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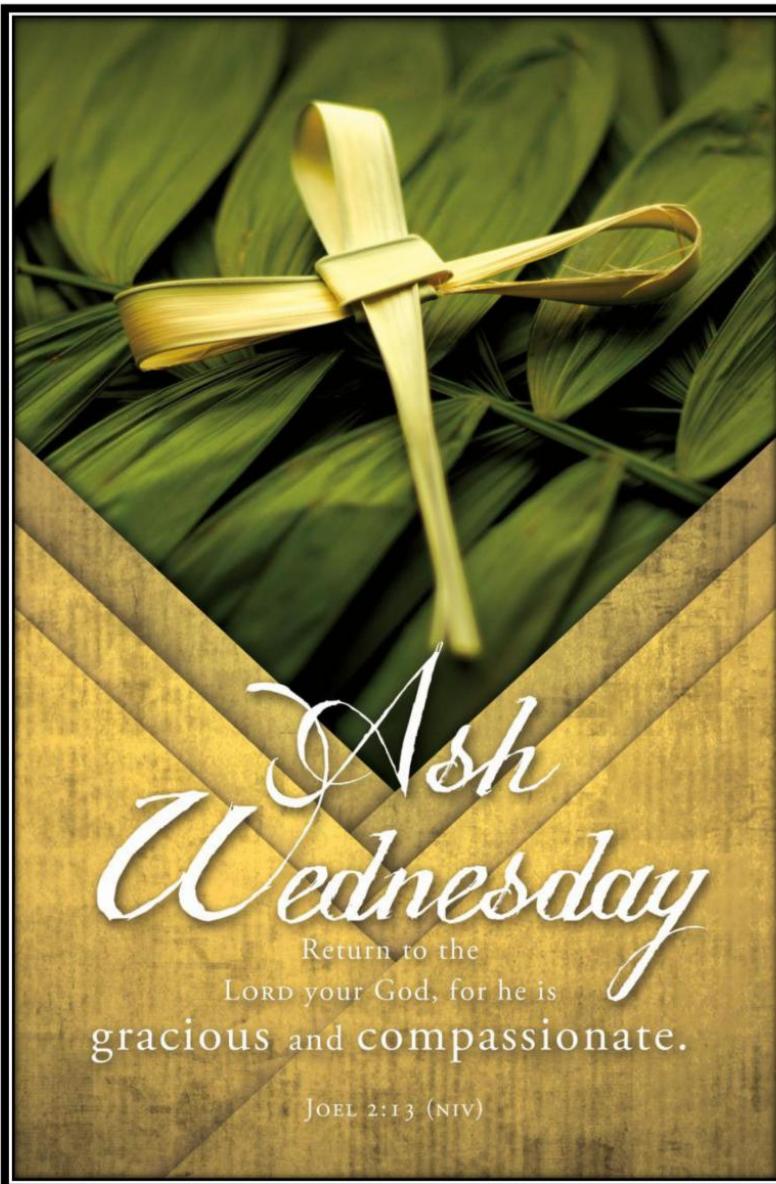


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A Warm & Welcoming Family of Catholic Faith



LENT
Pray + Fast + Give



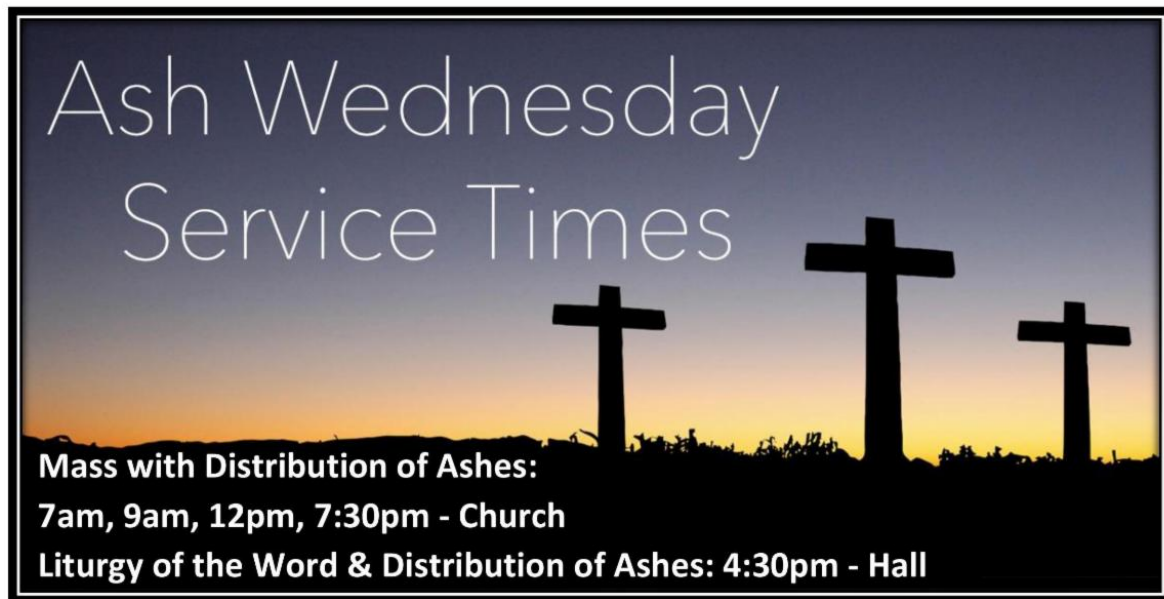
"Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing. Neither is it small to God, if we have given what we could."

St. Gregory Nazianzen

Upcoming Events

this weekend...

- Kids 4 Jesus - February 21 - 6:00 - 7:15 PM [info](#) **TONIGHT!**
 - Children's Liturgy - Family Mass 10:30 AM Hall - **Coffee and donuts - Playtime and Fellowship** [more info](#) (every Sunday)
 - Ash Wednesday, February 26 - Lent begins!
 - Stations of the Cross - Fridays during Lent - 12:30PM and 7:30PM (except 3/27 at 7:30PM)
 - Gifts from Bethlehem - Olivewood handcrafted from the Holy Land on sale in the Barn - March 21- 22
 - Vacation Bible School - VBS - July 27-31 [Register](#) [Youth Volunteer Registration](#)
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Parish Updates...

VALENTINE DINNER DANCE

Our Valentine Dinner Dance on Saturday was a lovely evening! Thanks to our team of organizers, lead by Paula Molloy, who pulled it all together. [View more photos](#)





LENTEN REFLECTION

Monsignor did a beautiful job last night delivering a Lenten Reflection to over 70 women in the Parish Hall. The evening was hosted by St. Mary Catholic Women in Community. [View More Photos](#)

Stay tuned for more Lenten events. A presentation on the **Shroud of Turin** will be coming up in March.



MARCH FOR LIFE

Parishioner and Knights of Columbus member Pete Bonfiglio recently marched for life in Washington DC!



SIGN OF PEACE

During flu season, in addition to discontinuing Communion from the Chalice, we ask that the **sign of peace be exchanged through a spoken greeting rather than physical contact**. As always, we strongly urge all adults and children feeling sick or having flu symptoms to not come to Mass or any other Parish events.



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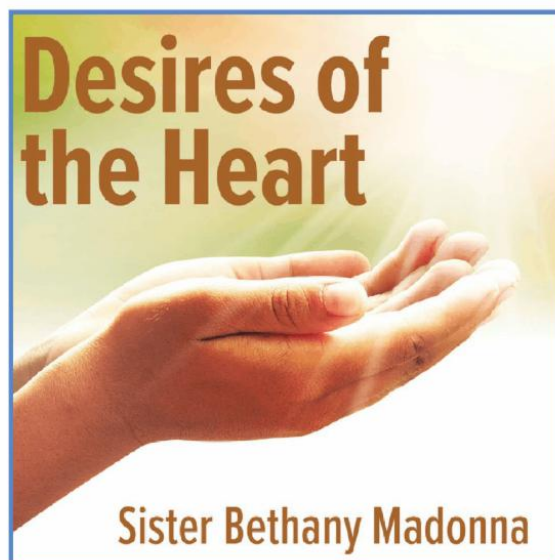
LAUNDRY LOVE UPDATE

Thanks to the generosity of St. Mary Parish, along with that of nine other faith communities in the greater Danbury area, Laundry Love of Greater Danbury (LLGD) is having a growing impact among people who are struggling

[Sign Up to Help](#)

PICK OF THE WEEK

Desires of the Heart by Sister Bethany Madonna



Sr. Bethany Madonna, vocations director for the Sisters of Life, shares how God not only wants us to know him, but also to give us the desires of our heart and gifts that bring purpose, meaning, and hope.

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ADORATION:

Sign up to become a regular Adorer (for one hour per week).

Open Adoration Hours:

Monday	7 am, 1 pm, 2 pm
Tuesday	8 am
Thursday	1 am, 10 pm
Friday	7 am and 4 pm
Saturday	3 pm and 10 pm
Sunday	5 pm

OFFERTORY:

THANK YOU!!! Our offertory has been increasing over the past few months. A sincere thank you to all who have increased your support of **St. Mary Parish!** Your support helps maintain our Church facilities and bring the Eucharist and God's Word to our community - plus it helps those in need through our many ministries. [Ways to give.](#)

PRAYERS:

Please remember our sick in your prayers and those who care for them, especially **John Brady, Bill Brown, Thomas Castellani, Carol Dalessio, Bea Hushak, Roula Lee, Scott McCaughey, Fabiola Rincon and Stephen Smith.**

PLEASE NOTE: Only immediate family members may add someone to our prayer list. Individuals will be removed monthly unless we are otherwise notified.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Barbara Siebert

May she rest in the peace of our Lord.

Funerals

Online Giving is an easy way to give with a click of a button.

Online Giving

February Activities Calendar

View Ministry List - Get Involved!

Visit our website



Religious Ed

Donate...

Guatemalan Mission - It costs \$150 to sponsor a child's education for one year. [Click here to donate](#) and help us reach our goal of 260 scholarships!

Volunteer...

Family Mass - Children's Liturgy of the Word [flyer](#)

Greeter Ministry [flyer](#)

Laundry Love of Greater Danbury [flyer volunteer sign up](#)

See our [Ministry List](#) for more opportunities to volunteer

Youth Ministry...

If anyone is going to change the world, it's the next generation. We have youth ministry programs for students in K-12th grade. They are designed to give our young parishioners a place where they can connect with God, with other people, and have fun. [Click here](#) to learn more or register.

[Click here to learn about our programs for K-5.](#)

