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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

289 Arch Road \* Avon, Connecticut \* 06001

### 860-673-9858

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

December 26, 2021

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

MONDAY, December 27 9:00 Bruce Leby, requested by Alicia Carmona

TUESDAY, December 28 9:00 Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, December 29 9:00 For the intentions of the Snell Family (Living)

THURSDAY, December 30 9:00 For the intentions of Vera Snell (Living)

### FRIDAY, December 31

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

### SATURDAY, January 1, 2022, Solemnity of Mary

(not a Holy Day of Obligation this year)

4:00 For the intentions of Molly & Tom Kane (Living)

### SUNDAY, January 2

- 7:30 For Divine Peace, Divine Love & Divine Will on Earth, requested by Judith Stafford and David Woolley
- 9:30 Ellen McKiernan, requested by John and Maria Manning
- **11:00** Corinne Purcell Brysh, requested by the Hamel Family



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, December 27

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 9:30-10:30am in the church MMP Cenacle-Rosary Prayer Group: 7:15pm in the church

TUESDAY, December 28

WEDNESDAY, December 29

THURSDAY, December 30

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

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FRIDAY, December 31

SATURDAY, January 1, 2022

SUNDAY, January 2

Saturday, January 1, 2022 Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.



# A Christmas Gift to St. Ann Parishioners!

Enjoy a FREE year-long subscription to FORMED.org-The Catholic Faith on Demand! You'll have access 24/7 to enriching and entertaining faith-based videos, movies, podcasts and audio/ebooks for adults, teens and children. To access your free subscription, go to formed.org/signup. Enter "St. Ann 06001" and type your name and email, or scan the QR code to the right. To learn how to navigate the myriad offerings on FORMED, join us for orientation/info sessions in Fr. Bennett Hall after Masses the weekend of January 15/16. Then, stay tuned for parish programs centered around FORMED content. Questions: ann.distefano@stannavon.com or valerie.stjean@stannavon.com



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### WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

Weekly Collection for 12/19/21: will be reported later Online Giving (Dec. 13-17, 2021): \$1,255.00 Next Weekend's 2nd Collection: (January 1, 2022: Solemnity of Mary)

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# **The Confessions of St. Augustine** Starting Wednesday, January 5, 2022 9:30AM in Father Bennett Hall

This 12-week series is devoted to an analysis of one of the world's greatest and most beloved books. St. Augustine, one of the most brilliant minds in all of Western Christianity, has had an enormous impact not only on the Church but the world as well

His *Confessions* is an intensely personal and emotional account of his life. It's a story of sin and struggle, error and truth, restlessness and ultimately peace. He teaches us how to pray, and teaches us who God is and who we are. As Augustine says, speaking to God, on the very first page of *Confessions*, "You have made us for Yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You."

You do not need any prior acquaintance with Augustine to take this course, only a desire to make contact with one of the great hearts and minds of the Catholic tradition.

To register and obtain materials, please contact Janet Newman at: wjnewman@sbcglobal.net or call: 860-676-0037. Winter Book Study:

## The Holy Longing: The Search for a Christian Spirituality, Fr. Ronald Rolheiser

Each human being experiences restlessness – whether passion or desire, or simply the sense that 'something more' is out there.

"Spirituality is about what we do with our unrest." In The Holy Longing, Fr. Rolheiser asserts that each person has an innate spirituality uniquely suited to them. Finding yours can connect you to the Divine and open your heart to others on a profound level. For Christians, this involves balancing:

a) private prayer and private morality
b) social justice
c) mellowness of heart and spirit
d) communal worship

Come explore these notions in a 5-week book study on Thursdays beginning January 13th.

Groups will meet via Zoom at 10am with Terry Pendergast and 7pm with Claudine Meaney

Participant fee is \$15 (books included)



Please register by Jan. 7th: ann.distefano@stannavon.com.







You Can Now Make a Christmas Donation to St. Ann by Credit Card or Bank Account... No Signing Up Necessary!

If you would like to make a donation to St. Ann for Christmas using a credit card or your bank account please use the following web address. There's no need to sign up for online giving as this is a direct donation to our

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Christmas Collection. Thank You!

www.osvhub.com/stannavon/ funds/christmas The Men of the Church of Saint Ann are Invited to the

# Annual Men's Retreat

**January 14-16, 2022** at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center

in West Hartford

# Join Us for a focus on **"In the Spirit of Trust"**

For more information go to the Holy Family Retreat Center website: https://www.holyfamilyretreat.org Click on Retreats, then Themed Retreats Or call the Retreat Center at: 860-521-0440

### Call or Email your St. Ann Representatives:

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# The Holy Eucharist DID YOU KNOW?

"The soul hungers for God, and nothing but God can satiate it. Therefore, He came to dwell on Earth and Assumed a Body in order that this Body might become the food of our souls." St. John Vianney

<u>Reflection:</u> The Holy Eucharist is the continuation of the Incarnation among us. We find in the tabernacle the same Infant Jesus, who was found in the manger for the Shepherds to adore.

### O Come! Let us adore Him!

May you and your family be filled with the abundance of grace, which the Christ Child brings to us this Christmas and in every Holy Mass.





The Parish Office will be closed this week, December 27–31.



# A Christmas Prayer

As we mark the end of the Advent season and the beginning of the Christmas season. We have lit four candles these past four weeks and asked God to help us be present to our neighbors and friends. Now in the Christmas season we are called to be Christ in the flesh to our world. Let us pray...

### God,

you became human through the obedience of a simple young woman named Mary. Mary is our model of faith. May we be faithful to your word as Mary was. Give us the courage to face each day with the yes that Mary gave to you. We ask this through the incarnate God, who comes to us again during this Christmas season. Amen



## Maximize Your Year-End Gifts to the Church of St. Ann

Fall is traditionally when we think about making gifts to support our favorite charities, like the Church of Saint Ann. There are many options for tax-effective giving both for those who can continue to itemize their deductions and for those who will no longer itemize.

#### Making your gift from your IRA

If you are 70.5 or older, you can make qualified charitable distributions (QCD's) directly from individual retirement accounts (IRS's) using funds that might otherwise be taxed when withdrawn. Gifts can be made in any amount up to a total of \$100,000 per individual per year. The benefits of a QCD are reduced for those who continue to make deductible IRA contributions.

Because you are giving directly from your IRA, you won't increase your adjusted gross income and possibly subject your social security or other income to higher levels of taxation. These tax-free gifts are particularly wise for those who no longer itemize deductions for income tax purposes. Consult your financial or tax advisor for more information.



# The poinsettias decorating the altar for Christmas have been donated in honor of or in memory of the following persons:

# <u>In Honor Of</u>

Jim Martino Nana Kennedy Florence Mazza Virginia & James Cronin Lorraine Zacchio Babella, Alex & Reba Jean Springman Joanne Tousignant Ann & Larry Rose Beverly Arndt Ann Testa Ruth Burleigh Bill & Debbie Burleigh Leo & Jeanne Soucy Margo Smith

# In Memory Of

The ZuWallack Family The Zelenski Family The McHugh Family The Cheah Family Noreen Murnane Lewis Affelder & Family Lena & Zelindo Salvadori Bruna & Carlo Benea Prima & Annie Butteri Margaret & Dick Julian Angie Gaioni Anna & Charles McNamara Leo & Bea Salvatore Joan Butler Mary Hojnowski Henry Hojnowski Manda Koch Alfred Koch Neda & John Ruk Eleanor McGrath The Tromza & Yokim Families Linda & Pat Kenny The Cronin Family The Kulesa Family Hugh David Jones Herbert & Lillian Downie Wilfred & Kathleen Talbot

George & Cathie Jerto Fred Beloin/Linda Beloin John & Miriam Muth Frank Baloun John T. LaVia Michael Luongo Rick Spalvieri Benito Chapa Schliphack & Bielefeld Families James & Mary Martino Harold & Hope Whalen Barbara Martino Leonard LaMonica Susan Crimmins Michael Crimmins Ahern/Girard Families Joseph Jr. & Jeremy Savidge The Calcagni Family John & Dorothy McCoy Joseph Lester Driscoll & ONeill Famlies John & Adell Driscoll Edward & Bridget ONeill Mildred & Walter Newman Vera & Albert Alft Arthur Moody The Renaud Family Dan Scapellati The Biscoglio/Tomlinson Families Maureen Ludko Anita & Horace Abate Margaret & Joseph Juliano Paul Argay Paul Murphy Rosemarie & Joseph Wallack John & Loretta Magrini Richard Kennedy Arthur & Betty Godbout George & Virginia Yurch Wayne Randall Helen Randall Gerald Gill Paul Irving Paul Argay The Bingham & DuRoss Families

Roger J. Bernier Irene A. Bernier The Heavren & Pieper Families Joyce & Ciarlo Families Aldo & Elizabeth Zeffiro William J. Stevens Mary OBrien Stevens Corinne Elizabeth Wall Helen Frances Walls George Francis Walls Patricia Gifford Wall Edmund Bialaski John & Stephanie Cochefski The Glynn Family The Kreivenas Family John S. Gray Frank & Marie Gallo Irving & Josephine McBride Fred & Doris Stockton David Michael Federico Mario DErrico Giovanni Calandra Ruby Sutherland Gwen Wilson Eddie Consuegra Joseph & Armande Brennan John & Agnes Lysak Edwin Lysak The St. Jean Family The Bryant Family JoAnn Farley Geffert Dorothy Farley James Farley Bud Beckerman Nicholas Portillo Florence & Tony Malentacchi Laurie Liberator The Testa Family The Kulesa Family Therese M. Ruta William Peck Pauline T. Peck Gabriel Ruta Eleanor Ruta Charles Vautaret



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## In Memory Of (cont.)

The Bondhus & Vuono Families Father Thomas P. Quinn Ruth Montanye Ken Montanye Katherine Kiernan John Kiernan David K. Matthes The Matthes & Lupo Families Maria & Charles Whelan The Deckers Family Father McCarthy The Marcotte & Messier Families The Peter Herman Family The Chester Kuzia Family Janet Garger Josephine & John Garger Amelia & Guglielmo Coccia Rose & Frank Wolfel Louise & Pat Bell Karen, Inez & Eric Anderson The Pirnat & Wise Families The Fee Family The Peregrin Family Alfred Jennings Jordan Wright Barbara Keating William & Lois Ryan Charles, Janet & Brian Laverty Adlebert Tepley Jean Tepley Douglas Blood Dee Dee Sullivan Lawrence Apuzzo Alphonse & Lily Apuzzo George & Catherine Taverna The Ward Family The Hennig Family Eileen Martin William LaMonica, Sr. Katherine LaMonica James Waldron Gertrude Waldron John G. Bernetich

Sheila OHagan Jadovich The OHagan Family Bruce Livingston Clark Sister Alice Marie Landers Paul Gerard Landers Robert Joseph Landers, Jr. Dennis Murphy Judy Grady David Hultin Trudy Sarra-Brinkman Lucile & Robert Rubino Marjorie & John Wuensch Derek Stockwell Natalie Nicole Mr. & Mrs. Charles Devanney Mr. & Mrs. Miner L. Fyler, Sr. Mr. & Mrs. N. Hartonavich Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Jud The Peron Family Paul & Nadine Maglietti The Dubin & Steinen Families The Angelina Family Mary Gorski Mr. & Mrs. J. Lopez Richard Cialfi Mildred & Carl Lawrynowicz Frank & Angie Scalzo Frank Scalzo, Jr. Filomeno & Domenic Pizzuti Fernand & Joseph Santarelli Mr. & Mrs. Giraud Wayne Cromack Natale & Ruth Balich John & Frances Curran Andrew Commisso Vincent Tucker Stella & Andrew Werner Daniel Scapellati Nick & Claire Scapellati Joseph Gan Leon & Helen Glashinski The Lenihan, Miller & Gibbons Families Leo & Teresa Soucy The Kondzielaski Family The Miller Family James Coleman Synder, Jr.

Gerald Springman The Connors Family The Benoit Family Daniel Miley Mary Miley Jeanne Miley Lawrence Tousignant Jean Leavitt Lucy & Lawrence Rose Caroline & Frank Kane The Portal & Monteiro Families Ann Marie & John Gominiak The Healey & Shoulder Families Dr. & Mrs. Romeo J. Levesque William Weldon Nicholas Seminara Rick Spalvieri The Guzauckas & Glaude Families Christine Klatt Pat Clark John & Vivian McDonnell Cindy Arndt Mitchell William & Elvira Severni Robert Turmelle Afsar Khoshneviss Ahmad Khoshneviss Mary & Bart Kelly Maxime Lozier Family Alexis Cyr Family Freeman & Shirley Clark Maryann Enderle Helen Ann Bachhuber John Bachhuber The Corso Family The Rucci Family Margaret & Peter Meenan Una & Patrick Linnane Helen Bernier Delpha Duncan & Norm Duncan Kenneth Smith Joe & Rose Immatteo Anonymous Anonymous

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