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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.

Church of Saint Ann

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32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"That the dead will rise even Moses made known in the passage about the bush, when he called out 'Lord,' the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob; and he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive." - Lk 20:37-38

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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

32nd Sunday

Ordinary Time



MONDAY, November 7

9:00 Mary Thompson, requested by the Roselli Family

TUESDAY, November 8 9:00 Special Intentions

WEDNESDAY, November 9

9:00 Daniel O'Connell, requested by Gino and Barbara Calderone

THURSDAY, November 10

9:00 Special Intentions

FRIDAY, November 11

9:00 Special Intentions

SATURDAY, November 12

4:00 Levio Cirilli and Alice Castellani, requested by the family

SUNDAY, November 13

- 7:30 Philip Atiyeh
- 9:30 Pete Tromza, requested by Mary Jane Jeter
- 11:00 Edward Stepien (4th Ann.), requested by the family



Our Knights of Columbus will be in the Gathering Space taking orders for the annual Pie Sale after all Masses this weekend and next weekend, November 12/13

The pies are \$10 each and choices will be: Pumpkin, Apple, Very-Berry & Peach-Praline

Pies will be available for pick-up on the weekend of November 19/20 after all masses. Thanks for your support!



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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 7

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, November 8 🛛 斗 👯 🖤

RCIA: 7pm in Room 3 Social Justice Committee Meeting: 7:30 pm in Room 2

WEDNESDAY, November 9

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

Re-Employment Support Group: 7pm. in the Activity Room

THURSDAY, November 10

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church Traditional Choir: 2pm in the Choir Loft Youth Choir: 4:15pm in the Choir Loft Folk/Contemporary Choir: 7:30pm in the Choir Loft

FRIDAY, November 11 Christmas Pageant Rehearsal: 2:30-5pm In the Choir Loft and Fr. Bennett Hall



SATURDAY, November 12 Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room 3

SUNDAY, November 13

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible: 10:45am in Rooms 1 & 3 Divine Mercy Holy Hour: 2:30pm in the church

All Souls Day Envelopes

All Souls Day envelopes are in the pews for those who wish to remember those faithfully departed souls who have played such an important role in our lives. What a beautiful way to remember our departed loved ones in our prayers. The envelopes will be placed on the altar, and your loved ones will be prayed for at every Mass during the month of November, continuing this beautiful Catholic tradition of remembering those who have passed.

Divine Mercy Holy Hour

NEXT Sunday, November 13th 2:30 - 3:30pm in the church

Come and experience God's transforming Love and Mercy!





WANTED: Your Stories, Photos and Art for Our Mercy Quilt

As the Year of Mercy draws to a close (Nov 20), we are creating a paper Mercy Quilt to show the many ways we have been sharing mercy at St. Ann. ADULTS and CHILDREN, do you have a story, photo or piece of art to add to our display? Please contact Ann by Nov 10th: ann.distefano@stannavon.com.

Highlights from the Spiritual Works of Mercy Workshops

Thank you to Bill Walsh of Holy Family Retreat Center and all the attendees who traded wisdom on how to manage difficult relationships with mercy, at last week's workshops on the Spiritual Works of Mercy. For highlights from the event, please visit www.stannavon.org/special-events-1.

Come Listen to Our Wonderful Teen Liturgical Band!

Our periodic Sunday afternoon Masses are not just for teens and families. In fact, parishioners young and old enjoy sleeping in and attending the 4:30 Mass where our talented teen band leads the music ministry.

Come worship with us on the following Sundays at 4:30pm:

- November 20 (Family Mass)
- January 22 (Family Mass)
- February 12 (Teen Mass)
- April 30th (Teen Mass)

in Room 2



The teen band also plays at Confirmation in March, and the Mass for Graduates in June (dates to be determined).



Tina: 860-674-1541

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal Friday, November 11th from 2:30 - 5 pm for featured performers only.



Please consult your rehearsal schedule or contact Susan Rietano Davey if you are unsure whether your child(ren) should attend, or if you have any questions - srietano@gmail.com.

K-8 RFI IGIOUS FDUCATION

Advent is more than a season; it's a SEE-SON! It's time to wait and watch eagerly for our Savior to appear!

Start the SEE-SON strong – Use an Advent Wreath as a family and make a commitment to light the wreath during family prayer time. This is a great opportunity to teach our children about the true meaning of Christmas.

Join us, Sunday November 20th for Family Mass at 4:30 PM All are Welcome

The 4th grade Faith Formation students present their Advent wreaths to be blessed, all others are encourages to bring a wreath to be included in the blessing.

Followed by refreshments in the gathering space.



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.

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

October 30, 2016: \$6,833.91 Online Giving (week ending 11/2/16): \$2,739.00 Next weekend's 2nd collection: *Monthly*

Annual Parish Collection Church of Saint Ann

We are very grateful for the generosity shown by so many to our **Annual Parish Collection.** If you have not yet had an opportunity to return your gift card, please do so as soon as possible. Every gift is welcomed and sincerely appreciated. Thank you.



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*



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.

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 <u>www.mmp-usa.net</u>

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**.



New Updated Ministry Booklet with Parish Contact Information

Next weekend November 12/13, an updated Ministry and Parish Contact Information Booklet will be distributed after Mass. Also, there will be the "I Can Do This" form available for you to complete and return the following week-end either in the collection basket or to Kris Martino in the Parish Office.

There are over 30 wonderful ministries for you and your family to join from and the Ministry Leaders contact information enables you to call and learn more about the Ministry. Please pick up your copy and we look forward to having you join us!!

St. Ann Helps Hurricane Victims

In response to the devastation caused by Hurricane Matthew, the archdiocese is collecting funds to support the efforts of Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Charities in the storm-affected areas of the US and the Caribbean. Thanks to your past generosity to our parish, Fr. McHugh is able to make a donation of \$2,000 to this appeal on behalf of the St. Ann parish family. Please continue to pray for the hurricane victims, and to support this year's Annual Parish Collection.

FAITH FORMATION FOR THE FAMILY

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Sharing the Gospel

In today's Gospel Jesus talked about what you will be like one day in heaven. God made you to be his special child. There is no one else like you. If you truly love God with all of your heart, you will never be apart from him. Even when your body dies, you will still be alive with God. In heaven, God will give you a new body, like an angel. You will live forever. Even in your new body, you will still be God's own special child.

<u>Prayer</u>

Dear God, thank you for promising that I can live with you forever.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself like an angel in heaven.

Mission for the Week

Write on a piece of colored paper, "One day I will be like an angel in heaven." Decorate

your picture with angels, and hang it up in your room.

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Defending Our Religious Liberty

The federal health care mandate violates religious liberty because it forces conscientious objectors to actively go against their moral principles. It also deprives those objectors of the right - a right that others continue to exercise - to do what they see as morally required.

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.

WE KNOW that in all things GOD WORKS FOR THE GOOD of those who LOVE HIM, WHO HAVE BEEN ALLED ACCORDING to his purpose.

Readings for the Week of November 6, 2016

Sunday:	2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15/
	2 Thes 2:163:5/Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38
Monday:	Ti 1:1-9/Ps 24:1-6/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday:	Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29/
	Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday:	Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:3-6, 8, 11/
	1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
Thursday:	Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7-10/Lk 17:20-25
Friday:	2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday:	3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-6/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday:	Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-9/2 Thes 3:7-12/
	Lk 21:5-19

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Puzzles are a kind of trap that we allow ourselves to walk into because we think we can find a way out. Crossword puzzles, Sudoku, word games, Rubik's cubes all invite us to match our wits against the creator of the puzzle. Sometimes, after spending an excessive amount of time in trying to find the solution, we will walk away, only to return a few hours later to perceive the puzzle with new insight and quickly overcome whatever impasse prevented us from solving the puzzle. Weekend Edition Sunday on National Public Radio always has a "Sunday Puzzle." Numerous times the guest participants will mention how they came to the answer through a moment of insight.

In this weekend's Gospel, the Sadducees come forward with a puzzle for Jesus. It is a trap they try to lay for him, one which they themselves don't even acknowledge since they don't believe in a resurrection. They ask Jesus whose wife someone will be after the deaths of multiple husbands. It's a puzzle that begs for an answer, especially in a culture in which male relatives are responsible for the widow of a brother. Like any great puzzle solver, Jesus breaks apart their argument with his own burst of insight suggesting that they not limit their thinking to this world.

We are created beings who live in a physical world. But we also have a spiritual dimension to our existence that transcends the limitations of our physicality. So often, our perceptions of the afterlife are limited because we only know the world in which we live. All the descriptions of life in eternity are analogous because we have no direct experience of what it is. As Jesus relates in the Gospel, the heavenly realm is completely different from this world. The categories of created reality do not apply. Instead we are risen as children of God. If we try to puzzle out who we are after we die, the answer Jesus would give us is that we are alive to God.

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THE BULLETIN BOARD Northwest Catholic High School Entrance Exam Dates Northwest Catholic will offer its Entrance Exam to 8th graders on WHAT IS A WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER ? Nov. 12 & Dec. 3 at 8 am. An application will serve as your The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a positive and personal experiregistration for the exam. The cost for the exam/application is \$25. ence offering married couples an opportunity to learn a technique of loving communication that they can use for the rest of their lives. It is a chance to look For more information or to apply online, go to deeply into their relationship with each other and with God. It is a time to share NorthwestCatholic.org/Admissions. their feelings, hopes and dreams with each other. The emphasis of the Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is on the communication between husbands and wives. The weekend provides a conducive environment for couples to spend time together, away from the distractions and tensions of everyday life, while encouraging them to focus on each other and their relationship. It is not a retreat, marriage clinic, group sensitivity, or a substitute for counseling. It is a unique approach aimed at revitalizing Marriage. It truly is a marriage enrichment pro-gram. This is a time for you and your spouse to be alone together, to rediscover each other and together focus on your relationship for an entire weekend. Every St. Patrick International Bazaar marriage deserves that kind of attention! Simply put - it is one of the best marriage enrichment programs offered to married couples. The St. Patrick's Farmington annual International Bazaar will take place on Saturday, Nov. 19th from 9AM to 6PM in the church hall, **UPCOMING 2016 WEEKENDS** and after all of the masses on Sunday, Nov. 20th. A light lunch will November 18-20, 2016 be offered on Saturday. We will be featuring Fair Trade coffee, olive Baumont Inp and Sulles oil, metal work, ceramics, ornaments, and clothing from Uganda, Manchester, Connecticut Catholic Relief Services, Haiti, Peru, Guatemala and more! For more information and registration please visit the following website: The Bazaar offers us an opportunity to more fully integrate our princihttp://www.wwmect.org/#dates ples with our purchasing patterns. By purchasing fairly traded foods and handcrafts we are making a conscious choice to buy from poor VORLOWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER® CONNECTICUT people in a way that promises to help lift them out of poverty. For more information you can contact Sue Petruzzi at s.petruzzi@comcast.net Craft Festival PLEASE COME AND SHOP & Marketplace FOR A GOOD CAUSE! To Benefit Medical Aid to Haiti November 12 & 13 NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK Church of St. Peter Claver 47 Pleasant Street West Hartford, CT National Vocation Awareness Week is Saturday 10-5:30 Sunday 9:30 –4 November 6-12, 2016 to remain open to God's call at Catholics can fully celebri The Avon Lions Charities Inc. HARVEST BREAKFAST http://vocationawarenessweek.com Please promote National Vocation Awareness Week in your parish 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016 ^a Additionally, The Office of Vocations reminds everyone to pron-coming Holy Hours for Vocations and Advent Night of Discernment. ers posted under "General Parish Info" in the "Office of Vocations" fi 1st Company, Governors Horse Guard Facility e of Vocations remnus of Discernment. Pleas ions and Advent Night of Discernment. Pleas rish Info" in the "Office of Vocations" folder. flyers posted under 280 Arch Road, Avon Adults: \$8.00, Children 5-12: \$4.00 Children 4 and under: Free Barris Carl States and