



SAINT MARY'S CHURCH

30 Bartlett Street ~ Westfield, MA 01085

A ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVING GOD AND NEIGHBOR

WELCOME

*No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church,
No matter what your current family or marital situation,
No matter what your current personal history, age, background, or race,
No matter what your own self-image—
You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected here
at Saint Mary's Parish.
We are here to welcome and serve you.
Together we are all called to conversion in Christ.*

BAPTISM: Usually celebrated the last weekend of the month. Please contact the rectory to get started.

CONFESSION: Saturdays 2:30-3:30 pm, twice a year at our Westfield Communal Reconciliation Service or any time by appointment.

MARRIAGE: Please call any of the priests or deacons to begin the preparation process at least one year in advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! Please call the rectory to register.

ST. MARY'S PARISH SCHOOL: For more information regarding registration and enrollment in our Preschool (3 year olds), PreK, Elementary School please call (568-2388) or High School please call (568-5692).

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: CCD for grades K-11 takes place Sept. to April. Contact the Office of Religious Education for more details.

MINISTERIO HISPANICO: Tenemos muchos: Círculo de Oración, Cofradas, Hijas de María, Juan XXIII, Ultrella y más. Llama al Diácono Pedro.

EUCCHARIST

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 a.m. & 5 p.m.
(11:30 am Misa en Español)

Daily Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.

*Holy Days as posted but usually 8:30 a.m. &
6:15 p.m. (Bilingual)*

STAFF

Fr. Matthew Alcombright – *Pastor*

Deacon Roger Carrier

Deacon Osvaldo Mendez

Deacon Pedro Rivera

Mrs. Michele Suhocki – *Pastoral Minister*

Mrs. Robin Jensen

Director of Advancement

Mrs. Kay Mowatt – *Pre K – 6 Rel. Ed.*

Mrs. Joanne Bagge - *Grade 7+ Rel. Ed*

Mr. Rob Lepage – *Music Director*

TELEPHONE

Rectory & Pastoral Ministry	562-5477
Fax	562-5478
Elementary School	568-2388
Advancement	568-1160
St. Vincent de Paul	568-5619
High School	568-5692
Office of Religious Education	568-1127

THE KNOTS PRAYER

Dear God:

Please untie the knots that are in my mind, my heart and my life.

Remove the have nots, the can nots and the do nots
that I have in my mind. Erase the will nots, may nots,
might nots that may find a home in my heart.

Release me from the could nots, would nots
and should nots that obstruct my life.

And most of all, Dear God,

I ask that you remove from my mind,
my heart and my life all of the 'am nots'
that I have allowed to hold me back,

especially the thought that I am not good enough.

AMEN



Jesus commissions His disciples to baptize in His name, reminding them that He is always present through His Spirit. Jesus ascended to His Father amid cries of gladness, entering into the heavenly sanctuary. We are to be His witnesses, mindful of the great hope to which we are called.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 1

4:00 PM Kathryn & Thomas Cavanaugh, requested by Their Family

Sunday, June 2

8:30 AM In Honor of Fr. Matt's 7th Anniversary of Ordination and Fr. John Salatino's 25th Anniversary of Ordination

10:00 AM Lorraine Bryla, + Birthday Remembrance, requested by Benny and Andrea Bryla

11:30 AM Rosa Esther Tenezaca, requested by Her Son, Carlos, and Grandchildren

5:00 PM James A. Farmer, requested by Doris & Family

Monday, June 3

8:30 AM Helen Sico, 18th Anniversary, requested by Her Family

Tuesday, June 4

8:30 AM Deceased Members of the Petrucelli Family

Wednesday, June 5

8:30 AM Deceased Members of the Liptak Family, requested by the Cressotti Family
Sheila Meyer, + Birthday Remembrance, requested by Her Family

Thursday, June 6

8:30 AM In Honor of Fr. Ryan Sliwa, Fr. Thaddeus Lancton MIC, Fr. Donald LaPointe, Fr. John Tuohey, Fr. Frank Lawlor and Fr. Matt Alcombright, requested by Danielle, Johnny & Billy

Friday, June 7

8:30 AM Deceased Members of STM HS Class of 1939, requested by Don & Rose Ouimet
Steven Huffmire, requested by His Family

Saturday, June 8

4:00 PM Mary Anne Templeman, requested by Rich & Lucy Discenza

Sunday, June 9

8:30 AM William J. Manning, 39th Anniversary, requested by His Family

10:00 AM Christine DiBiasio, requested by Nancy Boistelle

11:30 AM Benita Lopez, requested by the Luna Family

NEXT WEEK'S LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

4 PM

Altar Servers: Estelle Jennings, Seamus Smith, Amelia Willenborg

Reader: Karen Hatch

SUNDAY, JUNE 9

8:30 AM

Altar Servers: Tucker Costello, Joshua Sturmer

Reader: Glorina Angco

10 AM

Altar Servers: Abbey Hutchison, Abigail Moore

Reader: Denise Noonan

11:30 AM

Altar Servers: Tony Torres, Jade Ríos, Alysse Ríos

Reader: Cofradas

5 PM

Altar Servers: Morgan Gagnon, Maya Guillotte

Reader: Elizabeth Devillez



MISSION WEEKEND – JUNE 22 & 23

Fr. Roy will be here the weekend of June 22 and 23 to speak about his mission in India. Please be as generous as you can.



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 6/1/19 to 6/14/19 for Special Intentions for Fr. Matt.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE in the downstairs Church will burn from 6/1/19 to 6/14/19 in memory of Ronald Rash.



WE STEWARD OUR TREASURE

MAY 26 & 27

356 Envelopes

Total in Envelopes: \$12,962.00

Loose Cash: \$798.62

TOTAL: \$13,760.00

Fuel: \$114.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

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: Andy Hayden, Connie Hayden, Bill Rose, Ronald Rash, Richard Butcher Sr., and Michael Condron.

Mary, Mother of God, Pray for Us!

Out of Many, One

It's even on our money. I refer to that famous 13-letter motto of our country “e pluribus unum,” that is “out of many, one.” Adopted by Congress in 1782, it originates out of the union of the original 13 colonies that emerged as a single nation. In the current tension in our country over how to handle immigration, along with heated debate on the matter, that motto hangs over us as a caution and a check on anything resembling prejudice, exclusivity or even hate. It's sad to realize that any rancor ignores the fact that we ourselves are descended from immigrants.

But long before there ever was a United States, we learn from the Bible that unity among us is the prime desire of our very Creator. This infers that diversity is far from an obstacle to unity, but is rather something that enriches it.

After all, Jesus died on the cross for the salvation of the whole human race, and not just a segment of it. When He rose from the dead, it was, at the very least, an endorsement from on high that everything He said and did was in accord with the divine plan. In other words, He was authentic. He was and is the Son of God, the Second Person of the divine Trinity. Attention must be paid to Him. Remember that at His baptism and transfiguration, the Father's voice is heard commanding us to “Listen to Him.”

We must approach the subject of our unity with the realization that it takes work. It takes courage. It may cost us our lives, in one way or another. We learn today that for St. Stephen, the first martyr of our Church, the cost was literally his life. Surrounded as we are right now in our country by such an atmosphere of disunity, that we might conclude that this is the norm. We take it almost for granted

that there always will be a certain divide between “us” and “them.” Ah, but then we forget that through Christ, our God has entered into human history. This is the basic fact of Christmas, stripped of its jingle bells and tinsel.

But if “gospel” means “good news” there is always a positive lesson present, even if we sometimes have to dig deep into the text, and our own powers of reflection to find it. In this instance of pondering unity with all its inherent difficulty, we have the words of the angel Gabriel to Mary: “Nothing is impossible for God.” I always like reading that to the congregation at Christmas time because it offers them encouragement in their faith. But Easter is the proof “*par excellence*” that God can do all things. At each Mass, we all receive the one Body and Blood of the risen Christ. That implies that unity is such a possibility if we truly will it, because we believers can approach our task with divine energy and backing.

The story is told of a time when a little child in an African tribe wandered off into the tall jungle grass and could not be found, although the tribe searched all day. The next day the tribal members all held hands and walked through the grass together. This enabled them to find the child, but due to the cold night he had not survived. In her anguish and through tears, the mother cried, “If only we would have held hands sooner!”

It is not enough that we all share a common goal. We must all work together to accomplish it without hesitation. “E pluribus unum” belongs in our hearts as well as on our money.

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson



MILITARY If you would like the name of your loved one in the military listed in the bulletin, email them to bulletin@stmsaints.org. Many of the congregation would certainly offer prayers for their safety and service.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR

MILITARY, especially: Capt. Daniel P. Williams, Sgt. Nathan DiSessa, Airman Preston Hallett, Soldier Steven Irwin, Marine Kikki Green, 2nd Lt. James F. Lentini, Sr. Airman Patrick Liptak, Sgt. Luke Dengler, USCG Adam Morin, Petty Officer Joseph W. Nieves, Airman Jack Clark, 2nd Lt. Nicholas J. Vasquez, SPC Jaymes Hoyt, Captain John Velis, Lance CPL Bailey French, 1st Lt. Henry Desilets, 2nd Lt. Ryan Clark, and all of the Barnes ANGs.

30-HOUR ADORATION

Thank you to those who organized and participated in the 30-Hour Adoration for Fr. Matt and clergy. The turnout was tremendous.

STANDOUT COLLECTION FOR SVdP Weekend of June 8 & 9

On Saturday and Sunday June 8 and 9, members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will hold a Standout Collection after all Masses. The St Vincent de Paul Society tries to meet the emergency needs of Westfield residents who need help with rent, utilities, food and other necessities. Many times people are in need because of illness, accident, or death in the family, or a sudden job loss, family separation or divorce. Children and the elderly are very often the recipients of this help. Thank you for your generous support in the past. We are continuously blessed by your support for SVdP.

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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Monday, June 3

- 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, June 4

- 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, June 5

- 9 am Eucharistic Adoration - Church
- 9 am ESL - Center
- 9:30 am Bible Study - Center
- 5 pm Benediction - Lower Church
- 6:30 pm Adult Committee Meeting (Scouts) - ES
- 7 pm Bible Study - Center

Thursday, June 6

- 6:00 pm Closing Mass for STM 8th Grade - Upper Church
- 6:45 pm Women's Prayer Group - Lower Church
- 7 pm El Camino Asamblea - ES
- 7 pm Ultrellas - Center

Saturday, June 8

- 1 pm Cofradia - Center
- ST. VINCENT de PAUL STANDOUT after Mass**

Sunday, June 9

- ST. VINCENT de PAUL STANDOUT after Masses**
- 8 am Meals Ministry - HS
- 10 am Little Church - Lower Church

Workshop for Catechetical Leaders - June 17

The Office of Faith Formation is beginning a move to prepare future Catechetical Leaders. At any time, any parish could find themselves without a coordinator for their Faith Formation program. Currently, there are three parishes in this very position. The Diocese has come to realize that they are lacking experienced or prepared personnel to assume these roles as they occur. A workshop is scheduled on Monday, June 17, at St. Elizabeth's in Ludlow from 7 to 8:30 p.m. to highlight the responsibilities of a typical Director/Coordinator of Faith Formation and answer questions of those who might consider a leadership position in the future. The hope is to encourage our faithful to begin the process of training and certification so they are ready to answer the call of catechesis and evangelization. Everyone who might be interested in a position of this kind is encouraged to attend this workshop. If you have any questions, please call the Office of Faith Formation, 452-0812.

GO TO BAT FOR BABE RUTH WORLD SERIES

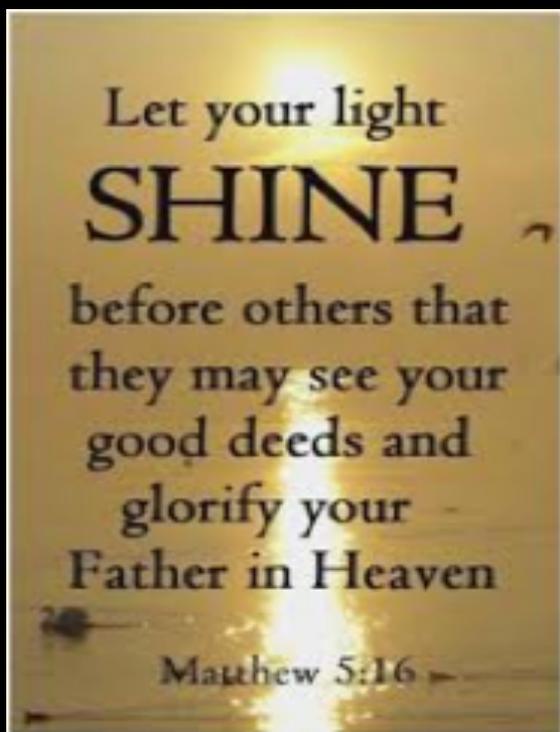
Excitement this summer as the city of Westfield hosts the 13-year old Babe Ruth World Series August 8-15 at Bullens Field. Coming up on the weekend of June 15/16 after all Masses, members of Westfield's team will sell discounted advance tournament passes granting access to all 25 games. You can purchase advance individual tournament passes for \$20 and advance family tournament passes for \$45 until June 30th. Please support Westfield's team and help to make this tournament a success. Thank you!

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA MASS: A Mass in honor of St. Anthony of Padua will be held on Thursday, June 13th at 6:00 PM in St. Mary's Church (30 Bartlett St., Westfield). Donations will be accepted by Filomena Mattia. Contributions over and above expenses will go to the three orphanages of St. Anthony of Padua in Italy. Fr. John Salatino will be the celebrant.

DEADLINE FOR THE JULY 7TH BULLETIN will be Wednesday, June 26. This is due to a revised printing schedule for the Fourth of July holiday.

CANCELLED

Because of slow ticket sales the decision has been made to cancel the 125th Anniversary of the Knights of Columbus celebration planned for Sunday June 9.



CCD CORNER

ST. PEREGRINE MEDALS: (Patron Saint of cancer patients) with prayer cards can be picked up at the Parish Center or the Rectory. Please stop by during office hours. These blessed medals were donated by a very special parish friend!

“LITTLE CHURCH” *Sunday School is Cool!* For young children, which is held every Sunday in the lower church during the 10:00 Mass. Come by and meet the other children and families! High school students may volunteer!

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.

ATTENTION PARENTS! Yes, it’s that time of year again to register your children for Religious Education Classes for the 2019-20 school year. Registration letters and forms will be mailed soon! IF you do not receive one, call the ORE.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS/ MONITORS needed! As you are relaxing this summer, please consider teaching or monitoring in our Religious Education Program. We are always looking for people willing to share their Catholic faith with our students. If you would like to help in any way, please call the ORE. We are always here to support you in any way!

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Our office will officially close on Thursday, June 13! We will stop in over the summer for the mail and messages! * Please keep sending in your registrations for the “early bird” special postmarked by June 30! Have a great and blessed summer! Be safe and we’ll see you in the fall.

ORE Volunteers! A great big sincere THANK YOU to Joanne Beltrandi, Nancy Boistelle, Mary O’Neil and Tina Wehr! They have worked tirelessly every week folding, stuffing, stamping, filing, collating, etc. We do have fun!

St. Mary’s Early Childhood Program



St. Mary’s Parish School’s Early Childhood Program offers a preschool program for 3-year-olds as well as two Prekindergarten programs for 4-year-olds. We offer a comprehensive, theme-based curriculum that embraces children’s natural curiosity and

encourages them to explore and connect to the world around them. We provide opportunities for children to participate in physical education, music, health and safety, and to visit the library in the elementary school. Students of all faiths are welcome at St. Mary’s.

FR. MICHAEL BERNIER

Fr. Michael Bernier who was an associate here from 2006-08 suffered a stroke Mother’s Day weekend and will be in the hospital for a long time. Many of you may remember Fr. Michael’s love for Christmas and his elaborate decorating of the rectory, (a fully decorated Christmas tree, each with a different theme in just about every room, a large Christmas village on the sun porch, and much more) which parishioners still talk about. If anyone would like to send Fr. Michael a card or write a note, please bring them to the rectory and Fr. John Salatino will see that he gets them.



THE 2020 MASS BOOK is open 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 Wednesday, June 5, at 9 a.m. Multiple Mass intentions are allowed two days a week, except weekends and holy days. Weekends and holy days may only have one intention per Mass. The stipend is \$10 per Mass.

CENTENNIAL PATIO BRICKS

IN MEMORY OR HONOR OF A LOVED ONE OR IN COMMEMORATION OF WEDDINGS, ANNIVERSARIES & FIRST COMMUNION

Consider purchasing a **Patio Brick**, a gift that will last forever in our Centennial Patio Garden. The garden, home to a beautiful statue of Mary, the Blessed Mother, is located between St. Mary’s Church and the rectory. Bricks can be purchased for \$100 and are engraved with 2 lines, 17 characters (including spaces) per line or \$150 with 3 lines, 17 characters (including spaces) per line.** You can now order and pay online with a credit card at www.stmsaints.org under SUPPORT SAINTS. Please call the Advancement Office at 568-1160 or email Robin Jensen at rjensen@stmsaints.org if you have any questions.

****As of July 1, 2019 - 3 lines will cost \$150. Thank you.**

THE BELLS OF ST. MARY’S

Thank you to all who donated to the Bells of St. Mary’s. We exceeded our goal of \$7000, thanks to your generosity.

I will SING of the MERCIES of the Lord FOREVER. I will SING!





Summer Arena
Bryant University
Aaron Blanchard
University of Hartford
Emily Burke
Merrimack College
Madison Donais
Plymouth State University
Victoria Gargan
St. Joseph's University
Michael Kelly
U.S. Army Rangers
Xin (Jack) Liu
The American University
Yuanzhe (Kevin) Lu
Case Western Reserve University
Ziyi (Eason) Pan
University of New Haven
Megan Seymour
Spfld. Technical Community College
Joseph Walz
University of South Tampa, FL
Joseph Wilcox
Holyoke Community College
Luke Willenborg
Iona College

Congratulations STM CLASS OF 2019