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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.

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33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"For I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute." - Lk 21:15

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: 8:30 am, daily Chaplet: following daily Mass

> Holy Hour Thursday: 12:00 Noon



33rd Sunday Ordinary Time

MONDAY, November 14

9:00 Leone Lozier (1st Ann.), requested by the Cyr Family

TUESDAY, November 15 9:00 Special Intentions

WEDNESDAY, November 16

9:00 **Lorraine Guile,** requested by the Faillace Family

THURSDAY, November 17

9:00 Special Intentions

FRIDAY, November 18

9:00 Special Intentions

SATURDAY, November 19

4:00 Mickey Barlow and Eileen Salcedo, requested by Cathy Barlow & Rosemarie Olson

SUNDAY, November 20

- 7:30 Thomas Mitchell Frances Mitchell & Maria Kelly, requested by the Mitchell Family
- 9:30 Sadie Klish, requested by Barbara & Gino Calderone
- 11:00 **Joseph & Marie Joyce**, requested by Tom and Pat Heavren
- 4:30 Family Mass

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

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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!

All proceeds go to benefit our St. Ann community!



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 14

M+M Moms: 12:30 in the Activity Room 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, November 15

RCIA: 7pm in Room 3

WEDNESDAY, November 16

Acts of the Apostles Bible Study: 9:30am in Room 2 & 3 *(filled)* Lectio Divina: 3pm in Room 3 Knights of Columbus Meeting: 7pm in Room 2

THURSDAY, November 17

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 18

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal: 2:30-5pm in the Choir Loft and Fr. Bennett Hall—featured performers only

SATURDAY, November 19

Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room 3

SUNDAY, November 20 Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible: 10:45am in Rooms 1 & 3



In conjunction with the Knights of Columbus Pie Sale, our Confirmation students & Youth Ministry will also have freshly baked Pumpkin Bread & Cranberry-Orange Bread for sale after Masses on Nov. 19/20.



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



Come and experience God's transforming Love and Mercy!

K-8 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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.



Stay focused on Jesus this Advent season!

Advent Reflection Series for Small Groups

Beginning Sunday, Nov. 27, Join us for four 90-minute sessions based on the booklet, *The Word Among Us*. Small Groups will gather weekly at church or at home to discuss the scripture readings and reflections from the week and explore four of the names of Jesus: "Wonderful Counselor," "Mighty God," "Everlasting Father," "Prince of Peace." **Church-based Small Groups** will meet in Rooms 1 and 3 on Sundays at 10:45am, and Mondays at 9:30am and 7:15pm. Contact Ann DiStefano to sign up (contact info on front page of bulletin), or to register your **home-based Small Group**. All materials provided.

Online Reflection Series

"Best Advent Ever: Rediscover Advent," from the team who brought us *Rediscover Jesus*! Receive daily email messages featuring insightful video reflections, inspirational Christmas music, and practical tips for making Christmas more meaningful. Sign up via dynamiccatholic.com/advent.

<u>Parish Reconciliation Evening</u> - Monday, December 19th Give yourself the gift of forgiveness and peace as you prepare your heart to welcome Jesus at Christmas.

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal Friday, November 18th from 2:30 - 5 pm for featured performers <u>only</u>.



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 - <u>srietano@gmail.com</u>.



The St. Ann Scholarship Clothing Sale on November 4/5 was a huge success!

Great thanks to the core team who planned and organized, the many hard working volunteers who put the plan into action, the generous people who donated and the discerning shoppers who supported the sale.

Proceeds from the fundraiser provide partial tuition support for 15 deserving urban students at St. Paul, Northwest and East Catholic High Schools. These 3 schools along with St. Mary, Simsbury, held clothing drives and donated 8 vehicles full of gently used clothing.

We deeply appreciate the community support that made this all happen. THANKS!

The Church of Saint Ann Lives the Year of 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 November 14th : ann.distefano@stannavon.com

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

October 30, 2016: \$10,739.00 Online Giving (week ending 11/10/16): \$3,827.00 Next weekend's 2nd collection: *none*

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

This 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!!

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

<u>4:30pm:</u>

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

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

"You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives." - Lk 21:16-19

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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.

FAITH FORMATION FOR THE FAMILY

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Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:											
PASSOVER TEMPLE				SHEEP DOVES			WHIP DESTROY				
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Defending Our Religious Liberty

Now that the elections are over, we must keep in mind the gift of religious freedom and our duty to defend and exercise it as faithful citizens.

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 newly 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 13, 2016

Sunday:	Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-9/2 Thes 3:7-12/ Lk 21:5-19
Monday:	Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday:	Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-5/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday:	Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1-6/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday:	Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1-6, 9/Lk 19:41-44
Friday:	Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/
	Lk 19:45-48
Dedication:	Acts 28:11-16, 30-31/Ps 98:1-6/Mt 14:22-33
Saturday:	Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1-2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday:	2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-5/Col 1:12-20/
	Lk 23:35-43

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are nearing the end of the Atlantic hurricane season. There are many people in this country who pay little heed to this designation, which typically runs from June 1 to November 30 each year. On the other hand, there are large segments of the populace for whom hurricane season is a time to follow the weather broadcasts more closely. For those who live in the affected areas of the country, being prepared for a hurricane's arrival is part of life. Long-range preparation includes things like having an evacuation plan, knowing where important documents are, and having some emergency cash. When a storm is close at hand, vigilance heightens as people board up windows, stockpile supplies, and stay tuned to weather forecasts. Local and state governments execute their disaster preparedness plans to ensure the safety of citizens.

In the Gospel this weekend, Jesus encounters some people who were enamored of all the beauty of the Temple. For them, this was a sign of a certain permanence and blessing rendered by God. In Luke's Gospel, written after the Jerusalem Temple had been destroyed, the Gospel writer has Jesus describing the city's doom and the Temple's destruction. Just like the citizens of hurricane areas who pay close attention to weather reports when there is an approaching storm, the people in the Gospel ask Jesus for the sign that what he describes will happen.

Like folks who live in a hurricane zone, we need to be prepared. Our long-range preparation includes having an evacuation plan. The evacuation plan isn't about gathering up belongings and pulling out before the storm hits. The evacuation plan for a Christian is being prepared to leave this life when the time comes. That means that during our life on earth we have stayed close to God by being faithful to him and trying to live the kind of life Christ has taught us by loving our neighbor. Are you ready to go?

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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 ? 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 com-For more information or to apply online, go to munication that they can use for the rest of their lives. It is a chance to look 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 ORLDWIDE 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 0.000 Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center November 12 & 13 West Hartford, CT Church of St. Peter Claver 47 Pleasant Street Retreat Theme: The Light of Simplicity - Join Holy Family's retreat West Hartford, CT team for a weekend of peace and reflection as we explore the simple and transformative message at the heart of Jesus' teach-Saturday 10-5:30 Sunday 9:30 –4 ing. Discover how simplicity can shine a light on what is truly essential and important in our lives. Be renewed and inspired by the paradox of simplicity and the gift of faith. The retreat includes: home-cooked meals, inspirational liturgies, The Avon Lions Charities Inc. uplifting music, free time, and workshops. The retreat begins with HARVEST BREAKFAST dinner at 6:00 p.m. on Friday evening and concludes with Sunday brunch at noon. www.holyfamilyretreat.org/lightofsimplicity or call 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016 Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, West Hartford, CT at 1st Company, Governors Horse Guard Facility 860.760.9705 for more info. 280 Arch Road, Avon Adults: \$8.00, Children 5-12: \$4.00 Men's Retreat Date: January 20-22, 2017 Children 4 and under: Free Women's Retreat Dates: January, March, April and June (check website) 12 State - 1 - 1 - 2 - 2 - 2