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#### 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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"Whatever town you enter and they welcome you, eat what is at te fore you, cure the rick in it and asy to them, "Ehe kingdom of God is at hand for you." - Je 10:0-9

### **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: 8:35 am, daily Chaplet: following daily Mass

> Holy Hour Thursday: 12:00 Noon



14th Sunday Ordinary Time

MONDAY, July 4 9:00 Special Intentions

TUESDAY, July 5 9:00 Special Intentions

#### WEDNESDAY, July 6

9:00 Dr. Theodore deGroot and Mr. & Mrs. Frederick deGroot, requested by the family

#### THURSDAY, July 7

9:00 Helen & Mike Ragusa, requested by their daughter

#### FRIDAY, July 8

9:00 Elizabeth Pettipas (45th Ann.), requested by her granddaughter

#### SATURDAY, July 9

4:00 James Troetti (50th Ann.), requested by his family

#### SUNDAY, July 10

- 7:30 **Louis J. Collacchi**, requested by Bernie Shea and family
- 9:30 Eleanor McGrath (1st Ann), requested by Joan Tyler
- 11:00 Frances W. Almori, requested by Johanna LaVia & Wendy Archer



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Fr. McHugh is pleased to announce the formation of the Church of Saint Ann Legacy Society to recognize and honor parishioners who make a bequest that will benefit our parish. It is important to create this program in order to perpetuate the work of Saint Ann's parish ministries and outreach. All the proceeds from these estate plans will be used exclusively for the benefit of the Church of Saint Ann. Legacy gifts will be added to the parish endowment fund in order to strengthen the financial future of St. Ann. By honoring all parishioners who make bequests with membership in the Church of Saint Ann Legacy Society, the parish hopes to inspire others to contribute toward long term financial stability. (Of course, requests for anonymity will be honored.) Please let Father McHugh know of your intentions by filling out the confidential form that was mailed with his bequest letter and return it to him as soon as possible.



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, July 4 GOD3/CAMERICA Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle: will not meet tonight

#### **TUESDAY**, July 5

WEDNESDAY, July 6

A Biblical Walk With The Blessed Mother: after 9am Mass in Fr. Bennett Hall Lectio Divina: 3:30pm in Room 3

THURSDAY, July 7 Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

FRIDAY, July 8

SATURDAY, July 9 Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room 3

SUNDAY, July 10

# A Biblical Walk With The Blessed Mother

WEDNESDAYS: JULY 6—AUGUST 24 AFTER THE 9AM DAILY MASS FR. BENNETT HALL



We are going to do an 8 session program on "A Biblical Walk With The Blessed Mother"

The plan is to offer this from July 6th to August 24th in Father Bennett Hall on Wednesday after the 9:00 Mass.

We will have refreshments and will start the video at 9:45 which gives those that want to say the Divine Mercy Chaplet after Mass plenty of time to join us. It is only a 30 minute or less presentation which is filmed in the Holy Land so will end at 10:15. Hopefully some will want to stay for some discussion. This is a no homework or commitment program.

This is presented by the renowned Theologian Dr. Edward Sri and follows the mysteries of the Rosary filmed at the Holy Sites in Israel.

## WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

June 26, 2016: \$7,237.60 Online Giving (week ending 6/29/16): \$2,591.00 Next weekend's 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 are generally the 2nd Sunday of each month from 8:15-11am in the Sacristry (2<sup>nd</sup> door on the left as you enter the vestibule of the church). No appointment necessary.

No Office Hours in July & August. See you in September!

### 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", Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Marv.

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**

### **2016/17** Religious Education Registration

Our Faith Formation classes have ended and it is time to plan for our 2016/2017 year. Again this year, we will automatically enroll all existing students into the next grade level assuming all requirements have been met. Please complete a registration form (download on our website: www.stannavon.com) on or before June 1, 2016 to avoid a \$40 late fee.

### We are now past the June 1<sup>st</sup> deadline, all payments must include the \$40.00 late fee.

The Faith Formation Program Grades K-8 will begin Sunday, September 19, 2016. Grades K-4 will attend Avon Middle School Sunday mornings from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM. Grades 5-8 will attend Avon Middle School Sunday evenings from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM.

The Confirmation Program will begin Sunday, September 11, 2016. Confirmation classes will meet Sunday evenings at the Church of Saint Ann Grade 9 and 10 Registrations end on 09/02/2016, as activities are already scheduled.

<u>NOTE</u>: Please do not hold up your child(ren)'s registration due to financial concerns, we will happily work with you, all information is confidential.



## Lifelong Faith Formation

#### Laudato Si

14. I urgently appeal then for a new dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet. We need a conversation which includes everyone, since the environmental

challenge we are undergoing, and its human roots, concern and affect us all.

...Regrettably, many efforts to seek concrete solutions to the environmental crisis have proved ineffective, not only because of powerful opposition but also because of a more general lack of interest. Obstructionist attitudes, even on the part of believers, can range from denial of the problem to indifference, nonchalant resignation or blind confidence in technical solutions. We require a new and universal solidarity. As the bishops of Southern Africa have stated: "Everyone's talents and involvement are needed to redress the damage caused by human abuse of God's creation". All of us can cooperate as instruments of God for the care of creation, each according to his or her own culture, experience, involvements and talents.

15. It is my hope that this Encyclical Letter, which is now added to the body of the Church's social teaching, can help us to acknowledge the appeal, immensity and urgency of the challenge we face.

# A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother

See first page for more information

## Social Justice Committee Fundraiser Event to Benefit an Orphanage in Myanmar

Bertucci's Restaurant Avon & West Hartford Wednesday, July 13, 2016 11 AM - 9 PM



Please plan to participate in this Social Justice Committee fundraiser at Bertucci's restaurant by having lunch, dinner, drinks or take out meals on July 13<sup>th</sup> at Bertucci's restaurant in Avon or Bishops Corner, West Hartford. Please tell you server that you are participating in the Dining for Dollars Fundraiser for the Church of <u>St. Ann</u> and 15 percent of your dining check total will benefit: The Children Charitable Foundation of Myanmar, Inc., Orphan Fund. http://www.childrenmyanmar.org/ A 501 c 3 non-profit charity, The Children Charitable Foundation for Myanmar Inc. was established to benefit children growing up in an impoverished country. Donations provide basic needs to children living in the St. Mary's Home Orphanage located in Kyauktan, Myanmar. Our own Rev. Joseph Cheah, OSM, Ph.D. is Vice President of The Children Charitable Foundation of Myanmar, Inc. (Orphanage).

If you pick up food "To Go" on July 13<sup>th</sup>, *when you pick up the meal*, please tell the Bertucci cashier that your order is a Dining for Dollars (for the Church of Saint Ann: The Children Charitable Foundation of Myanmar). For those who would like to donate to this organization, please write your check to: The Children Charitable Foundation of Myanmar, and please include your email address so that you will receive a letter (receipt) for tax purposes.

# Thank you!

<u>Social Justice Committee contact person:</u> Mrs. Constance Rotondo: constance.rotondo@comcast.net

<u>Questions about the orphanage:</u> please contact Fr. Joe Cheah: jpcheah@aol.com



# The Church of Saint Ann Lives the Year of Mercy

#### Take part in the "Good Summer Read" program for the Year of Mercy!

*My Journey to Live from the Inside Out*, by our own parishioner, Shawn Elizabeth George, is a compelling story about Shawn's awakening in faith, filled with practical wisdom on how our relationship with God can help our marriages, parenting and even our finances reflect mercy. Stop by the parish offices to pick up your discounted copy of the book. (\$15, checks payable to Shawn George) We'll gather for book talks in Se. Questions? Contact Ann, ames.distefano@gmail.com; (860) 463-7495

#### Kids' Summer Mercy Challenge

Whether you're at home, at camp or on vacation, there are lots of ways you can do mercy this summer! Go on stannavon.org for more info and to download a Summer Mercy Challenge sheet. Bring your completed sheets to the Family Masses in the fall and we'll add them to our Mercy Quilt!

<u>Mercy Stories</u>

Check out the latest at stannavon.org.

Dear God, as we celebrate today with fireworks and festivals, help us never to forget the reason for our joy. Help us remember that our rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness were signed into our heritage with the willing blood of American patriots. Most of all, help us remember that the rights of all people are more than words on a document, and that all people have rights because you have given us the dignity of human life. Grant freedom to all, and give us the strength to protect the rights of others. Amen.

Prayer for Independence Day

## FAITH FORMATION FOR THE FAMILY

# ຼີຊີ Puzzle

Find the safest way to get to the mountain.



## Defending Our Religious Liberty

Pope Francis has stated that religious freedom is a fundamental human right. Each individual must be free, alone or in association with others, to seek the truth, and to openly express his or her religious convictions, free from intimidation and external compulsion. Genuine worship of God bears fruit not in discrimination, hatred and violence, but in respect for the sacredness of life, respect for the dignity and freedom of others, and loving commitment to the welfare of all. It is protected in the First Amendment of the Bill of Rights of our U.S. Constitution.

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. If you have called, call again, our representatives need to pay attention.

### Readings for the Week of July 3, 2016

Sunday:	Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20/Gal 6:14-18/ Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9
Monday:	Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-9/ Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday:	Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-10/Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday:	Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-7/Mt 10:1-7
Thursday:	Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16/Mt 10:7-15
Friday:	Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-14, 17/
	Mt 10:16-23
Saturday:	ls 6:1-8/Ps 93:1-2, 5/Mt 10:24-33
Next Sunday:	Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37 or Ps 19:8-11/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK ...

WHAT "HARVESTS" IS YOUR PARISH BEING CALLED TO REAP?

## 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of the questions parents and teachers often ask children is, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" For younger children the answer can change from week to week. Children may say at one time, "A basketball player," and at another, "An airplane pilot," and at another, "A zookeeper." The answer could depend on whatever story or television show caught their fancy that week. But as children mature, they start considering seriously the answer to that question. As they enter college they begin directing their lives toward what will be a particular profession in life.

This weekend's Gospel highlights the need for workers in the harvest of the kingdom of God. Jesus sends out disciples ahead of him so that they can prepare the way for the places that he intends to visit. But the text is not only about what took place in Galilee and Judea two thousand years ago. As the living word of God, the Gospel also speaks to our lives today. The need for laborers for the harvest is just as great in 2013 as it was in AD 32. As a matter of fact, the need is even greater, since the proclamation of the Gospel goes on in so many more places than in the first century of Christianity.

Parents and grandparents can influence what their children and grandchildren think about as appropriate life choices. We don't need a specific "Vocation Sunday" to ask the question of sons or daughters or grandchildren if they have ever considered the possibility of a religious vocation. The Holy Spirit might just be working through you if you ask. While a life of ministering to others may have its own trials and difficulties, it can also be filled with great joy and satisfaction. Is there someone you can ask, "What do you want to be when you grow up?" After all, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few" (Lk 10:2).

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#### Studying and Praying God's Word for More than 20 Years!

The Archdiocese of Hartford Catholic Biblical School offers a comprehensive Bible study from a Catholic perspective. Interested adults should contact the CBS office at St. Thomas Seminary by August 15. Classes begin at St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield, Hamden, Plantsville and Terryville in early September. For more information, check the website www.orehartford.org or call BJ Daly Horell at 860-242-5573, ext. 2670



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