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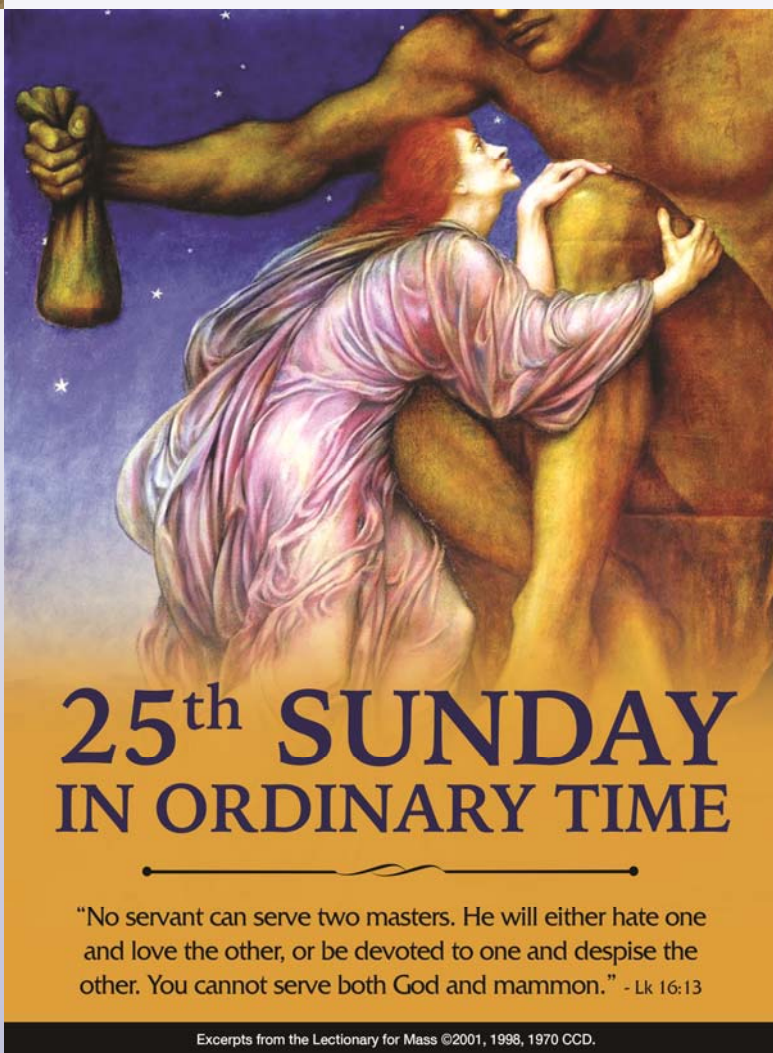
Call the Parish Office

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.



25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon." - Lk 16:13

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

25th Sunday Ordinary Time

MONDAY, September 19

9:00 **Special Intentions**

TUESDAY, September 20

9:00 **Fred Bielefeld**, *requested by the family*

WEDNESDAY, September 21

9:00 **Special Intentions**

THURSDAY, September 22

9:00 **Andrew Sopelak & Nicodem Smolinski**,
requested by Donald & Sophie Sopelak

FRIDAY, September 23

9:00 **Special Intentions**

SATURDAY, September 24

4:00 **Michael Gurman**, *requested by
Brian and Ann Beloin & family*

SUNDAY, September 25

7:30 **Special Intentions**

9:30 **Joseph John Villani**, *requested by
The Mahoney Family*

11:00 **Constance Ballantyne**, *requested by
the St. Ann Music Ministry*



St. Ann's Golf Tournament

Sunday, October 2, 2016

12:30 pm

Simsbury Farms Golf Course, Simsbury

\$75 (includes meal)

Open to all men and women in the parish

*Please call/email your foursome or register as an
individual and we will place you in a group*

You don't golf? Join us for the meal only: \$30



Sponsored by
The Men of St. Ann

For Reservations

or information please contact:

John Kuzia

(kman@kuzia.com)

860.284.0020



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, September 19

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle: 7:15pm in the church.

All are welcome! (Enter through door on the left side of the church)

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible: 7:30pm in Rooms 1 & 3

TUESDAY, September 20

RCIA: 7pm in Room 3

WEDNESDAY, September 21

Lectio Divina: 3pm in Room 3

THURSDAY, September 22

Marthas + Marys Planning Meeting: 9:30am in Room 3

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

Children's Choir: 4:15pm in the Choir Loft

M+M's 10th Anniversary event: 7pm in Fr. Bennett Hall

FRIDAY, September 23

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible: 9:30am in Rooms 1 & 3

SATURDAY, September 24

Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room 3

Feed Haiti Food Packing: 8am in Fr. Bennett Hall

SUNDAY, September 25

K-8 Religious Education & Confirmation Programs Begin

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible: 10:45am in Rooms 1 & 3

MINISTRY FAIR!

Sun., Sept. 18th, 12-3

St. Ann Backyard

(rain location: Fr. Bennett Hall)

Ministry Booths!

Games!

Food!

Prizes!

THIS Sunday!

There's a place at St. Ann's for your talents, so come

Get in the GAME!

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

September 11, 2016: \$6,593.75

Online Giving (week ending 9/14/16): \$2,281.00

Next weekend's 2nd collection:*Catholic Elementary Schools***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 generally 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. OFFICE HOURS FOR SEPTEMBER WILL BE ON SEPTEMBER 18th (the 3rd Sunday)

Marian Movement of Priests Prayer Cenacle
Monday evenings in the church from 7:15-8:15pm

The MMP is for priests and laity who are devoted to Our Lady and her Rosary. The Prayer Cenacles are gatherings of prayer that consist of the Holy Rosary and Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary. A Message from the MMP Book "To the Priests, Our Lady's Beloved Sons" is read at every Cenacle. We are praying for an outpouring of The Holy Spirit, and for Our Lady's intercession. For more information on the Marian Movement of Priests, please visit the official website at www.mmp-usa.net

Come and see, come pray with us. All are welcome.

Communion For Shut-Ins

The Eucharistic ministers would be happy to bring Communion 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**.

**The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)**

The parish of St. Ann offers the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) to people who wish to become Catholic. RCIA for anyone who is uncatechized (baptized, but needing to be prepared to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation) as well as any unbaptized persons who wish to explore the possibility of becoming a member of the Catholic Church. The program runs roughly one year, beginning in September and ending at Easter. Interested in RCIA? Call Maureen Fiedler @ [860-995-4026](tel:860-995-4026).

**Saint Ann Religious Education (K-8) 2016-2017**

Classes for Grades K-8 will begin on September 25, 2016

New Students:

Registration forms are online at www.stannavon.org

Returning Students:

No child will be assigned to a class until payment has been received.

Confirmation & YOUTH MINISTRY**Confirmation:**

First Class, Sunday September 25th

9th Grade: 5:30—7pm Go directly to classrooms

10th Grade: 7:15-8:45pm - Meet in Father Bennet Hall.

**YOUTH MINISTRY:**

First Meeting
Sunday September 25th
5:30-7pm. Meet in church.

**Divine Mercy Holy Hour**
NEXT Sunday, September 25th
2:30 - 3:30pm in the church

The Divine Mercy Holy Hour will be celebrated next Sunday, September 25, 2016 here at St. Ann.

Please join us for this powerful devotion!

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

Would you like to have a deeper relationship with God and a better understanding of how the Bible relates to your life?

There's still time to join us for *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible*, a new 8-session study offered Sundays at 10:45am, Mondays at 7:30pm & Fridays at 9:30am in Rooms 1 and 3, beginning Sept 19. (K-8 parent sessions will be held Sundays at Avon Middle School during class times, beginning Sept 25.) You'll uncover the "big picture" of the Bible and its main message: the Father's unfailing love for you, and your call to share that love with others. Each 90-minute session includes an engaging half-hour video, followed by a lively group discussion. Homework is optional, and you'll be able to stream the videos online if you miss a session. For workbook/to register, contact Ann by Sept.14: ann.distefano@stannavon.com; (860) 673-9858, ext 228.

Sunday AM Dates:

Sept. 25; Oct. 2, 9, 16, 30; Nov. 6, 13, 20

Monday PM Dates:

Sept. 19, 26; Oct. 3, 10, 17;

Nov. 7, 14, 21

Friday AM Dates:

Sept. 23, 30;

Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28;

Nov. 4, 11



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Save the Date:

St. Ann Annual Clothing Sale
November 4-5, 2016

Save Some Time:

We need volunteers to set up, organize and sell

Work Days:

Wed./Thurs., Nov. 2nd/3rd: 9am-7pm

Fri. Nov. 4th: 9am-12pm

Sat. Nov. 5th: Cleanup, 2:30pm till done

Sale Dates:

Fri. Nov. 4th: 6-8 pm;

Sat. Nov. 5th: 8:30-2:00

Save Some Clothes:

Gently used clothing, shoes, jewelry, accessories needed

Save Some Money:

Come and shop (bring friends!) on November 4th and 5th!

Please visit our table at the Ministry Fair on September 18!



CELEBRATE



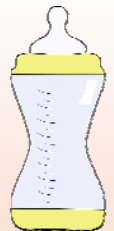
Marthas + Marys 10th Birthday!
Thursday, September 22nd
7pm in Fr. Bennett Hall

We're having a real Birthday celebration-games, entertainment and a Birthday Cake. We're looking for some Marthas to pull this off. Offer to help and r.s.v.p. by September 19th to: sollestad@yahoo.com or Anne 675-1366

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

Baby Bottle Drive for St. Gerard's

St. Gerard's Center for Life is very grateful to be welcomed back into St. Ann's Parish on the weekend of October 1st & 2nd for its annual baby bottle drive. Pledge cards or bottles will be distributed after all weekend Masses and collected after the weekend of October 15th & 16th. Thank you for your generosity as we partner together to keep this pro-life mission alive in the greater Hartford area!



Vatican International Exhibition Eucharistic Miracles of the World

Presented for the entire weekend!

Sponsored by Real Presence Eucharistic

Education and Adoration Association

<http://www.therealpresence.org/>

When: The weekend of October 8th and 9th

Saturday, 12:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Sunday, 8:00 am to 6:00 pm

Here
at
Saint
Ann



Where: St. Ann's Church, Fr. Bennett Hall, 39 Arch Road, Avon Ct 06001

What: The Vatican International Exhibition – "Eucharistic Miracles of the World". This event is being offered free of charge for the entire weekend. Come to see and learn about over 150 extraordinary Eucharistic Miracles that continue to happen even today.

This event is free of charge

FAITH FORMATION FOR THE FAMILY



Calling All Children Who Love to Sing! (Grades 4-8)

Children's Choir is about to begin! Our first rehearsal is Thursday, September 15th in the choir loft. We rehearse from 4:15-5pm. Please know, you don't need to be a great performer to join this choir. All you need is a desire to show your love for God through singing – and to learn while having fun.

Our director, Mr. Carl Sauerbrunn, has an exciting season planned, so invite a friend and join us! (Parents, please accompany your child to this rehearsal to pick up a schedule and complete the registration form. We look forward to meeting you!)

Questions? Please contact Carl at: c.sauerbrunn@comcast.net or our Music Director, Tom Stockton at 860-673-9858, x.230 or email: tstockton@earthlink.net.

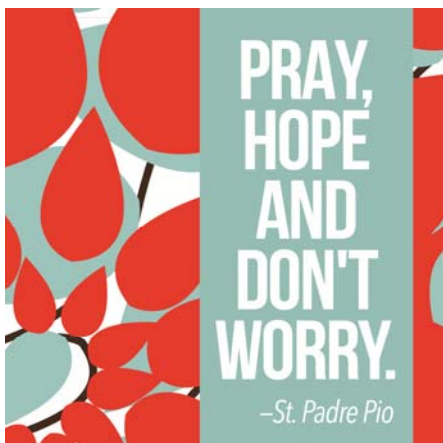
Readings for the Week of September 18, 2016

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-8/1 Tm 2:1-8/
Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13
Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-5/Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34-35, 44/
Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-5/Mt 9:9-13
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17/Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1-4/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Eccl 11:9-12:8/Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17/
Lk 9:43b-45
Next Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7-10/1 Tm 6:11-16/
Lk 16:19-31

Defending Our Religious Liberty

Pope Francis has said: "Religious freedom is not only that of private thought or worship. It is the liberty to live, both privately and publicly according to the ethical principles resulting from found truth." This is why it is important that we continue to put pressure on our elected officials to change the federal health care mandate which forces religious institutions to pay for medical procedures that violate their moral principles.

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 state representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Brad and Joanna met in graduate school and married shortly after they each completed their degree work. As a young married couple they are deeply in love with each other and really work hard at being unified in their household as they raise their two young children. In so many ways they act as one. But every fall there is one thing that comes along that divides this couple: college football! You see, Joanna graduated from Ohio State, while Brad finished his undergraduate work at the University of Wisconsin. Most of the time, the weekend college football events are not that divisive. They can even root for each other's alma maters depending on who the opponent is. But when their schools play each other the division is intense. Their home life may be united in many things, but when it comes to their old school teams the rivalry wins out.

In the Gospel this weekend, Jesus points out to his disciples that a person can really only devote himself to one master. Serving God and serving money are very hard to hold in balance. The dishonest steward in the Gospel parable could not hold to his ethical duty to his employer. Instead he used his position to feather his own nest, something that even his former employer gave him credit for.

The loyalties that Brad and Joanna have toward their individual teams are commendable. They each maintain a strong devotion to their collegiate experience. But they also recognize that there is a greater master to serve in their lives: their marital union. As intense as game day may be, they realize that in the end, it is just a game, while their marriage and their family life is not. They have recognized a greater good even as they enjoy the game that divides them each fall. Our own lives can be exactly like that. We can come to an accommodation with every other thing as long as we recognize that God is the master of all.

THE BULLETIN BOARD



CASA Family Day
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Monday, September 26, 2016

Archbishop Leonard P. Blair encourages families to observe "Family Day" on Monday, September 26th by eating dinner together as a family. Studies by the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University, known as CASA Columbia, indicate that the simple act of eating family dinners can help prevent smoking, drinking and drug abuse.

Visit: archdioceseofhartford.org and click on "News" for ideas on how to make your "Family Day" special.

Collection for Archdiocesan Catholic Elementary Schools: September 24/25

The HOPES Collection benefits the Catholic elementary schools of the Archdiocese by providing schools with individual HOPES Grants supporting the funding of safe Catholic school environments, the expansion of innovative educational technology, and the marketing of their Catholic schools as centers of excellence. The collection also supports the broad-based marketing and promotion of Catholic Schools. Please help us provide a culture of faith and academic excellence to elementary school students by giving to the 2016 Catholic elementary school HOPES collection on the weekend of September 24/25.

CATHOLICS COMING HOME

St. Patrick Church, 110 Main Street, Farmington, CT. is sponsoring a six-week program to help reconnect those who have become separated from the Catholic faith. This is an opportunity for anyone who feels separated and estranged from the Church and their faith, for any reason, to be supported, heard and reconciled. Our team will provide a safe, nurturing, and supportive environment. There will be informal sharing and an update of the Catholic faith. The six sessions will be held on Wednesdays, 7-8:30 PM from October 12 to November 16, 2016, in the basement church hall at St. Patrick Church. Contact David Edwards at 860-677-4183, e-mail eugeneedwards5468@icloud.com, for more details or if you wish to register.

27th Annual Rosary Rally

Basilica of the Immaculate Conception
Waterbury, Connecticut

Sunday, October 2, 2016
2:00 pm to 3:30 pm
Parish Mass at 4:00 pm



Guest Speaker

Rev. Matthew R. Mauriello, S.T.L.
Pastor of St. Rock's Church, Greenwich, CT
and President of the North American Congress
on Mercy

Topic

"Learning and Living Mercy"
Procession, Talk, Rosary, Hymns,
and Benediction

Help Save America!

Come pray with us
for conversion & reparation, and
a change in the moral climate
of America and the world.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY
DECEMBER 8, 2015–NOVEMBER 20, 2016

"One Day through the Rosary and Scapular
I will save the world."
— Blessed Virgin Mary to Saint Dominic

Archbishop's Columbus Day Breakfast to Benefit Catholic School Students in Greater New Haven

Friday, October 7, 2016
The WoodWinds, Branford, CT (New Location)
7:30 - 9:00am

Archbishop Leonard Blair will be joined by:
Guest Speaker Bobby Valentine, Sports Legend
& Emcee Jason Newton, WTNH Channel 8 Sports Reporter

Tickets are \$80 per person

Sponsorships available
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Net Proceeds of this event provide scholarship assistance to students attending Catholic elementary schools in Greater New Haven. Hope to see you there!