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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.

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Many rich people put in large sums. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood." - Mk 12:41 c, 43-44

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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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MONDAY, November 9

9:00 **Carolyn Calcagni**, *requested by the family*

TUESDAY, November 10

9:00 **For the Carey & Scanlon Families**,
requested by Mary Carey

WEDNESDAY, November 11

9:00 **Patricia Ann McGrath**, *requested by Linda Miller*

THURSDAY, November 12

9:00 **Special Intentions**

FRIDAY, November 13

9:00 **Edward Stepien (3rd Ann)**, *requested by the Stepien Family*

SATURDAY, November 14

4:00 **Fr. Francis Wright, CSSP (1st Ann)**,
requested by the Juda Family

SUNDAY, November 15

7:30 **Special Intentions**

9:30 **Jack Tromza**, *requested by Mary Jane Jeter*

11:00 **Josephine & Joseph Scafidi**, *requested by the Ligato Family*

Knights of Columbus



Annual Pie Sale

Our Knights of Columbus will be in the Gathering Space taking orders for the annual Pie Sale after all Masses this weekend and next: Nov. 7th and 8th and November 14th and 15th.

Choices will be:

Pumpkin, Apple, Berry & Peach Praline

Pies will be available for pick-up on the weekend of Nov. 21st and 22nd after all masses.

Thanks for supporting the KoC.



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, November 9

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

TUESDAY, November 10

RCIA: 7pm in Room 3

Social Justice Committee Meeting: 7:30 pm in Room 2

WEDNESDAY, November 11

Lectio Divina: 3:30pm in Room 3

THURSDAY, November 12

Marthas + Marys Meeting: 9:30am 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, November 13

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

SATURDAY, November 14

Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room

Fall Frolic: 7pm in Fr. Bennett Hall (see pg. 4 for details)

SUNDAY, November 15

Divine Mercy Holy Hour: 2:30pm in the church



Divine Mercy Holy Hour
Next Sunday, November 15th

2:30 - 3:30pm.

In His revelations to Saint Faustina, Our Lord asked for special prayer and meditation on His Passion. He said, "aching mankind will not have peace until they turn to My Mercy"

Please join us for this powerful devotion!

United Way



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

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME**November 1, 2015: \$9,353.05****Online Giving (week ending 11/4/15): \$2,747.00****Next weekend's second collection:***None***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 are the 2nd Sunday of each month 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



Christmas Pageant Rehearsal
Friday, November 13th
2:30 - 5pm in Fr. Bennett Hall
(refer to your practice schedule)

The Living Nativity which will be performed on Saturday, December 19th

at 6:00 p.m. For more information, please contact Susan Rietano Davey at srietano@gmail.com or 860-673-7544.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATIONGrades K-8: UPCOMING CLASSESNovember 15th and December 6th**Next Family Mass: November 8th at 9:30am***Grades 3 & 5 sponsor Parish Coffee after the Mass***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**

any
non-perishable
food items

Turkey Express**Weekend of November 21/22, 2015****at Church of Saint Ann***Look for the truck labeled "Turkey Express"*

Please consider donating the following Thanksgiving dinner items for our Avon and Hartford neighbors:

Frozen Turkeys or Hams**Suggested Fixings:**

stuffing mix, jellied cranberry sauce, fresh or canned vegetables, rice, small bag of potatoes &/or sweet potatoes, fresh or canned fruit, juice, dinner rolls, brownie/cake mixes, frosting, gravy, baby food, salad dressing, mayonnaise...



Our Parish Goal is 500 Turkeys
and Lots of Fixings!

Thank you for your generosity and
have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Sponsored by our
 Social Justice Committee
"Together We Serve All God's People"





"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



A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:42-43

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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!



Thank you...

to everyone who donated leftover Halloween candy for our troops. We received 6 bins worth!

Upcoming Youth Outreach Activities

- **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, Dec. 1st from 6-7 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

*Thank you for doing
what you can,
when you can*



FAITH FORMATION FOR THE FAMILY

Sharing the Gospel

If you love and believe in Jesus, you never have to be afraid of dying. One day your body will stop working, but you will live again. Jesus promises to give you a new life. In heaven you will live forever with God. God will always be with you, and he loves you.

Prayer

God, I can hardly wait to be with you in heaven.

Something to Draw

Draw and cut out a picture of a butterfly. Hang it from a string in your room.

Mission for the Week

Each time you see a butterfly, remember that God will give you a new body in heaven, where you will live forever.

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Question of the Week...

What inspires you to be generous?

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

We all know the maxim, "Actions speak louder than words." It is part of our cultural heritage. It is one of those truisms that we accept. We all know that there are plenty of words that lead to action. Words themselves have their own power. If they didn't, people wouldn't be writing essays, blogs, diatribes, commentaries, or advertisements. Very often, we use words to get people to take action. How many times have we seen a splashy ad with the words "Buy now!" prominently displayed in an overlay. Advertisers look to include a call to action to seal the deal. So in some ways words are just as important as the actions themselves. Actions by the British government and inflammatory words by pamphleteers push the Continental Congress to write the Declaration of Independence, words that became a call to action on the part of the populace.

This weekend's Gospel is a combination of words and actions. In the first half Jesus is teaching about the dangers of religious hypocrisy. He warns his followers to make sure that their daily actions conform to their religious beliefs. In the second half of the Gospel, Jesus praises the widow who makes a donation to the Temple treasury. Her simple act of kindness spoke volumes about her own devotion and religious convictions. To quote another proverb, she "gave until it hurt."

The life of a Christian is always a balance between words and actions. The words of faith-the doctrine, the preaching, the Bible study, the prayers-give the foundation to who we are as Christians. Without those words, our identity gets muddled. It's one reason we proclaim one of the creeds each Sunday. However, our actions in the world give firm expression to our faith. Without them no one would ever see what Christianity really is: the love of Christ made visible in the world by his followers today.

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Defending Our Religious Liberty

The Catholic Church is not asking for special treatment when it comes to the federal healthcare mandate, she is simply asking that every American's right to religious freedom be protected. This right is not only about our ability to go to Mass on Sunday, or to pray the rosary at home. It is about adhering to the tenets of our faith, so that we can contribute to the common good of all Americans.

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 8, 2015

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Heb 9:24-28/
Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44
Monday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/
Jn 2:13-22
Tuesday: Wis 2:23--3:9/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Wis 7:22b--8:1/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

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THE BULLETIN BOARD

Northwest Catholic \$10K Raffle Tickets

Tickets will be available for purchase after all Masses during the weekend of Nov. 14-15 for Northwest Catholic High School's 2nd annual \$10K Raffle fundraiser, to benefit the *Northwest Catholic Fund*. The *NWC Fund* annually supports the school's operating budget and the educational programs and significant aid program which distinguish Northwest Catholic. Tickets are \$20 each and only 3,000 tickets will be sold. The grand prize is \$10,000, with a second prize of \$3,500 and a third prize of \$1,500. The drawing will be held on Saturday, November 21, 2015 at 10 pm during Northwest Catholic's 32nd Annual *Saturday Night Live*. Ticket holders do not need to be present to win. Visit www.NorthwestCatholic.org/Raffle for information or contact: Advancement@NWCath.org.

God Helped Me Find Him

Exhibit at the Archbishop O'Brien Library by photography artist, Monique d'Autenil, through November 12, 2015

Photographs, mounted on canvas, depict spiritual imagery of the Holy Family, Jesus and the Virgin Mary, saints, and Bible passages, interweaving creative visual aspects such as flowers and other elements of nature and still-life images to further develop the central theme of searching for and finding God in daily life.

Meet the Artist on October 28 from 2-4 p.m. Please contact us at 860-242-5573, ext. 2608/2609 to sign up. The Library is located at the Archdiocesan Center at Saint Thomas Seminary, 467 Bloomfield Ave., Bloomfield.

A silent auction is being held to coincide with the exhibit, with partial proceeds to benefit the Library.

Monique d'Autenil, a Connecticut native, has studied fine arts, art history and psychology at the University of Hartford and fine arts in France and Belgium through the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Northwest Catholic H.S. Entrance Exam

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.

Prayer for Veterans

Heavenly Father, on this day, help us remember those who gave of themselves to keep us safe and secure. Enkindle in our consciences a desire to serve those who served their country selflessly. Give us the grace to aid those who have given aid and protection to us and others both here and overseas. Let us never forget the causes for which they fought or the bravery they showed on the battlefield. May we be always be mindful of those who paid the price for our freedom, just as your Son gave his life to free us from the bondage of sin. Amen.

VETERANS DAY
Thank you for your service

FREE PIANO CONCERT ...

Rick Daddario, music director for The Church of Saint Mary Star of the Sea, Unionville, will once again present a one-hour piano concert at the church on **Sunday, November 15th from 2:00pm—3:00pm**. The concert, which is open to the general public **FREE OF CHARGE**, will feature an hour-long medley of standard favorites from Broadway and film, and contemporary tunes. For those who may wish to contribute, a free-will offering will be accepted with **100%** of all proceeds donated to the **Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF)** North Central CT/Western MA Chapter and Greater New Haven Chapter. Mark the date on your calendar now, and plan to attend and enjoy an afternoon of relaxing music. Refreshments will be offered in the gathering hall following the program.

Holiday Craft Festival

To Benefit Medical Aid to Haiti

50+ Artisans

Live Music

Gourmet Food & Baked Goods

Cafe

Raffle

Saturday
November 14
10 am - 5:30 pm

Sunday
November 15
9:30 am - 4 pm

Different artisans
each day

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Free admission
and parking