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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.

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baptizing them in the name of the Father, and o the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." - Mt 28:19

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

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May 27, 2018



Special Intentions

of Fr. McHugh

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In celebration of the Ordination

Joseph Barrante and Berthe Poirier,

requested by Dolores and Moe Poirier

Pat Hill, requested by the family

Alfred Koch, requested by

Oscar Maillet, requested by

Dee Dee Sullivan, requested by

Valencia and Adelard Despres (3rd Ann.),

Russell and Diane Koch

Doris and Lionel Cyr

Dick and Anita Sullivan

requested by her children

MONDAY, May 28

TUESDAY, May 29

WEDNESDAY, May 30

THURSDAY, May 31

SATURDAY, June 2

SUNDAY, June 3

FRIDAY, June 1

The Most Holy **Trinity**



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, May 28

MMP Cenacle: 7:15pm in the church. Enter through door on left side of church. All are welcome! Young Adult Bible Study: 7pm in the Activity Room

TUESDAY, May 29 Falling Upward Book Discussion: 7:15pm in Room 2

WEDNESDAY, May 30 Matthew Bible Study: 7:15pm in Room 3

THURSDAY, May 31

Falling Upward Book Discussion: 7:15pm in Room 3 Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church Folk/Contemporary Choir: 7:30pm in the Choir Loft

FRIDAY, June 1 Matthew Bible Study: 9:30am in Room 3 Traditional Choir: 2pm in the Choir Loft

SATURDAY, June 2 Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room 3

SUNDAY, June 3 "Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures": 10:30am in Rm. 3

2018-2019 **Faith Formation** School Year Registration

It's time to plan for our 2018-2019 Faith Formation school year. Again this year, we will automatically enroll all existing students into the next grade level assuming all requirements have been met. Please visit our website for the registration form and return with your payment on or before June 1, 2018. Registrations received after June 1st will be charged a \$40 late fee. Please do not hold up your child(ren)'s registration due to financial issues. We are happy to make payment arrangements that work for your family.



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

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Memorial Day Prayer

Dear Lord, on this day, we remember those who have served us by protecting our freedoms.

When we celebrate our long weekend with our friends and family, help us remember, that our freedom to speak of you, and our freedom to worship you, and our freedom to do that which we ought to do, have all been bought at the price and sacrifice of many lives. Your Son died for our eternal life in heaven. So too, your children died protecting us here on earth. Help us be mindful this weekend and always of the sacrifices made by those in uniform for all our freedoms. Amen.

All information is confidential.

Young ADULT GROUP

The **St. Ann Young Adult Group** welcomes all adults in their 20s and 30s to join us for

- community
- growing in faith
- exploring how our relationship with God can help us navigate life

We hold socials, offer Bible Study, and more. We meet Monday nights at 7:30pm, generally in the Activity Room beneath the left wing of the church. To get on our communications list, contact

Ceci: cecilia.menendez@uconn.edu. To explore further,

visit us at <u>www.stannavon.org/young-adults</u>. Come check us out – we can't wait to meet you





Visit Our Website!

Visit our website for news, events, to learn about our many ministries and for great resources:

stannavon.org

Did you know that you can also read our weekly bulletin in full color on our website?



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

This Spring, Let God Breathe New Life 9nto Your Relationship With Him!

"Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures"

Helps you connect the Bible to your daily life, and enhance your experience of Mass. Join us for community, refreshments, prayer and conversation featuring the popular Lectio Divina practice. All materials are provided. **Drop-ins are welcome!**

- Sundays, 10:30am-12pm in Rm. 3 with Chip Janiszewski
- Mondays, 7:15-8:45pm in Rm. 3 with Jim Serruta *Register with Ann DiStefano, (860)673-9858, x. 228 Or ann.distefano@stannavon.com*

"Falling Upward-A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life" Book Discussion

Whether you're in the first or second half of life, this book by Fr. Richard Rohr is for you! Explore how "falling down" at times helps us move upward in spiritual growth. You'll find hot coffee, a warm welcome, and rich conversation.

- Tuesdays, began April 17th, 7:15-8:45pm in Rm. 2
- Thursdays, began April 19th, 9:30-11am in Rm. 3





REGISTER NOW! Space is limited. Registration form can be printed off of our website and there are some outside of the Faith Formation Office.



WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

May 20, 2018: will be reported in a future bulletin Next weekend's 2nd collection: Catholic Relief Services

CENACLES of the Marian Movement of Priests



Question: Is the cenacle primarily for priests? Answer: No. In Message #34 (1-17-74), Our Lady introduces this question, "Why do I want them to come together in cenacle with me?" In this message she addresses herself to the priests, but what she tells them is also applicable to the laity. She wants all her childrenpriests, religious, laity, families, to gather together with her in cenacles of prayer, to pray with her and to learn how to love one another. Also, the cenacle helps us to deepen our understanding and live the obligations we have undertaken through our consecration to her

Immaculate Heart. We refer you to the message dated Nov. 1, 1973, "my Faithful Cohort." (#25)

Excerpt from Cenacles of the Marian Movement of Priests Purpose/Guide Our cenacle meets every Monday at 7:15pm in the church. Come pray the Rosary with us.



Ministering to body, mind & spirit, the Health Ministry offers blood pressure screening, health counseling & referrals to our community of faith. Office Hours will not occur during June, July & August. Should you have any needs/concerns, please call the Parish Office and Kris will put you in contact with Theresa. Wishing you a safe & blessed summer! I look forward to seeing you the 2nd Sunday of September.

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 & leave your name & address if you wish to receive Communion **860-673-9858**.



Looking For A Fun ∻ Simple Way That Your Family Can Help Others?

The **St. Ann Community Garden** provides fresh, healthy produce to the Avon Food Pantry located at our church. The garden was started as a way for kids & families to help others in need. Eagle Scout, Ian D'Archangelo, built the garden, and St. Ann families maintain it. We **plan, plant, tend and harvest** the garden. In the process, we have lots of **fun** together, **pray** about the people we are helping, and **learn** a few things about growing veggies.

Here's How Your Family Can Get Involved:

- Planting Day is Saturday, May 12th at 11am.
 Meet us at the garden, behind the church. All are welcome, no experience necessary!
- Families are needed throughout the growing season (May - September) to water and tend to the garden. Many hands make light work!
- Contact: Leo <u>leo.distefano@comcast.net</u> to sign up or for more information



When you contribute to any charitable effort, you will want to be assured that the funds received are being used wisely. This includes your gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, which supports the ministries and outreach of the Archdiocese of Hartford and its parishes. The Friendly Hands Food Bank in Torrington, the Helping Hands Chore Service in Winsted and the Archbishop's Annual Appeal Burial Assistance Fund are just a few of the many dozens of programs receiving funding from the Appeal's Vicariate Outreach Program. This truly makes a big difference in the lives of many local residents and neighbors. Please visit the Appeal website at *www.archdioceseofhartford.org* to learn more and make your gift today!

MAY 27, 2018 - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

My wife and I have used the same baptismal gown for all 3 of our children. It is a very long traditional gown made with fabric taken from my wife's first communion dress and my mother-in-law's wedding gown. It is a symbol not just of each child being washed clean by the sacrament, but also of family and how faith has been passed down through generations. Faith is a gift and that gown shows how this family has taken seriously the cultivation of that faith and the sharing of it with those we love the most.

By our baptism we are called to a discipleship that compels us to share our faith with others. It is not always easy, but it would be wrong to horde that faith and not let it shine for others to see. When we think about a stewardship way of life, we sometimes focus on material goods, our talents and skills, or our time. But faith is a gift that needs to be treated in a similar way. We are heirs with Jesus Christ to this rich tapestry of faith and the Church. If all of us were to hide that faith and not seek to share it with others, that lineage would end with us.

We live during a time in history where in some lands people are finding Jesus in huge numbers, while in other places the numbers of people in the pews is declining sharply. We can spend all our time talking about these realities or we can choose to respond to our baptismal call. Jesus commanded us to go forth and make disciples of all nations. Maybe we can begin with our neighbor. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

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QUOTES Words to Inspire the Faithful Eternal Trinity, You are a deep sea in which the more I seek the more I find. - St. Catherine of Siena

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

"This is why you must now know, and fix in your heart, that the LORD is God in the heavens above and on earth below, and that there is no other." (Dt 4:39)

Psalm:

Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own. (Ps 33)

Second Reading:

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God. (Rom 8:16)

Gospel:

Then Jesus approached and said to them, "All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." (Mt 28:18-19)

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WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of May 27, 2018

Sunday:	Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/ Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20
Monday:	1 Pt 1:3-9/Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday:	1 Pt 1:10-16/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday:	1 Pt 1:18-25/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/
-	Mk 10:32-45
Thursday:	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [6]/
	Lk 1:39-56
Friday:	1 Pt 4:7-13/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Mk 11:11-26
Saturday:	Jude 17, 20b-25/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6 [2b]/Mk 11:27-33
Next Sunday:	Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/Heb 9:11-15/
-	Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Happy Trinity Sunday! In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus declare together all three Persons of the Trinity. "Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

When we speak of the Trinity, two different theological words are sometimes used: immanent and economic. The immanent Trinity is the life of the three Persons within themselves, the inner harmonious relationship between Father, Son, and Spirit. We see this in the Gospels when Jesus speaks of his Father and promises to send the Holy Spirit. The term "economic" has its roots in the Greek word oikonomia, roughly meaning "household management." The economic Trinity is our three-Personed God's relationship with creation; it is creation and redemption and ongoing relationship with us.

Made in the image and likeness of God, we are called to imitate God's immanence by giving and receiving love with one another in community. However, this is not limited only to those close to us, though that's where love often starts. We also imitate the economy of God when we go out, when we extend our love and care in a life-giving way. "Go therefore ?"

Every believer is sent on mission. Every believer is invited to follow Jesus and the Apostles "to the nations," to the margins, to the people who require a little extra reach. This could be a distant relative, the residents of your local homeless shelter or even the forgotten neighbor next door! When we love well, we create something beautiful-a relationship, a holy moment, a foretaste of heaven. This Trinity Sunday, take some time to examine the relationships in your life. How well do you love those nearest to you? How well do you reach out to those farther away? How are you creating something beautiful?

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK Live the Liturgy

The love relationship that exists among the Persons of the Holy Trinity is both intense and intimate. As beautiful as this teaching is, it demonstrates how human language really pales in trying to capture the essence of God. The Father brings us to the creative, powerful, yet gently meticulous part of God who has brought mountains and hills into being, as well as each of his children. Still the Father is more than this. The Son demonstrates the unconditional love of God filled with endless mercy and compassion. This love really understands the journey of the marginalized and the poor and has no use for created powers and structures that alienate and hurt people. But the Son is even more than this. The Holy Spirit is the breath of God who teaches wisdom and brings understanding, who governs the seasons and discerns the thoughts of human hearts. Yet the Holy Spirit is still more than this. We worship a God who is beyond and also intimately bonded to all that he has made, without whom nothing could be sustained in being. Praise the Holy Trinity!

THE BULLETIN BOARD

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK

- Religious Freedom Week will take place from June 22 – 29, 2018. It begins with the feast day of Sts. Thomas More and St. John Fisher, includes the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and ends with the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul.
 - The theme for this year is Serving Others in God's Love. Religious freedom is necessary if we are to have the space to continue to serve in areas like education, adoption and foster care, health care, and migration and refugee services. USCCB has produced resources for prayer and action on these issues for each day of the week. We encourage Christians to reflect on the importance of religious freedom so that the Church might have space to carry out her mission of service and mercy. We also invite Christians to pray for our brothers and sisters who face intense persecution in other parts of the world.



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The best way to prepare for death is to spend every day of life as though it were the last. -St. Philip Neri