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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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Rev. John W. McHugh, Ph.D., Pastor www.stannavon.org



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

April 12, 2020



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

MONDAY, April 13

• Julia McHugh, requested by the family

TUESDAY, April 14

Special Intentions

WEDNESDAY, April 15

• Christopher Hwang (7th Ann.), requested by the family

THURSDAY, April 16

• Special Intentions

FRIDAY, April 17

• **Donald King**, requested by the King Family

SATURDAY, April 18

• Nicholas Nardoia, requested by his family

SUNDAY, April 19

- Robert Collier, requested by the family
- Jack Tromza, requested by Mary Jane Jeter
- Terry Tromza (3rd Ann.), requested by his wife

The Archdiocese of Hartford bas suspended confessions until further notice.

The Church of Saint Ann is open for prayer from:

9am - 12noon 4pm - 6pm



Please **ONLY** sit in designated areas while also maintaining the CDC's social distancing guidelines. Thank You!



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, April 13

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: suspended MMP Cenacle-Rosary Prayer Group: suspended Lectio Divina Live!: 7:15pm via Zoom (see website)

TUESDAY, April 14

RCIA: Tuesdays, 7pm via Zoom

WEDNESDAY, April 15

Lunch with Friends: 12:15pmOnline via Zoom (see website) Video Series/Catholicism: suspended Walking with Purpose: suspended

THURSDAY, April 16

Holy Hour: suspended Adult Confirmation: Alternate Thursdays, via Skype at 7pm (April 2, 16, 30; May 14, 28),

Saint Ann Cares Ministry Meeting: suspended Folk/Contemporary Choir: suspended

FRIDAY, April 17

Lectio Divina Live!: 9:30am via Zoom (see website) Traditional Choir: suspended

SATURDAY, April 18

Men's Breakfast Group: suspended

SUNDAY, April 19

Lectio Divina Livel: 10:30 am via Zoom (see website) Defining Moments Discussion: 4pm via Zoom (see website)

Please visit our website: www.stannavon.org for more information on the Virtual Adult Faith Formation options & instructions on how to work Zoom



RESOURCES:

VISIT: www.archdioceseofhartford.org/coronavirus (or see last page) for the *Holy Week Mass schedule for viewing on TV or online* & for all

communications from the Archdiocese of Hartford relating to the COVID-19 Pandemic

Please visit St. Ann's website: www.stannavon.org

Look under the "COVID-19" tab for updates and spiritual enrichment ideas for adults, children & families.

Daily Mass: Options for Viewing at Home

- The Office of Radio and Television of the Archdiocese of Hartford broadcasts Mass every day at 10:00am on WCCT. Channel 11 on our local cable. It is celebrated by one of our own Archdiocesan priests in the ORTV studio.
- Bishop Robert Barron: "Word on Fire" Daily Mass webpage: www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/
- EWTN, either on your TV or online at: www.ewtn.com
- You could also try searching something like "Catholic Daily Masses" on www.youtube.com



Preparation for The Feast of Divine Mercy

We began the Divine Mercy Novena on Good Friday. In His revelations to St. Faustina Jesus requested that a Novena be said for the 9 days proceeding Divine Mercy Sunday. The Novena also includes the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy.

You can find the Divine Mercy Novena on this website: https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/

devotions/novena-13366

Jesus also told St. Faustina, regarding Divine Mercy Sunday, that on that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive a Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy. (699) The Diary of St. Faustina.

Since we are not able to attend Mass on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 19th due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the soul that makes a good act of contrition with the intention of receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation as soon as is possible and makes a spiritual communion while watching Mass on television or on the internet will receive a plenary indulgence.



Adult Faith Formation

We have many offerings to keep you connected and enriched during social distancing! Please visit <u>https://</u><u>www.stannavon.org/spiritual-enrichment-during-covid-19-crisis</u> for instructions on using Zoom and for links to access our Zoom video meetings.

"Lectio Divina, Live!" – Find God's message to you in the coming Sunday Gospel reading through the popular *lectio divina* prayer practice. Meet weekly via Zoom:

- + Sun, 10:30am with Chip Janiszewski
- + Mon, 7:15pm with Jim Serruta
- + Fri, 9:30am with Terry Pendergast

"Defining Moments" Bible Study by Lisa Brenninkmeyer of Walking With Purpose. While we can't receive Jesus in Eucharist, let's make our Spiritual Communion more meaningful by diving deep into the Sunday Mass readings. Unpack each of the Mass readings witha daily study guide, watch a video commentary on the weekend, then join us via Zoom for prayer and discussion Sundays at 4pm.

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

 April 2020: if you are able to, please consider
continuing to support St. Ann via USmail or Online Giving during these challenging times. Thank You!
Online Giving March 30-April 6, 2020: \$3,172
No second collection was scheduled for next weekend

Growing in Faith, Giving in Love 2020 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Thank you to the parish families who have made a gift or pledge commitment to the 2020 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not yet had the opportunity, please consider prayerfully supporting the many "Good Works" of the Archdiocese. Every gift will be gratefully received an d sincerely appreciated.

Join Us For Lunch

"Lunch with Friend's" Wednesdays, 12:15pm, via Zoom. Come connect with members of our parish family as we relax together at lunchtime, sharing stories, inspiration, and even a few surprises. It's the perfect mid-week, mid-day break during these challenging times.

Pop in for a bit or stay until Ipm.

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The plants decorating the altar for Easter have been donated in Honor of, or in Memory of the following persons:



In Honor Of: Fr. McHugh Jim and Barbara Martino

In Memory Of:

The ZuWallack Family The Zalenski Family The McHugh Family The Cheah Family Mary Hojnowski Henry Hojnowski Manda Koch Alfred Koch William LaMonica, Sr. Katherine LaMonica James Waldron Gertrude Waldron The McCusker Family Edwin Lysak John and Agnes Lysak Joseph & Armande Brennan The Girard/Ahern Families Alois and Cecile Kiedrowski Nelson Kiedrowski

Henry Zielinski Delpha and Norm Duncan Ken Smith Rose and Tony Immatteo Leo and Tèresa Soucy Deanna Bailey Nasto John Richard Nasto Carl & Mildred Lawrynowicz The Pirnat Family The Anderson Family

April 12, 2020 – Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

Come to Christ

Life is perhaps God's greatest gift to each of us. Without life, we would be unable to experience all the wonder of this world, the love of family and friends, and the joy that comes from using our talents and skills. Life itself is more profound a gift than we can even truly contemplate.

On Easter, we celebrate life. For on this day, Jesus Christ conquered death and gave to us the chance for a life eternal. The wonder, love, and joy of this world does not have to end. Through a life in Jesus Christ, these emotions are heightened, and we find even greater fulfillment in this world.

Maybe this Easter you are finding yourself open to taking a next step in your relationship with Jesus. This could be the moment you decide to follow Him more closely and take seriously all that he has given you. If so, welcome to the journey, where there are many other disciples on that same path who can help show you the way and share their stories. If not, hopefully it doesn't take a whole year for this possibility to be considered again. Jesus is alive and waiting to get closer to you. May this Easter season find you and Our Lord getting to know one another in a whole new way. Happy Easter!

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK Live the Liturgy

Our world wants us to believe that life is only what we make of it. Today, we realize how untrue that is. Life is ultimately about what God makes of it, and the resurrection of Jesus reveals this. Alleluia, Christ is risen! Who do you understand yourself to be? What we did yesterday, are doing today, and may do tomorrow pretty much determine how we perceive ourselves. We even perceive Jesus this way in limiting our vision of him to his earthly accomplishments. But, we know through today's triumphant celebration that Christ is much more than his earthly legacy. The transfigured and resurrected Christ is the beginning, the end, and the fulfillment of all things and every person. All that Jesus did stands in second place to who we now know him to be. Do we realize that this will be our journey too? Christ is risen. Alleluia, alleluia!

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

"He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead." (Acts 10:42)

Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. (Ps 118) or Alleluia

Second Reading:

When Christ your life appears,

Gospel:

Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. (Jn 20:8)

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WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of April 12, 2020

| Sunday: | Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or |
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| | 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10 |
| Monday: | Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15 |
| Tuesday: | Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18 |
| Wednesday: | Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35 |
| Thursday: | Acts 3:11- 26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48 |
| Friday: | Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118: 1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a [22]/Jn 21:1-14 |
| Saturday: | Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/ |
| | Mk 16:9-15 |
| Next Sunday: Acts 2:4 2-47/Ps 118:2-4 13-15 22-24 [1]/1 Pt 1:3-9/ In 20:19-31 | |

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GOSPEL MEDITATION Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When we awoke this morning, we found ourselves blessed with another day. It is Easter Sunday. As that thought crossed our minds, did we find ourselves saying "so what" or "alleluia"? For many, today is truly a day of alleluia. For others, it is just another day of "so what." Faith makes a huge difference. It not only makes a difference in how we understand today and the significance of what we celebrate, it also makes a huge difference in terms of how we understand ourselves.

Succeed, live well, be productive, find your niche, follow your dreams, make money, protect your social status, be politically correct, and keep your preferences to yourself are pretty good examples of the messages our secular life wants us to hear. In and of themselves, they don't sound all that harmful. But when really examined, they are. The life of resurrection embodied in the Gospel tells us a much different story.

Life keeps us busy. We are always connected, distracted, occupied, and working. For many of us, an agenda awaits us before we even start our day, and unfinished stuff is brought with us when we retire at night. Make the best of life and "find your own road to happiness are messages we all too easily believe. The "so what" response to the new life of resurrection is often the result of believing that life is only what I make it. What God has to say isn't important to me securing my next raise.

Sadly, we live as if the grave is the end. While we may give the wonder of heaven a blink now and then, its glory really doesn't impress us or matter all that much. It's all about the here and now and what I need to do today to get where I want to be tomorrow. We tend to put off considering the one significant "tomorrow" that will come the millisecond after we take our last breath. When that happens, will we want to be thinking "so what?" or "alleluia"?

There is only one Jesus, one mission, and one resurrection. There is also only one of us. Have you ever pondered what one solitary, humble human life can do? Faith, not our world, tells us how special we are. We are not robots. We are not replaceable. We have one shot. There are no do-overs. Love is at our core and unites us together as one with the God of love who so desperately wants us to be with Him forever. This may not match our secular agenda, but it ought to make our true inner agenda leap for joy. There doesn't need to be an end. I can live forever. Alleluia!

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OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

"Christ is Risen!" Even though we have to practice "social distancing" we are always spiritually close as members of the one Body of Christ. Baptism makes us a family in faith, and at Easter we joyfully proclaim the glorious news that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead. In the midst of the Coronavirus Pandemic, Easter this year may be unlike any other, but the light of the resurrection remains undimmed, the cause of our joy undiminished, and the strength of our faith unbroken.

The world turns on the fundamental Easter truth that changes everything and that explains who we are and where we are headed: "Christ, yesterday, today and forever!" On Easter Sunday the Church exults in the joyful proclamation that He is truly risen from the dead. God gave His Son to be the sacrifice that takes away our sins, and has raised Him up as the victor over sin and death, so together we cry out: Alleluia!

In a world filled with uncertainty, doubts and darkness, where bitter division appears to be getting the best of us, where, out of indifference to faith and worship, so many people are faced with inner spiritual and moral destitution, we have a duty to proclaim from the housetops: "Christ is Risen." He is the answer to the deepest longings of the human heart, and he never abandons us. He is the only Way, the only Truth and the only Life. As he told us: "No one comes to the Father except through me."

Our mission is always to make the Gospel credible to others by loving God above all things and our neighbor as ourselves. Now is the time to intensify our prayers and sacrifices for the love of God and the love of our neighbor. Let us draw closer to one another in our love for Him, and rediscover the things that truly matter in our lives.

Along with you I look forward to the day when we can once again celebrate the Holy Eucharist and the other sacraments together. In the meantime, please be assured of my prayers with you and for you, especially for all those suffering grievously as a result of the pandemic. May the Risen Lord deliver us from all evil and bestow on us the peace and joy that only he can give.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Leonard P. Blair Archbishop of Hartford

Holy Week Schedule from the Archdiocese of Hartford Online * Television * Radio



Happy Easter!

