



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.

EUCHARIST

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*

Fr. Frank Furman – *Parochial Vicar*

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



The great commandment of love is not something “mysterious” or “remote.” Indeed, it is “very near” to us. Yet how difficult it is to fulfill, being neighbor to whomever is in need. But if we seek God, we must “go and do the same” for we have been created in, for, and through Christ.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 13

4:00 PM Rev. Francis Manning, requested by Connie and Dan

Sunday, July 14

8:30 AM Maureen Ziskowski, requested by Her Family

10:00 AM Rosemarie & James Moran, Sr., requested by Their Family

11:30 AM Pedro Luis Morales Cintron, 33rd Anniversary, requested by His Mother, Gladys Cintron and Family

5:00 PM George Avery, + Birthday Remembrance, requested by His Family

Monday, July 15

8:30 AM Special Intentions requested by R & L S

Tuesday, July 16

8:30 AM Margaret & Francis Daley, requested by Marsha Fosberg

Wednesday, July 17

8:30 AM Phyllis Koziol, requested by The Vieweg Family

Thursday, July 18

8:30 AM M/M Olindo Rizzolo, requested by Filomena Mattia

Friday, July 19

8:30 AM Maxine Collins, 8th Anniversary, requested by Her Husband & Family

Raymond & Stella MacNeil, + 83rd Wedding Anniversary Remembrance, by Their Family

Saturday, July 20

4:00 PM Patrick Brennan, 28th Anniversary, requested by His Wife & Family

Sunday, July 21

8:30 AM Louella Mickna, + Birthday Remembrance, requested by Her Sister

10:00 AM Karen Sarat, 16th Anniversary, requested by Mary Ligenza

11:30 AM Matthew Herrick, 6th Anniversary, requested by His Family

5:00 PM Norman Gosselin, + Birthday Remembrance, requested by His Family

NEXT WEEK'S LITURGICAL MINISTERS

SATURDAY, JULY 20

4 PM

Altar Servers: Anthony Suhocki

Reader: Michele Suhocki

SUNDAY, JULY 21

8:30 AM

Altar Servers: Liam Ramos, Paighton Ramos, Colin Ramos

Reader: Cathleen Bastible

10 AM

Altar Servers: Noah Amaral, Katelyn Corriveau, Trevor Corriveau

Reader: Aidelisa Lopez-Carrasco

11:30 AM

Altar Servers: Kristal Torres, Destenie Pacheco

Reader: Michael Navarro, María Sanabria

5 PM

Altar Servers: Morgan Gagnon, Maya Guillotte

Reader: Karen Hatch

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: Silvestre Luis, Donald Senecal, Jr., Robert Ballou, Sr. Mary Frances Honnen, SSJ, Kathleen Kelleher and Carmen Larriuz.



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 7/13/19 to 7/26/19 in Memory of George E. Avery, Birthday Remembrance, from Mom, Dad & Family.

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE in the downstairs Church will burn from 7/13/19 to 7/26/19, in memory of Maxine Collins, 8th Anniversary, from Her Family.



GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

June 29 & 30: Total of \$10,549.37
[375 adult envelopes, with \$489.37 in loose cash]

July 6 & 7: Total of \$13,004.65
[391 adult envelopes, with \$760.65 in loose cash.]

July Heating & Air Conditioning brought in \$1,157.00.

PLEASE PRAY FOR FR. MICHAEL

Fr. Michael Bernier, who was an associate here from 2006-08, suffered a stroke and will be in the hospital for a long time. Let's continue to support him! 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.



THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Monday, July 15

6:30 pm Baptism Class - Center

Tuesday, July 16

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

Wednesday, July 17

9 am Eucharistic Adoration - Church

5 pm Benediction - Lower Church

Thursday, July 18

6:45 pm Women's Prayer Group

7 pm Encuentro Juvenil - Center

Sunday, July 21

10 am Little Church - Lower Church

*You are invited to join***Father John Salatino***on the occasion of his**25th Anniversary of Ordination**for a***Concelebrated Mass of Thanksgiving****Sunday, July 28, 2019, at 10 AM***St. Mark's Parish**400 West St., Pittsfield, MA 01201**A light reception to follow at the**Parish Center from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.***Babe Ruth World Series Volunteers Needed**

The Greater Westfield Babe Ruth League will host the 2019 Babe Ruth 13-year-old World Series at Bullens Field, August 7 - 15. It takes more than 500 volunteers to successfully host a World Series.

We need your help as a volunteer during the tournament. Volunteer opportunities include: selling tickets, taking tickets at the gate, working in the press box, selling souvenirs, working in the concession stand, shagging foul balls, as well as many other fun options.

Most volunteer time slots are for a 3- to 3.5-hour shift. All volunteers receive a day pass for the games being played on the day(s) you work!

If you need community service hours for school or church, we will document your time volunteering with us.

We encourage you to consider supporting our World Series by signing up for 3 - 4 volunteer openings throughout the World Series. Comments from volunteers during the 2016 World Series included, "I can't believe how much fun I had, do you need more help tomorrow?" or "What else can I do to help?"

Please use the following link to register to volunteer <https://signup.com/go/iUOTXNc> and choose the days/sessions that work for you or log into our World Series Web Site at www.WestfieldWorldSeries.com and follow the Volunteer Link at the bottom of the page.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

"Higher Ground"

All young adults ages 18-35 are invited to join the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry on Sunday, July 28, 2019 for "Higher Ground." The day will begin with Mass at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Family Parish in South Deerfield. Afterwards, we will make our way over to the Mount Sugarloaf State Reservation for a hike to the summit and then will enjoy a picnic at the pavilion.

Please RSVP to g.czerwinski@diospringfield.org or call 413-452-0677 so we can plan refreshments accordingly.

4th Annual Catholic Youth & Family Day

Mark your calendar and spread the word! Come join us for our 4th Annual Catholic Youth and Family Day at Six Flags New England on Friday, August 9! The day begins with a 9:30 a.m. Mass in the Rivers Edge Picnic Grove celebrated by Bishop Rozanski with the music provided by the Ryan Tremblay Band.

Six Flags is offering a special package that includes the park ticket, early entry for Mass, buffet lunch, and free parking for only \$45.24. Tickets can be purchased online using the promo code Catholicday19.

Annual Scout Retreat at Camp Holy Cross

What? Retreat organized by the Catholic Committee on Scouting, Diocese of Springfield. This year's theme is "Strength in Numbers" and will be facilitated by members of the Catholic Committee on Scouting along with NET Ministries. Weekend includes skits, presentations, various games and activities, dance, campfire, climbing wall, lots of food, prayer experiences, Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Mass.

When? September 27-29, 2019

Where? Camp Holy Cross, 108 Camp Street, Goshen, MA

Who? Open to all members of Girl Scout, Boy Scout and American Heritage Girl Programs who are in Grades 6-12 and youth interested in scouting and their adult leaders.

Cost? Early Bird Rate is \$35 per person if registration and payment are received by 9/1. After that, the Regular Rate is \$40 per person. Registration ends 9/20.

Questions? Contact Pam Kosnicki at 413-283-3242 or pamdkos@verizon.net.

PRAISE & WORSHIP with the Wild Goose has been postponed and will resume in September.

Fr. Warren Savage would like to invite the parishioners of St. Mary's to join him in celebrating his 40th Anniversary of Priesthood. The Concelebrated Mass of Thanksgiving will be held on Sunday, July 21, at 2:00 p.m. in St. Michael's Cathedral (254 State St. Springfield). In lieu of a Banquet Reception, donations may be sent to Westfield State Foundation, Inc. 577 Western Ave., Westfield MA 01085. (In the memo section, please write St. Vincent de Paul Fund.) Donations will be distributed to: Take & Eat, Inc.; San Pedro Sula Mission, Honduras; and Catholic Campus Ministry Matching Grant, Westfield State Foundation.

July 9, 2019

Dear Friends,

It is hard to put into words my gratitude for your prayers and support which were, and continue to be, so uplifting and moments of grace for me these past few months. I am very grateful to Bishop Rozanski for allowing me this time to address my own health and wellness in a focused way. Many thanks, as well, to Fr. John Salatino for coming in as administrator in my absence and who I know has been greeted with the same kindness I was shown.

I have begun to address some issues and struggles in my life which has led to healing in mind, body and spirit. During this time, I have been able to face fears, find clarity and seek spiritual guidance with the help of others and, most importantly, my own discernment with God. It was in this discernment that I have felt called to leave priestly ministry at this time and continue to focus on my own health and wellness.

Please know that I do not regret any of my priestly ministry. Priests and religious are called in particular ways to sacrifice their lives for the service of God and neighbor out of love. I love my ministry and those whom I have been privileged to serve, but I now see a need to take care of myself in order to be effective, open and able to do whatever God has planned for me in the future. For this, I humbly ask your understanding and your prayers as I make a difficult, yet needed, transition in my life.

My short time as your pastor has shown me the great family that lives and breathes at St. Mary's in Westfield. You are an amazing community with many gifts and talents and I am honored to have been part of it. My prayer for you is that you will continue to be the community of faith, hope and love that was shown to me repeatedly. I will continue to hold a very special place for St. Mary's in my heart.

Please pray for all our priests and religious and for an increase in vocations. I know there are many men and women at St. Mary's and throughout our Diocese that the Lord is calling. I pray for their courage to respond to a life that is full of joy and challenge. Again, I ask for your prayers and understanding. I do love you all and will always be grateful.

Your friend, always,

Fr. Matt

Rev. Matthew J. Alcombright