

# June 18, 2017 *The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ*

## Mass for the Intentions *for the Week*

<b>Saturday</b> 4:00pm	<b><u>June 17 Vigil Mass</u></b> Eleanor Conway req. by Lucille Killiany "Birthday Remembrance"
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00am	<b><u>June 18 The Most Holy Body &amp; Blood of Christ</u></b> Deceased members of the Grohoski family req. by Franziska Manuel
10:00am	<b>Purfirio Magnaye</b> req. by the Valero Family

There will be no weekday Masses celebrated in our Church this week. Father Hellwig will be on vacation. Please visit the other Churches of Saint Maximilian Kolbe Parish. The times of their weekday Masses are listed below.

<b>Saturday</b> 4:00pm	<b><u>June 24 Vigil Mass</u></b> Jackie Kociszewski req. by Ken & Cindy Kociszewski
<b>Sunday</b> 8:00am	<b><u>June 25 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u></b> John Seeley req. by Larry & Jennie Seeley
10:00am	<b>Maureen Brunelli</b> req. by the Bellemare Family



Immaculate Conception – Mon. & Tues.  
Mass at 7:30am

Saint Casimir – Thurs. & Fri. Mass at  
7:30am.

## WEEKLY OFFERTORY

June 11, 2017	\$6,103.30
June 12, 2016	\$6,111.00

***Thank you for your spiritual and financial commitment of our Parish.***



### Extraordinary Ministers **June 25/26**

4:00pm:	Emile & Marian Drillon
8:00am:	Armand & Diane Roy
10:00am:	Lucy Santopietro & Julie Cardoso

### Lectors

**June 25/26**

4:00pm:	Stephanie Poulin
8:00am:	Paul Murray
10:00am:	Michael Cote

**\*The Lector & Extraordinary Minister Schedules for July & August are now available on our Website.**

# SCRIPTURAL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a, 1 Cor 10:16-17, Jn 6:51-58

**Saturday:** Jer 1:4-10/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**TUES.** June 20  
6:30pm Legion of Mary Mtg.

**THURS.** June 22  
6:30pm Cub Scout Mtg.

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Please remember those men and women who are serving.....God, keep special watch over these men and women serving in the Navy, National Guard, Marine Corps., Air Force, Army, & Coast Guard.

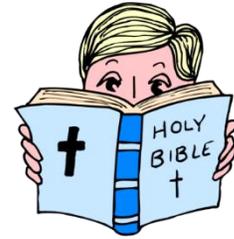
## Prayer Line

Do you have a concern that causes you sadness that you wish to have lifted up in prayer? Do you have a joy that warms your heart and you want to have lifted up in prayer? Then contact the Saint Thomas Prayer Line. Allow your Church family to assist in the most powerful way we can, through Prayer. You can email your request to: [prayerline@stthomasthomaston.org](mailto:prayerline@stthomasthomaston.org).

# MISSIONARY FROM THE PHILIPPINES

Father Noel Merano Sixon of the Diocese of Romblon in the Philippines is coming to Saint Thomas on the weekend of June 24/25 to share with us his pastoral experience in that part of the Philippines which is along the typhoon path in the archipelago. He used to be the Youth Director of his diocese. Currently, his is the Priest-in-Charge of three small islands which belong to the Cathedral Parish. Father Noel has seen the devastation wrought by super typhoon *Haiyan* (codenamed 'Yolanda' in the Philippines) on November 8, 2013. Romblon is still in the progress of getting back into its feet even after four years of labor. Their Catechetical Program and their Lay Ministry Program need help. Children need Bibles and instruction materials. Volunteer catechists need Teacher's Manuals and Instruction Kits. The Lay Ministers need updating/upgrading in order to perform their ministry. The plumbing system of their diocesan seminary needs repairs.

Left to itself the poor Diocese of Romblon cannot pay for the on-going formation of these generous catechists and lay ministers; and cannot buy bibles and religious instruction materials for the children. Let us help Romblon.



## We are still accepting donations for the “New Beginnings Program”.

Each year it provides children in need with brand new clothes to begin school year. With your donation we are able to help children start school with a bit more self-esteem as we provide each of them 3 shirts, 2 pants, 1 jacket, 1 package of socks, underwear and a gift certificate toward a pair of shoes. We do this lovingly every year as God has given us the grace to do so. Donations may be placed in the collection basket at Mass or sent directly to the Parish Center. Please make your check out to St. Thomas Church with a memo noting it is for the “New Beginnings Program”. Thank you for your support.

## *Question of the Week:*

How will I set aside time both to adore Christ present in the Eucharist and to serve the poor in a hands-on way?

any MAN CAN BE A  
**FATHER,**  
BUT IT TAKES  
A special PERSON TO BE A  
**DAD**  
HAPPY father's DAY

Have you ever wondered what the readings at Mass really mean? Do your children ask you questions about the Bible that you're unsure how to answer? Have you heard someone talk about the Bible and wondered what Catholics have to say about it? Have you ever wanted to join in a conversation about the Bible but felt unprepared? Would you like to understand God's word more fully? If your response to any of these questions is *YES*, then the Catholic Biblical School might be the program for you.

The Catholic Biblical School, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Hartford, provides an opportunity for adults to come to know, love and live scripture through an in-depth Bible study from a Catholic perspective. Through weekly classes students grow in an understanding of God's word and what it can mean in their daily lives. Graduates of the program tell us that the Biblical School has greatly enhanced their prayer life and their experience of the mass.

You sign up on a year to year basis, but you have the opportunity to study the entire Bible in four years (or there is a two year program as well). The classes balance small group discussions with presentations by a professional Catholic teacher as well as prayer experiences related to the Bible lesson for each week.

If you are interested or want more information brochures are available in the vestibule, or go to the website [www.CatholicEdAOHCT.org](http://www.CatholicEdAOHCT.org) or you can contact the Office of Education, Evangelization and Catechesis at 860-242-5573 or via email at [catholic.biblical.school@aohct.org](mailto:catholic.biblical.school@aohct.org).

Enrollment is from May 1 through August 15. Classes begin in locations throughout the Archdiocese just after Labor Day.

## **Archdiocese of Hartford to Send Delegates to Historic Church Convocation: Your Prayers are Needed**

Guided by the missionary vision of the Holy Father's Apostolic Exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium* or Joy of the Gospel, the Archdiocese of Hartford is sending delegates to participate in the Convocation of Catholic Leaders. The purpose of the national meeting is to discuss the issues facing Catholics in the 21st Century, and to ultimately equip delegates with tools and resources they can use to evangelize in their respective dioceses.

The convocation will take place in Orlando, FL from July 1-4. Archbishop Leonard P. Blair, who as the chairman of the USCCB's Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis played an important role in planning the historic gathering, will lead a delegation of 25 people from throughout the Archdiocese.

"My hope is that these delegates will bring back to the Archdiocese innovative and creative ideas to share with parishioners. For a parish to grow and thrive, the challenge is for every parishioner to realize that being Catholic also means being evangelical, a missionary, and a witness for the faith. This is what Pope Francis is asking of all of us," says Archbishop Blair.

The Archbishop asks everyone to pray for the success of the convocation and for the Archdiocesan delegation who will be participating.

*For more information about the Convocation of Catholic Leaders visit: [usccb.org](http://usccb.org).*

## **THOMASTON FOOD PANTRY**

Thomaston Town Pantry promotes better nutrition by overseeing the distribution of food to low-income families and qualifying individuals. Please let us do our part by bringing in a non-perishable food item each week. You can place your non-perishables in the bin in the vestibule. Some items needed: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal, Baby formula, Soups, Rice, Canned Vegetables, Pasta, Sauce, Laundry Soap, Soap, deodorant, etc.



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