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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.

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See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. 1 JOHN 3:1A

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

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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



All Saints

MONDAY, November 2

9:00 **Dr. Theodore deGroot**, requested by his wife and family

TUESDAY, November 39:00Special Intentions

WEDNESDAY, November 4 9:00 Special Intentions

THURSDAY, November 5

9:00 For the Cronin & Murphy Families, requested by Mary Carey

FRIDAY, November 6

9:00 Special Intentions

SATURDAY, November 7

4:00 Henry Hojnowski, requested by Russell and Diane Koch

SUNDAY, November 8

- 7:30 Philip Atiyeh
- 9:30 **Robby Brisco**, requested by Steve and Lisa Cerchia
- 11:00 John & Theresa Sammataro, requested by the Ligato Family



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH

8:30am-2pm



St. Ann's Confirmation/Youth Ministry teens will be will having a Flea Market/Tag Sale on Saturday, November 7th from 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m. in Fr. Bennett Hall. Proceeds will be donated to Guiding Light, a ministry that serves Uganda's children in need of basic necessities. *** Items being sold are donated by the families of the students. ***



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, November 2

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting: 7pm in Room 2 Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle: 7:15pm in the church-(Enter through door on the left side of the church)

TUESDAY, November 3

RCIA: 7pm in Room 3

WEDNESDAY, November 4

Lectio Divina: 3:30pm in Room 3

THURSDAY, November 5

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, November 6

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal: 2:30-5pm in FB Hall

SATURDAY, November 7

Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room Youth Ministry Flea Market: 8:30am - 2pm in Fr. Bennett Hall

SUNDAY, November 8



Many Hartford area companies will soon begin their United Way Campaigns. Last year, many parishioners were generous 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*



For parishioners that do not use the envelope system, there are All Souls Day envelopes in the pews for those who wish to place the names of their loved ones on the altar during the month of November. Envelope users should have an All Souls envelope.

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

October 25, 2015: \$6,740.35.00 Online Giving (week ending 10/21/15): \$2,584.00 Next weekend's second collection: *Monthly*



Ministering to body, mind and spirit, the Health Ministry offers blood pressure screening, health counseling and referrals to our community of faith. Office hours are the 2nd Sunday of each month 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**.

Free Rosary Repair Service... 1000



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





performed on Saturday, December 19th at 6:00 p.m. *For more information, please contact Susan*

Rietano Davey at <u>srietano@gmail.com</u> or <u>860-673-7544</u>.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades K-8: UPCOMING CLASSES November 1st and November 15th

Next Family Mass: November 8th at 9:30am Grades 3 & 5 sponsor Parish Coffee after the Mass



"Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God." - Mt 5:3, 9 Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.



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 any

non-perishable food items





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

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 atseqeorge12@qmail.com to be placed on the email list

Be well and God bless. The Youth Outreach Committee

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

The Catholic Church's opposition to the Health & Human Services mandate is the fact that we are forced to comply with provisions that are contrary to our religious beliefs. Historically, the Church has delivered quality health care to all people who need it through our Catholic hospitals and social service programs. What we oppose is authorizing or paying for procedures that violate Catholic teaching.

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 November 1, 2015

Sunday:	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a					
Monday:	Wis 3:1-9/Rom 5:5-11 or 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40					
Tuesday:	Rom 12:5-16b/Lk 14:15-24					
Wednesday:	Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33					
Thursday:	Rom 14:7-12/Lk 15:1-10					
Friday:	Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8					
Saturday:	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Lk 16:9-15					
Next Sunday:	1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44					
	or 12:41-44					
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Question of the Week...

Which of the beatitudes do you find most challenging?

All Saints

In a few weeks, we'll be sitting down to a meal and giving thanks for all of our blessings. Some of us may even spend the day at a shelter, preparing dinner for the homeless, and this is a good thing. But we would do well to remember that these shelters are open every day of

the year, and just like on a Thursday in November, a meal must be prepared every afternoon. There are those among us who regularly schedule a day or two a week to serve or prepare these meals. They don't do it for recognition or self -fulfillment; they do it because it must be done. They often do such things in total anonymity; they are truly saints of today.

Today's Gospel reading from Matthew is Jesus' gift of the beatitudes. They are gifts because the word beatitude means happiness or blessedness. In detailing those who would receive such a gift, Jesus is revealing who really are saints among us: the poor in spirit, the sad, the meek, the hungry and thirsty, the merciful, the pure of heart, the peacemakers, and the persecuted. Each of these saints desires joy and happiness for all they encounter. In all needs, we find blessedness in Jesus Christ.

We are taught in the Catechism of the Catholic Church that the church is "a communion of saints." This expression is defined first and foremost in the Eucharist, by which the faithful are united in one body. It also refers to all who have suffered in the name of Christ to better our lives (CCC 960-961). Today is the feast of All Saints, in which we recognize and give thanks for those who have gone before us preserving and promoting Christianity, some having paid the ultimate sacrifice for their beliefs. We are called to be saints for today. Will we answer?

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