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BAPTISMS (Registered Parishioners): Call the Parish Office

MARRIAGES

Please set the date with the priest or deacon at least six months prior to the wedding. Weddings cannot be scheduled after the Saturday evening Mass or on Sundays.

BULLETIN DEADLINE & INSERTS

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.

Church of Saint Ann

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860-673-9858

Rev. John W. McHugh, Pastor www.stannavon.com



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:

Rosary: 8:30 am, daily Chaplet: following daily Mass

> Holy Hour Thursday: 12:00 Noon



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MONDAY, October 19 9:00 Special Intentions

TUESDAY, October 209:00Laura Santiago requested by the family

WEDNESDAY, October 21 9:00 Frank & Mary Alu, requested by their son

THURSDAY, October 22 9:00 Special Intentions

FRIDAY, October 23 9:00 Special Intentions

SATURDAY, October 24

4:00 For the deceased members of the Sheridan/Haney Families, requested by the Sheridan Family

SUNDAY, October 25

- 7:30 Lina Fusco, requested by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Aquino
- 9:30 Vera Alft, requested by Alina Bolkowski & Family
- 11:00 Kay O'Neill, requested by her family



November 14, 2015 7pm in Fr. Bennett Hall

You'll take it "Nice and Easy" with cocktails. The "Best is Yet to Come" with a barbeque dinner. "My Way" is beer & sweet tea with dinner or you can BYOB. Desserts baked by the Marthas + Marys.

Featuring Michael Negretti for your entertainment.

Tickets sold in the Gathering Space after Masses on the weekends of: Oct. 31/Nov. 1 and Nov. 7/8 For more information contact Anne Yurch: (860.675.1366)

> RSOP by November 11 to: Karen Edgar 11 Bluestone Lane, Avon



If you are a resident in this area, we hope that you will continue to grace us with your presence and register with our office manager. You may call 860-673-9858 or stop by the parish office to register. If you are a visitor, we thank you for participating in worshiping with us and we hope to see you again.

This Week at St. Ann's

MONDAY, October 19

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle: 7:15pm in the church-(Enter through door on the left side of the church)

TUESDAY, October 20

RCIA: 7pm in Room 3

WEDNESDAY, October 21

Lectio Divina: 3:30pm in Room 3 Knights of Columbus Meeting: 7pm in Room 2

THURSDAY, October 22

Marthas + Marys meeting: 9:30 am in Room 3 Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church, weather permitting Traditional Choir: 2pm in the Choir Loft Children's Choir (grades 4-8): 4:15pm in the Choir Loft Folk/Contemporary Choir: 7:30pm in the Choir Loft

FRIDAY, October 23

SATURDAY, October 24

Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room Wine Tasting: 7pm in Fr. Bennett Hall

SUNDAY, October 25

Christmas Pageant Sign-Ups/Auditions Friday, October 30th 3 - 5pm in Fr. Bennett Hall

All children of St. Ann aged pre-school through 8th grade are invited to participate in the *Living Nativity* which will be performed on Saturday, December 19th at 6:00 p.m. **Auditions and sign-ups for the production will be held on Friday, October 30th, from 3:00 to 5:00 in Father Bennett Hall** on a rolling basis (meaning you may show up any time within in the two hours to audition or sign-up).

For more information, please contact Susan Rietano Davey at srietano@gmail.com or <u>860-673-7544</u>.

WE NEED YOU!



The weekday morning Rosary group is in serious, immediate need of new members. You just need to come to the left, front side of the church before 8:25am. We will provide free rosaries to anyone in need. Please help us to continue this devotion to the Blessed Mother at St. Ann. It would be sad to see it come to an end.

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

October 11, 2015: \$7,286.50 Online Giving (week ending 10/14/15): \$3,199.00 Next weekend's second collection:

none



Ministering to body, mind and spirit, the Health Ministry offers blood pressure screening, health counseling and referrals to our community of faith. Office hours for October will be the 1st Sunday of the month (10/4/15) from 8:15-11am in the Sacristry (2nd door on the left as you enter the vestibule of the church). No appointment necessary.

Marian Movement of Priests -Cenacle of Prayer Monday evenings at St. Ann's from 7:15 8:15pm

The Cenacle format is very simple:

 Invocation to the Holy Spirit, 2. Recitation of the Holy Rosary,
Prayers for our Holy Father, 4. Prayers for our Priests and Seminarians, 5. Reading and meditation on one of the messages given in the book—"To the Priests, Our Lady's Beloved Sons",
Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Please visit the official website of the MMP at www.mmp-usa.net for additional information. If you are interested in joining us to pray a holy rosary, please come to the church on Monday evenings at 7:15. All are welcome! Come pray with us.

Communion For Shut-Ins

The Eucharistic ministers would be ha to those in our parish who are unable to come to church. Please call the Parish Office and leave your name and address if you wish to receive Communion **860-673-9858**.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades K-8: UPCOMING CLASSES October 18th and November 1st

Next Family Mass: October 25th at 9:30am Grades 1 & 2 sponsor Parish Coffee after the Mass



If you have yet to pay your dues, please send \$15 payable to the Marthas and Marys to: Sue Ollestad :117 New Road Avon, CT 06001

<u> Marthas + Marys: October</u>



In order to increase awareness of our ministric Church of St. Ann, the M+M's are asking you to give some time to another one of our ministries during the month of October. This is in keeping with our mission to be involved socially, spiritually, and in our church community. Socially, think of attending the golf outing on Sunday the 11th or the wine tasting on Saturday the 24th. We discussed the clothing sale during our meeting but please come to our Parish Coffee on the 18th after the 9:30 or come before attending the 11 masses to be a part of our church community. Spiritually, consider the Divine Mercy which you can check for the date in the Bulletin.

Read the Bulletin for further information regarding our ministry offerings this month.



For our convenience, a labeled bucket is now in the Gathering Space to collect non-perishable food for the Town of Avon Food Pantry located below Fr. Bennett Hall. Many local families are helped and are grateful for this assistance. We plan to have this section in the bulletin often to list items that are needed in the pantry. Check back often!



<u>Grocery list</u> Cereal

Cereal Mayonnaise Ketchup



Contemporary Music Ministry



Do you enjoy singing along with the music at 9:30AM Mass? If you answered, "Yes" then maybe you might think about joining the Contemporary Music Group. We are looking for more singers and instrumentalist to enhance our sound. Please contact Carl Sauerbrunn after any 9:30 Mass if you are interested in being a part of this important ministry at St. Ann.

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

Baby Bottle Drive

Please return the baby bottles for St. Gerard's this weekend October 17/18.

40 Days for Life

Under the direction of Archbishop Leonard P. Blair, our Archdiocese will again partake in the "40 Days for Life" Program. This is a peaceful, national pro-life campaign spreading across 48 states for the sanctity of life. Each of the 40 days consists of two elements: 24 hours of prayer in Eucharistic Adoration and a 12 hour vigil of prayer in peaceful action.

Eucharistic Adoration will be held here at St. Ann . We will join in a spirit of unity to pray, fast, and demonstrate peaceful activism to seek God's favor to turn hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life, thus bringing an end to abortion in America

Eucharistic Adoration will begin after the Sunday morning Masses from 12:00 p.m. on October 18th and continue until 9:00 a.m. on Monday, October 19th. During these hours of adoration there will be The Divine Mercy Holy Hour from 2:30-3:30 p.m. followed by the recitation of the rosary until 4 p.m.

The prayer vigil for the unborn will also take place on October 18th from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on the traffic island outside of the clinic at the end of Retreat Avenue and Jefferson Street in Hartford.

There is a sign up sheet in the gathering space for 24 hour Eucharistic Adoration coverage. Anyone who would like to pray at the vigil before the Hartford GYN Center should sign up on the designated poster also in the gathering space and contact Joan Gould, Pro-Life Representative at 860-673-9858 Ext 226. To read more about the "40 days for Life Campaign" go to www.40daysforlife.com



Many Hartford area companies will soon begin their United Way Campaigns. Last year, many parishioners were generous in designating St. Ann's as the beneficiary of

their United Way pledge, and for that I am most grateful. Please consider designating St. Ann's Church (United Way code #AG0723) for your United Way pledge. Thank you for your generosity. -Fr. McHugh

The Men of Saint Ann ivite you to a



Presenting wines from France along with Hors d'Oeuvres

Saturday October 24, 2015

7pm Fr. Bennett Hall

The donation will be \$10 per person.

For reservations contact: John Kuzia at 860-284-0020 or kman@kuzia.com

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Here's What's Up:

Today is the food drive at Faith Formation classes for

the Avon Food Pantry. Your generosity in the past this time of year has stocked the pantry until after the holidays! Let's see if we can get it stocked until Valentine's Day! If you are unable to make it to AMS to drop off the food you are welcome to drop the food off anytime at the pantry downstairs, in the back of church.

The church library is officially OPEN! Thank you to Elizabeth Collier for all her hard work. Visit the library anytime! It has wonderful resources for ALL ages that will point back to the character of God. It is located on the left side of the church, downstairs in the back right of the activity room.

Garden clean-up for winter will be on Saturday, 10/24 at 3 pm behind church. More hands = less work:-) It is a great way to get the kids involved!

If you would like more info about Youth Outreach join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, November 3 from 7-8 pm in Room 2. Kids are welcome!

If you are unable to make it but would like more information please email Shawn George at segeorge12@gmail.com.

Come enjoy and learn about wines from France, sample some wonderful hors d'oeuvres and gain in your wine knowledge. with your friends.

2015 ANNUAL PARISH COLLECTION

Every parish family received a letter from Fr. McHugh recently asking for a contribution to our Annual Parish **Collection** to help balance our budget.

The participation of ALL parishioners is essential for the success of this effort. Please return your gift card today.

Thank you!

FAITH FORMATION FOR THE FAMILY

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Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

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Defending Our Religious Liberty

When listening to the upcoming presidential debates, it is important to hone in on the candidates' positions regarding freedom of religion and rights of conscience.

If you haven't done so already, please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate by calling U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445, and your elected representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.

Readings for the Week of October 18, 2015

Sunday:	ls 53:10-11/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45					
Monday:	Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21					
Tuesday:	Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/					
	Lk 12:35-38					
Wednesday:	Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48					
Thursday:	Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53					
Friday:	Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59					
Saturday:	Rom 8:1-11/Lk 13:1-9					
Next Sunday:	Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52					

Question of the Week...

What do you want most from Jesus today?

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

How many times have we seen our children latch on to some instrument, sport, or other activity only to abandon it a few months later? It has happened to all of us. There's the child who insists that he or she is going to play the trombone forever, picks up the instrument,

faithfully goes to lessons, and just after mom and dad finally make the outlay on a brand new instrument, the child decides that music is not an interest anymore. Or there's the son or daughter who is intensely interested in soccer, but a year after joining the special teams' league decides soccer isn't that important. A parent could go mad, until we realize that childhood is exactly for this kind of experimentation, finding out what fits and what doesn't.

In some ways this weekend's Gospel is a bit like this. James and John come to Jesus much like the child who asks for the new drum set because he is absolutely going to practice every day! James and John want their reward for walking all over Galilee and Judea with Jesus. When he asks them if they are ready to endure what will come, they answer like the child who says to the parent, "Oh yes, of course. I will practice (piano, basketball, swimming, saxophone-choose one) every single day!" Jesus tells James and John that they will have the hard work and the tribulation, but the reward is given by the Father.

Our children discover over time what the things of value they want to work towards are, and what talents they want to develop. Jesus points out to his disciples that one value is being a servant. A life lesson that we can impart to our sons and daughters as they grow up is one that comes from our faith: how we act toward others and how we care for those in need are important, more important than playing trombone or soccer well.

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WISDOM HOUSE RETREAT AND CONFERENCE CENTER Litchfield, CT

1.) From Wisdom's Table: Brunch in a Muffin Tin, Wednesday, November 4, 6-7:30 pm. Presented by Chef Margaret Jacobs. Brunch couldn't get any easier than this!

2.) The Mind, The Body and Self-Compassion, Friday, November 13 (6 pm dinner – Sunday November 15 (lunch). Presented by Judith Ehrman-Shapiro. Explore the topic of self-compassion through guided meditation, spiritual readings, labyrinth walks, meditative movement, journal writing, and conversation.

3.) Let Go and Let God - Presented by Sr. Elaine Deasy, RSM. Friday, November 20 (6pm dinner) through Sunday, Nov. 22 (lunch). A retreat for women in AA and ALANON.

For any fees and/or further information contact Wisdom House at: (860) 567-3163 or email: programs@wisdomhouse.org or visit: www.wisdomhouse.org

The Information You Need for the *Care They Deserve*...



2015 Caregiver Educational Series

6:00-7:30 pm

Simsbury, CT 06070 Burkholder Community Center

or more information or to RSVP, please call 860-658-3723

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www.McLeanCare.org 5 Great Pond Road | Simsbury, CT 06070 The Atwater at McLean invites you to a series of events designed to help caregivers better understand how Alzheimer's and dementia impact their loved ones and offers support to those facing the challenges of caregiving.

Wednesday, October 7 "Paying for Long-Term Care-Ways to Make it Alfordable." Presented by Brendan F. Daly. Attorney at CorpigaDalyPape

Wednesday, October 14 "Caring for an Elder-toved One – What Wigder, and What Doesn't." Berented by Joanne Fau, RN, BSN, MSN, CMC, CDP

Wednesday, October 21 "Understanding and Responding to Dementia-Related Behavior." Procented by Gaodyn DeRece, VP of Programs and Education, Alcheimer's Association, CT Chapter

Wednesday, October 28 "Your Window to Their World" A Virtual Tour Illustrating the Reality of Living with Memory Impairment (1.5 CEU credits available). Pronted by Jonas Saver, Aging Effordealy Consultants

Wednesday, November 4 "Caring for the Caregiver: Eat Healthy: Be Active: And the Importance of Looking After You." Presented by Traci Teffi. RN, MSN

Spirituality in Marriage An Evening of Reflection

Join Pat and Bill Walsh in a conversation about the challenges and joys of nurturing and strengthening your most important relationship and celebrating the second half of marriage. They will share their wisdom and invite you to reflect on the following questions.

How are you expressing your love and commitment for each other?

How are you sharing your spirituality?



Hosted by the Church of St. Ann's Holy Family Retreat Coordinators Location: Father Bennett Hall, Church of St. Ann, Avon, CT Date: Thursday, October 29 at 7:30 PM Free admission and open to all

Pat and Bill Walsh have been married for 31 years. They have two sons, Devin, 27, and Lukas, 25. Pat and Bill have been active members in St. Catherine of Siena parish for over 26 years. Pat has been the Director of Advancement at Northwest Catholic High School in West Hartford. Bill joined the retreat team at Holy Family Retreat Center part-time in 1991, and became the full-time Associate Retreat Director in 2013.

> Holy Family Retreat Information Join us after the talk to learn about this year's men's and women's retreats



Women's retreat dates: January 8-10; January 29-31; March 4-6; April 22-24; June 3-5

St. Ann Men's retreat date: January 22-24

47th Annual Social Justice Dinner and Awards Tuesday, October 27, 2015 Aqua Turf Club, Plantsville

Join us as we celebrate awards for exceptional efforts in social justice ministry at the 47th Annual Social Justice Dinner and Awards on Tuesday, October 27that the Aqua Turf Club in Plantsville, CT.

Beginning with a reception at 5 pm, the evening will feature special guest speaker, Dr. Carolyn Woo, President and CEO of Catholic Relief Services, the official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States. Dr. Woo will share her rich experience as well as stories of the wide range of CRS work around the world.

2015 Awardees:

Bishop Joseph F. Donnelly Memorial Award Individual: Nancy Kiely, Corpus Christi Church, Wethersfield Group: Malta House of Care Mobile Clinic

Dr. Charlie Schlegel Award for Cooperative Parish Sharing St. Mary Church, New Britain for their Hispanic Families in Action Program

> For tickets call OCSJM at: 203.777.7279 or visit: www.catholicsocialjustice.org. Tickets are \$70 per person/ \$650 for a table of 10