CONFIRMATION

"The fruit of the Spirit is



St. Mary's Confirmation Class May 5, 2019

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Jesus appears to seven of his disciples, among them Peter who proclaims his unfailing love for the Lord. Jesus commissions him to feed the sheep. Later, in face of persecution, Peter and the apostles proclaim the name of Jesus, the Lamb who was slain and who rescues us from death.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 4

4:00 PM Raymond & Patricia Costella, requested by Their Family

Sunday, May 5

8:30 AM Daniel, David, Mary & Paul Romani Sr., requested by The Romani Family

10:00 AM Yvette Fattorini, 7th Anniversary, requested by Her Husband, Louis, and Family

11:30 AM Elizabeth Mojica, requested by Gabby

2:00 PM CONFIRMATION

5:00 PM Joseph Edward Lamothe, + Birthday Remembrance, requested by His Family

Monday, May 6

8:30 AM Bob Tucker, requested by His Wife
Gary Alan Walker, requested by His Family

Tuesday, May 7

8:30 AM Beth Hunt

Wednesday, May 8

8:30 AM Eileen Hardina, requested by Her Daughter, Barbara Dalton

Thursday, May 9

8:30 AM Susan Marion, requested by Her Family

Friday, May 10

8:30 AM Carol St. Pierre, Kenneth West & Emily Sullivan,

requested by Frank St. Pierre

Kay McCarthy, requested by the Gillis Family

Saturday, May 11

4:00 PM Jack Regan, requested by His Family

Sunday, May 12 - MOTHER'S DAY

8:30 AM Richard Drenga (6th anniv. from wife & children

10:00 AM Ann MacDonald

11:30 AM Souls in Purgatory

5:00 PM Flora Robinson, requested by daughter, Lisa

LET US PRAY

Please remember in your prayers all the sick in our parish, our families and friends. Please also pray for our beloved deceased: Wanda Brothers, Rosemary Elliott, Emma Sanderson, Jose "Chegui" Masso, Francisco Gomez, Erin Cooley, Daniel Barrett, Angela Slaughter & Sr. St. Louis Paquette.



Mary, Mother of God, Pray for Us!

NEXT WEEK'S LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY, MAY 11

4 PM

Altar Servers: Maggie McCarthy, Stella McCarthy

Reader: Elizabeth Devillez

SUNDAY, MAY 12

8:30 AM

Altar Servers: London Adams, Dean Robinson

Reader: Peter Miller

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Altar Servers: Patrick Ditto, Stephen Hinck, Leah Howard, Emily LaFond, Thomas Lawry, Fionnuala Matthews, Brendan Morrissey,

Liam Webster, Luke Willenborg **Reader:** Religious Education

11:30 AM

Altar Servers: Isaac Santos, Yadira Rodríguez

Reader: Cofradas

5 PM

Altar Servers: Justin Haluch, Anthony Suhocki

Reader: Michele Suhocki

PRAYER LINE

The Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary members have begun a prayer line. We will take prayer requests for you or your loved ones. Please call or text: Betty Mitchell, 413-563-0592, or Marguerite Murphy, 413-531-5648.



Flowers on the Altar this week are in memory of Lee Tangocci & Maureen Howard, Birthday Remembrances, from Gloria and Tim Howard.

If you would like to contribute towards the beautiful flowers on our altar, there is a notebook in the main entrance of the Church. It is easy to fill out a request and a great way to honor someone who has passed away or celebrate a great event in someone's life.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE in the upstairs Church will burn from 5/4/19 to 5/17/19 for Healing for Lorraine Kalisz and Colleen Gaffey from Red Alcombright.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE in the downstairs Church will burn from 4/20/19 to 5/3/19 in Honor of Don Ouimet's 100th birthday, from Rose.



WE STEWARD OUR TREASURE

APRIL 27 & 28

413 Envelopes
Total in Envelopes: \$10,278.00
Loose Cash: \$862.00
TOTAL: \$11,140.00
Fuel: \$83.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Shoes. We all have them. But sometimes I think I have too many of them. Sure, my shirts outnumber them, but that's mainly because I own an assortment of black ones for my professional duties. A bunch of others hang in an array of colors for my time off. Retirement brings those into play more than ever. But it's those shoes nesting on the closet floor that almost seem to mock any efforts of mine to live the simple life. One thing for sure, from a spiritual perspective, I will never know what it's like to "put my feet in another man's shoes" as the saying goes. That refers to a willingness to enter into another person's life experience.

When I consider the life of one Peter of Capernaum, a fisherman if there ever was one, but also the first pope when there was no such person. What went on in the heart of this delightful, big-hearted, boisterous man of the sea when he remembered his triple denial on the night before the Crucifixion? The gospel forces us to conjecture, but it had to be painful for Peter.

Two different servant girls were the catalyst for his fierce reaction that long ago night in the garden of the high priest's house. One girl because she recognized Peter's face. The other because she identified his accent. He must have quaked in his sandals. Suddenly they became the footwear of a coward. As I reflect on it, I know that I've at least come close to being in Peter's shoes with my many denials of the Lord with my sinful ways.

Shoes of a Fisherman

St. John quickly turns our attention to the risen Jesus' seaside appearance, including a breakfast He had cooked over a fire. That alone grounds the appearance in reality. The highlight of the event comes when Jesus asks Peter the simple but momentous question: "Do you love Me?" Not once, but three times. Peter answers correctly, but finally he feels frustration that the Lord had to repeat Himself. Then he realized: "the Lord is letting me make amends!" Time to ask myself: How often in my Act of Contrition during confession have I promised "to amend my life"? I can join in Peter's relief when I realize all that the Lord has done for me. I also admire Peter's courage later on when he stood bravely before the imposing Sanhedrin and proclaimed in his own name and that of the men with him that "we must obey God rather than men."

Yes, the gospel in these post Easter days is truly uplifting as the "good news" it is. It also strengthens my confidence in the Church. This is because, even admitting my failures to be a faithful member, I know of the human weaknesses in these original members. Their strength and mine only comes because I am linked arm in arm with the power of Christ. In my own spiritual life, I can make no better decision than to walk behind the delightful man of Christ's choice who was first to wear the shoes of the fisherman. Bless you St. Peter!

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

St. Mary's School Board Moves Forward

The St. Mary's School Board has been working hard as we look forward to the future. We have been meeting at least once every month, sometimes more. Mr. Chris Nagel, our facilitator and outside advisor, is guiding the process of strategic planning. The Board has reviewed and expanded the by-laws to bring them in line with Diocesan guidelines. The Board has 12 members that represent parents, students, faculty, PTO, and parishioners. The meeting dates are posted on the school calendar and minutes are available upon acceptance. The Board is very motivated and excited as they progress on a Strategic Plan. The goal of this exercise will result in a strategy for our schools as we move forward, continuing to provide a robust academic environment where students experience a faith-based learning atmosphere.

HOSPITAL VISIT

If you have a family member who is a patient at Baystate Noble Hospital, Baystate Medical Center, Mercy Medical Center or Holyoke Hospital and has not seen a priest or a Eucharistic Minister, please call the rectory. With the new privacy laws the hospitals will not give out patients' names, so please call us and let us know when family members are there so someone can visit.

SCAM ALERT

We are getting reports of an attempt to trick parishioners into sending money via gift cards under the guise of responding to a fake request from their parish priest.

Somehow they get parishioner cell phone numbers and/or email addresses. Posing as the parish priest they are able to trick folks into sending them funds usually via a gift card which the scammers ask parishioners to buy and then send them the gift card number and pin, which is all the scammers need to cash them in, leaving the unsuspected parishioner out of luck. In almost all cases the money is not recoverable.

We never solicit funds via text messages or emails that involve gift cards, and that if they should receive any type of communication that seems suspicious they should report to local police and the parish office. Anyone asking for help via a gift card of any type should be viewed suspicious.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Monday, May 6

9 am ESL - Center

6 pm Patrol Leaders Council - ES

6:45 pm Boy Scouts 109 - ES

7 pm El Camino Reunión Consejo - Center

Tuesday, May 7

6:30 am Men of St. Joseph - Lower Church

6:30 pm Cub Scout Pack 109 - ES Café

7 pm Renovación Carismática - Lower Church

Wednesday, May 8

9 am Eucharistic Adoration - Church

9 am ESL - Center

9:30 am Bible Study - Center

5 pm Benediction - Lower Church

7 pm Bible Study - Center

Thursday, May 9

9:30 am Reaching Hands - Center

6:45 pm Women's Prayer Group - Lower Church

7 pm El Camino Asamblea - ES

7 pm Encuentro Juvenil - Center

7 pm Ultrellas - Center

Saturday, May 11

1 pm Legion de Maria - Center

3 pm Cofradia - Center

Sunday, May 12 - MOTHER'S DAY

10 am Little Church - Lower Church

10 am HS Seniors' Honor Mass - Upper Church

11:30 am Coronation of the BVM - Upper Church

Daily Reflections for Easter 2019

There is no better season to renew one's relationship with God than Easter. In just minutes per day, the insightful meditations of *Rejoice and Be Glad* can help you embrace, live, and share the good news of the great Easter mystery. With this book you may feast on God's Word during each day of glory from Easter to Pentecost. Please join Pastoral Minister, Michele Suhocki, on Saturday mornings, May 11, 18, 25, and June 1 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the St. Mary's Parish Center, 86 Mechanic St., Westfield. Please call or email Michele to register: 413-562-5477, ext. 144, msuhocki@stmsaints.org.

THE 2020 MASS BOOK opens for Masses offered for those celebrating a significant wedding anniversary (living) on Wednesday, May 1, at 9 a.m. and intentions for the deceased on Wed., June 5th at 9 a.m. Multiple Mass intentions are allowed two days a week, excepting weekends and holy days. For our 2020 Mass Book weekends and holy days may only have one intention per Mass. The Mass stipend is \$10 per Mass.

The gift of a Mass is an integral part of the rich tradition of our Church and provides a special way to honor and pray for someone who has died. They have gone before us, but in God's love they are called to new life. So honor them on the anniversary of their passing, their birthday or anniversary.

The Bells of St. Mary's

DONORINFORMATION

Name:	
Address:	
Phone Number:	
Donation Amount:	

Please make checks payable to St. Mary's Parish with "Bells of St. Mary's" in the memo.

How would you like your name to appear for the donor plaque: (*Please print clearly on line below!*)

Submit this paper with your donation to:

St. Mary's Parish 30 Bartlett Street Westfield, MA 01085

You may also place your donation in the collection basket in a <u>clearly</u> marked envelope.

CCD CORNER-

CONFIRMATION will be celebrated Sunday, May 5, at 2:00 p.m. Please keep these students and their families in your prayers!

NEW EVENING BIBLE STUDY: We have begun a new Bible Study called "The Passion and Resurrection Narratives of Jesus," from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This videobased seven-week program compares the particular insights found in the Passion and Resurrection accounts of the four Gospels. Everyone is welcome to join this study, no matter the level of Biblical knowledge. Please contact Joanne at 562-5484, or jbagge@stmsaints.org to register, or with any questions.

The LAST Coffee Hour of the season will be held Sunday, May 12, at which time we will honor the graduating seniors of our parish. Please come by the high school after the 10:00 Mass to have coffee and donuts and to wish them good luck in all their future endeavors!

Many THANKS to the various groups, classes and families that have hosted this past school year. We appreciate their efforts! We are always in need of help once a year! Call the ORE if you can lend a hand!

SENIOR HONOR CEREMONY: Next Sunday, May 12, at the 10:00 a.m. Mass we will honor all of our parish's high school seniors. Please join us at Mass and after, at the Coffee Hour so we can thank them for their service to our parish and wish them well in their future.

Congratulations to all the children that received their First Holy Communion. It is special celebration for the children and their families as they continue to carry on their Catholic faith.

TIMELESS – The Encuentro Juvenil Committee presents a weekend for our youth prepared by our youth. This three-day bilingual retreat consists of music, prayers, games and reflections centered on our Catholic faith. This event is for high school-aged youth in Grades 9 through 12, from May 24-26 at Camp Holy Cross in Goshen. For more information, or to register, please contact Mari Cruz at encuentroretreats@gmail.com or 562-8947.

VACATION BIBLE CAMP: "VBC" will be held at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, 127 Holyoke Road, Westfield. It will be from July 29 to August 2, from 9:00 a.m. to noon. They have a wonderful facility and the kids have a great time! All are invited to participate! Please call 562-3450 for more information.

Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary Evening of Reflection will be held May 14, with Mass at 5:00 pm followed by dinner at the Genesis Center. Dinners (marinated baked chicken or baked scrod) are \$26.00 each and all reservations and monies must be sent to Toni Hills at 50 Highland View St., Westfield, by May 6. The next Confraternity meeting will be Monday, May 20, after the 8:30 Mass.

\$75,000

That's a wrap, the Annual Auction and Raffle was a tremendous success raising over \$75,000 for St. Mary's Parish School. First we want to thank everyone who came out Saturday night and spent their night with us, without your support at the event we would never have raised this much money! And of course, thank you to our sponsors and to everyone who donated a raffle or auction item.

Thank you to the parents and students who volunteered with set up, take down and running the show. This auction is a HUGE undertaking that literally takes a year to create between creating a theme, locking down sponsors, collecting donations, right up to the transformation of the gym! The transformation started on Tuesday at 8am and went right up to Saturday at 4pm with some volunteers spending more than 12 hours a day setting up the gym.

There are no words to express our gratitude for your support.

We are St. Mary's STRONG and this proves it.

Your Auction Team, Dawn & Chad Erickson, Robin Jensen

Thank you also to our sponsors: Peoples Bank, Westfield Bank, Advanced Manufacturing Co., Inc., Easthampton Savings Bank, Onsite Mammography, Ford of Northampton, Balise, and Baystate - Noble.







Saturday, June 22, 2019

(Registration deadline June 15, 2019)

Tekoa Country Club, Westfield, MA

• Includes golf, cart, goodie bag, lunch, dinner, hole-in-one contests for a Car, Braces, Spa, vacation trip, hole contests: longest drive, closest to pin, men, women, coed division.

1:00 Scramble Shotgun Start • 11:30 Lunch • 6:30 Dinner

ONLY \$100.00 PER GOLFER! (16 and younger \$85.00)!

Sponsor Information:

- Event Sponsor includes (2) foursomes, banner, tee signs, reserved seating & logo golfer gift
- Eagle includes one foursome, banner on leader board and a tee sign Mail To: Golf Tournament
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St. Mary's School 27 Bartlett St.

Par Sponsor: Two players and a tee sign

Westfield, Ma 01085

Tee or green signs \$125.00

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ALL PROCEEDS GO DIRECTLY TO SAINT MARY'S SCHOOLS!

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