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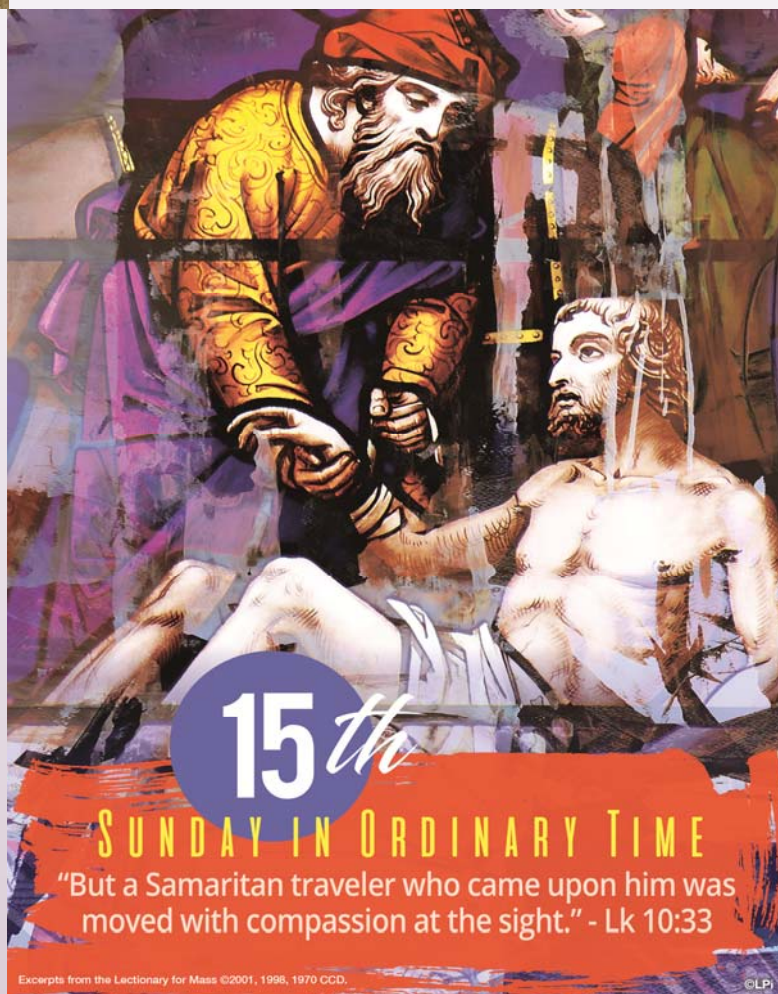
BAPTISMS: Registered parishioners call the Parish Office

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.



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:

Eucharistic Adoration:

Mondays 9:30-10:30am

Rosary: 8:30 am, daily

MMP Cenacle: Mondays at 7:15pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Tues.- Fri.

9:30-9:40am in the Sanctuary

Holy Hour: Thursdays at 12noon



**The 15th Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

MONDAY, July 15

9:00 **David Matthes**, requested by
John and Alice Kuzia

TUESDAY, July 16

9:00 **David K. Matthes**, requested by
Diane and Michael Drabin

WEDNESDAY, July 17

9:00 **Special Intentions**

THURSDAY, July 18

9:00 **Edwin Lysak**, requested by the family

FRIDAY, July 19

9:00 **Special Intentions**

SATURDAY, July 20

4:00 **Janice Daponte**, requested by
the Argay Family

SUNDAY, July 21

7:30 **Frank and Marie Gallo**, requested by
the family
9:30 **Mildred and Walter Newman**, requested
by the Newman Family
11:00 **Michael D. Gentile**, requested
by Mr. and Mrs. James Samia

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, July 15

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 9:30-10:30am in the church
MMP Cenacle-Rosary Prayer Group: 7:15pm in the church .
All are welcome! (Enter through door on the left side of the church)

TUESDAY, July 16

WEDNESDAY, July 17

Video Series: Mary, A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother:
9:30am in Room 3

THURSDAY, July 18

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

FRIDAY, July 19

SATURDAY, July 20

Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room 3

SUNDAY, July 21

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

Library Exhibit



When you visit the Avon library this summer, be sure to stop by the History Corner to view the St. Ann exhibit, which spans 100 years of history. You may be surprised at the number of priests who have cared for our parish over the years, and maybe you will recognize someone you know in one of the photographs. We are sharing the space with the West Avon Congregational Church, which is celebrating 200 years. The exhibit will remain there through the end of August.

9-Day Novena to St. Ann Weekdays July 16-26, 2019



In honor of St. Ann's 100th Anniversary we will be saying the 9-day Novena to St. Ann following the 9am daily Mass. The Divine Mercy will be said following this Novena. This will take place on weekdays from July 16th through July 26th. Please join us!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

2019 Summer Program

Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures

Come make personal connections to the Sunday readings through the lens of historical context and the popular *Lectio Divina* prayer method. Sundays, 10:30am-12pm, Room 3, with Chip Janiszewski. All materials provided. (Bring your own Bible if you like.) Register with Ann DiStefano (see bulletin front) or drop in!

Free Rosary Repair Service will be offered at St. Ann's from now until the middle of September.



Leave your broken rosaries in the box on the table in the gathering space. Repaired rosaries will be returned within the week. Also, we accept donations of old or broken rosaries for the missions. Leave them in or near the same box. Dick Holden at 239-463-3993 or Betty Holden at 860-595-6370 or holdenbnd@gmail.com.



HONOR A VETERAN WITH A AT VETERANS MEMORIAL WAY

Veterans Memorial Way is almost complete! Orders for engraved pavers are now being accepted. Each paver that is purchased will be engraved with a veteran's name and information regarding their service. Pavers may honor veterans who are living or deceased. If you are purchasing a brick in honor of a deceased veteran, it is not required that they are buried at St. Ann's Cemetery.

Order forms are available in the Gathering Space, Parish Office and can be downloaded from our website.



Short shorts, tank tops and other beach attire are fine for the beach but are inappropriate for church.

Thank you in advance for dressing respectfully.

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

June 30, 2019: \$6,577.00

July 7, 2019: \$7,003.63

Online Giving (week ending 7/10/19): \$2,811.00

Next weekend's 2nd collection:
Monthly

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

God of Life and love,

You created us in your image and sent your Son to bring us life.
Instill in us a respect for all life, from conception to natural death.

Empower us to work for justice for the poor.

Nourish us that we may bring food to the hungry.

Inspire us to cherish the fragile life of the unborn.

Strengthen us to bring comfort to the chronically ill.

Teach us to treat the aging with dignity and respect.

Bring us one day into the glory of everlasting life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



Priest from Cross Catholic Outreach to Speak at all Masses This Weekend

We welcome Father Hugh Duffy, Ph.D. of Cross Catholic Outreach who is speaking this weekend at all Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. This ministry was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. Please be generous in your response to Father's appeal. Brochures will be provided if you wish to support this worthy Catholic ministry.

OUTREACH PRIEST

Rev. Hugh Duffy, Ph.D.

Father Hugh Duffy is a retired priest of the Diocese of Palm Beach, Florida. A native of County Donegal, Ireland, Fr. Hugh received a Ph. D. from the University of Hull, England. Ordained in 1966, Fr. Hugh taught at a College in County Cork, Ireland. He also founded Christian Community Action in Ireland which was devoted to helping the needy in his native country by building housing for seniors, a sheltered workshop for the handicapped, a community center, and a center for the treatment of alcoholics. Among his pastoral assignments, Fr. Hugh was pastor at Sacred Heart, Okeechobee, Florida, for three decades [1983- 2013] where he served a multi-ethnic community of Americans, Hispanics, and Asians. Before retiring as pastor, he built a new church, debt free, for the community of Sacred Heart in 2013.

His experience in helping the needy is what has drawn him to preach on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach to serve the poorest of the poor!

Thank You to This Year's Vacation Bible Camp Volunteers!

At Vacation Bible Camp, we seek to help campers encounter Jesus in many different ways, through music, prayer, storytelling, games, skits, food, organization, holding a hand or offering a listening ear. Thank you for the passion and dedication that you brought to camp each day, and for all that you did to bless others.



Adult Volunteers: Sue Ollestad, Kristen Bittar, Ann Marie White, Sarah Perry, Jennifer Valentine, Erika McDermott, Colleen Waterbury, Adam Cost, Sarah Shea, Heather Hoffman, Jean Mix, Katie Keefrider, Kristen Milardo, Valerie St. Jean, Lisa Anderson, Jen Valentine



Junior Counselors: Chris Alexander, Mia Agudelo, Sofia Agudelo, Lily Anderson, Ian Anderson, Ashley Blackmore, Ryan Blackmore, Robbie Blackmore, Madison Brady, Justin Cardia, Cecilia Cleary, Tenley Davis, Ceci DiStefano, Kathryn Dowling, Gianna Godbout, Ella Godbout, Audrey Grimm, Mya Hall, Maggie Hoffman, Charlie Hoffman, Joey Hoffman, Jenna Hole, Brendan Keefrider, Jack Keefrider, Ally Kennedy, Will Lancaster, Kate Loparco, Emma Loparco, Grace Magel, Hope Meaney, Nicolas Menendez, Grace Merritt, Cole Milardo, Anthony Milardo, Spencer Mix, Ali Nyberg, Mya Parady, Zachary Reilly, Hannah Sieklucki, Bridget Soucy, Owen Soucy, Alex Tabora, Dominic Turner, Maeve Walsh, Curran Waterbury, Hadley Waterbury, Francie Waterbury, Harry Waterbury



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

So many times in my life, I have failed to start something because I had not yet adequately prepared. I would have started working out or going for a jog, but I needed to get the right shoes. I would have started eating right if only I could find the time and money to buy the right foods. I would have started that journaling project, but I couldn't without a really nice leather-bound journal. I would have, I would have, and I would have!

I know many people can relate. We offer up excuses for so many things. Sometimes we even get to the point where we do start something, but by then, we have already lost so much time.

Some of us are thinking about taking a stewardship way of life seriously, but we are just not ready yet. We would be more generous if we can first get out of debt. We would give of our time, but we have to wait until the kids get older or until we fully research our options. The truth is, we don't have to be in any particular state of life or have any specific financial portfolio to start giving our very selves to God. God takes us as we are now. No resume needed. Why waste so much time thinking about getting started and becoming serious? Time is a gift given to all of us. As we think and prepare endlessly, we are practicing poor stewardship. The time to start is today. Who wants to answer God one day at the gates of Heaven saying, "I would have."?

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

QUOTES

Words to Inspire the Faithful

The remedy for fear is trust in God.
- Caryll Houselander

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

"It is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you only have to carry it out." (Dt 30:14)

Psalm:

Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live. (Ps 69) or Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. (Ps 19)

Second Reading:

He is the head of the body, the church. (Col 1:18a)

Gospel:

"But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight." (Lk 10:33)

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WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of July 14, 2019

Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 [cf. 33] or PS 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [9a]/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37
Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 10:34--11:1
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf. 33]/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 [8a]/Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Ex 11:10--12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 [13]/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21
Next Sunday: Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 [1a]/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Loving isn't too difficult, right? Many of us are surrounded by kind, lovely people trying to do the right thing. Indeed, to "love ? your neighbor as yourself" seems like it should be easy enough. Treat people like you would like to be treated. Bring the new neighbors some baked goods (normal and gluten-free, just in case). Chat with the bank teller about his holiday weekend. Write an occasional card to your sister "just because." There were probably varieties of these acts of kindness in Jesus' day. Perhaps substituting figs for cookies. But "exchange pleasantries with the traveling cloth merchant" isn't the example Jesus gives.

"A man fell victim to robbers... they stripped him and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead." The righteous pass by the scene of the dying man. The hero of the story is the one on the margins of Jewish society, who perhaps would not have been welcomed, in other circumstances, by the man now in the ditch. His neighborly love causes him to halt his journey, to tend wounds, and to pay for the man's care out of his own savings. Are we interruptible? Are we attentive to the hurts of others? Are we generous with our money and possessions?

In the past few weeks, who has crossed your mind as someone in need of help? Perhaps it's an acquaintance suffering from cancer. Maybe you were invited to donate or volunteer to a local social cause, but it just won't stick in your mind (or schedule) to make it happen. The needs of people are many and varied. We can't help everyone, but God does place opportunities in our path for compassion and courageous love. This week, be "the one who treated him with mercy."

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Live the Liturgy

We have heard the story of the Good Samaritan so many times. Have we ever realized that it is an enemy and outcast who is the hero of the story? Freed from laws that limit acts of mercy and compassion, the Samaritan becomes the example of how to love God by loving our neighbor. Our minds know what our faith teaches, and our mouths know what words to speak. Ultimately, deep down in our conscience, we know how we ought to act. Yet, as we encounter each new day, do we always do what we are called to do? Our neighbors live next to us and far away. They are down the street, sitting beside us, living in Mexico, Honduras, Ecuador, Guatemala, Poland, Russia, China, Korea, and Iraq. Our neighbors are even found in people who want to hurt us. How do we love them as Jesus asks us to? How we answer this question will determine how much we really love God.

THE BULLETIN BOARD

Franciscan Golf Classic

The 24th Annual Franciscan Golf Classic will be held Monday, August 19, 2019, Tunxis Country Club, Farmington, Connecticut. The day includes 18 holes of golf, lunch on the course, an outdoor dinner, and 4 chances to win a hole in one:

- \$15,000 in cash
- 2019 Hyundai Kona
- Trip for two Pebble Beach Resort, CA
- Trip for two Pinehurst Resort, NC

This event benefits the counseling and educational programs of the Franciscan Life Center and care of the sick and end of life care services of Franciscan Home Care and Hospice Care.

Join us!

Cost to play \$180/person.

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Justice for Immigrants Website

We understand that many immigrants in our archdiocese, as well as their families, are both afraid and confused by recent announcements regarding potential enforcement actions. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, through their Justice for Immigrants website, have compiled resources to help educate your community about their rights when interacting with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and ways that they can prepare their families. The resources cover the importance of registering in a parish, knowing your rights, and family preparation. This resource list can also be found at the JFI website: www.justiceforimmigrants.org



LORD of the Harvest,

BLESS young people with the gift of courage to respond to your call.
Open their hearts to great ideals, to great things.

INSPIRE all of your disciples to mutual love and giving—
for vocations blossom in the good soil of faithful people.

INSTILL those in religious life, parish ministries, and families with the confidence and grace to invite others to embrace the bold and noble path of a life consecrated to you.

UNITE us to Jesus through prayer and sacrament, so that we may cooperate with you in building your reign of mercy and truth, of justice and peace. Amen.

— Pope Francis

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Trinity Health New England Home Hospice

As you know, there are many traditions and reflections that surround end of life within each faith; our goal is to have many faiths represented within our hospice so that we may better serve our community. Our hospice volunteers spend time with our patients at end of life. They can go to the patients home, skilled nursing facility, or hospital. Sometimes they are a quiet presence or keeping a vigil with a family; other times they may be offering companionship to the patients with conversation or activities, or providing respite time allowance that they are required to give to the program- it is all up to them and what they can offer for time.

The open house/sign up for interested Volunteers will be held August 14th from 4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. and August 17th from 12 p.m. - 3 p.m. refreshments will be provided and a small raffle. They will get the chance to meet the staff and learn more about this opportunity.