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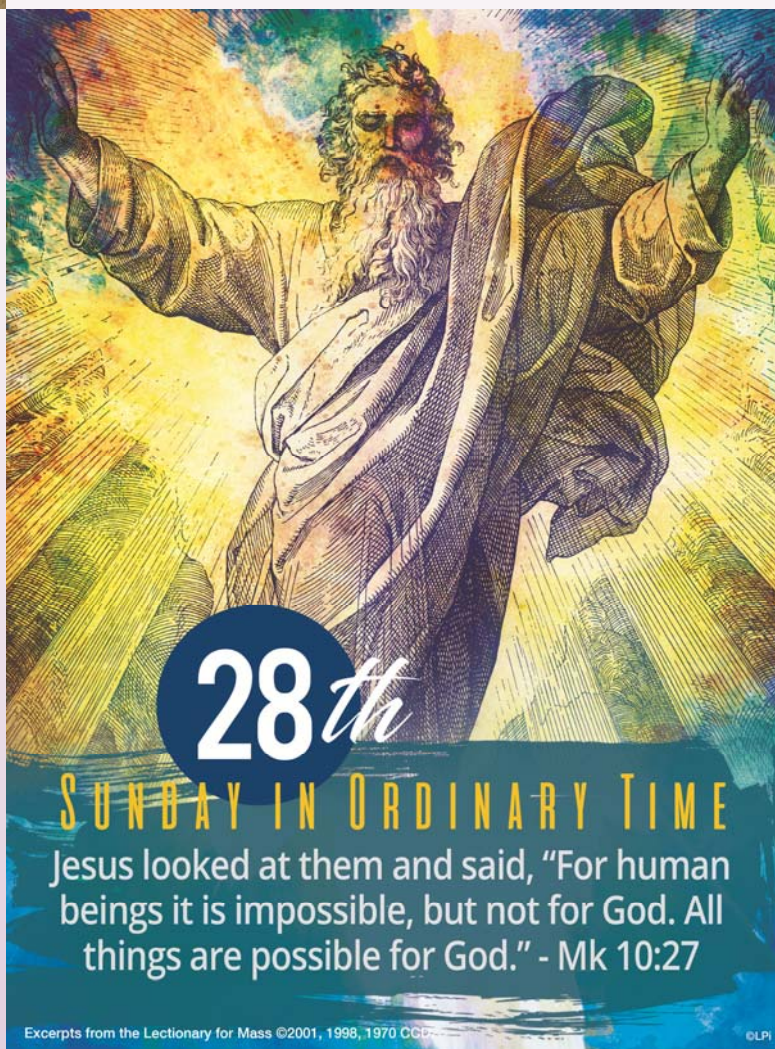
Call the Parish Office

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.



28th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." - Mk 10:27

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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

MMP Cenacle

Monday: 7:15pm

Holy Hour

Thursday: 12:00 Noon

MASS INTENTIONS



**28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

MONDAY, October 15

9:00 **Martin E. Pariseault**, requested by his wife

TUESDAY, October 16

9:00 **Elizabeth Carr**, requested by the
St. Ann Eucharistic Ministers

WEDNESDAY, October 17

9:00 **Special Intentions**

THURSDAY, October 18

9:00 **Special Intentions**

FRIDAY, October 19

9:00 **Frank & Mary Alu**, requested by their son

SATURDAY, October 20

4:00 **For the deceased members of the
Napolitano & Mazzarella Families**

SUNDAY, October 21

7:30 **Richard Tourville**, requested by
Doris and Lionel Cyr

9:30 **Ann Tromza**, requested by Mary Jane Jeter

11:00 **John & Kay O'Neill**, requested by
Heidi O'Neill

REMINDER:

There will be an important meeting of all
Eucharistic Ministers on Thursday evening,
October 18th at 7:00 pm in the Church.
Please plan to attend. Thank you.

WELCOME!



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, October 15

MMP Cenacle-Rosary Prayer Group: 7:15pm in the church.

Enter through door on left side of church. All are welcome!

Young Adult Bible Study: 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30pm (Activity Rm)

Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures: 7:15pm in Rm. 3

TUESDAY, October 16

RCIA (morning group): 9:30am in Room 3

RCIA (evening group): 7pm in Room 3

WEDNESDAY, October 17

Prophets Bible Study: 9:30am in Room 2/3

Acts Bible Study: 6:30pm in Room 3

Knights of Columbus: 7pm in Room 2

THURSDAY, October 18

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

Traditional Choir: 2pm in the Choir Loft

Youth Choir: 4:15pm in the Choir Loft

Children's Rosary Group: 4:30pm in Fr. Bennett Hall

Eucharistic Minister Meeting: 7pm in the church

Folk/Contemporary Choir: 7:30pm in the Choir Loft

FRIDAY, October 19

Acts Bible Study: 9:30am in Room 3

Frank Runyeon's Luke: Stories on the Road: 7pm in the church

SATURDAY, October 20

Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room 3

SUNDAY, October 21

Little Lambs Sunday: 9:30am Mass and following in FB Hall

Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures: 10:30am in Rm. 3

Hollywood vs. Faith: 5-8th graders & parents, 5:45 pm in the church

The Marthas + Marys will host a

Bread of Life Sale

after all Masses on
October 20/21



All proceeds will go to an
anonymous parishioner
in need of assistance

There will be a variety of
home-made breads for
your family to enjoy.

If you are interested in baking
or selling, please contact
Karen(the5edgars@comcast.net)

Chairpersons:
Chris Tyler & Karen Edgar

Divine Mercy Holy Hour



**Sunday,
October 28th**

**2:30 - 3:30pm
in the church**

The recitation of the rosary will follow to
honor Our Lady on the Feast of the
Holy Rosary. Please join us for these
powerful devotions.

ST. ANN'S ANNUAL CLOTHING SALE

Please save clean, gently used: clothing (men, women, teens, kids), shoes, outerwear, handbags, jewelry & accessories

DONATION DATES:

Wednesday, October 31st

9:30am-6pm

Thursday, November 1st

9:30am-6pm

Donations of empty hangars appreciated!



SALE DATES:

Friday, November 2nd

6-8pm (\$5 admission)

Saturday, November 3rd

8:30am-11am (free admission)

12pm-2pm (\$15 bag sale)

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE ST. ANN'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND

VOLUNTEERS Needed - CONTACT:

Meg Kundahl: 860-521-1051 or mkfk@sbcglobal.net

Next Sunday!

Little Lambs Sunday

When: October 21, 2018 at the 9:30am Mass

Who: Children and Caregivers



What: During the Liturgy of the Word children and their caregivers will be invited up to the altar to hear the Liturgy of the Word read especially for them.

Also... join us after Mass in Father Bennett Hall for food provided by our Kindergarten and First Grade FF families and the Little Lambs Team.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Visit www.stannavon.org for full details. To register, contact Ann: ann.distefano@stannavon.com; 860-673-9858, x228

Grow in Faith with Friends

Form a Small Group with your friends/neighbors to explore your faith and deepen your friendships, at your pace and from the comfort of home. Materials and support are waiting for you!

Encounter God in the Bible

"Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures"

helps you make personal connections to the Sunday readings. *Lectio Divina* prayer included. Drop in, all materials provided.

- Sundays, 10:30am, Room 3 with Chip Janiszewski
- Mondays, 7:15pm, Room 3 with Jim Serruta

Parenting with Purpose

Two engaging video series on parenting take place in Room 228, Avon Middle School on CCD Sundays

* 9am - "Sharing Faith" For K-4th Grade parents

Childcare for babies-preK is available at this session - sign up by Thurs prior with babysitters Lisa, lrg1010@comcast.net AND Paula, uconnloves@att.net

* 5:45pm - "Families of Character" for 5th-8th Grade parents

Young Adult Group

Join us on the 2nd and 4th Monday nights of the month at 7:30pm in the Activity Room (beneath the left wing of the church). Unwind, connect and explore faith with other men, women and couples in their 20's and 30's.

Contact: Kylie Brasel, (860) 951-6211,

kylie.brasel13@gmail.com.

Find us on Facebook: St. Ann's Young Adult Group

TV star
FRANK RUNYEON
in:

LUKE

STORIES ON THE ROAD

"REMARKABLE..."
PEOPLE MAGAZINE

He began to speak by telling stories:
A rich man and a poor man... A woman with a coin...
A father with two sons... A traveler on the road...
Stories none of them would ever forget...

Then why couldn't they hear what he was really saying?

Friday, Oct. 19, 7pm
Church of St. Ann
FREE WILL OFFERING
Contact: ann.distefano@stannavon.com
(860) 673-9858, x228

FRANK RUNYEON has starred in over 1,000 television shows over the last 20 years... opposite Meg Ryan on AS THE WORLD TURNS, on SANTA BARBARA, FALCON CREST, GENERAL HOSPITAL, LA LAW and MELROSE PLACE. He is also an honors graduate of General Theological Seminary and Princeton University.

WWW.FRANKRUNYEON.COM

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

October 7, 2018: \$6,731.39
 Online Giving/Pmts. (week ending 10/10/18): \$3,569.00
 Next weekend's 2nd collection:
Mission Sunday

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

St. Gerard's Center for Life Baby Bottle Drive

Pledge cards or baby bottles were distributed after all weekend Masses on October 6/7 and will be collected after the weekend of October 27th and 28th. Thank you for your generosity as we partner together to keep this pro-life mission alive in the greater Hartford area.

October is Respect Life Month Sign up for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament!

St. Ann's Parish is again taking part in the 40 Days for Life Campaign sponsored by the Archdiocese. There are two parts to this peaceful and prayerful mission. We will be having Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday, October 28th beginning at 1 p.m. and continuing until Monday, October 29th at 8 a.m. PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE POSTERS IN THE GATHERING SPACE. We must have 2 adorers for each hour. On Sunday, October 21st a peaceful prayer vigil will take place outside the Hartford OB/GYN Clinic on Jefferson Street in Hartford. Our parish will cover the hours of 6 a.m. until 6 p.m. Please sign up on the poster in the Gathering Space for an hour or more if you would like to stay longer. Thank- you in

*The grace of Christ gives spouses the real capacity to
 fulfill the whole "truth" of their conjugal love...
 to live their conjugal communion
 in its fullness.*

*St. John Paul II,
 June 5, 1987 Address*

YOUTH CHOIR: CALLING ALL KIDS IN GRADES 4-8 WHO LOVE TO SING!



We rehearse on Thursdays in the choir loft from 4:15 - 5pm and we sing several times a year. It's fun, and you'll learn a lot too! We have a great season planned, so invite a friend and join us! Can't commit for the entire season? Come when you can! Youth Choir Director: Carl Sauerbrunn, c.sauerbrunn@comcast.net or (860)673-5882.

Save the Date

for a very special
Centennial Party

Dinner & Dancing

Friday, May 3, 2019
 at the Riverview in Simsbury



Knights of Columbus Meeting
 Wednesday, October 17th
 at 7-8:30pm in Room 2
 (under Fr. Bennett Hall)

Church of St. Ann

Celebrating Our

100th Anniversary

2018 ANNUAL PARISH COLLECTION

"Rejoice, Rejoice again I say Rejoice"

These words taken from the sacred scripture underscore the 100th Anniversary of Saint Ann Church. It is difficult to imagine the number of Catholics that have come through the doors of Saint Ann Church who receive the Grace of the sacraments, or have had their spiritual and material needs met. Truly, this is a momentous occasion in the lives of our parish. Plans are already underway to celebrate this event during the months of May and June. Part of this celebration is to increase our **Annual Parish Collection** to preserve the financial stability of our parish now and in the future. After consultation with the Finance Council, we have set our financial goal for this year's appeal at **\$375,000**. I would ask you to please be generous as we celebrate this momentous occasion.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

I oftentimes say in prayer, "Grant me the wisdom to see Your will for my life and the courage to follow that will." It is a request for true discernment to see that God's will is always more important and fruitful than my own will. It is easy to fall into the trap of thinking happiness and fulfillment lie in doing what I want to do and following my own wants and desires. Our entire secular culture is filled with that message. However, that road has led too many to a place of emptiness and regret. I must pray to keep in the forefront of my mind that God created me on purpose and for a purpose. Being wise enough to see that purpose is the key to true satisfaction in this world.

Giving of our gifts and talents in only ways we want to means that we become deaf and blind to the numerous times Jesus Christ calls us to give. We also easily avoid any form of real sacrifice, which often leads us to give only from our excess. Wisdom allows us to see where we are being called, even if we are unsure what increase will result from our investment. Our trust is no longer in the gift given but instead in the One who is calling us to give. When our lives of generosity and compassion are ordered in this way, it is hard for anything to steal our joy away. Our purpose is found, our aim is true, and our desire is fulfilled.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

QUOTES

Words to Inspire the Faithful

"May you use the gifts that you have received and pass on the love that has been given to you."

- St. Teresa of Avila

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

I prayed, and prudence was given me;
I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me. (Wis 7:7)

Psalms:

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy! (Ps 90)

Second Reading:

Indeed the word of God is living and effective,
sharper than any two-edged sword. (Heb 4:12a)

Gospel:

"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." (Mk 10:25)

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WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of October 14, 2018

Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [14]/Heb 4:12-13/
Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27
Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31--5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and
6-7 [cf. 2]/Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48 [41a]/
Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/
Lk 11:42-46
Thursday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/
Lk 10:1-9
Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13 [12]/Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7 [7]/Lk 12:8-12
Next Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [22]/Heb 4:14-16/
Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Christian author C.S. Lewis once wrote that Christianity is not so much about being nice people but in being "new men." We see this contrast in today's Gospel. "Good teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus first answers in the predictable way. Follow the commandments! "Teacher, all of these I have observed from my youth." Perhaps for some of us it's easy to answer this way. "I'm a good person!" he seems to reply. Does he truly follow all the commandments he professes to follow? Does he -- in word and deed -- check off all the boxes of the moral law? Perhaps. Whether he's being honest or fudging the truth, Jesus accepts his answer at face value with compassion. "Jesus, looking at him, loved him."

But he's not done yet! Jesus wants to remind us that this attitude alone is not enough. "Go, sell what you have ? then come, follow me." Jesus' invitation to the young man is radical. Abandon everything that gives you any sense of security. Give it all up for an unknown future with a wandering preacher.

The Christian life is not easy. "How hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!" It's easier, Jesus says, for a gigantic camel to squeeze itself through a tiny needle's eye. But the God of the universe creates out of nothing, breaks the bars of hell, and raises the dead to life. Is a needle's eye really such an obstacle? Jesus' invitation is always bigger than our own limitations. This week, what do we need to offer up? How is Jesus inviting us to follow him?

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Live the Liturgy

Are we content and satisfied with the bare minimum and essentials of our faith, or do we desire excellence and proficiency? The Ten Commandments represent the minimum and, if we are honest with ourselves, are pretty easy to keep. The fullness of the Gospel, however, is another story. Truly living as Jesus taught often comes with great self-sacrifice, self-emptying, and possibly leaving the things of this world behind. Are we ready to pursue this kind of life? God wants us to live and love abundantly not superficially. Love asks that we extend ourselves beyond the status quo and the bare minimum and venture into that which is risky, countercultural, and even radical. What we possess can no longer be important. When Jesus laid this out before the rich young man, he went away sad because he had much. When Jesus lays it out before us, how do we react?

THE BULLETIN BOARD



Northwest Catholic High School invites prospective students and parents to attend our annual Open House on Sunday, October 28th from 1-3 p.m. NWC will offer an entrance exam on Saturday, November 17th at 8 am. A completed application serves as registration for the exam. Walk-ins are welcome!
You can apply online at: www.northwestcatholic.org/apply. Please contact Andrew Selig at aselig@nwcath.org with any questions.

Northwest Catholic HS \$10K Raffle Tickets Available at St. Ann on the Weekend of October 27/28.

Tickets will be available for purchase after all the Masses during the weekend of October 27/28 for Northwest Catholic High School's \$10K Raffle fundraiser, to benefit the Northwest Catholic Fund. The NWC Fund annually supports the school's operating budget and the exceptional educational and financial aid programs that distinguish Northwest Catholic. Tickets are \$20 each and only 3,000 tickets are available for sale. The grand prize is \$10,000, with a second prize of \$2,500 and a third prize of \$1,000. The drawing will be held on Thursday, November 22, 2018 during halftime of NWC Thanksgiving morning home football game. Ticket holders do not need to be present to win. Visit www.NorthwestCatholic.org/Raffle for more information. Thanks for your support for NWC and our students

11th Annual Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2018 8 am – 4 pm

(Mass celebrated by Archbishop Blair)

St. Paul Catholic High School, Bristol, CT

Featuring dynamic speakers, exhibitor, confession, adoration, food, and fellowship.

Speakers include Fr Bill Casey, Bob Kroll, Jason Calvi and Deacon Doug Hoffman.

BUY TICKETS ONLINE www.ctcatholicmen.org Questions? 860-484-7950

Early bird Cost: \$45 (includes lunch)

The Avon Lions Charities Inc. **HARVEST BREAKFAST**

8:00 AM – 11:00 AM Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018
1st Company, Governors Horse Guard Facility
280 Arch Road, Avon

Adults: \$10.00, Children 5-12: \$5.00
Children 4 and under: Free

With praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God
The Archdiocese of Hartford requests the
honor of your presence at the
Episcopal Ordination of
The Most Reverend Juan Miguel Betancourt, SEMV
as the Titular Bishop of Curzola and Auxiliary Bishop
of Hartford

by The Most Reverend
Leonard P. Blair, Archbishop of Hartford,
in the presence of The Most Reverend Timothy P.
Broglia, Archbishop for the Military Services, USA,
and The Most Reverend Andrew H. Cozzens,
Auxiliary Bishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis,
Co-Consecrators and The Most Reverend Christophe
Pierre Apostolic Nuncio of the United States of
America at the

Cathedral of Saint Joseph,
140 Farmington Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut
Thursday, October 18, 2018
at 2pm.

A Reception will follow immediately

Office of Education, Evangelization and Catechesis
presents:

The Archdiocese of Hartford 2018 Women's Conference



"Woman is the World's Harmony"

— Pope Francis' Morning Meditation 2/2017

Saturday, November 3, 2018
Hartford Marriott Farmington

<https://catholicedaohct.org/programs/archdiocesan-women-s-conference>

Registration is Now Open

Keynote Speaker: Kerry A. Robinson,
founding executive director and current
Global Ambassador of Leadership
Roundtable.