

## Mass Intentions

2/15 9:00 am Deceased family members

### VIGIL FOR SUNDAY

4:00pm Wally & Ann Regan  
(Family)

### SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2/16 8:00 am for our troops  
9:15 am Deceased Mothers and Fathers  
11:00 am Rich Lusniak  
(Wife and family)  
6:00 pm Edward Wynn, Jr.  
(Somma family)

2/17 9:00 am Deceased Mothers and Fathers

2/18 9:00 am Archangel Mary Argenio  
(DiCostanzo Family)

2/19 9:00 am Deceased Family Members

2/20 9:00 am Bill Tucci (79th Birthday)  
(Wife Esty Tucci)

2/21 9:00 am Deceased Family Members

2/22 9:00 am Deceased Mothers and Fathers

### VIGIL FOR SUNDAY

4:00pm Bobby West  
(Pat Chocas)

### SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2/23 8:00 am Eleanor Fahey  
(Nancy & John Wagner)  
9:15 am Carmena Antunes  
(Family)  
11:00 am Deceased Family Members  
6:00 pm Kathleen Hussey  
(Hall Family)

\*\*\*There are available times for Mass intentions. Please call the Parish office to schedule a Mass for your loved one.\*\*\*

On the first Wednesday of each month, immediately following the 9:00 AM Mass, there will be an anointing of the sick in the sanctuary. Anyone with an ongoing medical condition or who is seriously ill, anticipating a medical procedure or operation, is welcome to come

### MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of St. Jerome Parish, a Roman Catholic community, proclaim our belief in the message and mission of Jesus Christ. As disciples of Jesus we are called to proclaim the Kingdom of God and to work for its values in the local community and beyond. We are committed to: worship, religious education, shared faith and service. We welcome all people with respect, acceptance and support.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to remember a family member or friend with altar flowers, the donation is \$50. Please call the parish office at least two or three months ahead of the date choose.

### Adoration & Silent Prayer

Everyday between 4:00PM and 5:00PM.  
Come spend some quiet time with the Lord.

### Weekly Offertory Summary

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| February 9, 2014          | \$4,916  |
| Febraury Total to date    | \$10,777 |
| February offertory budget | \$41,600 |

Faith Direct contributions, estimated to be about \$15,000 for the month, will be reported next week. As always, thank you for your generous support of St. Jerome Parish.

### Faith Direct—

Enroll to have your donations deducted directly from your bank account or credit card account. Sign up online at [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) and use church code CT46.



### REACH

#### Today, February 16th

No Classes—February break

#### Next Sunday, February 23rd

Grades 1-6 attend 9:15 Mass followed by class.  
Grades 7 & 8 Fr. David small Group—no class  
Grades 7 & 8 large group—check email

### REACH is now on FACEBOOK (REACH St.Jerome)...Like us! And TWITTER (@REACHStJerome)!! Follow us!

**If you are a REACH Volunteer...all Volunteers must take a one time class that is mandated by the Diocese. This class is offered at various parishes around the Diocese as well as the Catholic Center in Bridgeport. A full list and class registration can be found at <https://www.virtus.org> under the 'registration' tab. You must pre-register on-line.**

Upcoming local classes:

Our Lady of Fatima (Wilton) Wednesday 3/12 at 7:00PM

### Tuition (REACH and TOTAL)

**Please make sure your account is up to date. Our ability to run the Religious Education Program depends on your tuition to cover the cost of books and many other operating costs. Any concerns or payment arrangements should be directed to Kathy Coyne for REACH or Daniela O'Callaghan for TOTAL.**

**TOTAL**

- TOTAL meets tonight with rehearsals for **The Fourteen Steps**. We still have room if any teen is interested in participating.
- The **30 Hour Famine** will be held at St. Philips next weekend, February 22nd and 23rd. By going 30 hours without food, teens will get a "taste" of what so many poverty stricken children and families feel every day. The Keynote speaker this year will be our very own Bishop Caggiano. If you are interested in being a prayer partner for a participating teen please contact Daniela O'Callaghan. St. Jerome will be accepting donations to World Vision and Manna House for the next few weeks in the church hallway. Look for the **BIG RED BOX!**
- **FRESHMEN** – If you missed the meeting for small group Confirmation classes please contact Daniela O'Callaghan. Classes will begin the week of March 10<sup>th</sup>. If your teen is planning on being confirmed in the fall of 2014, he/she must attend these classes.
- **TEEN LECTORS NEEDED FOR THE 6:00 MASS!** If anyone is interested in becoming a lector, please let Daniela or Joe know.

**TOILETRY COLLECTION**

Social Concerns Committee and TOTAL are sponsoring a collection of toiletry items to donate to our neighbors who are clients at The Open Door and The Mid-Fairfield AIDS Pantry. Many items that we take for granted are luxuries for our neighbors without homes or those who rely on food stamps. The most needed items, in all sizes and varieties, are:

Toothpaste and toothbrushes, Soap, Shampoo, Deodorant, Lotion, Cleaning supplies and sponges  
Please bring your donations to the hallway, and leave them in the marked basket or box. Your contributions of "comfort" items will brighten a day for people who are caught in difficult situations.

**PARISH PANCAKE  
BREAKFAST**

**THIS SUNDAY  
8:45-11:00 AM**



This weekend after the 8:00 AM and 9:15 AM Masses we are holding our parish Pancake Breakfast in the church hall. Walk-in ticket purchasers are welcome. Breakfast will be served from 8:45 to 11:00 AM. Tickets are \$7.00 for adults and FREE for children age 12 and younger. Come as a family and enjoy delicious pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, orange and apple juice, milk, chocolate milk, and tea and coffee.

**February Food Drive  
is Coming!**

Our monthly food drive will take place next weekend, February 22 & 23. One of the pantries we support has reported a lack of canned beef ravioli. Therefore, the Social Concerns Committee will be selling cans of ravioli - \$5.00 for 5 cans after each mass next weekend. If you would like to purchase ravioli, all cans will be added to our food collection.

Other most needed items are hearty chicken soup (Progresso), apple or grape fruit juice, salad dressing, and cereal. Other items always needed are peanut butter, jelly, tuna, pasta, pasta sauce, and fresh produce - potatoes, carrots, apples, onions, and squash. Your donations help put food on the tables of the hungry families here in our Norwalk community.



**BIBLE  
STUDY**

**"GREAT  
BIBLICAL STORIES" - our TUESDAY Bible  
Study—resumes February 25th.**

If you love stories, you'll love this spring's Bible Study program which continues last fall's series on "Great Biblical Stories." There are 6 Tuesday sessions starting at 9:30 AM in the church hall from Feb. 25 through April 1. Sessions are approximately 60 minutes. For the first session, Feb. 25, please read Luke 7:36-50, "Jesus Anointed by a Sinful Woman". Those who attended in the fall should bring to these spring sessions their 42-page Study Guide which summarizes each session and poses key questions to further your understanding. Free copies of the study guide are available to new participants.

**"MAKE A DIFFERENCE"  
HELPING HANDS PROJECT**

The Social Concerns Committee would like to reach out to St. Jerome Parishioners who would benefit from a Helping Hand as an ongoing project.

If you, or a parishioner you know, needs a helping hand, please complete a request card and drop in the box marked "Make A Difference" on the table as you enter St. Jerome's Church.