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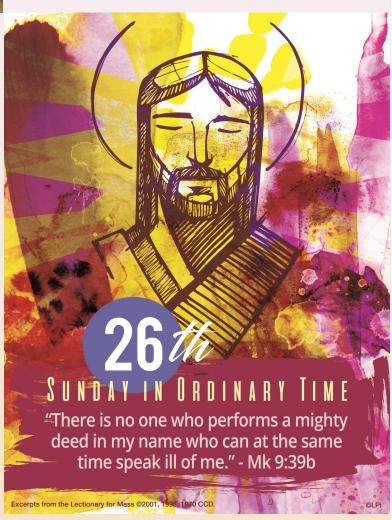
#### **MARRIAGES**

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



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**MONDAY, September 27** 

**9:00** Claudio Donner, requested by Dick and Lorraine ZuWallack

**TUESDAY, September 28** 

**9:00** Fred Bielefeld, requested by the family

WEDNESDAY, September 29 9:00 Special Intentions

THURSDAY, September 30 9:00 Special Intentions

FRIDAY, October 1

9:00 Special Intentions

SATURDAY, October 2

**4:00 Grace Vuono,** requested by the Bondhus Family

SUNDAY, October 3

7:30 Andrew P. Montano, requested by

the Droste Family

**9:30** Peggy Kroner, requested by

Lou and Eileen Del Prete

**11:00 Ryan Rogers (1st Ann.),** requested by the family

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



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

#### **MONDAY, September 27**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 9:30-10:30am in the church MMP Cenacle-Rosary Prayer Group: 7:15pm in the church Lectio Divina, Live!: not meeting this summer, will resume in Fall

#### **TUESDAY, September 28**

"Reaching Out" Book Study: 9am in the Activity Room "Keeping in Balance" Women's Study: 10:15am via Zoom

"Reaching Out" Book Study: 7pm in the Activity Room, also via Zoom

#### **WEDNESDAY, September 29**

Nicene Creed: 9:30am in Fr. Bennett Hall Unemployment Support: 3-5pm -via Zoom

"Keeping in Balance" Women's Study: 7pm in Fr. Bennet Hall

#### **THURSDAY, September 30**

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

"Matthew" Bible Study: 7pm in the Activity Room and via Zoom

#### FRIDAY, October 1

Lectio Divina, Live!: 9:45am via Zoom

#### SATURDAY, October 2

#### SUNDAY, October 3

Lectio Divina, Live!: 10:30am via Zoom

# "THE NICENE CREED By Bishop Barron

"Christianity has, from the beginning, been massively interested in laying out its beliefs clearly, succinctly, and articulately." -Bishop Barron

This is a beautiful 6 part program which explains, in depth, the origin and meaning of the words in the Creed which we say each Sunday at Mass. No registration – Just drop in for any or all sessions!

#### WEDNESDAY MORNINGS: 9:30AM – 11:00AM Father Bennett Hall

1) September 22<sup>nd</sup> I BELIEVE

2) September 29<sup>th</sup> GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY

3) October 6<sup>th</sup> JESUS CHRIST THE ONLY BEGOTTEN SON

4) October 13<sup>th</sup> HE SUFFERED DEATH

\* NO CLASS ON OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>

5) October 27<sup>th</sup> HOLY SPIRIT, GIVER OF LIFE

6) November 3<sup>rd</sup> ONE, HOLY, CATHOLIC AND APOSTOLIC

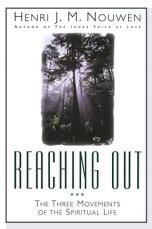
# Annual Parish Collection Church of Saint Ann

Every parish family should have received a letter from Father McHugh this week asking for a contribution to our Annual Collection to improve our finances that have suffered tremendously over the past six months based on a loss of offertory revenue due to the Covid-19 pandemic. The Annual Collection is successful will provide funds for small capital and maintenance projects. If you did not receive a letter, please pick one up on your way out of church. The participation of ALL parishioners is essential for the success of this effort. Thank you!

#### **WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME**

**Weekly Collection for 9/12/21:** \$5139.00 **Online Giving (Sept. 14-22, 2021):** \$3,432.50

Next Weekend's 2nd Collection: none



Join us for a 4-week study of the perfect book for our times!

Tuesdays: Activity Room 9:30am in person 7pm in person & 7pm via Zoom

**Begins September 14th!** 

How well do you love? Come see how understanding our struggles helps us love God, self and others better. Learn to move from Isolation to Solitude; from Hostility to Hospitality; from Illusion to Prayer. Register by September 8th with Ann DiStefano (ann.distefano@stannavon.com).

More information on our website: www.stannavon.org/book-discussions-1

#### Pilgrim Statue of "Our Lady of Fatima" Returns to St. Ann From 2pm on Sat., October 9th through 4pm on Sun., October 10th

We are privileged and thankful to once again have the pilgrim statue of "Our Lady of Fatima" at our church of St. Ann's beginning at 2 pm October 9 through 4pm, October 10, 2021. This is one of four statues commissioned by Lucia, one of the three children which the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to in the apparitions at Fatima Portugal. This particular statue has traveled the world for the last 70 years, and last year was at the United Nations, as well as in Asia, Europe and South America, and many countries in between. The Pilgrim Statue will start in Father Bennett hall and be processed into

the main church for the 4 pm mass on October 9th, and remain through all masses on October 10th.

The custodian, Judith Studer, will talk about the statue and her experiences as custodian, following each of masses, in addition, after each mass, we will have the recitation of the Holy Rosary. Please be sure to mark your calendars for this blessed event, and bring your friends and family.



# St. ann's YOUTH MINISTRY

# Calling All Teens!

Our Youth Ministry Program will be starting up soon and we are looking for members! Open to all Confirmed youth of St. Ann who wish to further their Faith journey and enjoy time with their peers!

Email: rosemary.neamtz@stannavon.com



Come Back to Community as We Explore Gods Wisdom For managing life's pace and pressure while living with calm and steadiness.

Join Us for our Walking With Purpose Bible Study "Keeping in Balance: Creating Order Within"

<u>Choose Either:</u> Tuesday Mornings at 10:15 via Zoom or Wednesday Nights at 7:00pm in Person in Fr. Bennett Hall We begin the week of 9/28 & 9/29

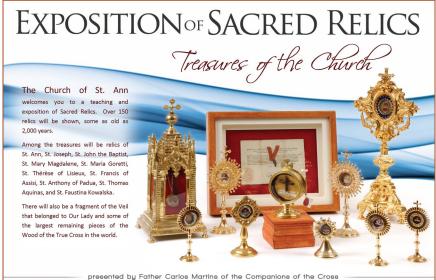
# The King and His Kingdom For more information, check our website: www.stannavon.org/bible-studies-1 A 24-Part Bible Study Featuring Jeff Cavins

# Join us for a fascinating study of the Gospel of Matthew!

See who Jesus is and what his life and teachings mean for us today. Thursdays at 7pm either in person OR via Zoom, beginning September 23rd. Fee is \$38.

Register with Ann DiStefano by September 15th.

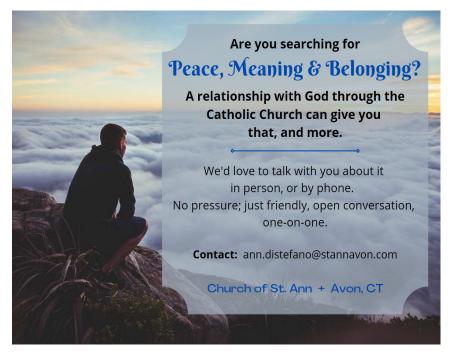
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MONDAY OCTOBER 4 AT 6:30 PM

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#### Little Lambs

Little Lambs will be meeting each Sunday during the 9:30am Mass. All young children of the parish are invited to join us. Father will call for Little Lambs after the opening prayer, at which time the children will come forward for the Liturgy of the Word. An older sibling or parent are welcome to join them, although it is not required.



Not only canonized saints recognize the great importance of the Blessed Sacrament in life. Some laity also proclaim Jesus Eucharistic. The famed novelist, J.R.R. Tolkien, who wrote "THE LORD OF THE RING" and "THE HOBBIT" stated, "I put before you the one great thing to love on earth: the Blessed Sacrament. There you will find romance, glory, honor, fidelity and the true way of all your loves upon earth."

Reflection: It is the job of the laity to bring Christ into the world by our daily labors in society. By doing so, we proclaim and bring Jesus into the secular world. It is the graces given to us in the Holy Eucharist which enables us to do this. As a famous, secular author, Tolkien understood this. How much do we understand our own role? Consider how your encounter with Christ in the Blessed Sacrament changes you. Accordingly how do you change the world?



#### SEPTEMBER 26, 2021 – 26<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

#### **Breaking the Stewardship Mold**

Have you noticed how we always tend to pigeonhole one another — and ourselves? "I could never serve on the Parish Council. That's for Rick and Ellen and that whole group of people who have done it for years." "Greg takes care of faith formation in the parish — he always has. He doesn't need my help." "I can't afford to give the big bucks like those families who sit up front can. My offering wouldn't matter even if I did increase it."

Thinking like this is a good indication that we aren't in conversation with God about what His will is for our lives. If we have already decided what we are and are not meant to do, we aren't likely to pray over it, to discern it.

We have to be open to the spirit of the Lord wherever it leads us, regardless of what we or others have come to expect from us. We human beings come to believe that we are such good judges of what others can offer — or what we ourselves can offer. But God has plans for us to which we aren't privy. God calls everyone to serve Him in the way that pleases Him best, and only He can decide what that is. Everyday Stewardship demands a continual accounting of who we can be, what we can offer — even if it's outside our comfort zone, even if it's something that never occurred to us before.

There's only one Person who can tell us what God wants from us. Do we even think to ask Him?

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

#### WEEKLY READINGS

#### Readings for the week of September 26, 2021

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/

Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [17]/Lk 9:46-50 Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7 [Zec 8:23]/Lk 9:51-56 Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/

Jn 1:47-51

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11[9ab]/Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-35, 36-37 [34]/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Next Sunday: Cp 2:18 24/Ps 128:1 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 [cf, 5]/Hsb 2:0 11/Mt 10:2 11

Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16

or 10:2-12

#### SUNDAY'S READINGS

#### First Reading:

But Moses answered him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets!" (Nm 11:29)

#### **Psalm**

The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart. (Ps 19)

#### Second Reading:

Your wealth has rotted away, your clothes have become moth-eaten, your gold and silver have corroded, and that corrosion will be a testimony against you; it will devour your flesh like fire." (Jas 5:3)

#### Gospel

"If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire." (Mk 9:43)

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# INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK Live the Liturgy

Who are the little ones? They are the many and varied faces of people who see hope in Jesus' message about the Kingdom of God. They have come to believe that there is a different world to be had: a place where everyone has a home, all have an equal opportunity to share in God's bountiful gifts and blessings, where justice reigns, truth presides, and peace fills hearts. The little ones are those who may have left their former views behind, perhaps even their former lives to follow Jesus and believe in the Beatitudes as God's world vision. They are the poor, the marginalized, the women and men at the well, the Zacchaeus' looking for Jesus from a tree, the blind who want to see, and the lame who want to walk. They are the lepers who have been told that they are unclean, and the ones who have learned that suffering and death are nothing to fear. These are all of the little ones. Jesus gathers and protects them as a shepherd guards his sheep. Whoever causes one of these little ones to sin deserves the greatest wrath. Be more concerned about what people are doing than where they came from. **©LPi** 

#### GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

What are the little ones? They are the poor, the marginalized, the women and men at the well, the Zacchaeus' looking for Jesus from a tree, those mired in sin, the blind who want to see, and the lame who want to walk. They are the lepers and the different ones who have been told that they are unclean, and the ones who suffer from abuse and grave injustices and oppression. They are children who want nothing more than to be loved and enjoy celebrating their innocence. These are all the little ones and they are all vulnerable. Life already brings them burdens, we don't need to add to them.

St. Oscar Romero said, "When the church hears the cry of the oppressed it cannot but denounce the social structures that give rise to and perpetuate the misery from which the cry arises." Why are so many people still so gravely hurting? We have the resources and the means to make things better. We choose not to. There are still those things called greed, pride, lust, apathy, jealously, gluttony, and anger that prevent us from seeing each other and people to be loved and not objects to be used. Is this how God intended things to be?

God loves what is good and upright. It doesn't matter who did it or where it came from. In God's eyes, the end result is always faith, hope, and love. Those will always unite a person with God. We fill our lives with many things that are not good either for ourselves or for others. All of us have to work to discover what it is, exactly, that leads to the world's brokenness. There are people, systems, and ideologies in place that foster oppression and injustice rather than equity and fairness. Sadly, our complacency can be the greatest evil. Turning a blind eye, ignoring the truth, and believing that we are helpless to fix so great a problem, does little to move us closer to the kingdom of God. As members of the Body of Christ, we cannot condone anything that keeps people in misery.

As it is said, charity begins at home. Perhaps a good place to start is with our own households and making sure their foundations are properly laid.

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Tickets are available in the parish offices.

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# Archdiocese of Hartford's Annual Marriage Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, October 10, 2021 at 2:00pm Cathedral of Saint Joseph/Hartford

(couples can register to attend online at: **bit.ly/aohmarriagemass**)

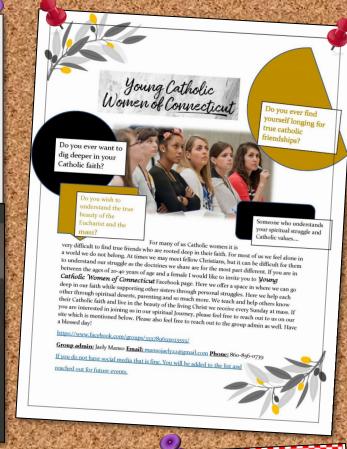


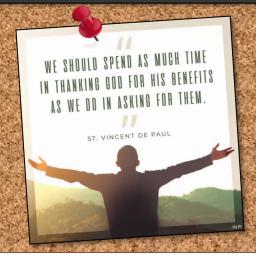
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