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LET'S BRIGHTEN SOMEONE'S VALENTINE DAY

Please submit the name of someone you know who is elderly, widowed, in a nursing home, a neighbor, someone who is grieving, lonely, a military family or someone who just needs a little TLC. Winter months are very long and dismal for many of our parishioners and friends. If you know anyone who would enjoy a card, please call Larry & Carol Deraleau at 749-4139, please do so this week, as time is short.

On February 7/8, a large red heart with those names will be placed in the church. Please consider sending a Valentine to the person whose name you choose. Let's not miss anyone. Valentine's Day is February 14.

IT'S A PARTY

Please join us in a celebration of the life of Celeste Milkie on the occasion of her 90th birthday! February 8, 2009 at noon, following the 10:45 Mass

A memory book will be created for Celeste. Please bring any pictures you are willing to donate. (Be sure to put a description of the event and names of people on the back of the picture) Cake, drinks and light refreshments will be served. No gifts, please

**PLEASE NOTE**

Rella will be attending a Faith Formation Leadership meeting in Hebron on Wednesday, February 4. The offices will open at 12:30pm on this day.

ATTENTION: SUNDAY EVENING FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Faith Formation Classes grades 6 through Confirmation Preparation and Youth Group will not meet today, Sunday February 1st in order to allow our catechists and students the opportunity to participate in the various SuperBowl© activities that will be happening. We will meet again next Sunday, February 8th at the regularly scheduled time.

YOUTH GROUP AT ROSE COMMONS

The Youth Group will be hosting a Valentine Party for the residents of Rose Commons on Saturday, February 7th. We will meet in the parish center kitchen at 3:45pm in order to take care of last minute preparations. We will be serving dinner at Rose Commons at 5pm. This will be followed by Bingo. Questions? Please contact Rella.

FIRST RECONCILIATION PARENTS MEETING

Parent meetings for the parents of children preparing for First Reconciliation will be held on the following days:

Tuesday, February 3 at 7:00pm
 Tuesday, February 10 at 7:00pm
 Tuesday, February 17 at 7:00pm

All meetings will be held in the Fellowship Rooms. Letters have been sent either by e-mail or USPS to these parents. If you have not received a letter, or if you have any questions, please contact Rella at 875-4563 or rella@sacredheartchurch.net.

FIRST EUCHARIST PARENTS MEETING

Parent meetings for the parents of children preparing for First Communion will be held on the following dates:

Thursday, February 5 at 7:00pm
 Thursday, February 12 at 7:00pm
 Thursday, February 19 at 7:00pm

All meetings will be held in the Parish Library. Letters have been sent either by e-mail or USPS to these parents. If you have not received a letter, or if you have any questions, please contact Rella at 875-4563 or rella@sacredheartchurch.net.

HELPING HAITI'S PEOPLE

Our Haiti Ministry **needs these school supplies** to finish the school kits to send to Haiti in March for the next school year:

Erasers
 Pencil Sharpeners
 Gallon-sized Zip-Lock Bags

The school supplies are needed for the Faith Formation classes. **The school supplies are least expensive at the "Dollar Stores."**

FRESH PRODUCE

For those in need of fresh produce – the Cornerstone Foundation, in collaboration with Foodshare, has provided space behind the Cornerstone Community Center off of Cottage Street for the Foodshare truck to come twice a month to provide you with a variety of nutritious food. Deliveries are every other Thursday from 11-11:30am.

The next delivery is February 5th. Questions? Call the Cornerstone soup kitchen at (860) 871-1823

CATHOLIC AWARENESS DAY

SAVE THE DATE! 10th Annual Catholic Awareness Day sponsored by the Connecticut Catholic Conference is Monday, February 9, 2009 at the State Capitol in Hartford from 9am to 1pm.

This is the day to learn and understand the Catholic viewpoint on important issues facing our State, learn about the legislative process and plan to meet with your State legislators.

Attend one or more of the following workshops:

- Immigration
- Life Issues
- Health Care Reform
- Parochial School Challenges

Pastors have been encouraged to send groups of parishioners. Please see your pastor if you are interested in attending with a group from your church. Want to meet your legislator? Plan ahead and make an appointment!

Senate: Democrats:1-800-842-1420 / Republicans:1-800-842-1421
House Democrats: 1-800-842-1902 / Republicans:1-800-842-1423

For more information, contact the Connecticut Catholic Conference at 860-524-7882 or visit our website at: www.ctcatholic.org

MASS OF HEALING AND HOPE

Spiritual Renewal Services will have a Mass of Healing and Hope at Saint Patrick Church, 47 West High Street, East Hampton CT on Sunday, February 15th at 2:00pm. Father Ray Introvigne will be the main celebrant and Mrs. Judith Hughes will lead the healing prayer. Individual prayer teams will be available after the service for individual prayer.

Please join them for a prayerful, joyful and peaceful celebration and healing service.

For more information, please call the Spiritual Renewal Center at 860-887-0702.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Your Pastoral Council would like to remind you that they are here for YOU!

ELECTED MEMBERS EX-OFFICIO & APPOINTED MEMBERS

Sergio Dosouto	Rella Bernabucci
Carol Duhamel	John Crane (trustee)
Cyndi Gagnon	Larry Deraleau
Bette Gonsalves	Fr Tony DiMarco
Jim Higgins	Ernie Golnik
Don Maxa	Mike Kurban (finance)
Trish Michaud	Sandy Rice
Matthew Powell	Maureen Staggenborg (trustee)
Mary Ann Simcoe (chair)	Fr Stan Szczapa
Donna Valli (secretary)	

“The Pastoral Council is mandated by Bishop Cote. Its role is advisory in helping the Pastor to meet the pastoral and spiritual needs of the parish. The Pastoral Council may make suggestions to the Finance Council through Michael Kurban who is the liaison to the Finance Council.”

– Pastoral Council Minutes, October 22, 2008

UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVES

Friday, February 13

1-6pm

at Rockville Methodist Church, 142 Grove Street,

or,

Tuesday, February 25

1-6pm

at Curves of Vernon, 575 Talcottville Road,

or,

Saturday, February 28

8am -12:30pm

at American Legion, 114 West Street.

For an appointment to donate, please call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE. More info is available at www.redcross.org

BE A MENTOR

InterCommunity Mental Health Group, 281 Main Street, East Hartford is looking for community volunteers who are interested in participating in a valuable mentoring opportunity. The Friend to Friend Program matches an individual living with a mental illness to a community volunteer with the goal of decreasing the isolation and loneliness that they may be experiencing. This program helps those participants reconnect to society as they receive peer support and gain confidence to continue with the next steps in their ongoing recovery. A weekly stipend is offered to both participants helping to defray the cost of shared activities. For more information, please contact Kristen at 860-748-2088, 860-291-1342 or F2Friend@hotmail.com

THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

SATURDAY 5:45pm	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (FT) Mass: <i>Stella Golnik</i> , requested by Donna Valli, - <i>and -</i> <i>George Pinzel</i> , requested by Richard & Rella Bernabucci
SUNDAY 10:45am	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (FT) Mass: <i>Steven Michael Brown</i> , requested by his family, - <i>and -</i> <i>Connie Glennon</i> , requested by the Sacred Heart Parish Family, Sacred Heart Ushers, and The Caregivers
MONDAY 9:00am	THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD Liturgy of the Word with Communion
TUESDAY 9:00am	BLAISE, BISHOP & MARTYR & ANSGAR, BISHOP Liturgy of the Word with Communion
WEDNESDAY 9:00am	Liturgy of the Word with Communion
THURSDAY 7:00pm 7:45pm	AGATHA, VIRGIN & MARTYR Mass: <i>Stella Golnik</i> , requested by Mary Kuhn Intercessory Prayer
FIRST FRIDAY 9:00am 10am-5pm 5:00pm	PAUL MIKI & COMPANIONS, MARTYRS Mass: <i>For the People of the Parish</i> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Close of Adoration
SATURDAY 5:45pm	FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (FT) Mass: <i>Stella Golnik</i> , requested by Richard & Rella Bernabucci, - <i>and -</i> <i>Jennie Langone</i> , requested by the Sacred Heart Parish Family & Readers
SUNDAY 10:45am	FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (FT) Mass: <i>Stella Golnik</i> , requested by Ceil Ray, - <i>and -</i> <i>Blanche DiBacco</i> , requested by the Sacred Heart Parish Family

MEETINGS

SATURDAY 7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous* , South Rooms
SUNDAY 9:15am NO	Fellowship before and after Mass Faith Formation , Gr. 1-5 Evening Faith Formation or Youth Group
MONDAY 7:00pm 7:00pm	Offices Closed Knights of Columbus , South Community Rooms Haiti Ministry , Deacon Chuck White Memorial Haiti Ministry Room
TUESDAY 7:00pm	1st Reconciliation Parents Meeting #1 , South Community Rooms
WEDNESDAY 4:00pm 8:00pm	Faith Formation , Gr. 1-3, 5 Alcoholics Anonymous* , South Community Rooms
THURSDAY 10:00am 7:00pm 8:00pm	Bible Study , South Community Rooms 1st Eucharist Parents Meeting #1 , South Community Rooms Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book* , South Rooms
SATURDAY 7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous* , South Rooms
SUNDAY 9:15am 12:00nn 5:00pm 6:30pm	Fellowship before and after Mass Faith Formation , Gr. 1-5 90th Birthday Party for Celeste Milkie – ALL ARE INVITED Youth Group Valentine party at Rose Commons Faith Formation , Gr. 6 – Conf Prep

WEBSITE ADDRESS FOR ST. MAURICE
WWW.STMAURICEKOF.C.ORG

Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Saturday Jan. 31,

4:00 p.m Vigil Mass: **Franklin Delany**, request of Richard, Gail and Terri Gidius; and for **Jennie Cusano and Frances Ricciardone**, request of Josephine Maratta

Sunday, Feb. 1,

Antoni & Helena Babiec, request of Mark Fiano family, and **Helen Menard**, request of Fran & Jack Garvan

Nest Weekend

Saturday, Feb. 7,

4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass: **Franklin Delany** and **Geno Betti**

Sunday Feb. 8,

8:45 a.m. Mass: **Iva Lindberg** and **Linnie Wimmer**

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING" – TITHING

Last week's collection was \$ 3,710.00

Last year's collection was \$ 4,427.00

Projected amount needed \$ 4,204.00

for projected obligation, expenses, repairs and tithing)

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties." 1 Corinthians 7:32. How many anxieties do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about attaining ever more material possessions? Yet, God tells us that only the hand that is open to give can also be open to receive His peace and joy. A heart or a hand clenched in anxiety and greed can never receive anything.

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THIS WEEK

SUNDAY

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Fr. Tony, celebrant

Ushers Group I

Confirmation Candidates Meeting after 8:45 Mass;
 Generations of Faith Meeting at 10:00 A.M.
 With Light Breakfast prior to meeting.

Monday 2/2; Mass at 9:00 a.m., for special intention

Tuesday 2/3; Mass at 9:00 a.m. for The Cross family;
 Choir rehearsal at 7:15 p.m.

Wednesday 2/4; Mass at 9:00 a.m. for Mary Ann Flynn;
 Christmas Fair Workshop, 9:00 a.m.
 ADORATION 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday; 2/5; Mass at 9:00 a.m. for Levi & Isbell
 Fournier

Friday; 2/6; First Friday Mass at 9:00 a.m. for Robert
 Phillips

Saturday; 2/7; Confessions from 3:00 p.m. until 3:45
 p.m.

NEXT WEEK

FEBRUARY 7/8

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, 4:00 P.M. VIGIL MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Maria Cinea, Emily Fiano

LECTOR: Charles Lucini

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Patti Cinea
 Georgette Pelletier, Jean Gately

SUNDAY: 8:45 MASS

ALTAR SERVERS: Emily Carpenter;
 Stephanie Leiner, Ashley Heavens

LECTOR: Michael Leiner

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Sharon &
 Cliff Scorso, Louis Cloutier

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

FEBRUARY 8, 2009

A reminder:
 Statements for contributions to St. Maurice Church for the year 2008 will be mailed to those who requested them in the past. If you need a statement please let us know.

LATE NIGHT CATECHUSM
 A New York City Production
 Coming to
 St. Bridget School
 74 Main Street
 Manchester, CT
 March 21, 2009
 7:30 P.M.
 Ticket Price \$30 and \$35
 Call 860 649-7731 ext 29
 "A HOWLING COMEDY" Catholic Standard & Times
 This is a fundraiser for St. Bridget School.

HOLY FAMILY RETREAT CENTER
FEBRUARY CALENDAR
 Sunday, 2/1/09, 3:00 p.m.
 A Concert of Firsts with Champagne Reception.
 The Worthington Trio

 Saturday, 2/14/09, 6:00 p.m. Mass
 7:00 p.m. Dinner
 Valentine's Evening
 Eucharist & Gourmet Wine Tasting Party

 Sunday, 2/15/09 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.
 Retreat Day
 "Holy Family Celebrates the Pauline Year, St. Paul
 @2000: What every Catholic should know."

 Wednesday, 2/25/09, Ash Wednesday
 Day of Reflection 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
 Evening of Reflection 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 "Let your Conscience be Your Guide"

FOR INFORMATION ON ANY OR ALL OF THE
ABOVE EVENTS PLEASE CONTACT
HOLY FAMILY RETREAT CENTER
303 TUNXIS ROAD
WEST HARTFORD, CT 06107
860-521-0440
 OR
REGISTER ON LINE AT
www.holyfamilyretreat.org

February 19-22, 2009
ACTS Retreat for Men
 St. Mary's in Coventry, CT
 Retreat Location, Immaculata Retreat House
 Willimantic, CT

Catholic men present an ACTS weekend retreat under guidance of clergy. The goals of the retreat are to strengthen your faith and its application in your daily life, to renew yourself spiritually, and to build community through lasting friendships.

The retreat begins Thursday evening, February 19th with a 6:00 p.m. check-in at St. Mary's in Coventry. Participants will then be transported to Immaculata Retreat House in Willimantic, CT. for the remainder of the retreat. The retreat will end on Sunday, February 22th, with a 10:00 a.m. morning Mass and reception at St. Mary's in Coventry. Transportation to and from Immaculate will be provided.

The cost of the retreat is \$190. If you cannot pay in full at this time, a deposit of \$90.00 made payable to "ACTS CT" and submitted with this form will reserve your place. The remaining balance will be due at the Thursday evening check-in.

Please send your completed registration form and payment to: ACTS CT., P.O. Box 906, Coventry, CT 06238, Attn: Men's ACTS Retreat / February 2009

Name _____

Name for ID badge _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Single: _____ Married _____ Home Phone() _____

Work Phone: () _____ Shirt Size S M L XL XXL

E-mail Address _____

Parish/Church _____

*In case of emergency contact: _____

*Address: _____

*Relationship: _____ *Phone _____

*Cell or work phone number of emergency contact person: _____ Please provide us with any specific dietary or medical needs during the weekend:

*This information MUST be provided. For more info call Dan Dufresne 860-742-5653; Norman Landry, 742-8082; or John Tyszk 742-4450.