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### **BAPTISM and MARRIAGES:**

Please call the Parish Office: 860-673-9858, ext. 221 Please schedule marriage dates at least 6 months ahead. 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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# Reverend Alphonso Fontana, Pastor



### THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

"This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever." - Jn 6:57-58

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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

June 11, 2023



The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



If you are a resident in this area, we hope that you will continue to grace us with your presence and register with our parish. You can do so by stopping by or calling the Parish Office (860-673-9858,ext.221). You can also register online at: www.stannavon.org/register-at-st-ann 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, June 12

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 9:30-10:30am in the church MMP Cenacle-Rosary Prayer Group: 7:15pm in the church (all welcome) Lectio Divina, Live: Check with leader

BIBLE CAMP SET-UP: Fr. Bennett Hall and all rooms

TUESDAY, June 13

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WEDNESDAY, June 14

BIBLE CAMP SET-UP: Fr. Bennett Hall and all rooms

### THURSDAY, June 15

**BIBLE CAMP SET-UP:** Fr. Bennett Hall and all rooms Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

### FRIDAY, June 16

BIBLE CAMP SET-UP: Fr. Bennett Hall and all rooms Lectio Divina: 9:45am via Zoom

### SATURDAY, June 17

SUNDAY, June 18

Men's Breakfast Group: Check with leader Fair Trade Marketplace: after Mass in Gathering Space Bible Camp is June 19-23: the Hall & all rooms will be unavailable until June 24

Lectio Divina: Check with leader Fair Trade Marketplace: after Masses in Gathering Space

# **Divine Mercy Holy Hour**



This Sunday, **Jupe 11, 2023 2:30 - 3:30pm** in the church

Please join us to implore God's Mercy upon us and the whole world.

### MONDAY, June 12

**9:00** Joseph Enderle, requested by his daughter, Theresa and Bill Bachhuber

TUESDAY, June 13 9:00 Special Intentions

WEDNESDAY, June 14

**9:00** Grace Meyers, requested by the family

### THURSDAY, June 15

9:00 For the intentions of Claudia Kusmiurz, requested by the Osiecki Family

### FRIDAY, June 16

9:00 Joseph Enderle, requested by Dick and Lorraine ZuWallack

### SATURDAY, June 17

4:00 Alfred Koch, requested by Russell and Diane Koch

### SUNDAY, June 18

- 7:30 For all fathers, living and deceased
- 9:30 For all fathers, living and deceased
- 11:00 For all fathers, living and deceased



Has your child, or a child you know, missed celebrating the sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation or First Eucharist? Rest assured; it is never too late!

This summer, St Ann's is offering a sacramental preparation program for children grade 3 – 8. This program is specially designed to teach children what they've missed, celebrate the sacrament(s) and prepare them to participate in our faith formation program, with their peers, September 2023.

For more information and to register, contact Valerie St. Jean, Director of K-8 Faith Formation <u>valerie.stjean@stannavon.com</u> 860-673-9858

# Fair Trade Marketplace Sale!



## Gathering Space June 17/18, 2023 after all Masses

 Please join us to support farmers and artisans from developing countries.
Your faithful support is always appreciated!

Coffee (Haiti) 🛛 🗧

Woven crafts (Honduras & Guatemala)

Chocolates (Haiti)

and more! 🖕

# St. Ann's Social Outreach Committee

### JOIN US FOR A 2-PART DISCUSSION SERIES

DEACON TIM'S NEW BOOK MORE TALES FROM THE MASSES AT ST. ANN CHURCH IN FR. BENNETT HALL



STORIES CONNECTING SCRIPTURE TO EVERYDAY LIFE TIMOTHY E. HEALY Stories Connecting Scripture To Everyday Life! If you enjoy Deacon Tim's homilies, you will definitely enjoy this book!

# DATES: JUNE 28TH & JULY 12TH TIME: 9:30 AM TO 11:30 AM RSVP: andreapizzuti333@gmail.com

Books can be purchased in the Parish Office, Domestic Monastery, Amazon or Barnes and Noble

# **PRO-LIFE MINISTRY**

There is still time to honor the Mother of God by **taking a Baby Bottle or envelope for Two Hearts Pregnancy Care Center** from the display in the Gathering Space at Church.

By doing so you are helping Two Hearts assist "Moms in Need". They desperately need your help due to the rising costs of diapers and especially infant formula.



### Please return the Baby Bottles to the

display this Sunday, June 11th. Envelopes can also be returned by the same date or mailed directly to Two Hearts. Pro-LifeMinistry thanks you for your generous support to this worthy outreach.

As another year of preparing home cooked meals for the men at ImmaCare ends, we thank everyone for all their support. Throughout the 37 years of the St. Ann/ ImmaCare friendship there have been so many changes. Number of guests has fluctuated. When Covid hit, people serving went to dropping off food at the door. What has remained consistent is the dedication of the St. Ann parish whose support never wavered .

To those of you who cook or bake, thank you - your home cooked meals are legendary! Thanks to all who drop off all the supplies needed to make a meal complete. The donations for those who are sought out by the ImmaCare outreach van, people living under bridges or on the streets, has been so appreciated .

Looking forward to starting up again in September.

Have a blessed summer !

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# WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

Weekly Collection for 6/4/23: \$4,990.50 Votive Candles: \$186.06 Online Giving (May 31-June 7, 2023) Weekly: \$3,645.00 Next Weekend's 2nd Collection: monthly



"THE HOLY EUCHARIST IS A LIVING PERSON." Bishop Robert Barron

<u>Reflection:</u> In "The Diary of Saint Faustina", the saint records these words of Our Lord, referring to the Blessed Sacrament Jesus tells her, "People treat me like a dead object." We need to ask, when we receive Holy Communion, are we aware that we are in the presence of the truly, living, loving Person of Jesus? Do we interiorly respond accordingly to Our Lord's presence within us? Living Faith touches the Heart of Jesus. How alive is your Faith in the Holy Eucharist on this great Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ?



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 can be obtained in the Parish Office. You can also download a form from our website; look for the Veteran's Memorial under the "Resources" tab. HONOR A VETERAN WITH AN ENGRAVED PAVER AT VETERANS MEMORIAL WAY



# Veteran Flags at St. Ann Cemetery



Flags are now up in the cemetery for Memorial Day. If your loved one is a veteran and a flag is missing, please contact Mike Gould, Cemetery Superintendent: 860-673-9858, x. 225



# God Has a Personal Message For You!

Join us for the popular *Lectio Divina* way of praying scripture, where you listen for what God is saying to you in the Gospel for the coming Sunday. It's also a great way to connect with others, and engage more fully in Mass.

Friendly groups meet via Zoom & in person. Newcomers welcome!

Sundays at 10:30am both in Room 3 & via Zoom Mondays at 7:15pm in Rm 3 and via Zoom Fridays at 9:45am via Zoom

For registration details and inspiring testimonials, visit: <u>https://www.stannavon.org/lectio-divina-live</u> ATTENTION 2023 Vacation Bible Campers, Get ready to BLAST OFF on June 19th when we begin 4 days of fun & faith at this year's Vacation Bible Camp! Stellar - Shine Jesus' Light June 19, 20, 21, 22

> 9:30 am - 12:30 pm Registration is CLOSED

### JUNE 11, 2023 - THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

(Practicing) Catholic, Recognize Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments, by Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

#### The Priesthood and the Eucharist

"These two Sacraments were born together," wrote St. John Paul II of the priesthood and the Eucharist, "and their destiny is indissolubly linked until the end of the world."

The Eucharist is such a beautiful example of how God, conscious of our limitations, bends to meet us. He once came to us cloaked in the flesh, that we might recognize Him. Now He comes as the very means by which we nourish ourselves: food and drink, the most familiar and comforting thing in the world to us. How easy He makes it to fulfill his command that we become one with Him. How generous He is to make such a sacred thing also accessible.

We can say the same of the priesthood, and of the men He calls to its number. How generous of Him to make such an accessible thing — our sons, our brothers, our uncles, our cousins — sacred. How generous of Him to allow these human creations — who share in our own faults — to be the means through which He comes to us in the Eucharist.

Without the Eucharist, we would have no eternal life. Without priests, we would have no Eucharist. On this, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, let's give thanks for our priests, and redouble our prayers that God will send us good and holy ones — manna from Heaven in our wandering exile.

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day." — John 6:54



### **INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK** Live the Liturgy

The Eucharist is the most sacred thing in the world, and yet in his mercy, God has made it accessible. In the Eucharist, God bends to meet us. Appearing under the appearance of our daily nourishment, he makes it not just possible but simple — blessedly simple — to fulfill his commandment. ©LPi

### WEEKLY READINGS

#### Readings for the week of June 11, 2023

Sunday:	Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 (12)/
	1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58
Monday:	2 Cor 1:1-7/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 5:1-12
Tuesday:	2 Cor 1:18-22/Ps 119:129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135/Mt 5:13-16
Wednesday:	2 Cor 3:4-11/Ps 99:5, 6, 7, 8, 9/Mt 5:17-19
Thursday:	2 Cor 3:15-4:1, 3-6/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 5:20-26
Friday:	Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10 (see 17)/1 Jn 4:7-16/
	Mt 11:25-30
Saturday:	2 Cor 5:14-21/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12//Lk 2:41-51
Next Sunday:	Ex 19:2-6a/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 (3c)/Rom 5:6-11/Mt 9:36-10:8

### SUNDAY'S READINGS

### First Reading:

"He therefore let you be afflicted with hunger, and then fed you with manna, a food unknown to you and your fathers." (Dt 8:3)

#### <u>Psalm:</u>

Praise the Lord, Jerusalem. (Ps 147) Or Alleluia.

#### Second Reading:

Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf. (1 Cor 10:17)

#### <u>Gospel:</u>

"For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." (Jn 6:55-56)

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#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION** Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Years ago, a woman at daily Mass approached me in the communion procession. She had her arms crossed, indicating she wanted a blessing instead of the Sacred Host. She had tears in her eyes. I gave her a little blessing. She returned the next day. And the next. The same thing repeated. After a few weeks, I asked her why she didn't receive Holy Communion. She said she wasn't Catholic yet and was preparing to become so. I asked her why she wanted to be Catholic. She said, "Because I long to be in a real communion with Christ and with everyone I love." That, I submit, is a darn good reason. A few months later, she became Catholic and received the Body and Blood of Christ with unspeakably great joy and still does to this day.

Saint Paul says of the Eucharistic bread, **"Is it not a participation in the body of Christ?"** For Paul, the answer is obvious. Yes, it is exactly that. Which is why he can say, **"we, though many, are one body."** Jesus is truly, really, and substantially present in the Holy Eucharist. This is no magic trick, but a mystery of our salvation. He feeds us with the Sacrament of his body so that our communion with him — and with the other members of his body — is built up and becomes mature. That's why the Eucharist quenches our deep thirst for love and communion. The Body and Blood of Christ is the best reason to be Catholic. It's our participation of love in the one we love.

- Father John Muir

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### HOW TO REPORT AN INCIDENT OF SEXUAL ABUSE TO THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD

If you have knowledge or suspect that a minor or vulnerable adult (an adult with an intellectual disability) has been sexually abused, in any manner, by personnel of the Archdiocese of Hartford, you are urged to report this information to:

Faith Vos Winkel, MSW Victim Assistance Coordinator **860-541-6475** faith.voswinkel@aohct.org

In addition, you will be asked to follow up in writing with a detailed description of the facts involved in the incident. Specifics of this written report can be found in the <u>Policies and Procedures of the</u> <u>Archdiocese of Hartford Relating to Allegations of Sexual Misconduct Involving Minors and Vulnerable</u> <u>Adults</u>. This document is also available online at <u>www.archdioceseofhartford.org</u>. The Archdiocese of Hartford will report any and all incidents to the proper civil authorities.

Mandated reporters in the State of Connecticut are required by law to report any incident of sexual abuse involving a minor or vulnerable adult. We encourage any Non-Mandated persons to report such incidents to the proper authorities as well. We support your right to do so.

Incidents involving sexual abuse of minors (persons under the age of 18) should be reported to: State of CT Department of Children and Families Care-line 1-800-842-2288

Incidents involving sexual abuse of vulnerable adults aged 18 – 59 should be reported to the: State of CT Connecticut Department of Developmental Services AID Division for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities **1-844-878-8923** 

Incidents involving sexual abuse of vulnerable adults aged 60 and over should be reported to: State of CT Department of Social Services Division of Protective Services for Elders 1-888-385-4225

Once a written report of an incident of sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult has been received, an investigation will be undertaken by, or on behalf of, the Archdiocese of Hartford.



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