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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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# SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"To what shall we compare the kingdom of God? It is like a mustard seed ... once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants."

- Mk 4:30a, 31a, 32

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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:**

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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

June 17, 2018



11th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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 18 MMP Cenacle: 7:15pm in the church. Enter through door on left side of church. All are welcome!

BIBLE CAMP SET-UP: ALL ROOMS USED

**TUESDAY**, June 19

BIBLE CAMP SET-UP: ALL ROOMS USED

WEDNESDAY, June 20

BIBLE CAMP SET-UP: ALL ROOMS USED

THURSDAY, June 21 Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church ARCHDIOCESE LISTENING SESSION: 7pm in F.B. Hall BIBLE CAMP SET-VP: ALL ROOMS VSED

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FRIDAY, June 22 BIBLE CAMP SET-VP: ALL ROOMS USED

SATURDAY, June 23 BIBLE CAMP SET-UP: ALL ROOMS USED

SUNDAY, June 24 BIBLE CAMP SET-UP: ALL ROOMS USED

# The Francine M. Sider 1st Memorial Scholarship

Fr. McHugh is delighted to announce the Francine M. Sider Memorial Scholarship which is available to St. Ann 8th Graders that will be entering a Catholic high school in Fall 2018.

The application is available on our webpage under the "Resources" tab. You can also stop by or call the Parish Office for a copy.

# Don't delay as the deadline is June 29, 2018!

If you have any questions please contact Jane Ellen Peregrin at: jep325@hotmail.com.



MONDAY, June 18 9:00 Helen Roman, requested by Dottie Cialfi

**TUESDAY, June 19** 9:00 **Evelyn Mauro.** regu

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### WEDNESDAY, June 20

9:00 **Paula Smith**, requested by the Zybert Family

## THURSDAY, June 21

9:00 Bonnie Graboski (1st Ann.), requested by her children

## FRIDAY, June 22

9:00 **Janet Silver**, requested by Dr. and Mrs. Richard ZuWallack

## SATURDAY, June 23

4:00 Alfred Koch, requested by Russell and Diane Koch

## SUNDAY, June 24

- 7:30 Jackie Holland, John Evans and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Kucera, requested by the family
- 9:30 Christopher Tabora (1st Ann.), requested by Michelle Tabora
- 11:00 James Fiedler, requested by Dr. and Mrs. Richard ZuWallack

# Listening Session for the Archdiocese of Hartford THIS Thursday, June 21st 7-8pm in Fr. Bennett Hall

The Archdiocese of Hartford is asking each parish to hold a listening session where parishioners are encouraged to give them feedback on the following questions:

What are we (as an Archdiocese) doing well? What are we (as an Archdiocese) doing not so well? What are we (as an Archdiocese) not doing that we should be?

Please join us as we are required to have a minimum of 50 parishioners present. This is your chance to let the Archdiocese know how they are doing!

# Pray for Vocations



# Blessing of Fathers

God and Father of all creation,

we come before you today with humble hearts. You are our model of a loving father. When we fail and fall short of your expectations, you are always there at the end of the day with open arms, ready to heal the cuts and scrapes of the day and to encourage us to try again and not to give up.

We hold up these men in our midst who act in the world as fathers to their children or models of fathers for others.

Bless them in their moments of doubt and frustration with their children. Give them warm and open hearts to forgive failures. Provide them with the words needed for encouragement and perseverance. We ask all this in the name of Jesus. Amen.



# **ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

# This Summer Taste and See How Adult Faith Formation Can Enrich You:

# Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures...

will take place on most Sundays at 10:30am in Room 3, led by Chip Janiszewski. Materials are provided. Drop ins are welcome! Contact Chip to confirm that we're meeting: <u>chip@chipj.com</u>; (860) 675-6719

- enjoy community, refreshments, prayer and conversation
- make personal connections to the Sunday readings
- enhance your experience of Mass
- practice the popular Lectio Divina prayer method

# "Unlocking the Mysetery of the Bible"

This is an 8-week overview of how to read Scripture – perfect for Bible beginners, and for Scripture study enthusiasts who want a refresher. It will be led by Janet Newman and friends in Room 3 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

- enjoy 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
- see how the sacraments, the Church and our entire Catholic Faith is rooted in Scripture
- uncover God's faithfulness and love for you

# 2018 Good Summer Read

This year's *Good Summer Read* is **"The Prayer List and Other True Stories of How Families Pray"** by Jane Knuth. This simple but inspiring book offers something for people of all ages and spiritualities. \$12 discount-copies of the book are available through Ann – <u>ann.distefano@stannavon.com</u>, (860) 673-9858 x228. We will gather for discussion online during the summer, and at church at summer's end. See the bulletin for details.



REGISTER NOW! Space is limited. Registration form can be printed off of our website and there are some outside of the Faith Formation Office. (crew spots & Pre-K are full)

# WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

June 10, 2018: \$5,620.50 Online Giving & Payments (week ending 6/13/18): \$3,753.00 Next weekend's 2<sup>nd</sup> collection: *none* 

#### **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.

"This is how it is with the kingdom of God; it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land? Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come." - Mk 4:26, 28-29

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# **Do You Shop on Amazon?**

Did you know that you can support the Church of Saint Ann simply by shopping on AmazonSmile? AmazonSmile's website has all the same products, prices as Amazon.com, but 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products will be donated to the charity you select. This costs you absolutely nothing, so please follow this specific link to easily choose the Church of Saint Ann as your charity and shop at smile.amazon.com:

## https://smile.amazon.com/ch/06-0658084

## Church of Saint Ann & Favarh Recycling Project

Church of Saint Ann is partnering with Arc of the Farmington Valley (Favarh) to promote recycling of returnable bottles and cans beginning July 1, 2018.

Favarh is a non-profit agency providing services and supports for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

By depositing your cans and bottles in the marked receptacle you will make a positive impact on the earth, take action to promote an ecofriendly future and to help support Favarh's non-profit Day Programs in Avon and the Farmington Valley area.

The proceeds from the returns will help Day Programs purchase much needed supplies to offer a stimulating and active day such as music, electronics, art supplies, books, sensory items, fitness items and much more.

Please consider your support by placing your cans and bottles in the identified receptacle located in the Church Hall.

Thank you for making a difference!!!!



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Many thanks to everyone who helped maintain the St. Ann church reputation for serving delicious and plentiful meals at ImmaCare. This year there were a number of groups from the Religious Ed. classes and the Avon schools that provided food and served. There was a record setting total of 21 nights that dinner- from appetizers to dessert- was shared with 80 guests.

On two nights, we were even able to host the of Casa de Francisco, the apartment complex built and operated by ImmaCare. What an honor to talk with many of the residents who formerly stayed at the shelter and their independence and pride made it clear why housing is truly the goal. No one should ever see a shelter as a permanent solution to homelessness.

It is impossible to say enough for those people who have cooked, baked, donated appetizers, salad, or all the other items that a good meal requires, for many years. These are the people who are really the only reason we can book so many dates in advance, and be confident that good food is provided. We have picked up some new people who are also on the "email anytime" list. Our deepest thanks to all of you.

Although there are no official dates throughout the summer, we still keep in contact with shelter. If you have linens, towels, kitchen items, toiletries, or anything else that is always needed, please just mark and drop in the church kitchen and we'll make sure ImmaCare gets them. We can also be contacted at <u>Kfinocchio@gmail.com</u> or <u>Twohig7@gmail.com</u>.

Have a great summer!

# JUNE 17, 2018 – 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP** Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

You could buy a meal for a person who is hungry or for a person who just ate a feast. You could spend time with a lonely person or with someone who has more friends than you. You could step forward to join a parish committee that your experience and knowledge can help, or you can join a ministry where you will constantly struggle to figure out what to do. All of the above actions involve you giving and sharing yourself and your gifts. But not all of these actions will bear good fruit.

If a sower sows seeds only on rocky or weed-infested soil, nothing of great value will grow. But if that same sower plants his seeds in rich soil, then the harvest will one day be great. In all of the soils, the seed is being sown, but it is not the act of sowing that is the most important factor.

In living a stewardship way of life, we must discern how best to share our gifts. Discernment needs the Holy Spirit and a desire to follow God's will, not our own. Our own desires and misconceptions can cause us to use our gifts unwisely. The more mindful we are of how, when, and why we are sharing ourselves, than the greater the impact for God's glory. God wants all of you, but not in a way that is without understanding and discernment. He wants you to shine as a light to the world through your stewardship just as He came to you as the Light of the World in baptism. You can't shine brightly if the match does not hit the wick. -Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

> **QUOTES** Words to Inspire the Faithful If our treasure is in God, no one can take it from us. - Jacques Philippe

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# SUNDAY'S READINGS

#### First Reading:

Birds of every kind shall dwell beneath it, every winged thing in the shade of its boughs. (Ez 17:23b)

#### Psalm:

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you. (Ps 92)

#### Second Reading:

Yet we are courageous, and we would rather leave the body and go home to the Lord. (2 Cor 5:8)

#### Gospel:

"This is how it is with the kingdom of God; it is as if a man were to scatter seed on the land? Of its own accord the land yields fruit, first the blade, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear." (Mk 4:26, 28-29)

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# WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of June 17, 2018

Sunday: Ez 17:22-24/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 [cf. 2a]/2 Cor 5:6-10/Mk 4:26 -34

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7 [2b]/Mt 5:38-42 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16 [3a]/Mt 5:43-48 Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24 [25]/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 Thursday: Sir 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7 [12a]/Mt 6:7-15 Friday: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18 [13]/Mt 6:19-23 Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34 [29a]/Mt 6:24-34 Next Sunday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/ Lk 1:5-17

Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

"This is how it is with the kingdom of God." What is a kingdom? Is it the brick and mortar that build up the castle? Is it the expanse of land a king can reasonably defend? Our notions of kingdoms may be romanticized in the modern era, but for the Israelites, a kingdom held deep historical meaning. Thousands of years before the birth of Christ, the Israelites had asked God for a king. After the reigns of David and Solomon, the united kingdom dissolved into factions, and the land was conquered by the Assyrians, Babylonians, and, finally, Romans. For the Israelites, a kingdom was something to build, both structurally and civilly. While this had ended in ruin for their ancestors, many of Jesus' contemporaries longed for the restoration of an earthly kingdom.

Jesus' words in today's Gospel are a radical departure from this perspective. He compares the Kingdom of God to a field, but it appears that the farmer has little to do with its progress. "The seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how. Of its own accord, the land yields fruit." Jesus introduces his followers to a new sort of kingdom, a kingdom where God provides the growth.

There is work to be done, of course. "When the grain is ripe, he wields the sickle at once, for the harvest has come." But for the Kingdom of God to flourish, there are certain things that are outside of our control. We sow seeds of kindness, justice, and integrity ? and then we must be patient. As shoots of faith appear, we nurture the growth with encouragement. As Christians, our task is not to build the Kingdom of God under our power alone, but to trust in the life-giving movement of God.

#### **INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK** Live the Liturgy

Jesus compares the Kingdom of God to a mustard seed, the tiniest of seeds. When planted, the tiny mustard seed grows into a tremendous tree with large branches. So, too, in each of our lives, small things can have profound effects. God can use one of our more insignificant gestures to radically change another person's life. It may be the kindness of a smile, our willingness to accommodate someone, listening to someone's story, helping someone who is hurting, standing up for someone who is right, or complimenting someone on something they did. We all have God-given gifts and talents. Our task is to use them creatively, consistently, lovingly, and generously. We trust that God will take care of the rest.

The following notice is being placed in the bulletin as a requirement of the Archdiocese of Hartford



Archdiocese of Hartford Office of Safe Environment 467 Bloomfield Ave. Bloomfield, CT 06002



# HOW TO REPORT AN INCIDENT OF SEXUAL ABUSE TO THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD

If you have knowledge or suspect that a minor or vulnerable adult (an adult with an intellectual disability) has been sexually abused, in any manner, by personnel of the Archdiocese of Hartford, you are urged to report this information to:

Kathleen D. Nowosadko Victim Assistance Coordinator 860-541-6475 kathleen.nowosadko@aohct.org

In addition, you will be asked to follow up in writing with a detailed description of the facts involved in the incident. Specifics of this written report can be found in the <u>Policies and Procedures of the</u> <u>Archdiocese of Hartford Relating to Allegations of Sexual Misconduct Involving Minors and Vulnerable</u> <u>Adults</u>. This document is also available online at <u>www.archdioceseofhartford.org</u>. The Archdiocese of Hartford will report any and all incidents to the proper civil authorities.

Mandated reporters in the State of Connecticut are required by law to report any incident of sexual abuse involving a minor or vulnerable adult. We encourage any Non-Mandated persons to report such incidents to the proper authorities as well. We support your right to do so.

Incidents involving sexual abuse of minors (persons under the age of 18) should be reported to: State Department of Children and Families Care-line 1-800-842-2288

Incidents involving sexual abuse of vulnerable adults aged 18 – 59 should be reported to the: Abuse Investigations Division of the Office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities 1-800-842-7303

Incidents involving sexual abuse of vulnerable adults aged 60 and over should be reported to: Department of Social Services for the Elderly 1-888-385-4225

Once a written report of an incident of sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult has been received, an investigation will be undertaken by, or on behalf of, the Archdiocese of Hartford.