



# Church of Saint Ann

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Registered parishioners call the Parish Office

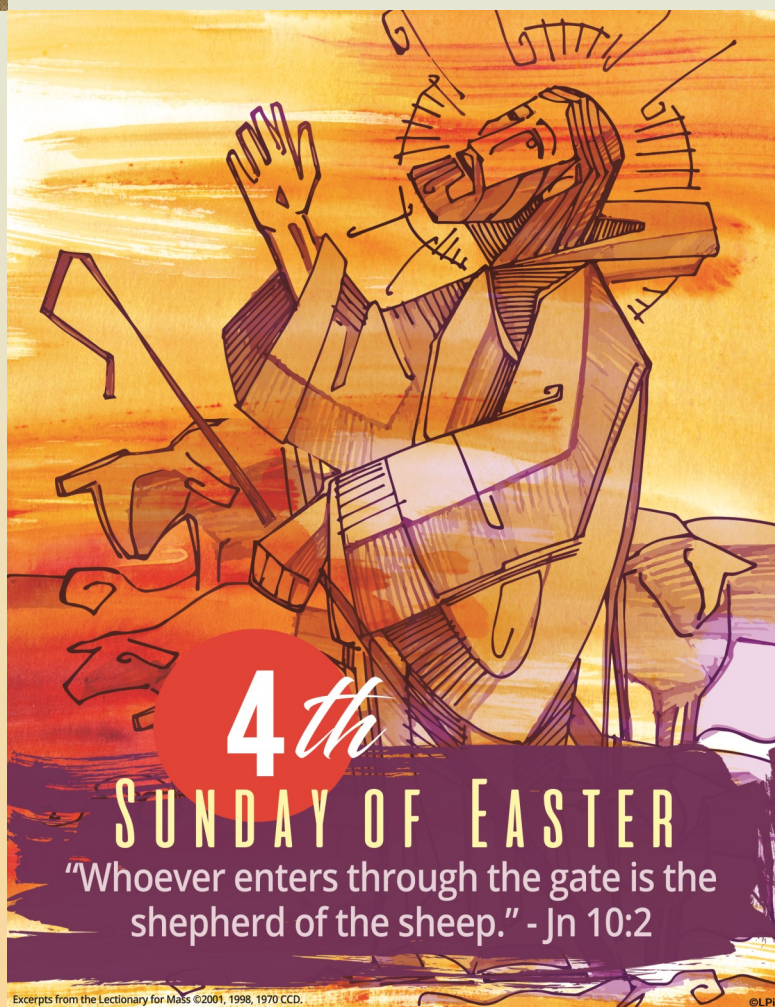
## MARRIAGES

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

# MASS INTENTIONS



## Fourth Sunday of Easter

### MONDAY, May 4

- Lucy Yunez. requested by the ZuWallack Family

### TUESDAY, May 5

- For Divine Peace, Divine Love and Divine Will on Earth

### WEDNESDAY, May 6

- Michael Sumers (16th Ann.), requested by Rosanne Harutunian

### THURSDAY, May 7

- Special Intentions

### FRIDAY, May 8

- Special Intentions

### SATURDAY, May 9

- Sheila O'Hagan Jadovich (3rd Ann.), requested by her family

### SUNDAY, May 10

- For all Mothers, Living and Deceased
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*The Archdiocese of Hartford  
has suspended confessions  
until further notice.*



*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, May 4

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

### TUESDAY, May 5

RCIA: Tuesdays, 7pm via Zoom

### WEDNESDAY, May 6

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

### THURSDAY, May 7

Holy Hour: suspended  
Adult Confirmation: Alternate Thursdays, via Zoom at 7pm  
(April 2, 16, 30; May 14, 28)  
Saint Ann Cares Ministry Meeting: suspended  
Folk/Contemporary Choir: suspended

### FRIDAY, May 8

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

### SATURDAY, May 9

Men's Breakfast Group: suspended

### SUNDAY, May 10

Lectio Divina Live!: 10:30 am via Zoom (see website)

*Please visit our website: [www.stannavon.org](http://www.stannavon.org)  
for more information on the Virtual Adult Faith Formation  
options & instructions on how to work Zoom*

## The Church of Saint Ann is open for prayer from:

9:00am - 12:00pm  
4:00pm - 6:00pm

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







## RESOURCES:

VISIT: [www.archdioceseofhartford.org/coronavirus](http://www.archdioceseofhartford.org/coronavirus) for all communications from the Archdiocese of Hartford relating to the COVID-19 Pandemic

**Please visit St. Ann's website: [www.stannavon.org](http://www.stannavon.org)**

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



**Did you know that St. Ann now has a YouTube channel? We do!**

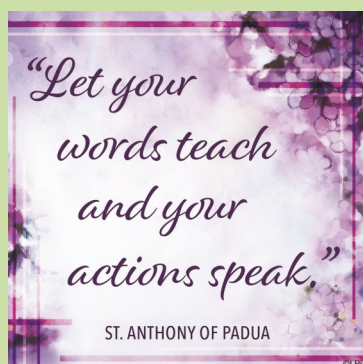
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### **Daily Mass: Options for Viewing at Home**

- 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/](http://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/)
- EWTN, either on your TV or online at: [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com)
- You could also try searching something like "Catholic Daily Masses" on [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

**We have many offerings to keep you connected and enriched during social distancing! Please visit <https://www.stannavon.org/spiritual-enrichment-during-covid-19-crisis> 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.

Meets weekly via Zoom:

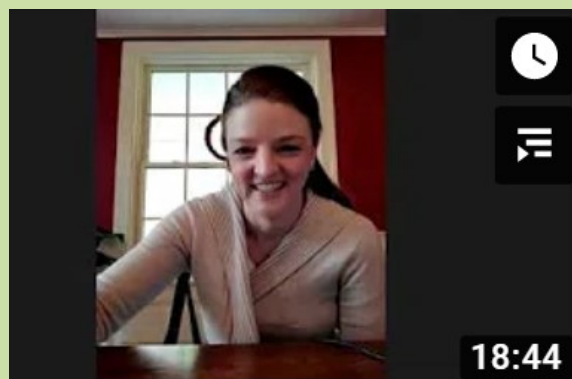
- + Sun, 10:30am with Chip Janiszewski
- + Mon, 7:15pm with Jim Serruta
- + Fri, 9:30am with Terry Pendergast

The  
**Divine Mercy Chaplet**  
 from the Divine Mercy Shrine  
 in Stockbridge, MA is on EWTN  
 every day at 3pm. **Holy Rosary**  
 from Lourdes, France follows at  
 3:30pm. and can be viewed on  
 EWTN television, or on your  
 smart phone and  
 other devices.

### **Learn how to Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet**

"Jesus, I Trust in You" is grounding prayer of the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, a beautiful devotional with special meaning for our times. In a new videoparishioner Jess Tuthill guides us through the Chaplet, after briefly explaining its origins and why she feels drawn to this prayer. Jess's hope is that anyone viewing might gain "a greater understanding of Jesus' love and mercy for us, especially during this difficult time."

Check out this inspiring video - and many more - on the "Church of St. Ann" YouTube channel: [https://youtu.be/zMmFL\\_iN6kA](https://youtu.be/zMmFL_iN6kA).



## WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

**April/May 2020:** *if you are able to, please consider continuing to support St. Ann via U.S. Mail or Online Giving during these challenging times. Thank You!*

**Online Giving April 22-29, 2020:** \$3,145

**The second collection next weekend:**

*Helping Haitian Children*

## Growing in Faith. Giving in Love

### 2020 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

We want to express our gratitude to those who have already made a gift or a pledge. Each parish is asked to raise a target amount – essentially, our parish's portion of the overall Appeal goal of \$10 million. As a parish family we are striving for a 75% Rate of Participation.

If you have not yet made your contribution to the Appeal, I ask that you take a few moments in the days ahead to consider prayerfully your gift decision. Your help is very much needed. Each contribution ensures that the ministries, programs, and services of the Church remain strong throughout the Archdiocese of Hartford.

## Bible Camp Update...

Sadly we have we have decided to CANCEL our regular summer Vacation Bible Camp program scheduled for June 22-25, 2020. Due to the uncertainties the COVID-19 pandemic we feel that it is the best for everyone's safety and good health. We recognize how disappointing this may be for the children of St. Ann and we share in that disappointment, as we always look forward to VBC, seeing God work in the lives of our kids and through our volunteers, but we are confident this is the right decision.

Please know we are working on other fun and impactful ways to reach our parish and families during our current situation, along with planning for when we are back to gathering again.



## 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 1pm.**

Visit <https://www.stannavon.org/spiritual-enrichment-during-covid-19-crisis>

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using Zoom and  
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## Avon Food Pantry Accepting Donations

The Avon Food Pantry, which is housed in the lower level of the Church of St. Ann, is still serving clients. If you are able to help, please refer to the list of suggested items below.

Any donations can be dropped off at the Gathering Space in the front of St. Ann or outside the food pantry door on the lower level, underneath Fr. Bennett Hall.

May your family stay safe and healthy.

### ITEMS NEEDED:

Spaghetti & Sauce	White Rice
Mac & Cheese	Pancake Mix
Fruit Cups	Syrup
Crackers	Detergent
Apples	Cereal
Oranges	Chef Boyardee
Bananas	
Ketchup	



## MAY 3, 2020 — FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

#### Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

##### Recognizing the Voice of Jesus

When my wireless provider introduced HD Voice, the voice I heard on my phone was unbelievably clear, and it felt at times like both the caller and I were in the same room. The best aspect of this feature is that it didn't cost the customer any additional fees, and it didn't require any changes to the phone. I could say it was free, but I suspect I was already paying for it in my monthly bill anyway. At least it felt free.

The clearer the voice calling you, the easier it is to recognize who it is on the other end of the line. In John's Gospel, Jesus speaks of the gatekeeper who opens the gate and calls for his sheep. They respond because they know his voice. Others try to lure the sheep when the gatekeeper is not there, but the sheep find their voices unclear or unfamiliar.

Jesus is our gatekeeper. But unlike receiving something for free from a wireless company, to be able to hear his voice we need to pay attention and practice listening. By developing a stewardship way of life that is mindful and prayerful, we become attuned to his voice and are able to discern when the call is from our Lord and when it is from an imposter. It is great to talk about all the things we can do and all the gifts we can share, but if we are not listening for his call to hear where our offerings are needed, we can end up like a lost sheep searching for the gatekeeper.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

### INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

#### Live the Liturgy

Is God a real Being for you or simply an idea to be entertained? Often, we reduce God to a set of ideas, theories, and principles and neglect to see Him as the One who takes joy in helping us understand all of the events and mysteries of life. God delights in journeying with us and is the only One who can fill us with joy and make our hearts burn with excitement and jubilation. He is the One who assists us in recognizing the truth that is before us and interpreting not only the jewels of Sacred Scripture but the events of history. If we recognize God, we can also see that He inspires us to see the divine meaning of our own lives as well. Sometimes it takes us a little time. After all, even Jesus' closest friends had to walk with him for a while on the road to Emmaus before their eyes were opened in the breaking of bread.

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### SUNDAY'S READINGS

#### First Reading:

Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38)

#### Psalm:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (Ps 23) or Alleluia.

#### Second Reading:

He himself bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. (1 Pt 2:24)

#### Gospel:

"I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture." (Jn 10:9)

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### WEEKLY READINGS

#### Readings for the week of May 3, 2020

Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10  
Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:11-18  
Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Ps 117:1a]/Jn 10:22-30  
Wednesday: Acts 12:24—13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/Jn 12:44-50  
Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Jn 13:16-20  
Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/Jn 14:1-6  
Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14  
Next Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

### GOSPEL MEDITATION

#### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

With whom do we converse and listen to the most? Believe it or not, the answer is ourselves. We are constantly having conversations with ourselves, and sometimes we even get caught! Our inner conversations reveal the truth about ourselves. We really cannot hide from ourselves, although we often pretend we can. By conversing with ourselves, we find solutions to our challenges, problem solve, work through our relationships, formulate opinions, run through dress rehearsals of possible conversations, and wrestle with and determine our system of priorities and values. What other voices affect the conversations we have with ourselves?

Often, voices from our past continue to haunt us. These voices cause us to mistrust our judgment, harbor anger, and cling to our fears of rejection, failure, being wrong, and the like. It is in these inner conversations that we face what holds us captive — our limitations, weaknesses, sinfulness, and stubborn ego preoccupations. We often go about our lives putting out one fire or another, keeping ourselves preoccupied and busy, and trying to stay on top of things. Intentionally or unintentionally, we find ourselves wandering off. We turn around and can no longer see our home. We look down at our feet and realize we have lost our anchor. Feeling scared, out of place, desolate, unsettled, and lonely, we realize that we are lost.

We listened to the wrong voices! In the midst of everything competing for our attention, the voice of the One who could truly call us home got muffled. We didn't hear it. As our inner dialogues continue to play out, the one voice we need to consult — even before our own — is God's. He is the Good Shepherd who can keep us safely where we need to be. As we graze through the stuff of our lives, we must constantly remember to look up, be attentive, and stay focused. Our habits of prayer are the only thing that can properly root us and keep us grounded. Contemplating God's presence and developing an inner awareness of love incarnate, we will then find ourselves praying unceasingly as the days and nights and the ebbs and flows of our lives unfold. Suddenly, the inner conversations we are constantly having are no longer just with ourselves or with voices that can lead us astray but with the Trinity, who desperately wants us to stay home.

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# Hey Kids...

Mrs. St. Jean, Director of K-8 Faith Formation, put together an Outdoor Scavenger Hunt for you! Check out our website for Directions and the list of items to look for: [www.stannavon.org/resources-for-children](http://www.stannavon.org/resources-for-children)



IN  
GOD'S  
PLAN,  
  
NOTHING  
HAPPENS  
BY CHANCE.

—ST. JOHN PAUL II

*The plants decorating the altar for the Easter season 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 Teresa Soucy  
Deanna Bailey Nasto  
John Richard Nasto  
Carl & Mildred Lawrynowicz  
The Pirnat Family  
The Anderson Family  
Gerald Gill  
Helen Randall  
Paul Irving  
Fr. Thomas E. McCarthy  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Glynn  
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Kreivenas

## REFLECT

### FIRST READING

Luke tells us that Peter often testified: "Save yourself from this corrupt generation." How is this message still applicable today?

### SECOND READING

Peter asserts that the virtue of patience in one's suffering is a grace from God because Jesus modeled patient suffering. How does the exercise of this spiritual disposition help bring peace of mind?

### GOSPEL READING

Using the metaphor of sheep and gatekeeper, Jesus teaches his disciples the importance of remaining focused on his voice. Why do you think people are so easily distracted from other voices?