



# Church of Saint Ann

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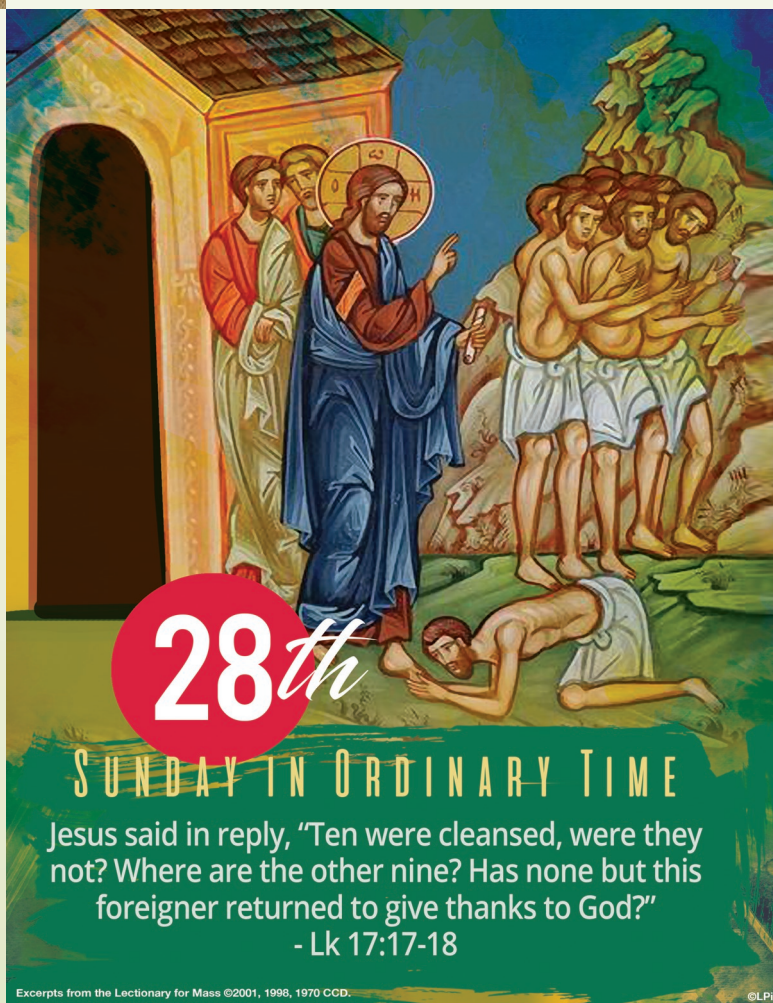
**BAPTISMS:** Registered parishioners call the Parish Office

## 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.



## SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?"  
- Lk 17:17-18

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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:

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

# MASS INTENTIONS



**The 28th Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

## MONDAY, October 14

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

## TUESDAY, October 15

9:00 **For Divine Peace, Divine Love and Divine  
Will on Earth**, requested by Judith Stafford  
& David Woolley

## WEDNESDAY, October 16

9:00 **Grace Vuono**, requested by  
Sandy and Nelson Bondhus

## THURSDAY, October 17

9:00 **For Divine Peace, Divine Love and Divine  
Will on Earth**, Kathryn Woolley

## FRIDAY, October 18

9:00 **Jane Marcinak**, requested by  
the Ledwidge Family

## SATURDAY, October 19

4:00 **Del Tepley**, requested by  
his book club friends

## SUNDAY, October 20

7:30 **Irving and Josephine McBride**, requested  
by the family  
9:30 **Laura Santiago**, requested by the family  
11:00 **Thomas and Ella Heavren**, requested by  
Tom and Pat Heavren  
4:30 **Teen Mass**

## Annual Parish Collection



Church of Saint Ann

We are very grateful for the generosity shown  
by those who have already contributed  
towards our 2019 Annual Parish Collection.

If you have not yet had an opportunity to  
return your pledge card, please do so as soon  
as possible. If you are in need of a pledge form  
please contact the parish office. Every gift is  
welcomed and sincerely appreciated.

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 worshipping with us and we  
hope to see you again.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN'S

### MONDAY, October 14

**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)

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

### TUESDAY, October 15

**RCIA:** 7pm in Room 3

### WEDNESDAY, October 16

**Revelation Bible Study (full):** 9:30am in Rooms 2 & 3

**Walking with Purpose:** 7pm in Fr. Bennett Hall

**Knights of Columbus:** 7pm in Room 2

### THURSDAY, October 17

**Refreshing Catholicism:** 9:30am in Room 3

**Holy Hour:** 12 noon in the church

**Traditional Choir:** 2pm in the Choir Loft

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

**Refreshing Catholicism:** 7:15pm in Room 3

### FRIDAY, October 18

**1st Corinthians Bible Study:** 9:30am in Room 3

### SATURDAY, October 19

**Men's Breakfast Group:** 8am in Room 3

### SUNDAY, October 20

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



## Knights of Columbus Meeting

Wednesday, October 16th  
at 7-8:30pm in Room 2



## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

*Fall 2019 Programs***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**

**Mondays starting Sept. 9th, 7:15pm, Room 3, with Jim Serruta**

**All materials provided. (Bring your own Bible if you like.)**

**Register with Ann DiStefano (see bulletin cover) or drop in!**

*Still Time to Join us!*

**First Corinthians: The Church and the Christian Community**

Paul's first letter to the Corinthians addresses many of the same topics that appear in our daily news: scandals, promiscuity, debates and controversies, and issues related to prosperity versus poverty. Come find much-needed wisdom for our times!

**Fridays: 9:30-11am in Room 3 (September 13 - November 22)**

**Materials fee: \$27 (checks payable to Church of St. Ann)**

**Leaders: Kenna Daly Andrea Pizzuti**

**RSVP to Ann DiStefano (contact info. on bulletin cover)**

**Refreshing Catholicism**

Has it been a while since you were in catechism class, and you could use a refresher? OR Are you a non-Catholic, interested in exploring the faith? **Join us for *Refreshing Catholicism*, Part 2!**

**(you do NOT have to have completed Part 1 to participate!)**

*Topics include...*

1) **The Sacraments:** Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation

2) **The Sacraments:** Reconciliation, Anointing of the Sick, Marriage, Holy Orders

3) **Living as a Disciple of Jesus:** Conscience and Social Justice

4) **Living as a Disciple of Jesus:** Call to Holiness and Mission

5) Prayer

**October 3 – November 14, 2019 (six sessions)**

**Thursdays, 9:30am OR 7:15pm Room 3, lower level of Fr. Bennett Hall**

**Book Fee: \$10 – checks payable to Church of St. Ann**

**Register by Sept. 16 [ann.distefano@stannavon.com](mailto:ann.distefano@stannavon.com);**

**860-673-9858, x228**

**K-8 Parent Enrichment**

See the Alpha program announcement on this page.

**TIRED OF SMALL TALK?**  
**Try ALPHA**

"Alpha" is a relaxed, friendly environment where we talk about the big questions in life - *love, truth, meaning, purpose, suffering* —questions deep in the hearts of every person, including our kids. We enjoy food, a video and discussion. *All are welcomed to come and to comment freely, especially those who question God and religion.*

**Upstairs in Room 228 at Avon Middle School, while the kids are in class**

- **9-10:30am (\*with childcare – must register: see below\*)**
- **5:45-7:15pm**

**Follows the K-8 Faith Formation calendar. Next: October 20th**

RSVP to Ann DiStefano (see bulletin cover)

**Join us when you can!**

\*To register for childcare, contact Paula

Love by the Thursday prior to the session:

[uconnloves@att.net](mailto:uconnloves@att.net); 860-690-8346.

**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 30th

9:30am–6pm

Thursday, October 31st

9:30am–6pm

**DONATIONS OF  
EMPTY  
HANGARS  
APPRECIATED!**

**SALE DATES:**

Friday, November 1st

6–8pm (\$5 admission)

Saturday, November 2nd

8:30am–2pm (free admission)

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

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - CONTACT:**

Meg Kundahl: 860-521-1051 or [mkfk@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mkfk@sbcglobal.net)



## WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

**October 6, 2019: \$6,586.49**  
**Online Giving (week ending 10/9/19): \$2,876.00**  
**Next weekend's 2<sup>nd</sup> collection:**  
*Propagation of the Faith*



## HEARTS & SOULS

Ministering to body, mind and spirit, the Health Ministry offers blood pressure screening, health counseling and referrals to our community of faith. **Office hours for October 2019 will be on October 27th** from 8:15-11am in the Sacristy ( 2<sup>nd</sup> door on the left as you enter the vestibule of the church). No appointment necessary.

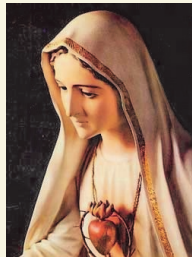
## CENACLES

### 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 children-priests, 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.**



## WHY DO WE DO THAT?

### CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

**Question:** How can I practice gratitude in my everyday life?

**Answer:** God has given each of us many blessings. Fostering an "attitude of gratitude" might be easier than you think. Simple, concrete practices can help us to be more thankful more often. Incorporate it into your dinner with your spouse, or as you tuck the kids into bed at night. "What are three things you're thankful for today?" Make a habit of writing one note a week to someone special in your life, thanking them for how they've impacted you. This is also a good practice in the workplace. Consider opening your weekly meetings with a quick round of gratitude sharing. "I'm grateful John helped me with that last-minute change to my presentation last week. I wouldn't have finished it in time for the meeting without him."

Another way is to designate a few minutes to thank God. This could be the first bit of your daily prayer time or after you receive communion on Sundays. You can also integrate it into your daily routine. How about while brushing your teeth? There's probably nothing so important it can't wait two minutes. Brush your teeth, quiet your mind, and thank God from your heart for His blessings throughout the day. Get creative! Any moment is an opportunity to praise and thank God.  
 -LPi

## PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

### Baby Bottle Drive for St. Gerard's Center for Life

Pledge cards or baby bottles were distributed after all weekend Masses on October 5/6 and will be collected the weekend of, October 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your generosity as we partner together to keep this pro-life mission alive in the greater Hartford area.



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### 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, November 3rd following the Divine Mercy Holy Hour and continuing until 8 a.m. on Monday, November 4th. PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE POSTERS IN THE GATHERING SPACE. We must have 2 adorers for each hour. Sunday, October 20th 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.

*Thank you in advance for your support with our parish's Pro-Life Mission.*

## Ladies, Come for Some "Me Time!"

Please Join Us for a  
 Women's Book Study of

### Walking With Purpose: Seven Priorities That Make Life Work

by Lisa Brenninkmeyer

**Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30 PM**  
**in Father Bennett Hall**

RSVP to Eileen: [kjdimauro@comcast.net](mailto:kjdimauro@comcast.net)

Cost: \$15.00

*For Women of All Ages and Stages  
 – Bring a Friend!*



## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

### To Give of Oneself

*In the South, the use of "Yes, Sir," "Yes, Ma'am," and "Thank you," have been drilled into many a little person's brain. Unfortunately, as time goes by, those social conventions seem to be in danger, even in the very places that have held them sacred for so long. In fact, I have found that I sometimes will even get a strange look when I utter similar words to a stranger or passer-by. It seems manners are being traded for acceptance of ill-conceived tolerance, even tolerance of the ill-mannered.*

*We know this is nothing new when we look at the story of Jesus' healing of the ten lepers. After healing ten, only one comes back to show gratitude to the healer. Why did 90% of those healed not offer thanks?*

*We all find our lives filled with blessings. We may sometimes think we deserve the good things we receive. We may also believe because everyone receives the same gifts — things like life, air, and the planet — that God didn't single us out, and our obligation to offer thanks is diminished. However, gratitude is never obligated. The other 9 did not get their leprosy back due to ungrateful hearts. Gratitude is simply the gift we give to the one who was generous to us in the first place. A gift for a gift. Generosity gives birth to more generosity. Without as much gratitude in the world, there is less chance for an increase of love and generosity. So, who do you need to thank today?*

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

## QUOTES

Words to Inspire the Faithful

*Hold your eyes on God and leave the doing to Him.*

-St. Jane Frances de Chantal

## SUNDAY'S READINGS

### First Reading:

"For I will no longer holocaust or sacrifice to any other god except the LORD." (2 Kgs 5:17a)

### Psalm:

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. (Ps 98)

### Second Reading:

This saying is trustworthy: If we have died with him we shall also live with him. (2 Tm 2:11)

### Gospel:

Then [Jesus] said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you." (Lk 17:19)

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## WEEKLY READINGS

### Readings for the Week of October 13, 2019

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/  
2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19  
Monday: Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Lk 11:29-32  
Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [2a]/Lk 11:37-41  
Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9 [13b]/Lk 11:42-46  
Thursday: Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab [7]/Lk 11:47-54  
Friday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Lk 10:1-9  
Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43 [8a]/Lk 12:8-12  
Next Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [cf. 2]/  
2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

"Ten lepers met him. They stood at a distance ..." In the ancient world and into the Middle Ages, there was no treatment for leprosy. People thought it was wildly contagious and were suspicious of any skin diseases. Lepers were isolated from civil society. This isolation was upheld by the Mosaic Law. Should there be a healing from leprosy, the former leper was to present himself to a priest to certify the healing. Like Jesus commands, "Show yourselves to the priests." The person would then undergo a religious rite to be formally reintroduced to society. In other words, a leper got their life back. So why didn't they come back?

"As they were going they were cleansed. And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him." Of the ten lepers healed by Christ, only one returns with a grateful heart. The others, perhaps, were thankful enough. Perhaps they couldn't believe their luck, and they hastened to the priests to confirm the healing. They were more than willing to leave their life of rejection and isolation behind. Why take any steps backward, when the way ahead was so attractive? An attitude like this is perhaps understandable, but few would admire it.

How about you? Do you come back? If you've ever had the experience of getting what you hoped and prayed for, you know that this can sometimes be easier said than done. When we've wanted something badly enough, how easy it can be to focus on the gift rather than the giver. The truth is, God is daily offering us gifts: the gift of our existence, of the created world, of family and friends, of modern conveniences. Even in times of distress, there is always something to be thankful for. This Sunday, give yourself a gratitude check. Count your blessings. Glorify God and thank Him for the gift of your life!

## INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

### Live the Liturgy

When standing in a place of privilege, it is difficult to see all of the wonders, healings, and graces God bestows upon us. We can easily take God's abiding, healing, and sustaining presence for granted in our lives if our sights are too focused on earthly pleasures, status, or concerns. Those who have less often have a greater appreciation for even the smallest of gifts and tiniest of blessings. We live in a world of entitlement, and this error of thinking that things are "due me" or "deserved by me" can distort and corrupt our vision. How many times a day are you truly thankful and filled with gratitude? If you truly treasure the life God has given you, then every breath you take can be an opportunity to express joyful appreciation. Every moment of life is an occasion for healing and transformation.



## THE BULLETIN BOARD

### Attention Business Owners, Professionals, Self Employed and Families! Bulletin Advertising Opportunities Available!

Gail Stone from Liturgical Publications will be in our office the week of October 14, 2019, working on securing new ads for the advertisement section of our bulletin. We need your help! Please consider purchasing an ad. Your ad and participation makes our bulletin successful and you attract customers!

Advertisements can be purchased for a business, a family, a charity, In Memory of a Loved One or to support the church or a community service organization like emergency pregnancy counseling, the March of Dimes, etc. We need and appreciate your help.

*If you would like to run an ad or would like more information, please call Gail Stone. Gail can be reached directly at 860-558-0233 or via e-mail at [gstone@4lpi.com](mailto:gstone@4lpi.com).*

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- AKA THE BORELLI DUO -



OCTOBER 19, 6 - 9 PM  
(IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING 5:00 PM MASS)

ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE CHURCH - 872 FARMINGTON AVE. - WEST HARTFORD, CT 06119

### NEW Young Adult Ministry at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center

Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center is launching a ministry for Catholic Young Adults. The initial focus of this ministry will be Community and Worship for young adults age 18-30 years old. The group may decide, in the future, to add a service component. **Thanks to a generous benefactor we can offer the first 10 people who register free admission.** The monthly gatherings will begin with dinner, served between 6:00 – 7:00 pm. This will be a time to build community and make new friends while enjoying a delicious meal. Dinner will be followed by a Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. During the Holy Hour, with time for private and communal prayer. Our evening will conclude with Mass. You can expect to be on your way home by 9:00 pm. The requested offering for this program is \$25 if paid in advance, and \$30 at the door. Upcoming dates are: Tues., October 22, 2019; Wed., November 20, 2019; Tues., December 10, 2019; and Wed., January 15, 2020. Register for our evenings for Catholic Young Adults at [www.ourladyofcalvary.net](http://www.ourladyofcalvary.net) or call (860) 677-6519.

Charity event to support:



Join us for an evening of  
classic rock music featuring:

## Hammersmith

Suggested tax-deductible \$20 donation at door to benefit Helping Haitian Children. Cash bar at event. Clubhouse restaurant will be open downstairs.

Farmington Woods Clubhouse  
43 Heritage Dr., Avon, CT  
(enter at Rt 167/W. Avon Rd. security gate)  
Saturday, November 9, 2019  
7:00 pm – 10:00 pm

[www.helpinghaitianchildren.com](http://www.helpinghaitianchildren.com)  
[www.hammersmithband.com](http://www.hammersmithband.com)

### GRIEF SUPPORT

Grief Support Weekend Retreat for those who have lost a spouse through death, divorce or separation. November 8 - 10, 2019 at Our Lady of Calvary, Farmington, CT. For additional information contact 860-993-5469, [info@beginningexperience-ct.org](mailto:info@beginningexperience-ct.org) or [www.beginningexperience-ct.org](http://www.beginningexperience-ct.org).