

Mass Intentions  for the Week

**SATURDAY MARCH 21ST ANTICIPATED
SUNDAY MASS**

4:00 PM ✚ **ELIZABETH CONNOLLY**
Requested by: Pat & Ralph Chaterdon

SUNDAY MARCH 22ND FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 AM ✚ **PARISHIONERS OF ST. JAMES**

9:30 AM ✚ **LORI DIFABIO**

Requested by: Family

11:30 AM ✚ **MARIA DITARANTO**

Requested by: Richard Gemme

MONDAY MARCH 23RD LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 AM ✚ **MR. & MRS. MARIANGELO
FICOCELLI**

Requested by: Daughter & Family

TUESDAY MARCH 24TH LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 AM ✚ **JOHN F. THOMPSON**

Requested by: Wife, Mary & Family

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 25TH THE ANNUNCIATION
OF THE LORD**

9:00 AM ✚ **VORSCHMIDT FAMILY**

Requested by: Family

THURSDAY MARCH 26TH LENTEN WEEKDAY

9:00 AM ✚ **FIDELE & ANNA FRAGOLINA**

Requested by: Fucente Family

FRIDAY MARCH 27TH LENTEN WEEKDAY

NO MASS

WAY OF THE CROSS AT 5:30PM

**SATURDAY MARCH 28TH ANTICIPATED SUNDAY
MASS**

4:00 PM ✚ **JOSEPH ISKRA (2nd Anniversary)**
Requested by: Gerry, Mike & Joanne

SUNDAY MARCH 29TH FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 AM ✚ **HARRY HAYES**

Requested by: Wife & Family

9:30 AM ✚ **PARISHIONERS OF ST. JAMES**

11:30 AM ✚ **WILLIAM NEWTON**

Requested by: Nancy

Your Sacrificial Offering

WEEKLY OFFERING 03/15/09

\$8,894.94

WHAT MONEY CAN BUY

Money will buy:

A bed BUT NOT sleep.

Books BUT NOT brains.

Food BUT NOT appetite.

Finery BUT NOT beauty.

A house BUT NOT a home.

Medicine BUT NOT health.

Luxuries BUT NOT culture.

Amusement BUT NOT happiness.

A crucifix BUT NOT a Savior.

A church BUT NOT heaven.

What money can't buy, Jesus Christ can give freely
without charge!

SAVE THE DATE

St. James Youth Group will hold another Tag Sale on
May 9th & 10th. If you have any questions or need more
information, please contact Sharon at 712-5245.

OFFICE CLOSING & BULLETIN DEADLINE

The deadline for the bulletin for the weekend of April 11th and
12th will be April 2nd. Please submit your articles by then as
the bulletin has to be sent in earlier due to the Easter Holiday.

The office will close at 12Noon on Holy Thursday,
April 9th, and will be closed on Good Friday, April 10th.
Your cooperation concerning the above is greatly appreciated. If
you have any questions please contact Betty at 529-8655.

**FOOD
for the NEEDY**

Our next food drive will be the weekend of April 18th and
19th. Please bring your donations to the sanctuary in the
church. Our food drives are held the second weekend of each
month. Thank you for your help and God Bless.

THE MERCY VOLUNTEER CORPS

Are you interested in an extraordinary experience? Consider the
Mercy Volunteer Corps. In partnership with the Sisters of Mercy
of the Americas, lay women and men of the Mercy Volunteer
Corps offer direct compassionate service to economically poor or
marginalized persons for one or two years at sites in the United
States or in Guyana. Volunteers receive a small stipend, housing,
medical insurance and an inspiration that lasts for a lifetime.
Applications are welcome now for the service years beginning in
August '09 & August '10. For information call Janet Gary at
215-641-5535.

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:

Lent is a time for healing and repair. Many noticed that the baptismal font was covered this past weekend. We have not been able to use the recirculation pump because of a leak. The pump was removed as well as some flexible pipe so that the font can be used again. The repair is only a temporary solution for a greater problem, namely a redesign of the inner plumbing. I am looking into a more permanent solution, but that will cost money and I am waiting for some proposals.

The Catholic Book Store is grateful to all who took advantage of their presence here, last Sunday. Hopefully you were able to get the religious articles and books you needed. The mobile van enables them to not have to travel to their stores in Hartford and at the Seminary.

Next Sunday the White Books for Easter will be available as you leave Mass. Once again our Extraordinary Ministers will hand them out and will have baskets for a dollar donation. Don't let the lack of a dollar keep you from taking one. They really are wonderful.

FATHER DAVE

P.S. I hope your personal Lent is going well. Plan on coming to confession during this great season.

ST. JAMES SEDER COMMEMORATION

This years date for the Seder Commemoration is **Wednesday, April 8th at 6:00PM**. The Community Life Committee will be available after all Masses the weekends of: **March 21st, 22nd, 28th, & 29th** to take reservations. All **reservations** must be in **no later** than **April 5th**. Tickets will not be sold the weekend of **April 4th & 5th**, but forms will be available in both entrances of the church Palm Sunday weekend. If you have any questions please contact Betty, at 529-8655. Please join us as we observe this ritual meal which in the Christian tradition is when Jesus instituted the Eucharist. We hope to see you there!



MARCH 28TH & 29TH

The **Dominican Sisters** of West Hartford will **join us** again this year on the **above dates** to sell their **homemade pies, breads and brownies**. The **proceeds** will be used to **buy medical supplies** for their mission to support the lepers. Thank you and God Bless.



**WAY OF THE CROSS
FRIDAYS DURING LENT
5:30PM IN THE CHURCH.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Registration for 2009-2010 catechetical year will be held on the following dates. All grades, K-10 will register on these dates. A Special Needs Class is available, please inquire the day of registration.

Tuesday, March 31st
7:00PM-8:00PM in Fr. Shea Hall.
Wednesday, April 1st
7:00PM-8:00PM in Fr. Shea Hall.
Saturday, March 28th
9:00AM-10:00AM at West Hill School

Registration forms will not be mailed home nor available on the internet. For more information please contact the Religious Education Office at 529-1274.

HOLIDAY FOOD COLLECTION

The following non-perishable food items are needed:

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| Instant Potatoes | Stuffing | Gravy | Rice |
| Cranberry sauce | Sweet Potatoes | Vegetables | |
| Pasta/Rice side dishes | Au Gratin Potatoes | Soups | |
| Pasta Sauce | Macaroni & Cheese | Tuna Fish | |
| Peanut Butter | Jelly | Cereal | Oatmeal |
| Canned Fruit | Cake mix | Brownie mix | Muffin Mix |
| Frosting | Coffee | Tea | Hot Chocolate |

Thank you for your support and donations. If you wish to make a monetary donation, envelopes marked **FOOD DRIVE** are available in both vestibules of the church. Mark Williams is very grateful to St. James Parishioners for all they give and do for the Rocky Hill Food Bank.

2009 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2009 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is now underway in our parish and across the Archdiocese. Your support of this year's Appeal ensures that essential charitable, educational and pastoral ministries of the Archdiocese of Hartford are sustained and expanded. We hope you can help in meeting our parish goal of \$55,600.00. If you would like to make a gift, simply mail in your pledge card. You may also contact our parish secretary, visit the Archdiocesan website at www.archdioceseofhartford.org, or call the Annual Appeal Office at 800-781-2550. Keep in mind that an early pledge will allow for a monthly payment plan.



SONS OF ITALY BREAKFAST

The Annual breakfast for Alzheimer's and Cooley Anemia Research will be held this Sunday, March 22, 2009 from 8:00AM until 12:00Noon in the St. James Parish Center. Tickets are \$8.00 for Adults, \$4.00 for children 12 & under.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR TEENS

This winter has been long, so lets start thinking about the summer. There are two great summer teen retreats for you. Upcoming fund raisers will help with the cost.

St. James Teen Summer Retreat

Come join with other teens from the parish for an awesome Teen Leadership Retreat. We will be going to the Mellos Retreat Center in Jacksonville, Vt. This is the Retreat Center that burnt to the ground last February 7th and members from our parish went two summers ago to help them re-build. It is also owned by Dave Dumaine who speaks at our confirmation retreats.

When: June 26th, 27th & 28th, 2009

Where: The Mellos Center, Jacksonville, Vt.

The cost is \$125.00 (includes housing, food and transportation for the weekend). To reserve a spot, a deposit of \$25.00 is due ASAP. The deadline to register is May 1st. Please remember to fill out a permission slip. They can be found at www.stjamesrh.org. If you have any questions, please call Sharon at 712-5245.

Steubenville "East" 2009

A High School Summer Youth Conference, July 24th-26th on the campus of the University of Rhode Island. The total package for this year is \$263.00. The package includes: All coordination, scheduling, and documentation. Transportation: pickup and drop off at or near your location by A/C Coach. Registration, Lodging, 6 meals, AC Hall Events, Conference T-Shirt, Youth Magazine, Mass & Concert and much more. To reserve a spot a \$60.00 deposit is due ASAP. Make checks payable to: St. James Youth Group. Any questions please call Sharon at 712-5245.



LENT

LENTEN DAILY MASSES

9:00AM Monday-Thursday

EVENING PRAYER

Sundays at 5:00PM in the Church.

Mondays & Wednesdays 6:30PM (Blessed Sacrament Chapel.)

LENTEN REGULATIONS 2009

WEEKDAYS OF LENT:

There is **no obligation** to fast. However, **voluntary acts of self-denial** are recommended.

GOOD FRIDAY

Day of **FAST** and **ABSTINENCE** from **MEAT**. All those between the **ages of 18 and 59** inclusive may take only one full meal on this day. Two smaller meals are permitted to maintain strength according to one's needs. The eating of solid food between meals is not permitted.

DAYS OF ABSTINENCE: ALL FRIDAYS IN LENT

All who have reached their **14th** year are **bound** to **abstain totally from meat**.

SEDER SUPPER

Wednesday, April 8th, at 6:00PM.

HOLY WEEK LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Saturday, April 4th^h, from 2:00PM-3:30PM
Tuesday, April 7th, 7:00PM Communal Service
Wednesday, April 8th, from 3:00PM-5:00PM

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 5TH MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 4th, 4:00PM (Vigil Mass) Sunday Masses: 7:30AM, 9:30AM (Solemn Blessings of Palms), & 11:30AM. Evening Prayer with cantor 5:00PM, Sunday, April 5th.

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 9TH

NO MORNING MASS

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00PM
Visits to the Repository (Day Chapel) until 10:30PM

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 10TH

Morning Prayer at 8:00AM
Passion and Death of Our Lord at 3:00PM
Way of the Cross at 7:00PM

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 11TH

Morning Prayer at 8:00AM
Blessing of Easter Baskets at 11:00AM
Easter Vigil Mass at 8:00PM

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH MASS SCHEDULE

7:30AM, 9:30AM, 11:30AM

meetings

Monday, March 23rd **K OF C 4TH DEGREE**
 7:30PM Fr. Shea

Tuesday, March 24th **SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**
 8:45AM Fr. Shea & 6:00PM Cry Rm.

Tuesday, March 24th **SOCIAL CONCERNS**
 7:00PM Cry Rm.

Wednesday, March 25th **SEW GOOD WORKS**
 1:00PM-4:00PM Fr. Shea

Wednesday, March 25th **INQUIRERS MEETING**
 7:00PM Fr. Shea

Wednesday, March 25th **RCIA STEERING COMMITTEE**
 8:00PM Fr. Shea

Thursday, March 26th **PRECIOUS BLOOD PRAYER GROUP**
 7:30PM Chapel

Tuesday, March 31st **SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY**
 8:45AM Fr. Shea & 6:00PM Cry Rm.

Readings for the week of March 22, 2009

Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21
 Monday: Is 65:17-21/Jn 4:43-54
 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Jn 5:1-16
 Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Heb 10:4-10/
 Lk 1:26-38 (Annunciation)
 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Jn 5:31-47
 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Jn 7:40-53
 Next Sunday: Jer 31:31-34/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33