

readings for the week

Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21
 Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Lk 12:13-21
 Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22/Lk 12:35-38
 Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Lk 12:39-48
 Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Lk 12:49-53
 Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Lk 12:54-59
 Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Lk 13:1-9
 Next Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

youth group

The Youth Group will be going to Lake Compounce today, Sunday October 19th. We will leave the church parking lot at 4:30pm.

Please remember to bring your permission form and medical release form as well as payment for entrance into the park.

Questions? Please contact Rella (875-4563 or rella@sacredheartchurch.net).

confirmation preparation classes

Because of the Youth Group trip to Lake Compounce on Sunday, October 19th, Confirmation Preparation classes will not be held that evening.

take a bite out of hunger – traveling christmas hunger tree

The churches in the Manchester/Vernon area will be having a "Traveling Christmas Hunger Tree" to raise awareness of hunger both locally and world wide.

Sacred Heart Church will be sponsoring the tree the weekend of November 1 & 2. Parishioners are asked to bring food or money to provide assistance to the hungry. All donations from Sacred Heart will be given to Cornerstone. Cornerstone will use the money received to buy food from FOODSHARE for 12 cents a pound.

During these hard economic times, it is important to remember that Cornerstone finds itself with more people availing themselves of their services while at the same time finding that donations are falling behind.

Please remember to bring in food on November 1 & 2 to help feed the hungry!

mass of healing and hope

Spiritual Renewal Services will have a Mass of Healing and Hope at All Hallows Church, Moosup, on Sunday, November 2nd at 2pm. Father Ray Introvigne will be the main celebrant Individual prayer teams will be available after the service for individual prayer.

Please join us for a prayerful, joyful and peaceful celebration and healing service. For more information, please call the Spiritual Renewal Center at 860-887-0702.

stewardship

*"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar
and to God what belongs to God."
- Matthew 22:21*

It is good to remember that everything belongs to God. We would have nothing if God had not given us the skills, talents and opportunities to accomplish what we accomplish. Therefore, it is important for us to recognize that we have an obligation to return a portion of our gifts to God, for all gifts belong to Him and come from Him.

October 9-15, 2008

(report unavailable – we'll catch up next week)

Amount needed each week (budget) † \$ 7,237.00

† *"Amount needed each week (budget)" includes Cathedralricum (a tax to the Diocese) payments that are in arrears and repayment of 20% of our debt to the Diocese for Property and Liability Insurance.*

a day "with" our lady of fatima (in statue form, anyway)

St Luke's Parish will welcome the United Nations International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima on October 25 & 26. Come hear Our Lady's requests and promise, "In the end my Immaculate Heart will triumph. An era of peace will be granted to the world." Hear the great revelation of Fatima—the love of the Heart of Jesus and the love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Will you come join others praying to Our Lady? She will lead you to a greater love of her Son, Jesus Christ truly present in the Eucharist.

mass of remembrance

Parents, grandparents and siblings who sorrow over the death of children as a result of miscarriage, stillbirth or abortion and also those birth parents who experience the pain of separation from children whom they placed for adoption. All are welcome to attend a Mass of Remembrance TODAY, Sunday, October 19 at 9:30am at Saint Joseph church, Rockville.

Installation of Father Stan

Next Sunday, Father Stan will be installed as Pastor of Saint Maurice parish at their 8:45am Mass.

Brunch follows and all are invited.
There is no charge.

40 • days • for • life

Please call Fr. Tony (860-643-4466) to sign up for one hour of prayer to be held at 12 Case Street in Norwich on Thursday, October 30. **Sacred Heart Church** will be covering all 24 hours from **12:00am (midnight) October 30 to 12:00am (midnight) October 31.**

Please participate in this prayer vigil in front of Planned Parenthood.

prayer

“From Human Doing to Human Being: Introduction to Centering Prayer” A Saturday retreat with Sister Carolyn Severino. Saturday, November 8 from 10am to 4pm (lunch will be served) at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, 303 Tunxis Road, West Hartford, CT.

Sister Carolyn, a certified teacher of Centering Prayer, will lead a contemporary exploration of the discipline of centering prayer as silent communion with God beyond concepts, words and images. The day will include formal teaching, centering prayer practice, free time and the opportunity for dialogue and questions.

Sister Carolyn Severino, ASCJ is a member of the Congregation of the Apostles of the Sacred Heart. Her ministry has included primary, secondary and religious education. She is a spiritual director and is currently the director of Faith Formation at Saint Mary Church in Branford. Sr. Carolyn is a graduate of Loyola University and is a trained presenter by Contemplative Outreach.

To register, please send all of your pertinent info and your offering to: Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, 303 Tunxis Road, West Hartford 06107. For more information, call 860-521-0440 or email holyfamilyretreat@cpprov.org. www.holyfamilyretreat.org

xavier open house

Xavier High School, a Catholic college preparatory school for young men, will hold its Annual Open House for all interested 8th grade young men and their parents on Sunday, October 26, 2008 from 1-4pm to tour the school and meet with Xavier faculty, staff and students to learn about all that Xavier has to offer.

Xavier High School will hold its Freshman Entrance Examination on Saturday, November 15th at 8am. Pre-registration for the exam is requested and forms can be found online at xavierhighschool.org. Students should bring two No. 2 pencils and a \$20 testing fee with them the day of the exam. A full-four-year scholarship is awarded to the boy receiving the highest score on the examination. A \$2,000 scholarship is awarded to each of the next eight top scorers regardless of parish affiliation. For more information, please call the school at (860) 346-7735 ext. 702.

open house at east catholic

East Catholic High School will hold an Open House on Thursday, November 20 at 7pm for eighth graders and their families. The entrance exam for eighth graders will be given on Saturday, December 6, 2008 at 8am at East Catholic High School. Call Ms. Gryphon, Admissions, at 649-5336 x 238 for more information. Pre-registration for the exam is advised but not required. The school website is www.echs.org

holiday fair

Saint Mary Church, Route 31, Coventry, invites you to join them at their Holiday Fair to be held on Friday, November 7 from 6-9pm and Saturday, November 8 from 10am to 2pm.

Booths include: Christmas Shoppe, Ye Olde Country Store, The Jewelry Shoppe, The Doll & Toy Shoppe, Sewing Room, The Religious Booth, Haitian Crafts, Small Raffle, Parish Bakery, Fried Dough and Food Concession.

For further information, call the Saint Mary Parish Rectory at (860) 742-0681.

feel the love

Philip Seminar – a program providing you with a deeper and richer experience of God’s personal love for you.

Saturday, November 8 and Sunday, November 9 at Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich, Connecticut. Saturday: 9am registration, program from 9:30am to 4pm. Sunday: coffee at 8:30am, program follows and closes with Mass.

Registration fee: \$20 and pre-registration is required. Call 8870702 for more information.

a clean variety show

The Irish Variety Show featuring Barry Collins (Cork) comedian, Michael Funge (Wexford) singer, Harriet Earis (Donegal) harpist, Bernard McHugh (Cavan) harmonica and introducing Caroline Kelly (Dublin) Champion Irish Dancer.

Coming to Saint Joseph School, Saint Joseph Parish Hall, 33 West Street, Rockville on October 28, 2008. The show starts at 7pm. Entertainment for the entire family! Adults: \$10 Children: \$5 3-and-under – FREE!

* Note: *Some groups meet at Sacred Heart (including but not limited to The Red Cross, Cub Scouts, Alcoholics Anonymous, Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book and Narcotics Anonymous) but they are not part of and not acting on behalf of the Parish or the Diocese*

the work of the church

SATURDAY	TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME/WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
5:45pm	Mass: <i>Ray Duhamel</i> , requested by his wife, <i>and Joseph Franek, Sr.</i> , requested by his wife, Anastasia
SUNDAY	TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME/WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
10:45am	Mass: <i>Pauline Pelletier</i> , requested by the Sacred Heart Parish Family
MONDAY	PAUL OF THE CROSS, PRIEST
9:00am	Liturgy of the Word with Communion
TUESDAY	
9:00am	Mass: <i>For the People of the Parish</i>
WEDNESDAY	
9:00am	Mass: <i>Stanley Szczapa, Sr.</i>
THURSDAY	JOHN OF CAPISTRANO, PRIEST
4:30-6pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
7:00pm	Mass: <i>S/Sgt Thomas Smith, USMC</i>
7:45pm	Intercessory Prayer
FRIDAY	ANTHONY MARY CLARET, BISHOP
9:00am	Mass: <i>Gaspere Davia</i> , requested by Marie Davia
10:30am	Anointing of residents at Vernon Manor
SATURDAY	THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
5:45pm	Mass: <i>Wesley Whitham</i> , requested by the Whitham Family
SUNDAY	THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
10:45am	Mass: <i>Joseph White</i> , requested by his family

meetings

SATURDAY	
6:45pm	Oktoberfest , South Rooms
7:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous* , Library
SUNDAY	Fellowship before and after Mass
9:15-10:30am	Faith Formation Grades 1-5
6:30-7:45pm	Faith Formation Grades 6-8
	Youth Group at Lake Compounce
MONDAY	
	Offices Closed
WEDNESDAY	
4-5:15pm	Faith Formation Grades 1-3 & 5
7:00pm	Pastoral Council , Library
8:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous* , South Community Rooms
THURSDAY	
10:00am	Bible Study , South Community Rooms
7:45pm	Intercessory Prayer
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