CORNER
COURAGE TO BEAR WITNESS



Pray

That the Holy Spirit would give us the courage to bear witness to the truth of the Gospel, even in the face of social and legal pressure.

Reflect

All baptized Christians are called to share the joy of the Gospel with others. When most of our co-workers, neighbors, and even family members don't share our Catholic faith and perhaps do not practice any faith at all, we might be timid or afraid to talk about our faith. But in a culture filled with so much junk, people are hungry for solid food. When we encounter Jesus Christ, we come to know the Bread of Life, the truth in which the restless hearts of our age can rest. We love our neighbors by helping them to encounter Jesus.

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CATHOLIC ACTION

DONATE: FOOD PANTRY

Food collected in July goes to the Ridgefield Food Pantry. Collection bins are in the Church and Hall. Thank you for your generosity!



Two or three **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to serve lunch. Commitment is appx 2x/month, weekdays of your choosing, Mon-Fri. Hours: 11:45am-1:00pm. Where: Congregate Housing, 51 Prospect Ridge. For more info or questions, contact Suzanne MacAvoy, 203 438-

7056, sdmacavoy@hotmail.com.



MARQUETTE COUNCIL OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Our order was founded in 1882 on the principles of charity, unity and fraternity. The Marquette Council's activities started here at St. Mary Parish in 1894 and have continued uninterrupted for over 120 years. Our goal is to offer our members and their families an opportunity to share God's love through service to our Priests, Parish and community. Want to enrich your faith & model strong values for your family? Learn more at www.KOFC.org or contact Phil Del Giudice, Grand Knight, Compass_grp@yahoo.com.

PILGRIM VIRGIN

The Pilgrim Virgin statue is ready to travel to your home upon request. The message of Fatima remains the same and is more urgent than ever: say the Rosary daily for peace in the world, pray for the conversion of sinners and observe First Saturday Devotion. To arrange for a visit of the Pilgrim Virgin statue to your home, please call Elma Stoveken at 203-894-1341 or email at jstoveken@comcast.net.



RCIA

RCIA is the Church's way of helping people on the journey to full membership in the Roman Catholic Church. It offers people a deeper and fuller understanding of our Catholic faith in preparation for reception into the Roman Catholic Community of faith. For more info contact Pat Postiglione, 203-438-7335.

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF FAITH & TRUTH?

The Diocese of Bridgeport is establishing a new chapter of Lay Dominicans. Come follow in the footsteps of St. Dominic through prayer, study, community and apostolate. Join us for an informal Inquiry Meeting on Thursday, July 26th at St. Theresa Church, 5301 Main Street, Trumbull, CT at 7pm in the lower Convent/Parish Center. For more info: Stefano Santilli, ste.santilli@gmail.com, 203-524-4945 or Michelle Rowe, orapronobis20@gmail.com 203-218-6882.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Praise the Lord! This Corpus Christi we celebrated 24 years of Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration here at St. Mary Parish! Our Adoration Chapel, the oldest one in Connecticut, is open 24/7. The entrance is near our Religious Ed Office. Stop by anytime or sign up for an hour:

O = permanent or substitute adorer **urgently** needed.
X = there is at least 1 adorer. **2 adorers are desired.**
Blank boxes = there are 2 or more adorers.

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

Come and spend time in the Eucharistic presence of Our Savior and strengthen your relationship with Him! You can never out give the Lord. So offer Him some of your own time. Sign up for an hour on our website, smcr.org, or if you do not have computer access, contact Monica and Bill at 914-533-2832.

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 sung and prayed. Please join us!



ST. MARY PARISH MEN'S MINISTRY

Take an opportunity to deepen your relationship with the Lord - along with 50 to 60 other like-minded men. How about spending a weekly hour and half experiencing our Men's Ministry on Saturday mornings from 6:30-8:00AM? Besides having a great and welcoming community, we also serve bagels, coffee & OJ each week to ease the pain of a **very worthwhile wakeup call.**