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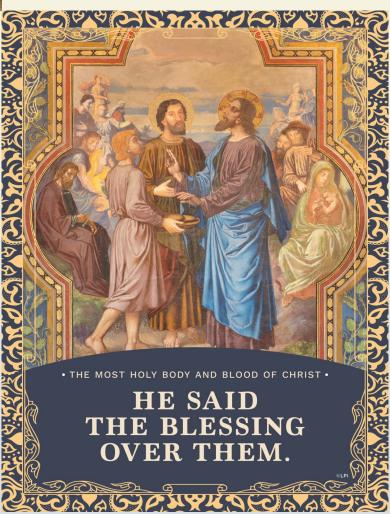
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BAPTISM and MARRIAGES:

Please call the Parish Office: 860-673-9858, ext. 221. Wedding dates should be scheduled at least 6 months ahead. Weddings cannot be scheduled after the Saturday evening Mass.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please submit any bulletin announcements to the Parish Office by 2pm on the Monday prior to the weekend you would like it published. Also, please contact the office to obtain permission to insert fliers into the weekly bulletin.



MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 am

Sunday Vigil (Saturday): 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30, 9:30 and 11:00am

First Friday: 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: after 4pm Mass First Friday: Before 9:00 AM Mass Other times by appointment

DEVOTIONS:

Eucharistic Adoration: Mondays 9:30 - 10:30am Tuesdays 6 - 7:30pm

Rosary: 8:25am, daily MMP Cenacle: Mondays at 7:15pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Tues.- Fri. 9:30–9:40am in the Sanctuary

Holy Hour: Thursdays at 12noon



WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF SAINT ANN

If you are a resident in this area, we hope that you will continue to grace us with your presence and register with our parish. You can do so by stopping by or calling the Parish Office: 860-673-9858,ext.221. You can also register online at: www.stannavon.org/register-at-st-ann If you are a visitor, we thank you for participating in worshiping with us and we hope to see you again!



MASS INTENTIONS

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

SATURDAY, June 21, Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious 4:00 Pete Tromza, requested by Mary Jane Jeter

SUNDAY, June 22 The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

7:30 Rebecca Gould Mimeault, requested by Bill and Elaine Ahern

9:30 Dorothy LaRosa, requested by Mike LaRosa11:00 Zofia and Henryk Wroblewski, requested by their family

MONDAY, June 23

9:00 Brian Ahern, requested by his father

TUESDAY, June 24, The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

9:00 Thomas Penzone, requested by Rosanne Harutunian

WEDNESDAY, June 25

9:00 Ann Matthes, requested by St. Ann's Wednesday Morning Bible Study Group

THURSDAY, June 26, Saint Romuald, Abbot

9:00 John Winchester, requested by his children

FRIDAY, June 27, The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

9:00 For the deceased members of the Bondhus Family, requested by the Bondhus Family

SATURDAY, June 28, *The Immaculate Heat of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Saint Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr, and Doctor of the Church*

4:00 Richard Simpson, requested by his wife, Dianne

SUNDAY, June 29 Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

7:30 Teresa Yoreo

9:30 Irene Recor, requested by Carol Bielefeld

11:00 Roger Abate, requested by Betsy and Frank Richo

To schedule a Mass Intention, please call/email Kris in the Parish Office: 860-673-9858, ext. 221 or kris.martino@stannavon.com Suggested Donations: \$30 Weekends, \$25 Weekdays



Sanctuary Lamp Memorial

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for the Greater honor and glory of God and:

In loving memory of:
Anthony J. Centofanti

Requested by:

Michalina Centofanti

Prayers for the living:

Requested by:

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We pray for the safe return of those currently serving in our Military



Contact the Parish Office to have your family members added.

LCDR Jack Hamel, USCG LCDR Victoria Hamel, USCG 1LT Brian J. Heavren Jr., USArmy Capt. Matthew Mascoli, USMC 1LT Andrew Mascoli, USMC ME3 Luke Hobbs, USCG



Celebrating the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist



Parish Coffee

This Sunday, June 22, 2025 After 9:30am Mass

Please join fellow parishioners and guests after all Masses on Sunday, June 22nd, for coffee, and refreshments and fellowship in Fr. Bennett Hall.

Sponsored by our Social Outreach Ministry

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

SATURDAY, June 21

Men's Breakfast Group: 8:00am in Room 3

SUNDAY, June 22

Parish Coffee: after the 9:30am Mass in Fr. Bennett Hall **Lectio Divina:** 10:30am in Room 3, and via ZOOM

MONDAY, June 23

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 9:30-10:30am in the church MMP Cenacle-Rosary Prayer Group: 7:15pm in the church

TUESDAY, June 24

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 6-7:30pm in the church

WEDNESDAY, June 25

The Chosen, Season 4 Watch Party: 9:30am in Fr. Bennett Hall

THURSDAY, June 26

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

FRIDAY, June 27

Lectio Divina: 9:45am via Zoom

New Day Seminar Reunion: 9:45am in Room 3

SATURDAY, June 28

Men's Breakfast Group: 8:00am in Room 3

SUNDAY. June 29

Lectio Divina: 10:30am in Room 3, and via ZOOM

LAND OF PEACE

Next Weekend, June 28/29 Land of Peace will be in the Gathering Space with Gifts for Purchase from the Holy Land

In these challenging times, we invite you to a special event next weekend. Following all Masses, Noel Alshomali from Land of Peace, a not-for-profit organization will be with us to shed light on the struggles faced by Christians in the Holy Land. This mission aims to bring hope and support to Christian families and churches in the Middle East, who are enduring continuous violence and a decline in tourism. Your participation can help make a profound difference. Available for purchase will be religious articles made from Olive Wood, a material native to the Holy Land and Bethlehem. These items, including crucifixes and rosaries, offer a tangible connection to a land that holds deep spiritual significance. We encourage you to join us and support this meaningful cause.

For more information, please visit www.landofpeace.org

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

Weekend of Sunday, June 15, 2025

Weekly In-person: \$6,720.0000 Weekly Online: \$3,067.50 **Weekly TOTAL: \$9,787.50**

Monthly Collection:

In-person: \$1,755.00 Online: \$414.00 **TOTAL: \$2,169.00**

Votive Candles and Sanctuary Lamp: \$188.84

Other Online Donations:

2025 Annual: \$23, Ash Wednesday: \$10,

Church Services: \$100, In memory donation: \$100, Little Sisters of Gulu: \$20, Parish Cemetery: \$40

Utilities: \$23

Next Weekend's 2nd Collection: none



St. Ann's Little Library

We are pleased to announce the new St. Ann's Little Library. A large variety of spiritual and religious books for parishioners' reading pleasure are in the bookcase in the Gathering Space. Please return the book to the bookcase after reading, or replace it with another book and put it on a shelf. Thank you.

Join us for an Outdoor Recitation of the Rosary and Chaplet of the Divine Mercy for the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.



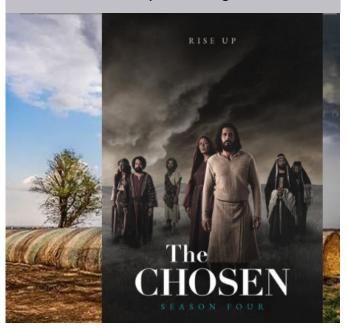
Friday, June 27th at 3:00pm

Friday, June 27th is the Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. The "Our Lady of Guadalupe Prayer Group" invites parishioners to join them on Friday, June 27th at 3:00 pm for the Recitation of the Rosary and the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy. Jesus's Compassionate Heart burns with love for you. Let' offer our heartfelt prayers to prove our love for Him. We will meet outside in the parking lot in front of the Statue of the Sacred Heart or in the church if it is raining. If you prefer to sit, please also bring a lawn chair.

JOIN US FOR OUR SUMMER WATCH PARTY WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

For THE CHOSEN - Season 4

Wednesdays: June 25, July 9, 16 & Thursday July 23 9:30am—11:30am in Fr. Bennett Hall RSVP: andreapizzuti333@gmail.com



Join us for a Good Summer Read

HOPE
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Books can be purchased at Amazon.com, other online booksellers or through a local bookstore.

There will be copies available in the St Ann's Lending Library in the Gathering Space.

Grab a book and a friend and join us!

Book Discussion dates:

In the Activity Room on:
Wednesday,
August 27th at 7pm
OR Thursday,
August 28th at 9:30am

RSVP: Colleen Waterbury via text: 203-913-8764



This year, St. Ann's Summer Vacation Bible Camp welcomed 160 children, ages 2.5 to 18, for an unforgettable adventure through Alaska. As they journeyed together, they learned that no matter how lost or uncertain they feel, they can always Trust Jesus.

Thank you to our parish community for supporting what has truly become our children's favorite week of the summer!



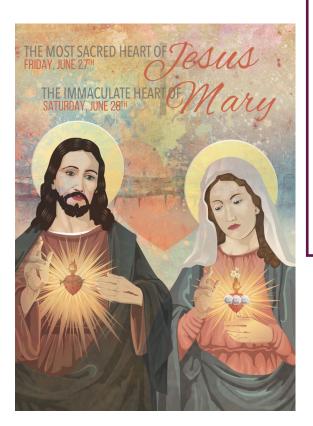


"The Holy Eucharist is a LIVING PERSON."

--Bishop Robert Barron

Reflection: Each time we receive Holy Communion we have a personal encounter with the LIVING God. On this Feast of Corpus Christi, the Church celebrates the awesome gift of the Holy Eucharist: The Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus **truly present** to us in each consecrated Host. Living Faith touches the Heart of Jesus. How alive is your Faith in the True Prescence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament?





Upcoming Events



06/27 FRIDAY 8AM - 4PM

CELEBRATE THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

446 Mountain Rd, Suffield

Join the Sacred Heart Parish Family in cooperation with the "Traveling Icon Program" of the Knights of Columbus. Morning Mass at 8:00 AM followed by a presentation of the Icon of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Eucharistic Adoration throughout the day with quiet time before the Blessed Sacrament and the Icon olong with devoltional prayers of the Sacred Heart. Benediction and closing prayers at 4PM. All are welcome to attend all or some of the day's events. For more information visit our parish website: www.sacredheartct.com



08/1 FRIDAY 10AM
NEW DAY BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM

St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 733 Oxford Rd, Oxford

Those who are grieving the death of a loved one need to proactively work through their grief. One way that may be helpful is to participate in the bereavement support group called the New Day Program. This program consists of ten two-hour weekly meetings. During each meeting, participants work through one component of the grieving process, guided by the New Day Journal.

We will be offering an in-person session starting on Friday, August 1st from 10am-12pm. The program is free. Registration is required.

Must RSVP by July 28th If you would like to register, please contact Maryjane at 203-888-2382 ext 104 or pastoralcare@stthomasoxford.org





ARCHBISHOP'S

06/27 ERIDAY 11:30AM - 2:30PM

St. Mary Star of the Sea Church 145 Main St, Unionville

STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE DAY

Join us for a sweet celebration at Strawberry Shortcake Day on Sunday, June 29th from 11:30 AM to 2:30 PMI Bring your friends and family for a fun-filled afternoon featuring delicious strawberry shortcake for just \$5 per person—and kids under 3 eat free! Enjoy

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Branches on the Vine

JUNE 21 - 27, 2025



Deacon David Reynolds sits at his desk in Hartford. He serves as associate director for public policy for the Connecticut Catholic Public Affairs Conference, which represents bishops in Connecticut. PHOTO BY AARON JOSEPH

The Connecticut Catholic Public Affairs Conference achieved "successes we were happy about" during the 2025 Connecticut Legislative Session, according to Deacon David Reynolds, the Conference's associate director for public policy.

"Legislation dealing with abortion, transgender rights and immigration reflected the conflict between existing state law and the recently revised federal laws and regulations," he says. "The good news is the Conference's efforts to stop harmful legislation in the areas of abortion and gender-affirming care were successful, and we are satisfied."

Here is a summary of some proposals and bills the Conference was involved in during the Connecticut Legislative Session that concluded on June 4. The Conference represents bishops in Connecticut.

House Bill 7213, Elimination of Abortion Regulations: The Conference was involved in stopping the attempt to remove existing regulations that currently prohibit abortion in the third trimester.

If approved, it also would have ended medical providers' right to refusal to participate in an abortion and removed a state requirement "to provide emergency medical treatment for an infant born alive following a failed attempt at an abortion," the deacon says.

PUBLIC POLICY OFFICE OF CATHOLIC CHURCH SCORES WINS IN STATE'S LEGISLATIVE SESSION

- Story by Joe Pisani

society."

Senate Bill 7, Religious Freedom for Catholic Hospitals: If approved, this bill could have prevented Catholic hospitals from ensuring their medical staff adhere to the Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services, promulgated by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. These directives define how a Catholic hospital must conduct itself in areas including abortion, gender-affirming care and assisted suicide.

"The Conference was involved in amending the bill to remove language that threatened religious directives that the Catholic hospitals operate under," Deacon Reynolds says.

The Conference opposed Senate Joint Resolution 35, Abortion/Gender Identity Constitutional Amendment, that could have led to a constitutional amendment to eliminate the possibility of any limits on abortion and "made transgenderism a protected class under the State Constitution," the deacon says, "thereby overriding protections that religious institutions currently have regarding gender and sexual ideology."

House Bill 7212, Social Justice/Trust Act: Connecticut's Trust Act limits the ways in which local and state law enforcement may interact with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents. The Conference supported the bill, which would make modifications to the Trust Act.

House Bill 7012, Education/Antisemitism: The Conference supported a bill to create a group to study the rise of antisemitism in public schools. "The growing antisemitism in our state is a threat to people of all faiths," Deacon Reynolds says. "And our children must be taught how truly harmful such actions and viewpoints are to a free

House Bill 6894 Social Justice/Housing: The Conference supported this bill to establish an Interagency Council on Homelessness. "This interagency council will try to come up with long-range plans to deal with homelessness and make sure the different state agencies work together," Deacon Reynolds says.

The Conference opposed *House Bill 6804* that would have taxed private schools providing housing for their teachers. This bill would have impacted very few Catholic schools in the state.

Although it was approved, the Conference opposed *House Bill 7014* which would have created a process to handle complaints about inappropriate materials available in public school libraries.

"This was an effort to actually minimize parental input on objectionable material," Deacon Reynolds says. "We will be monitoring this very closely in the future."

To stay informed of issues the Connecticut Catholic Public Affairs Conference is involved in, visit **ctcatholic.org** or call 860.524.7882.



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