



# 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.



17<sup>th</sup>

## SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." - Mt 13:44

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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



**17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**MONDAY, July 27**

**9:00 James Coleman Snyder, Jr. requested by Dianne Simpson**

**TUESDAY, July 28**

**9:00 Special Intentions**

**WEDNESDAY, July 29**

**9:00 Special Intentions**

**THURSDAY, July 30**

**9:00 Marie LaChance, requested by the LaChance Family**

**FRIDAY, July 31**

**9:00 Angelo Galiette (2nd Ann.), requested by the family**

**SATURDAY, August 1**

**4:00 Camille and Peter Angelina and Michael Nay, requested the family**

**SUNDAY, August 2**

**7:30 Fr. Thomas Mitchell, requested by St. Ann Parish**

**9:30 Sam Riela, requested by the family**

**11:00 Paul Burgio, requested by Maria Bugio and Family**

*To schedule Mass Intentions, please call or email Kris in the Parish Office: 860-673-9858, ext. 221 or kris.martino@stannavon.com.*

## 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 27**

**Lectio Divina Live!:** 7:15pm via Zoom\*

**TUESDAY, July 28**

**WEDNESDAY, May July 29**

**Unemployment Support:** 3-5pm via Zoom \*  
(NOT MEETING THIS WEEK)

**THURSDAY, July 30**

**Holy Hour:** 12 noon in the church (*wear face masks/social distance*)  
**Pray the Rosary with us, Live:** 1pm by our Holy Family Statue  
(see page 3 for instructions)

**FRIDAY, July 31**

**Lectio Divina Live!:** 9:45am via Zoom\*

**SATURDAY, August 1**

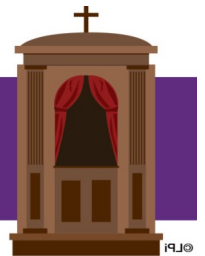
**SUNDAY, August 2**

**Lectio Divina Live!:** 11:00am-10:30 am via Zoom\*

*\* Instructions on how to work Zoom are on our website, under the COVID-19 tab.*

## Confessions Have Resumed: Saturdays after 4pm Mass

*Please remember to wear a face mask and respect the 6 foot social distancing guidelines. Thank you!*



## Guidelines and Sign Up Information for Masses

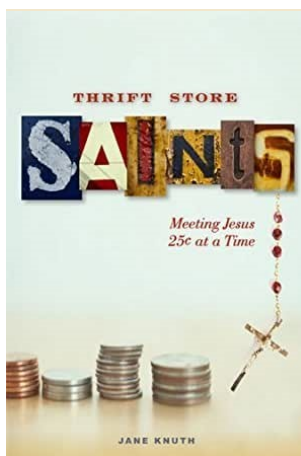


### **Archdiocese of Hartford Guidelines for Attending Mass:**

- Face masks/coverings required.
- Please bring hand sanitizer for use during the liturgy.
- There will be limits on the number of socially distanced persons that may be present at a given Mass. Due to our limit of 100 we will need to have sign-ups. (see below)
- Dispensation from Sunday Mass obligation has been extended through September 6th, so elderly, those with pre-existing conditions, even those who are anxious need not be concerned if they miss Mass. Continue to watch from home.

***You can find more information about attending Mass in person and the links to sign up for Masses on our website: [stannavon.org/mass-times](http://stannavon.org/mass-times)***





## Join Us For An Easy, Breezy Summer Read

This year we will read "*Thrift Store Saints - Meeting Jesus 25 cents at a Time*" by Jane Knuth. Jane shares her inspiring stories about how while serving the poor, they gave her much more than she could give them.

For more information contact Eileen DiMauro at: [ecdimauro@comcast.net](mailto:ecdimauro@comcast.net)

**Book discussion will take place on August 19th at 9:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in Fr. Bennett Hall.**

## 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, 11:00 with Chip Janiszewski (not meeting July 4th weekend)
- + Mon, 7:15pm with Jim Serruta
- + Fri, 9:45 am with Ann DiStefano

### 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 video format, parishioner, 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).



## Faith Formation Registration (K-10)

**NEW THIS YEAR-** Electronic Registration and Payment form all in one!! Please visit: <https://www.stannavon.org/k-10-registration> for more information including the link below to use the electronic registration form to enroll your children in Faith Formation 2020-2021. Faith education is an important part of your child's religious education and classes will be starting in the fall, whether online or in-person. Church of St. Ann is dedicated to continuing the education of our youth. They are the future of our Church. Please register by July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 to guarantee a spot for your children in class.

Please do not hold up your family's registration because of financial issues. We are happy to make arrangements that work for your family. All information is confidential. Please contact, Jennifer Soucy, Registrar, with any questions. ([jennifersoucy@stannavon.com](mailto:jennifersoucy@stannavon.com))



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**We are currently looking for parishioners who would be willing to stay after Mass for about 15 minutes to help wipe down the main "touch points" in the church.**

**If you can help out please contact: Gary.Balich@comcast.net**

## WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

**July 2020:** For those attending Mass, we have placed Offertory baskets placed within the church. For others, if possible, please consider continuing to support St. Ann via U.S. Mail or Online Giving (via our website) during these challenging times. Thank You!

**Online Giving July 15-22, 2020: \$2,650.00**

**The second collection next weekend: none**

**If you can help out with our  
K-8 Faith Formation Program,  
please contact Valerie St. Jean at  
860-673-9858, ext. 223 or  
valerie.stjean@stannavon.com.**

**Thank you!**



## It's Food Pantry Garden Time!

Enjoy the outdoors and do something for others - join the Food Pantry Garden team! Help us when you can, with planting, watering, weeding and harvesting. The sugar snap peas are already blooming! All ages and abilities can participate, and families are especially welcome!

**To sign up, email: [leo.distefano@comcast.net](mailto:leo.distefano@comcast.net)**



## Unemployment Support

**3-5pm on Wednesdays  
via Zoom**

A weekly, virtual networking meeting to share your experiences coping with job loss to help everyone navigate the transition back to employment. If you prefer more anonymity you may call (646) 558-8656 and use meeting code 3671752517.

### Upcoming discussion topics:

**July 29: NO MEETING**

**August: 5: Creating balance in your life**

**August 12: Maintaining a good attitude**

**August 19: Creating a career plan**

For more information contact: [BrianJud@comcast.net](mailto:BrianJud@comcast.net)

**Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/3671572517>**

A Zoom tutorial can be found on our website at:  
<https://www.stannavon.org/zoom-tutorial>

## Come Pray the Rosary with us, Live!

Find peace, comfort and an invitation to grow closer to Jesus through the Rosary, given to us by our Blessed Mother. Join Eileen DiMauro and friends on Thursdays at 1pm to pray the Rosary together. We'll gather outside the church, around the statue of the Holy Family, at a safe distance. Please bring your own lawn chair, a face mask, and your Rosary beads if you have them; if not, simply follow along.

For more info, contact Eileen DiMauro:  
[ecdimauro@yahoo.com](mailto:ecdimauro@yahoo.com).



**If rain is forecasted, we'll meet online via Zoom.**

Contact [ann.distefano@stannavon.com](mailto:ann.distefano@stannavon.com) for the Zoom link. Visit our website to learn about using the FREE Zoom service: <https://www.stannavon.org/zoom-tutorial>

## Honor a Veteran with an Engraved Paver at Veterans Memorial Way



We are once again taking orders for engraved pavers at our beautiful Veterans Memorial Way at St. Ann Cemetery! Each paver 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 through the Parish Office or you can download and print on our website: [stannavon.org/veterans-memorial-way-at-st-ann-cemetery](http://stannavon.org/veterans-memorial-way-at-st-ann-cemetery).

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

### What Is God Asking of You?

What are you willing to give for the sake of the kingdom of God? Often, we begin a discussion like this with a story or a few leading thoughts. However, if we are to be serious about who we claim to be as Christians, there should be no beating around the bush. The question is not only important for each of us and our relationship with our God, but it should be important for the relationship each of us has with the entire Body of Christ. Like any good team or family, I need you to have my back, and I need to have yours. If one of us is going to lay it on the line and be all in for our faith, then we *all* need to be as well.

If only all the Christians of the world felt the same way. In some parts of the world, Christians are still being martyred for their faith. Others must worship underground and avoid the government-led police. Then there are those who seem to take faith for granted, and because little is asked by their friends or parish, they give nothing. It is quite a contrast of situations.

On this day, it may seem like little is being asked of you and I by God. Is that because we aren't being asked or because we aren't listening? If you are counting on me and I am on you, we should figure this out sooner than later. Of course, I suspect we actually do know the answer, don't we?

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

## INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Live the Liturgy

When a merchant finally finds a priceless, perfect pearl, he sells all he has and buys it. He does this because that pearl matters to him. It has significance and brings a depth of joy like none other. What matters and is of importance to you? When what matters to us has something to do with the kingdom of God, God is delighted. His exuberant happiness is hard to contain because He knows that we are happy stumbling upon this beautiful wisdom. Ask God to help you discover this pearl of great price. There are many things competing for our attention every day. But not all of these things are important. We focus too much energy on the unimportant, superficial stuff and neglect paying attention to the things that really make a difference and have the greatest impact. Things all too easily become more significant than people, and our agendas become more essential than God's. We do not have to empty our bank accounts and totally detach from everything we have in order to serve God. But, we are asked to prioritize our lives and make what matters to God what matters most to us. In doing so, when we rise each day, we will be able to see what really needs our attention and embrace it with great joy!

## SUNDAY'S READINGS

### First Reading:

"Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong." (1 Kgs 3:9a)

### Psalm:

Lord, I love your commands. (Ps 119)

### Second Reading:

We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. (Rom 8:28)

### Gospel:

"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field." (Mt 13:44)

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## WEEKLY READINGS

### Readings for the week of July 26, 2020

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 [97a]/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [9]/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 [2]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab [5a]/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14 [14c]/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34 [14c]/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A single mother who has a child with special needs works two jobs and sacrifices much of her own pleasures in order to be available for her son. Being the best mother possible is important to her and brings her joy. We are willing to make great and often heroic sacrifices for those people and things that matter most to us. Unless there is something of obvious importance to us in our immediate path, we can easily approach life in a more haphazard and chaotic way. We jump from one thing to another, responding to whatever it is that is competing for our attention at that moment. When everything is important, nothing is important.

If we do not wear the right pair of glasses, we can get all too easily caught up in the superficial stuff and neglect paying attention to the things that really matter. The kingdom of God is like the pearl of great price that is worth selling everything for so that it can be obtained. Based on where I invest my time and energy each day, I really wonder whether I am serving God's kingdom or my own. Have you ever considered tracking how you spend your time? You may be surprised! We allow our agendas to set the clock of our lives. We forget that joy and a true sense of purpose are not going to be found in following that timepiece. Joy is the expression of the happiness that is discovered when living in the kingdom of God. When our agenda matches God, not only do we leap for joy but God leaps with delight as well. Our well-being is what matters most to God.

Can you imagine God delighting in you? It is easy to deaden our senses to the whole reality of God and the joy that living the Gospel can bring. The demands of secular life and the agendas competing for our attention can quickly do that. We can get tired and spiritually apathetic. But if we can see our way through all of the conflicting voices and hear the voice of God, we can rediscover our zeal and passion and redirect our efforts. When we begin to see as God sees, we can rise each day and notice what really needs our attention and embrace it with exuberance. Be careful, though. It may not be what we originally had on our list. Responding to it, however, will be worth putting everything else aside.

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## THE BULLETIN BOARD

### COVID-19 RESOURCES:

VISIT: [www.archdioceseofhartford.org/coronavirus](http://www.archdioceseofhartford.org/coronavirus) for all communications from the Archdiocese relating to the 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.*

**Check out St. Ann's YouTube Channel!**

*There is a link on our website or you can visit us and subscribe at:*

[www.youtube.com/channel/](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQb8GEZT REAvzOGVM4 9UA?view_as=subscriber)

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### **Mass: If you are unable to attend Mass here are some options to watch 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)

### GOT TUNA?

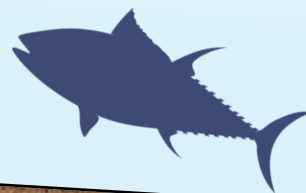
#### Something Fishy is Going On At St. Ann in August & September...

We will be collecting canned tuna, mackerel and chicken during August & September. This protein rich food will be shipped to Haiti in September and distributed to families fostering children. Chunk, light, oil packed...you chose! It all mixes well with their rice meal.

***Please place donations in the labeled bins in the Gathering Space. Thank you!***  
St. Ann parishioners are the best!

Gratefully,  
Your Social Justice Committee

**Protein bars would also be much appreciated!**



### Franciscan Sports Banquet and Silent Auction Rescheduled for 2021

The 35th Annual Franciscan Sports Banquet and Silent Auction benefitting the Franciscan Life Center and Franciscan Home Care and Hospice Care is cancelled this year due to Covid-19. The new date is Tuesday, June 1, 2021, at the Aqua Turf Club in Plantsville, CT.

All honorees are returning next year including:

**Saint Francis Award, Eli Manning**  
Legendary Quarterback, New York Giants

**Saint Clare Award, Jackie DiNardo**  
Head Girls' Basketball Coach, Danbury High School

**Jim Calhoun Community Service Award**  
Andy Bessette, Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer, Travelers; Nathan Grube, Executive Director, Travelers Championship

**Dean of Sports Award, Rich Marazzi**  
Author and MLB Rules Consultant/Analyst

**Mother Shaun Appreciation Award**  
Thomas and Donna Finn, Marriage and Family Advocates

**Athletes**  
Special Olympics Connecticut

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