



# Church of Saint Ann

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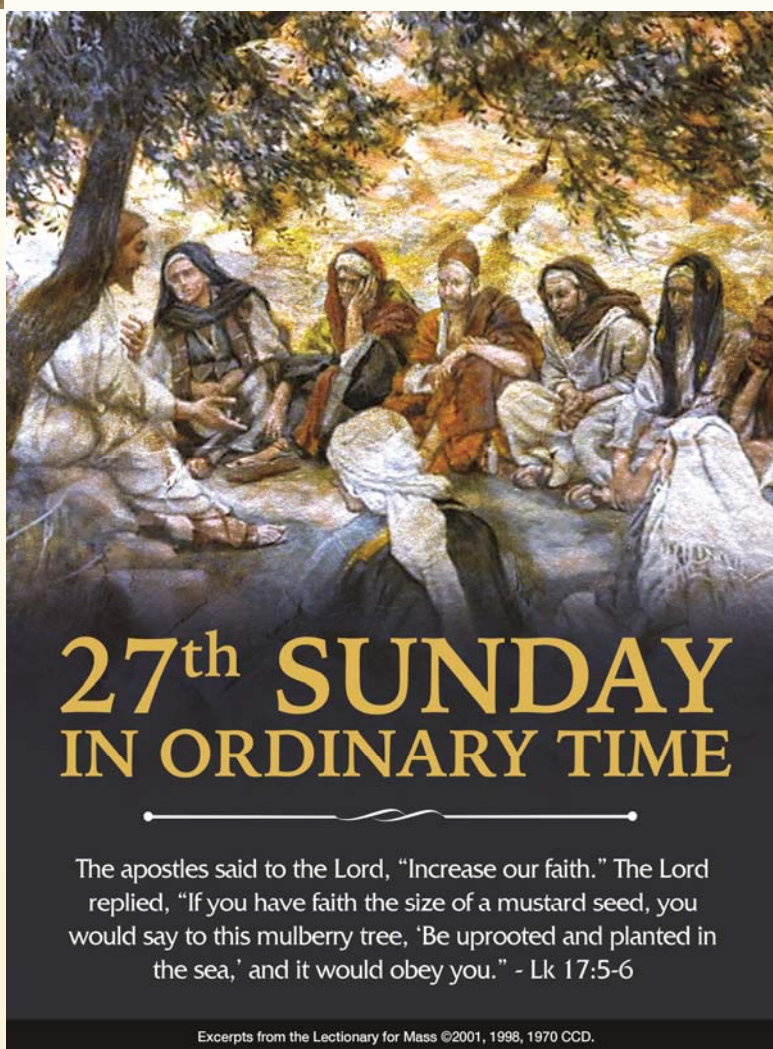
Call the Parish Office

## 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.



# 27<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." - Lk 17:5-6

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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: 8:35 am, daily

Chaplet: following daily Mass

Holy Hour

Thursday: 12:00 Noon



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

*27th Sunday Ordinary Time*

**MONDAY, October 3**

9:00 **Special Intentions**

**TUESDAY, October 4**

9:00 **Special Intentions**

**WEDNESDAY, October 5**

9:00 **Dorothy Kuzia**, requested by  
Bill and Janet Newman

**THURSDAY, October 6**

9:00 **Special Intention**

**FRIDAY, October 7**

9:00 **Special Intentions**

**SATURDAY, October 8**

4:00 **Josephine & Carmelo Sammataro**,  
requested by the Ligato Family

**SUNDAY, October 9**

7:30 **John Evans, Jackie Holland, Carmelo &  
Andrew Kucera**, requested by the family

9:30 **Douglas Blood**, requested by  
Anita and Dick Sullivan

11:00 **For the Intentions of the people of  
Venezuela**



## 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, October 3**

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

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

**Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting:** 7pm in Room 2

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

**TUESDAY, October 4**

**RCIA:** 7pm in Room 3

**WEDNESDAY, October 5**

**Acts of the Apostles Bible Study:** 9:30am in Room 2 & 3 (filled)

**Lectio Divina:** 3pm in Room 3

**THURSDAY, October 6**

**Holy Hour:** 12 noon in the church

**Traditional Choir:** 2pm in the Choir Loft

**Folk/Contemporary Choir:** 7:30pm in the Choir Loft

**Youth Choir:** 4:15pm in the Choir Loft

**FRIDAY, October 7**

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

**SATURDAY, October 8**

**Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit:** 12-7pm in Fr.Bennett Hall

**Men's Breakfast Group:** 8am in Room 3

**SUNDAY, October 9**

**Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibit:** 8am-6pm in Fr.Bennett Hall

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

## 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 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>

**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*





**WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME**

September 25, 2016: \$7,611.00

Online Giving (week ending 9/28/16): \$3,034.00

Next weekend's 2<sup>nd</sup> collection: *monthly***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 (2<sup>nd</sup> door on the left as you enter the vestibule of the church). No appointment necessary. **OFFICE HOURS FOR OCTOBER WILL BE ON OCTOBER 16th (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](http://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**.



Many Hartford area companies will soon begin their United Way 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.

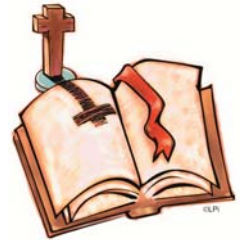
Thank you for your generosity. -Fr. McHugh

**Annual Parish Collection**

Every parish family should have received a letter from Father asking for a contribution to our **Annual Parish Collection** to assist with ongoing operating expenses. The collection provides funds for small capital and maintenance projects. If you did not get a letter, please pick one up on your way out of church. The participation of **ALL** parishioners is essential for the success of this effort. Thank you!

**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible**

**Parent Sessions Begin Sun, Oct. 2 at AMS.** Parents, would you like to deepen your relationship with God, and find wisdom to help your family thrive? *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* is a new 8-session study offered for parents while the kids are in Youth Faith Formation at Avon Middle School (9-10:30am for Gr. K-4 parents; 5:45-7:15pm for Gr. 5-8 Parents.) Each 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. To get your book or register, contact Ann as soon as possible [ann.distefano@stannavon.com](mailto:ann.distefano@stannavon.com); (860) 673-9858, ext 228.

**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 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> for its annual baby bottle drive. Pledge cards or bottles will be distributed after all weekend Masses and collected after the weekend of October 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your generosity as we partner together to keep this pro-life mission alive in the greater Hartford area!


**October is Respect Life Month; Sign up**  
**for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament!**

October is Respect Life month and there will be a prayer vigil on Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at noon at the Hartford OB-GYN clinic. On Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>. We will also be having adoration of the blessed sacrament from 12 noon until the 9am Mass on Monday morning, October 17<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up in the Gathering Space.


**Unpacking the**  
**Spiritual Works of Mercy**

Sunday, Oct 23, 12:00 noon

Repeated Monday, Oct. 24, 7:15pm

Fr. Bennett Hall

Join popular speaker Bill Walsh as he helps us understand where these challenging teachings come from, and how we can put them into practice in our relationships with others. RSVP to Ann DiStefano at 860-673-9858, ext. 228 or [ann.distefano@stannavon.com](mailto:ann.distefano@stannavon.com)

## St. Ann's Annual Clothing Sale

Please save clean, gently used:  
clothing (all ages), shoes, outerwear,  
jewelry & accessories

### DONATION DATES:

Wednesday, November 2nd  
9am-7pm  
Thursday, November 3rd  
9am-7pm

ALL PROCEEDS  
GO TO THE  
ST. ANN'S  
SCHOLARSHIP  
FUND

### SALE DATES:

Friday, November 4th  
6-8pm (admission)  
Saturday, November 5th  
8:30am-2pm (no admission)



### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - CONTACT:

Meg Kundahl: 860-521-1051 or [mkfk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mkfk@sbcglobal.net)

## The Men of Saint Ann invite you to a Wine Tasting

Saturday  
October 22, 2016

7pm

Fr. Bennett Hall

The donation will be

\$15 per person

For reservations contact: John Kuzia at  
860-284-0020 or [kman@kuzia.com](mailto:kman@kuzia.com)

*This year we will be comparing wines  
from the Northern & Southern  
Hemispheres. Come enjoy some  
wonderful wine, nosh  
on hors d'oeuvres  
& gain in your wine  
knowledge with  
your friends.*



## Flea Market

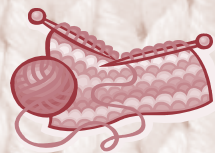
October 29th

9am - 2pm

Fr. Bennett Hall



Church of St. Ann's Confirmation & Youth  
Ministry will be sponsoring a Flea Market on  
Saturday, October 29th fro 9am -2pm.  
Proceeds will be donated to the Avon Food  
Pantry and Gifts of Love .



## Prayer Shawl Ministry

Monday, October 3rd at 7-8:30pm  
in Room 2

## Immacares (Immaculate Conception Shelter)

Immacare homeless shelter will house only 75 guests this year, even during the winter months . The shelter will be having much needed renovation work done because the church is in poor condition and safety and building costs (heat literally going out the windows) are major considerations. Despite knowing this makes the planning easier, we are saddened wondering where the additional men will go, but have been assured that the City is looking into alternative sites for a "No Freeze" emergency shelter.

Because of the loss of a \$28,000 state grant, lunches and breakfast cannot be supplied by Immacare this year. Food simply cannot fit in the budget. We would like to bring breakfast breads and 80 "brown bag lunches" whenever we go with dinner. We have already contacted many of those wonderful people who shop, cook, and bake year after year. As always, they have been so kind and supportive. Some school groups and families have offered to make sandwiches some dates! Please let us know if you would be willing to donate breakfast breads (ie banana bread, muffins, your favorites...). We will also appreciate any juice boxes and desserts. If you are in a group that would like to get together and make sandwiches, as long as they can be frozen, we'd love to take them because many days there will not be any food offered until dinner. Of course, we will still be responsible for dinner on the evenings that we visit . Thanks so much for any help. St. Ann's has a wonderful reputation at the shelter as the group that meets any challenge- and more importantly- has the best cooks! We are so blessed.

Please email for all the details. [kfinocchio@gmail.com](mailto:kfinocchio@gmail.com) or [twohig7@aol.com](mailto:twohig7@aol.com).

## Immacares Shelter: 2016-2017 Dates

October: 6, 20  
November: 3, 17  
December: 1, 22  
January: 12, 26  
February: 9, 23  
March: 9, 16  
April: 6, 20  
May: 4, 18

## FAITH FORMATION FOR THE FAMILY



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

Come join Youth Choir! Our director, Carl Sauerbrunn, has an exciting season planned! You don't need to be a great performer to be in this group; all you need is a desire to praise God through singing. It's fun and you'll learn a lot, too. Can't commit for the entire season? Come when you can! We rehearse Thursdays from 4:15-5pm in the choir loft. Our first singing date will be the Family Mass on Oct. 23 at 9:30am. Questions: Contact Director of Music Tom Stockton, [ttstockton@earthlink.net](mailto:ttstockton@earthlink.net); (860) 673-9858, x230.

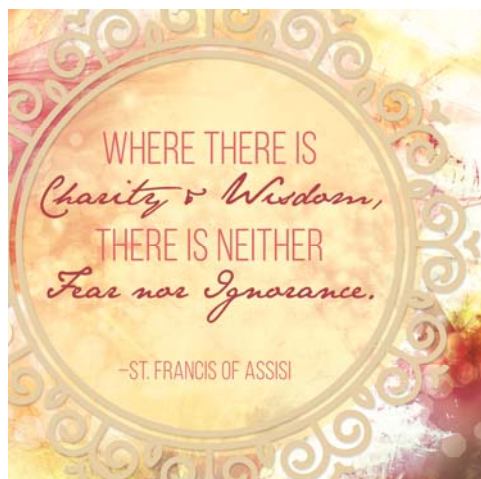
### Readings for the Week of October 2, 2016

Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/2  
Tm 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10  
Monday: Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1-2, 7-10/Lk 10:25-37  
Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1-3, 13-15/Lk 10:38-42  
Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1-2/Lk 11:1-4  
Thursday: Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-75/Lk 11:5-13  
Friday: Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1-6/Lk 11:15-26  
Saturday: Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-7/Lk 11:27-28  
Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1-4/2 Tm 2:8-13/  
Lk 17:11-19

### Defending Our Religious Liberty

According to Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, chairman of the USCCB's Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty, comments made by Martin Castro, chairman of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, saying that religious liberty is reduced to "nothing except hypocrisy," and religion is being used as a "weapon... by those seeking to deny others equality" are shocking. It suggests that Catholic, evangelical, orthodox Jewish, Mormon, and Muslim communities are comparable to fringe segregationists from the civil rights era. These statements, said Lori, painting those who support religious freedom with the broad brush of bigotry are reckless and reveal a profound disregard for the religious foundations of his own work.

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.



### 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Quarterly earnings reports for many publicly traded companies have either just been released or will be in the next week or so. Since every company reports them on its own schedule after the end of the quarter, it is a rolling release that investors will examine in the days to come. How well a company does will affect its share price on the stock exchange, and the compensation that is eventually determined by the board of directors for a company's leaders. Company policies or union contracts often determine how the rest of the workforce down the line get to share in any benefits of a positive earnings report.

The words of Jesus in the Gospel may seem a bit harsh this week. He tells his apostles that they could describe themselves as unprofitable servants who have only done what they were obliged to do. It does not seem to be a very flattering picture of what it means to be a Christian. In Jesus' day a servant performed such menial tasks that it is hard for us to even imagine them today. We hear Jesus describing the master as telling the servant to prepare something for him to eat. Such actions required much more than popping something in a microwave. Meal preparation involved hard work like grinding grain, catching fish, plucking chickens, or gathering produce. It even meant hauling jars of water from the communal well. And the next day it was the same all over again. We are fortunate to live in the era that we do. While our daily work may not always seem as exciting as it could be, we are spared much of the drudgery of the past. For us, being a servant is an entirely different dimension. We don't go down to the lake or river in hopes of catching some food for the master. Instead, our servitude is that of being attentive to our neighbor. Our earnings report will shine if we do that!

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## THE BULLETIN BOARD

### 27<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

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

### 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](mailto:eugeneedwards5468@icloud.com), for more details or if you wish to register.

### 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  
Become a FACS partner and enjoy additional benefits.  
Join our current partners: Sinatro Agency and Farmington Bank  
Call: 860-761-7499 or visit [facshartford.org](http://facshartford.org)  
*Net Proceeds of this event provide scholarship assistance to students attending Catholic elementary schools in Greater New Haven. Hope to see you there!*

### Frassati on Tap

*Thirsting for Truth*

**Calling all Young Adults!**

**Stony Creek Brewery in Branford, CT**

**Sunday, October 16th from 6:00-8:00 p.m.**



**October 16th**  
Archbishop Leonard Blair  
Archbishop of Hartford  
**Q&A Session with Young Adults!**  
*Come bring your questions!*

*Come enjoy a cold pint and listen to interesting discussions on faith!*

Hosted by Frassati New Haven,  
a group of Catholic young adults in their 20s and 30s

[FrassatiNewHaven.org](http://FrassatiNewHaven.org)  
[Facebook.com/FrassatiNewHaven](https://www.facebook.com/FrassatiNewHaven)



### Thank you!

On behalf of the students in the Catholic elementary schools of the Archdiocese of Hartford, we send deep gratitude to all who contributed to the 2016 HOPES Collection. Your participation helps to create a culture of educational excellence and plays an important role in the evangelization of young students as active participants in their parish communities.

Michael S. Griffin, Ph.D.  
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