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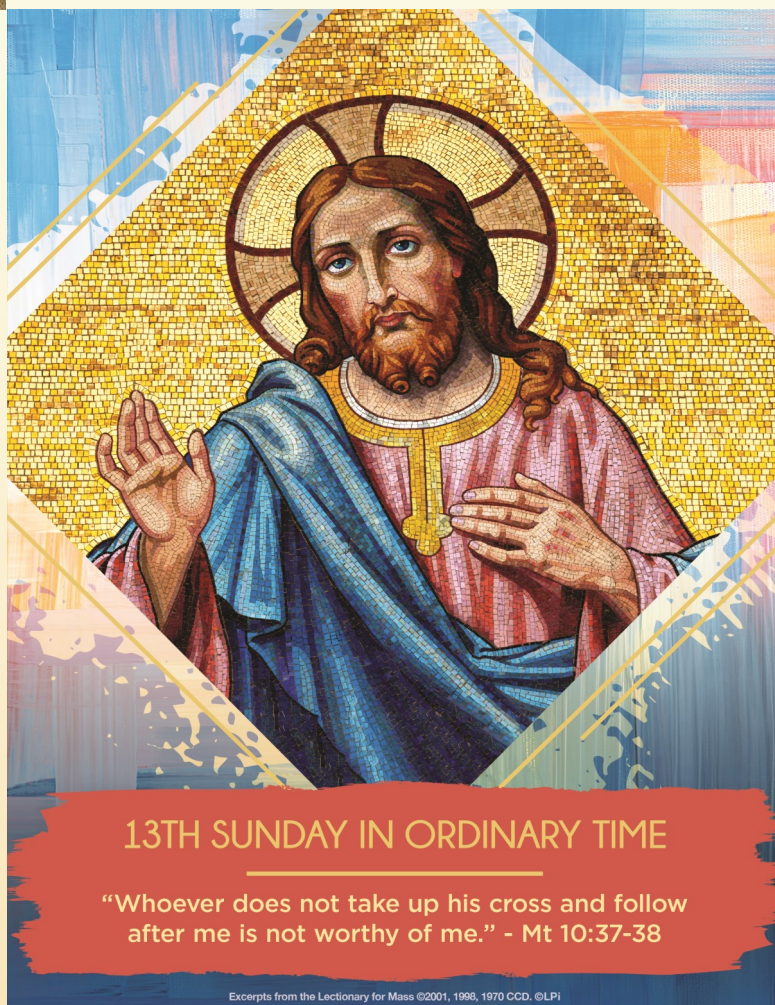
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Please schedule marriage dates at least 6 months ahead. Weddings cannot be scheduled after the Saturday evening Mass or on Sundays.

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.



13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." - Mt 10:37-38

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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



13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MONDAY, July 3

9:00 Juliet Sielski, requested by the Pericat Family

TUESDAY, July 4

9:00 Salvatore Calafiore, requested by the family

WEDNESDAY, July 5

9:00 Winefred McDermott, requested by Jack McDermott

THURSDAY, July 6

9:00 Special Intentions

FRIDAY, July 7

9:00 John T. LaVia, requested by Johanna LaVia and family

SATURDAY, July 8

4:00 John Evans, Jacqueline Holland & Carmela and Andrew Kucera, requested by the Evans Family

SUNDAY, July 9

7:30 Michelina Piccolo, requested by Larry and Janice McDonnell

9:30 Rebecca Klenk, requested by John and Maria Manning

11:00 Donald Sopelak (1st Ann.), requested by Mary Ellen and Stanley Smolinski

JUST FOR KIDS!



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 valerie.stjean@stannavon.com 860-673-9858

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 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 worshipping with us and we hope to see you again!

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

MONDAY, July 3

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

TUESDAY, July 4

GOD Bless AMERICA

WEDNESDAY, July 5

THURSDAY, July 6

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

FRIDAY, July 7

SATURDAY, July 8

Men's Breakfast Group: 8:00 am in Room 3

SUNDAY, July 9

Lectio Divina: 10:30am in Room 3, and via ZOOM

2023 Missionary Cooperative Appeal This Weekend - July 1/2 Featured This Year: Diocese of Sylhet Rev. Stanley Gomes



The purpose of the Mission Office of the Archdiocese of Hartford is to show the Church's compassion for all spiritual and temporal needs of the world. We attempt to alleviate human suffering and promote the Gospel of Jesus Christ offering prayer, education, sacrifice, and financial support through these various appeals: Mission Co-Op, World Mission Sunday, Mission Childhood and St. Peter Apostle.

Please welcome Rev. Gomes and consider helping the people of the Sylhet Diocese!

The gifts that are received through this mission appeal will be used to help the families in the Sylhet diocese.

JOIN US FOR A 2-PART DISCUSSION SERIES

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DATES: JUNE 28TH & JULY 12TH

TIME: 9:30 AM TO 11:30 AM

RSVP: andreapizzuti333@gmail.com

IRA Charitable Rollover

Do you have an IRA? Are you 70 ½ or older?

Did you know you can make a Qualified Charitable Distribution to the parish from your IRA? Church of St. Ann is a 501(c)(3) organization that is eligible to receive tax deductible contributions.

Benefits:

- Satisfy your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year.
- Reduce your taxable income, even if you do not itemize deductions.
- Avoid taxes on transfers up to \$100,000 from your IRA to the parish.
- Know you are contributing to a worthy cause.



How does it work?

- Contact your IRA plan administrator to make a gift from your IRA to the parish (we have a sample letter).
- Your IRA funds will be mailed directly to the parish.
- Let us know if the funds are for a specific purpose (i.e. Parish Annual Appeal, Weekly, Monthly, etc.)

*** Please consult your own tax advisor before engaging in any transaction. ***



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!

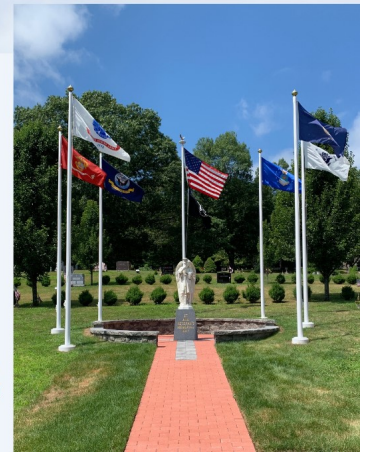
Sundays at 10:30am both in Room 3 & via Zoom

For registration details and inspiring testimonials, visit:
<https://www.stannavon.org/lectio-divina-live>



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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.



The Holy Eucharist DID YOU KNOW?

Listen to the words of Jesus to St. Faustina. "Oh, how painful it is to Me that souls so seldom unite themselves to Me in Holy Communion. I wait for souls, and they are indifferent toward me. I love them tenderly and sincerely, and they distrust Me. I want to lavish my graces on them, and they do not want to accept them." (The Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska – "Divine Mercy in My soul" pp1447)

Reflection: Is Our Lord directly speaking to us here? Is He pleading with us to recognize what He is offering to us each time we receive His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist? Are we among those souls for whom He waits and longs for?

The Church dedicates the month of July to the Precious Blood. When we receive the Body of Christ in Holy Communion, we also receive His Most Precious Blood. This month offers us a special opportunity to become more acutely aware of the gift of Christ's Precious Blood in the Eucharist. It is the month to become more aware of what we uniquely possess as Catholics.

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

Weekly Collection for 6/25/23: \$4,152.50

Peter's Pence: \$1,408.00

Votive Candles: \$195.60

Online Giving (June 21-28, 2023)

Weekly: \$2,697.00

Peter's Pence: \$30.00

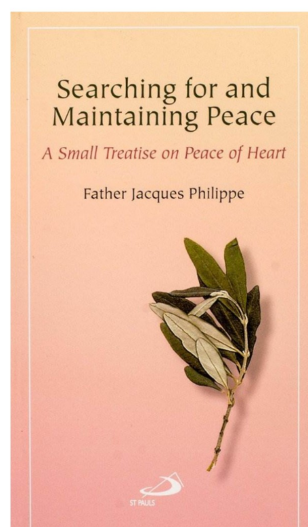
Next Weekend's 2nd Collection: none



Good Summer Read

We live in a day and age characterized by an extraordinary amount of agitation and lack of peace. What must we do to overcome the moments of fear and distress which assail us all too often in our lives? How can we learn to place all our confidence in God and abandon ourselves into His loving care?

This is what is taught in this simple, yet profound little treatise on peace of heart.



Join Us To Discuss!

Wednesday, August 30th

7pm

**in the Activity Room
(under the church wing)**

RSVP

Nancy Casey: 860-673-3141

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**Books will be available for \$8.00
in the Parish Office.
(Please note the office will not have change.)
You can also pay online at:
www.stannavon.org/book-discussions-1**

Why Do We Do That Catholic Life Explained

Mass Celebrated Around the World

Question:

Is the Catholic Mass really celebrated the same throughout the whole world?

Answer:

One of the truisms of the Catholic Faith is that "wherever you go in the world, the Mass is the same." In fact, the answer to this question is both "yes" and "no."

On the one hand, the essential elements of the Roman Rite are the same. The structure of the Mass as it is presented in the Roman Missal is consistent and this is one of the beauties of belonging to a liturgical tradition.

On the other hand, however, there are elements of celebrations that can vary depending on the country or even local region you might be in. For example, in certain parts of the world, certain feasts and solemnities are celebrated on different days (even here in the United States the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord can be celebrated on Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter or it may take the place of the Seventh Sunday of Easter, depending on what diocese you are in). Whether it is the use of certain liturgical colors, local celebrations of regional saints, special seasonal blessings of crops or produce, or the use of dance and processions all demonstrate a sort of organic variety that can exist even within our established liturgical tradition. While we always respect what is essential to the rite, such local variations and traditions are very much in keeping with the vision of liturgical renewal and adaption envisioned by the Second Vatican Council's Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy (nos. 37-40).

Worship & Meditation: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

"I know that Elisha is a holy man of God. Since he visits us often, let us arrange a little room on the roof and furnish it for him with a bed, table, chair, and lamp, so that when he comes to us he can stay there." (2 Kgs 4:9-10)

Psalm:

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord. (Ps 89)

Second Reading:

Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life. (Rom 6:3-4)

Gospel:

"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me." (Mt 10:40)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Our relationship with Christ is the ultimate starting point. The wellspring. Every good quality in our character, every kind action of our lives, every devout practice of our day must flow from this place where we encounter him in our hearts. ©LPi

Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

As a boy my favorite board game was "Chutes and Ladders." The players roll dice to move from the start to the finish, from the bottom of the board to the top. If you land on a chute, you slide back and down. It was a bummer. Land on a ladder, and you jump well up the board and near the goal. It was a thrill to find a ladder and draw closer to the goal. That's life, isn't it? At every moment, we're either moving closer or farther from the goal of our lives.

How do we win? Jesus tells us the secret of life's chutes and ladders hinges on getting our loves rightly ordered. What we love in life is meant to be a ladder, drawing us up into God's love — including our family, friends, work, play, food, and drink. Even to give your water to someone out of love for Christ leads to a sure reward.

But those ladders of our loves can become chutes. If we love even our family members more than Christ, we slide down and back. If we love the persons and things in our life for the sake of Christ, He says we **"surely will not lose our reward."** The key difference between a chute and ladder, between our spiritual regression and advancement, is our willingness to renounce everything — even our own life — for the love of Jesus. To allow everything and everyone we love to draw us to love him more — that's the difference between chutes and ladders.

- Father John Muir

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Questions of the Week

Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

The Shunammite woman is rewarded with the promise of a newborn son for her generous hospitality to the prophet Elisha. To whom could you show a good measure of charity this week

Second Reading:

In Paul's view, since Jesus defeated death in his resurrection, he challenged the believers in Rome to think of themselves as "being dead to sin and living for God." How often do you *think* of ways to put your faith into action?

Gospel:

Jesus teaches his disciples about the challenges and rewards of following him. What do you personally find most challenging or rewarding in following Jesus?

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Readings for the Week of June 25, 2023

Sunday:

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 (2a)/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42

Monday:

Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29

Tuesday:

Gn 19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12/Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday:

Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 8:28-34

Thursday:

Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Mt 9:1-8

Friday:

Mt 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13

Saturday:

Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:14-17

Next Sunday:

Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see 1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

(PRACTICING)

CATHOLIC

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

A Prophet's Reward

"Move back in with us until you save enough for a decent house," my mother told me over and over again as the birth of my second child neared.

My little family was quickly outgrowing our rented space, but the housing market in our area was a nightmare for first-time homebuyers. As appealing as the offer was, I kept refusing, convinced that my mother didn't understand the chaos, disruption, and loss of personal space that such a move would mean for her and my dad.

I was wrong — she did. And eventually she wore me down. When my son was three months old my family of four moved back into my old bedroom. My parents made an office space for my husband in the basement, and they converted their den into a playroom for two of the loudest children you will ever meet. They told us we could stay as long as we needed to (it ended up being two years). They greeted us with love and warmth every morning and never made us feel like we were an inconvenience.

Today's first reading always reminds me of my mom, not because I consider myself a prophet (hardly) but because of the way she received me — specifically, in whose name she received me.

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THE ARCHBISHOP

June 26, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As announced in Rome on June 26, Pope Francis has appointed, at my request, a Coadjutor Archbishop for Hartford, Bishop Christopher Coyne, Bishop of Burlington, Vermont.

Bishop Coyne's appointment as coadjutor means that upon my retirement next year after I reach the canonical retirement age of 75 he will succeed me as your Archbishop.

I made this request of Pope Francis in a letter I sent to him dated January 24 of this year. With the passing of years and my own retirement age approaching, I told Pope Francis that the appointment of a coadjutor bishop would not only be helpful to me for the pastoral care of the Archdiocese, but would also provide my successor with time to become familiar with the Archdiocese, its clergy and people, and with our ongoing pastoral planning, before becoming Archbishop.

I should add that a request for the appointment of a coadjutor bishop is not unprecedented, as we saw recently in the Diocese of Providence, Rhode Island, with the appointment of Bishop Henning as coadjutor to succeed Bishop Tobin.

I am grateful to Pope Francis for granting my request and to Bishop Coyne for accepting this appointment from the Holy Father. I first met Bishop Coyne in 2011 and we have worked together as members of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. His years of ministry as a priest and bishop speak for themselves, and our Archdiocese will be blest to have him as chief shepherd when the time comes. I know we will give him a warm welcome.

Bishop Coyne will take up residence in the Archdiocese with a Mass of Welcome to be celebrated at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Mother Church of the Archdiocese of Hartford, on Monday, October 9, 2023, at 2 PM.

As for me, my 75th birthday, God willing, will be April 12, 2024. I hope with divine assistance to continue to fulfill my responsibilities faithfully, now ably assisted by both Coadjutor Archbishop Coyne and Bishop Betancourt.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Leonard P. Blair
Archbishop of Hartford



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