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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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HE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many." - Mk 14:24

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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

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June 3, 2018

The Most Holy

Body and Blood

of Christ



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9:00 Special Intentions

TUESDAY, June 59:00Lucy Fortino, requested by her son

WEDNESDAY, June 6 9:00 Special Intentions

THURSDAY, June 7 9:00 Special Intentions

FRIDAY, June 8 9:00 John O'Neill, requested by Heidi O'Neill

SATURDAY, June 9 4:00 Joseph Jamilkowski, requested by Russell and Diane Koch

SUNDAY, June 10

- 7:30 In celebration of the ordination of Rev. Joseph Cheah
- 9:30 **Pete Tromza**, requested by Mary Jane Jeter
- 11:00 **Oscar Maillett**, requested by the Yurch Family

Divine Mercy Holy Hour

NEXT Sunday, June 10th



2:30 - 3:30pm in the church

Please join us as we place our trust in God and beg for His Mercy.

Blessing of the Graduates



Sunday, June 10, 2018 11:00am Mass

All 2018 Graduates Welcome 8th Grade, High School & College

Join your parish family for a special blessing to celebrate your achievement!



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, June 4

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting: 7pm in Room 2 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, June 5

WEDNESDAY, June 6

THURSDAY, June 7 Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

FRIDAY, June 8 Matthew Bible Study: 9:30am in Room 3

SATURDAY, June 9 Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room 3

SUNDAY, June 10 "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 including the \$40 late fee as we are now past June 1st. 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. All information is confidential.



Thank you to all who came out and made this year's **St. Ann Cares Day** a huge success. We went above and beyond to transform this year's site. The house got painted,

windows replaced, slider replaced, many areas of rot addressed, bathroom totally redone and the landscaping crew really put the finishing touches on the project. Many thanks to those who helped with feeding the hungry workers. What a wonderful group!

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: <u>cecilia.menendez@uconn.edu</u>. To explore further,

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



St. Ann'S Su**mm**er Bible Ca**mp**

(crew spots & Pre-K are full)



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



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Summer Plans:

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. WE WILL CONTINUE THROUGH THE SUMMER ON A SEMI-REGULAR BASIS. Please contact Chip to confirm when we're meeting: <u>chip@chipi.com</u>; (860) 675-6719

 Mondays, 7:15-8:45pm in Rm. 3 with Jim Serruta. WE WILL MEET JUNE 4TH AND JUNE 11TH, then go on summer break. Thank you, Jim, for your dedication and your fine facilitating this year!

<u>"Falling Upward-A Spirituality for the Two</u> <u>Halves of Life"</u>

Thank you to our facilitators and participants for the rich discussions of this challenging book. The Tuesday Night group will have its final session on our 'rain date' of June 5th, 7:15-8:45pm in Rm. 3

New Summer Bible Study!

Join us for "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible" on Wednesday mornings, 9:30-11:30am from July 11-August 29. Come when you can! \$20 fee covers workbook and video access. Register by June 27 with Ann: <u>ann.distefano@stannavon.com</u>; (860) 673 -9858, X228

Features video presentations by popular Bible teacher Jeff Cavins, engaging homework, and lively in-class discussions.

- Make sense of the Bible and see how it relates to your everyday life
- Discover the remarkable connections between the Old and New Testaments
- See how the sacraments, the Church and our entire Catholic Faith is rooted in Scripture
- Uncover God's faithfulness and love for you



WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

May 13, 2018: \$5,828.25 May 20, 2018: \$6,078.06 May 27, 2018: \$5,519.00 Online Giving (week ending 5/30/18): \$5,331.00 Next weekend's 2nd collection: *Parish Cemetery*

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.

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**.



All are welcome...including brand new knitters! For more information call Tina: 860-674-1541



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

Our Faith, Our Future Archbishop's Annual Appeal



Next weekend, June 9/10, is Gift Commitment Weekend throughout the Archdiocese for the 2018 Archbishop's Annual Appeal — *Our Faith , Our Future*. This is an important moment in the Appeal to ensure its success, and at all Masses there will be a brief 8-minute video that highlights, in a very personal way, some stories of your contributions at work in the lives of others, furthering the work of the gospel. This outreach can only continue thanks to OUR collective support of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. So, if you've not already made a contribution, please complete a Gift Envelope before Mass and place it in the collection basket. If you are making your 2018 gift for the first time, or perhaps increasing your 2018 gift, please accept our sincere appreciation. Last year more than 42,000 households participated. Please help us achieve or even surpass that number of supporting households this year. Your support is vital, no one can replace you. Thank you!

JUNE 3, 2018 - THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

What else is there to give when one has already given away their body and their life? What more can one say or do to demonstrate love for another when all they have has been given to another? This total giving of self to loved ones cannot be trumped by flowery words or material gifts that are fleeting. This is the ultimate in love. This is the love Jesus had for us on the way to his passion, at the institution of the Holy Eucharist. This is the love he has for us daily in the celebration of the Mass on altars in every church, in every city, in every nation on earth. No one can give more. No one can ask for more. This is the true heart of Christian stewardship.

If you take the time to gaze upon your God in the simplest of forms and begin to reflect on what has actually taken place with bread and wine becoming the presence of the Divine, then you can begin to understand true humility, sacrifice, and love. And when you have the privilege to take that Real Presence into your body at the meal where you are an honored guest, you become one with the one who is the embodiment of stewardship. Then, you must ask the question of yourself, "How can I even begin to reflect the love that I have encountered at this feast?" The answer is you can begin with the simple actions of the day: where will you go, whom will you meet, and in what work will you partake? Jesus Christ has shown that the greatest gift ever given can be disguised in this world in a piece of bread. By joining your body to his, he can now transform human hearts, not by grand acts but by everyday acts, by everyday people, practicing Everyday Stewardship.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

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QUOTES Words to Inspire the Faithful In that divine heart beats God's love for everyone, for each one of us individually. - St. John Paull II

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

"This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words of his." (Ex 24:8b)

Psalm:

I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord. (Ps 116)

Second Reading:

For this reason he is mediator of a new covenant. (Heb 9:15a)

Gospel:

He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many." (Mk 14:24)

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WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of June 3, 2018	
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Sunday:	Ex 24:3-8/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18 [13]/Heb 9:11-15/
	Mk 14:12-16, 22-26
Monday:	2 Pt 1:2-7/Ps 91:1-2, 14-15b, 15c-16 [cf. 2b]/Mk 12:1-12
Tuesday:	2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16 [1]/
-	Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday:	2 Tm 1:1-3. 6-12/Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef [1b]/Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	2 Tm 2:8-15/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [4]/Mk 12:28-34
Friday:	Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/ls 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/Eph 3:8-12, 14-19/
5	Jn 19:31-37
Saturday:	2 Tm 4:1-8/Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22 [cf. 15ab]/
5	Lk 2:41-51
Next Sunday:	Gn 3:9-15/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7bc]/2 Cor 4:135:1/
5	Mk 3:20-35

GOSPEL MEDITATION

In our modern times, symbol can seem to have lost its value. The most recognizable "signs" are ones we see on the road or the branding in advertisements. The logos for major companies don't do much more than perk our interest or disdain. They surely don't deliver on their promises for our lives to be happier, healthier, and easier.

On this feast of Corpus Christi, we hear the account of the Last Supper. This was Passover, an ancient sign of the covenant of Moses. The Hebrew people celebrated God's providential care for His people. To the listening disciples, Jesus makes a very bold claim. "This is my blood of the covenant." At the time of the first Passover -- the redemption of the Hebrew people from slavery to the Egyptians -- the blood of the sacrificial lamb was spread on the lintels of the doorpost. Tomorrow, some of the disciples would witness the blood of the new covenant spread across the wood of the cross.

Christ's Body and Blood are more than a sign. They are a sacrament. In the sacrament, the sign makes real what it signifies. More than ritual, a sacrament enacts truth of the covenantal love of God and His promise of fidelity. It's a promise God keeps. The same bread and wine of that first Holy Thursday liturgy becomes -- throughout the centuries and until the end of time -- the very Body and Blood of Christ. On this feast, we celebrate the unfailing covenantal love of our God. As you partake in the Eucharist today, and next Sunday, and the Sunday after that, remember that you receive neither a meaningless sign nor an empty offer. You receive God Himself, as He fulfills His promise to remain with us always.

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK Live the Liturgy

As we gather today to reaffirm our faith in the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, we are reminded that we are also the Body of Christ. The mission of the Gospel calls us to be Christ for others. There is so much brokenness and pain in our world. Many people are lost and feeling lonely, marginalized and oppressed, victimized and abused. Every time we receive the Body (and Blood) of Christ, we are asked to become what we eat. Are we willing to step aside from our preoccupations and concerns so that we can be Christ for others?

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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