

## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY JANUARY 31ST ANTICIPATED SUNDAY MASS

4:00 PM ✠ **MATTHEW CONNOLLY**  
Requested by: Pat & Ralph Chaterdon

### SUNDAY FEBRUARY 1ST FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM ✠ **ANITA LOUISE HOLMES**  
Requested by: Community Life Committee

9:30 AM ✠ **PARISHIONERS OF ST JAMES**

11:30 AM ✠ **ELENA PIETRANDREA**  
Requested by: Husband, Marco

### MONDAY FEBRUARY 2ND THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

8:00 AM ✠ **FORTUNA DENOVELLIS**  
Requested by: Family

### TUESDAY FEBRUARY 3RD WEEKDAY

8:00 AM ✠ **BELLA & LEO DUSSEAULT, SR.**  
Requested by: Theresa Dulude

### WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 4TH WEEKDAY

8:00 AM ✠ **FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY**  
Requested by: Laurie & Tom Dellion

### THURSDAY FEBRUARY 5TH ST. AGATHA

8:00 AM ✠ **WILLIAM KOWALCZYK**  
Requested by: Family

### FRIDAY FEBRUARY 6TH ST. PAUL MIKI NO MASS

### SATURDAY FEBRUARY 7TH ANTICIPATED SUNDAY MASS

4:00 PM ✠ **MARY BONGIOVANNI**  
(18th Anniversary)  
Requested by: Daughter  
Theresa Wasielewski

### SUNDAY FEBRUARY 8TH FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 AM ✠ **DANIEL CARSON**  
Requested by: Lucy & Lisa Carson

9:30 AM ✠ **GAY ROSSI**  
Requested by: Rossi & Petrella Families

11:30 AM ✠ **PARISHIONERS OF ST JAMES**

## Your Sacrificial Offering

WEEKLY OFFERING 01/25/09

\$7,625.53

### LOURDES IN LITCHFIELD

Lourdes of Litchfield, a ministry of the Montfort Missionaries, invites you to a Retreat: Jesus Living in Mary—a prayerful introduction to the Spirituality of St. Louis Marie de Montfort, from Friday evening, February 6th, through lunch on Sunday, February 8, 2009. The retreat will be facilitated by Fr. Hugh Gillespie, SMM. Requested donation is \$170.00 for the weekend, including room and board, and \$70.00 for commuters. For more information please call 860-567-8434.

### STEWARDSHIP HANDBOOK UPDATES

We will be updating the blue Stewardship handbooks very soon. If your ministry is happy with the write up that is in there, great! If not, please submit your changes/revisions to Leigh-Ann as soon as possible. Also, if the leadership of your group has changed, please let us know. You can either call 593-3175, drop a note to the office, or email, [lahammond@gmail.com](mailto:lahammond@gmail.com). This is an important book for our parish and it should be accurate and informative. Thanks for your help.

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Community Life Committee and the Knights of Columbus Scholarship applications are available in the vestibules of the church and at the office. The deadline for all applications is March 11, 2009. You can mail your application to Carol Arcari, 26 Parsonage Street, Rocky Hill, Ct. 06067. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Dee Benedetto at 342-0244. The requirements are as follows: you must be registered with St. James, and you must be a senior in high school.

### RESOLVE TO PRAY MORE

Did your New Years Resolutions include spending more time with God through prayer? Every **Monday** and **Wednesday** at **6:30PM**, you are given a chance to fulfill that resolution. Join us for **Evening Prayer** in the **Blessed Sacrament Chapel**. In front of the tabernacle, you have an opportunity to pray to God in a special way and offer up your personal intention. Take this time to give God 30 minutes of your day. He will give you back so much more.

### ST. JAMES PASTORAL STAFF

**Father David Baranowski, Pastor**  
**Betty Kreder, Administrative Assistant**  
**Joy O'Sullivan, Music Director**  
**Robert Pallotti, Deacon**  
**Thomas Sacerdote, Director of Religious Education**



**Dear Fellow Parishioners:**

A few weeks ago I wrote to you about “numbers”. This week I finished signing 535 year-end statements for those who gave five dollars a week or more, for a total of \$250.00 or more. Some 535 letters were mailed. Many people are extraordinarily generous. I know the economy is in turmoil and some parishioners are out of work, but if you and I could give one dollar more each week that would help meet some of our expenses. One number that was lower was an adjusted snow removal bill. We went from \$10,500.00 to \$9,900.00 or a reduction of \$600.00!

Next Sunday we will celebrate a communal Anointing of the Sick at the 11:30AM Mass. Who should be anointed?

Anyone suffering from a chronic problem such as Kidney disease, chronic heart problems, COPD, cancer patients, etc., but a cold, the flu, even a broken bone is not reason enough for the sacramental reception of the Anointing of the Sick. Members of the Liturgy committee will be available to get you registered and seated for this special Mass. This celebration comes close to the World Day for the Sick, celebrated on February 11th.

**FATHER DAVE**

**YOUTH MASS**

**Sunday, February 8th at the 9:30AM Mass.**

**“COMEDY FOR ALL AGES”**

*Laughter, the Best Medicine*

*All proceeds to benefit St. James Scholarship Fund*

**Saturday, February 28, 2009, 6:15PM meet & greet, the show will start at 7:00PM.**

Where: St. James Parish Center  
 Tickets: \$15.00 per person advanced purchase, Tickets can also be purchased after all Masses the weekends of February 14th, 15th, 21st and 22nd.

Tickets purchased at the door will be \$20.00 per person (advanced purchase recommended, limited seating.)

For more information, visit [www.stjamesrh.org](http://www.stjamesrh.org) or call MaryAnne at 529-2304 or Irene at 563-8225.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH, AT THE 11:30AM MASS**

All those who are suffering serious illness (physical or mental) are invited to participate in this communal celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing.



**ON FEBRUARY 1, 2009, THROUGH THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM, WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING INTO OUR PARISH FAMILY.**

**BRODY OLANDER**

**OUR LADY OF CALVARY RETREAT  
 WOMEN'S WEEKEND MARCH 6TH, 7TH & 8TH  
 Retreat**



Ladies this year we have women from St. George's in Guilford, Sacred Heart in East Berlin, and St. Mary's in Windsor Locks, who will join us on our weekend retreat. Perhaps you may have a friend from one of these parishes and would like to spend some time with them and renew your friendship. See what the Lord has prepared for you. It is always an exciting experience for us. We like to think of this time as our Lenten Prayer Time. Please contact Renie Andrea at 860-529-6160, or Dee Benedetto at 860-342-0244 for more information.

**LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR**

Please join us in welcoming the Little Sisters of the Poor to our parish the weekend of January 31st and February 1st. At St. Joseph's Residence in Enfield, Ct., the Sisters offer hospitality and care for 85 needy elderly men and women, as well as seniors who come for the day. They depend greatly on charity to carry on their apostolate to the aged and infirmed. Any assistance you can give will help provide for the needs of the elderly entrusted to their care.

**EXPLORING CATHOLICISM AND THE CATECHISM**

Come and join Deacon Bob Pallotti and parishioners of St. James on the following Sundays, February 1st, 8th, & 15th, at 6:45PM in the Day Chapel. Those attending should read the sections on Jesus Christ and the Holy spirit. All are welcome, and bring a friend.

**MEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT**



**THE GETAWAY OF A LIFETIME**

Sign up now for our Parish Retreat at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford. It begins on Friday evening the 20th of February and ends on Sunday the 22nd about noon. Enjoy a little free time and a chance to think about those things that really matter—like your relationship with your family, friends & God. For information please call Holy Family Retreat Center at 860-521-0400, or Ray Benedetto at 342-0244.

### LAST YEAR'S PALMS

Please bring Palms from last Easter season to Mass the weekend of February 14th and 15th. There will be containers provided in the vestibule of the church so that palms may be placed in these containers to be disposed of in a reverent manner. Or if you choose, you may bury them in the ground.

### NATIONAL RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT OFFICE

Dear Father Dave & Parishioners:

It is with gratitude and sincere appreciation that I thank you on behalf of the retired Religious Priests, Sisters and Brothers of the Archdiocese of Hartford.

Your donation to the annual appeal will assist retired religious, those who taught in our schools, those who served in our hospitals, and those who gave of their talents in countless programs and ministries. Funds will be distributed through grants to help with the rising costs of retirement and health care.

Gratefully yours in Christ,  
Sister Mary Kelly, C.S.J.

Director of the Office for Religious

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Rachell Farnham & Mackenzie Paluch, juniors at Mercy High School, who were inducted into Mercy's McAuley Chapter of the National Honor Society on December 15, 2008.

### STEWARDSHIP CHALLENGE!!

*"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.

### MY FATHER'S HOUSE

Father Bill will celebrate a healing mass at My Father's House, 39 North Moodus Road, Moodus, Ct. on Thursday, February 19th, from 6:30PM to 9:00PM. There will be confessions before mass, the Rosary at 6:30PM, prayovers after Mass, and a talk on healing. Refreshments will be served after Mass. For more information, please call 860-873-1906.

### REMINDER!

Just a reminder that we have dates available for the carillon in 2009. The bells will toll at 7:00PM on the date you request for a loved one, an Anniversary, Birthday or any occasion. The forms for 2009 are available in both vestibules of the church. If you can't locate them, please call the office at 529-8655 and we will send you one.

## meetings

- Sunday, February 1st **YOUTH GROUP**  
6:30PM Rm. 1
- Monday, February 2nd **PASTORAL COUNCIL**  
7:00PM Fr. Shea
- Tuesday, February 3rd **SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**  
8:45AM Fr. Shea  
6:00PM Cry Rm.
- Wednesday, February 4th **YOUTH GROUP CHOIR PRACTICE**  
5:45PM Church
- Wednesday, February 4th **FAITH & FELLOWSHIP TEAM**  
7:30PM Fr. Shea
- Thursday, February 5th **PRECIOUS BLOOD PRAYER GROUP**  
7:30PM Chapel
- Monday, February 9th **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
3RD DEGREE**  
7:00PM Parish Center
- Monday, February 9th **LITURGY COMMITTEE**  
7:30PM Chapel
- Tuesday, February 10th **SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**  
8:45AM Fr. Shea  
6:00PM Cry Rm.
- Wednesday, February 11th **YOUTH GROUP CHOIR PRACTICE**  
5:45PM Church
- Wednesday, February 11th **KNIT, CROCHET & SEW  
GOOD WORKS**  
1:00PM-4:00PM & 6:30PM-8:30PM Fr. Shea
- Wednesday, February 11th **PARISH VISITORS TEAM**  
7:00PM Cry Rm.
- Thursday, February 12th **PRECIOUS BLOOD PRAYER GROUP**  
7:30PM Chapel
- Monday, February 16th **COMMUNITY LIFE COMMITTEE**  
7:00PM Fr. Shea

### 10TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC AWARENESS DAY

*Sponsored by the Connecticut Catholic Conference*

Come join us on Monday, February 9, 2009, at the State Capitol in Hartford from 9:00AM to 1:00PM for the 10th Annual Catholic Awareness Day. 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. For more information, contact the Connecticut Catholic Conference at 860-524-7882, or visit their website [www.ctcatholic.org](http://www.ctcatholic.org).

### Readings for the Week of February 1, 2009

- Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28
- Monday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
- Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4/Mk 5:21-43
- Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Mk 6:1-6
- Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Mk 6:7-13
- Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Mk 6:14-29
- Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Mk 6:30-34
- Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39