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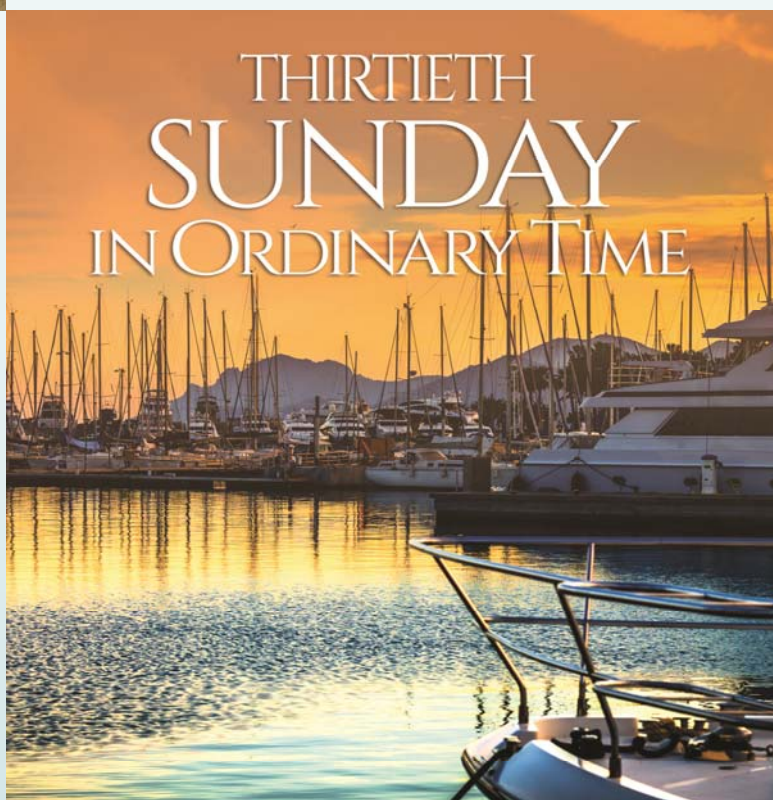
Call the Parish Office

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.



THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Son of David, have pity on me." Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." So they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you." Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." - Mk 10:48c-49, 51

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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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MONDAY, October 26

9:00 Special Intentions

TUESDAY, October 27

9:00 Special Intentions

WEDNESDAY, October 28

9:00 Vera Beattie Alft & Jack Beattie, requested
by Jeanne Beattie Brooks

THURSDAY, October 29

9:00 Pietro DiTommaso, requested by
his wife and daughters

FRIDAY, October 29

9:00 Special Intentions

SATURDAY, October 31

4:00 Dominic Nardini, requested by the family

SUNDAY, November 1

7:30 Rose King, requested by the family
9:30 For the deceased members of the Prince
Thomas of Savoy Society
11:00 Rod Blacker, requested by
Paul & Constance Rotondo

corner Grocery

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!



Grocery list

Cereal
Mayonnaise
Ketchup

Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. - Mk 10:51-52

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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 worshipping with us and we hope to see you again.

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN'S

MONDAY, October 26

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

TUESDAY, October 27

RCIA: 7pm in Room 3

WEDNESDAY, October 28

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

THURSDAY, October 29

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
Spirituality in Marriage, An Evening of Reflection: 7:30pm in FB Hall

FRIDAY, October 30

Christmas Pageant Sign-Ups/Auditions: 3-5pm in FB Hall

SATURDAY, October 31

Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room

SUNDAY, November 1

Teen Mass: 4:30pm in the Church



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 860-673-7544.

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME**October 18, 2015: \$6,943.00****Online Giving (week ending 10/14/15): \$3,359.00****Next weekend's second collection:***All Saints and Catholic Worker House***HEARTS & SOULS**

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 Sacristy (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:

1. Invocation to the Holy Spirit, 2. Recitation of the Holy Rosary,
3. 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",
6. 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 happy 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**.

Free Rosary Repair Service...

Free Rosary Repair Service at St. Ann's will resume in May. If you should need rosaries repaired from November to April, please send to Betty and Dick Holden, 7930 Estero Blvd. #502, Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931. For more information you may call: 239-463-3993 or email them at: HoldenBnD@comcast.net

**Want to know about your Parish Ministries?**

Check out St. Ann's website (www.stannavon.com) for more information on your parish ministries! The website has a ministry section which gives you information about the ministry as well as a contact person to help you learn more about our numerous ministries.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION****Grades K-8: UPCOMING CLASSES****November 1st and November 15th****Next Family Mass: October 25th at 9:30am***Grades 1 & 2 sponsor Parish Coffee after the Mass***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 instrumentalists 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.

Help Us Continue...
Morning Rosary


You may or not be aware that we have two Rosary groups in St. Ann's. There is a Monday to Friday group that meets at 8:25 A.M. and a Monday evening group that meets at 7:15 P.M.

The Monday to Friday Rosary begins with recitation of the Divine Chaplet, followed by the recitation of the Rosary. Christ told Saint Faustina that whoever recites the Chaplet will receive great mercy at the time of death. In the 1930's a Polish nun known as St. Faustina Kowalska recorded the chaplet of Divine Mercy after receiving visions from Jesus Christ.

Jesus taught that praying with others is especially powerful as He is there within our midst during these times. This especially is true for the Rosary. Pope Pious the IX said "Give me one million families praying the Rosary and the world is saved." Pope Pious the X said "Give me an army saying the Rosary and I will conquer the world." St. Louis De Montfort said "One who says the Rosary alone gains the merit of that one Rosary but if he says it together with others, he gains the merit of each Rosary".

"When you say your Rosary, the Angels rejoice, the Blessed Trinity delights in it, My Son finds joy in it too, and I myself am happier than you can possibly guess, after the Sacrifice of the Mass there is nothing in the Church that I love as much as the Rosary" Our Lady to Blessed Alan de la Roche.

On June 13, 1917 Our Lady of Fatima said "I want you to pray the Rosary every day."

The morning Rosary is in serious need of new members due to illness, relocation and need to care for family members, etc. The morning group is down to 5 regular members but three of them will probably be gone by the fall.

Please help us to continue this devotion and gain in the benefits of group prayer. It would be sad if it would come to an end after many years in St Ann's parish.

For those of you who are not familiar with the Chaplet or do not have a Rosary we will have extras to provide you with.



"You'll Never Know" who
can sing it better than
you in "This Town"
if you are a
"Stranger in the Night"

Fall Frolic

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: \$30

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)

RSVP by November 11 to:
Karen Edgar
11 Bluestone Lane, Avon



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!

**United
Way**



Many Hartford area
companies will soon
begin their UnitedWay
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



SAINT ANN'S
YOUTH
outreach

Thank you...

to everyone who came to help us close the garden for the winter and for ALL the food
donations to the Avon Food Pantry. Chief Martino is very grateful for your generosity.

Upcoming Youth Outreach Activities

- **Sunday, November 1 is Candy Drive for the Troops at Faith Formation classes:**
Bring in your extra Halloween candy and we will send it to the troops!
- **Sunday, November 15 is the Turkey Drive at Faith Formation Classes:**
Donate a turkey and fixings to be given to those in need this Thanksgiving.
- **A new family activity we are doing this year is Christmas Caroling at River Ridge in Avon. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, December 9 at 6:30- 7:30pm to sing Christmas Carols to seniors. If any of your children have a musical talent and would like to perform a solo that evening, please let us know!**

*Thank you for doing
what you can,
when you can :-)*

Join us for the next Youth Outreach meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 3rd from 7-8 pm in Rm. 2.

Kids of all ages are welcome! If you are unable to make the meeting but would like to learn more about Youth Outreach
activities, please email Shawn George at segeorge12@gmail.com to be placed on the email list

Be well and God bless, The Youth Outreach Committee

FAITH FORMATION FOR THE FAMILY



Puzzle

Find the matching pair.



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Answer: SIX AND ONE NUMBERS

Question of the Week...

**When does being
Jesus' disciple
require courage?**

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

When you have an opportunity to take a once in a lifetime chance, do you take it? Granted, there is no strict definition for such an instance, but in the strictest sense of the term, do you take chances or do you play it safe? One could argue that our lives are a series of opportunities, and some of the choices we make are the

only chances we'll ever have. We may decide to go to work rather than college, and years later we're unable to find the time or the will to go back and get that degree. Or, sometimes a once in a lifetime chance is as simple as asking for something.

Bartimaeus figured that he had nothing to lose; blind since birth, he had heard that Jesus was preaching to a crowd nearby. Knowing in his heart that Jesus was truly the Son of God, Bartimaeus went to Jesus, and interrupting his sermon asked Jesus to cure his blindness. Jesus' compassion for a man who had such faith without seeing led him to grant his wish. If we can have faith in Jesus without ever having seen or heard him, will we realize a "once in a lifetime chance"?

The Catechism of the Catholic Church, teaching on faith, states: "[A] disciple of Christ must not only keep the faith and live on it, but also profess it, confidently bear witness to it, and spread it" (CCC 1816). Bartimaeus not only possessed great faith in Jesus, he was unashamed and unafraid to call out to his Savior in front of the many people around him. In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus said, "Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father." Today, if you meet someone who needs the loving arms of Jesus Christ, take that chance to share his promise of everlasting life.

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Defending Our Religious Liberty

Pope Francis has emphasized that "religious freedom is not simply freedom of thought or private worship. It is the freedom to live according to ethical principles, both privately and publicly."

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 25, 2015

Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52
 Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17
 Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21
 Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16
 Thursday: Rom 8:31b-39/Lk 13:31-35
 Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6
 Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Lk 14:1, 7-11
 Next Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

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Bishop Matthew Clark
Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Rochester, NY
Saturday, November 7
5:00-7:30 p.m.

"The family which experiences the joy of faith communicates it naturally.
That family is the salt of the earth and the light of the world; it is the leaven of society."
Pope Francis, October 27, 2013



We have invited Bishop Matthew Clark to join us and share his insights on the Synod on the Family.

In preparation for this gathering, we recommend reading a summary of part 1 of the Synod written by Fr. James Martin, S.J.:
http://www.buffingtonpost.com/rev-james-martin-sj/catholic-synod-h_6014418.html

This is an opportunity not to be missed!
Join us with Bishop Matthew Clark!

"...that is his legacy to our diocese -- he is a shepherd who deeply loves the church and the people God entrusted to his care and joyfully serves them."
September 12, 2012
Sr. Mary Ann Binsack, RSM, vice chancellor of the Diocese of Rochester and administrator of the Bishop's Office.

ALL are WELCOME!

For more information and to register, please call the parish office at 860-756-4034.

Invite a friend to join you!

Free, well-lit parking is available in the Saints parking lot across from the Franciscan Center.
Free Will Offering

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

*A free raffle will be held at the end of the workshop. The winner will be awarded a gift certificate to a weekend retreat and must be in attendance to win.

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



Endless Hope: A one day retreat designed for young people from 18 to 40 (married or single).

All people are welcome.

Is the world falling apart? In the news we have terror groups, murders, unemployment and crippling taxes. Many have been martyred for their faith in Christ. Fires, drought, floods, earthquakes and huge storms are devastating our world. It all seems totally HOPELESS.

"ENDLESS HOPE" is what GOD has for us. Will YOU COME away with GOD for ONE DAY? No cell phones or tablets. Let GOD speak to your mind and soul. OUR LORD and OUR LADY will FILL YOU with THEIR GRACE and GOD's ENDLESS HOPE. " This will be a life changing experience for all who attend".

Held on November 14th, 2015 at St. Anthony's Church, Prospect, Ct. from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Donation: \$10.00 per person. \$10.00 per person for lunch (real turkey dinner) or bring your own lunch. We will also take up a free will offering for our sponsor inourblessedmothersarms.org

For more info go to inourblessedmothersarms.org and look for the RETREAT link or call 203-758-5173 or 203-886-6736. Reservations are necessary.

Northwest Catholic H.S. OPEN HOUSE

Come visit Northwest Catholic during our Open House on Sunday, October 25th from 1-3 p.m. All are welcome and there is no registration necessary. Northwest Catholic High School will administer its entrance exam on November 14th and December 5th at 8 a.m. You can apply and register for the exam by going to www.NorthwestCatholic.org/Apply. Please contact Andrew Selig at aselig@nwcath.org with any questions.

October 31, November 1

November 7, 8

November 14, 15

November 21, 22

November 28, 29

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