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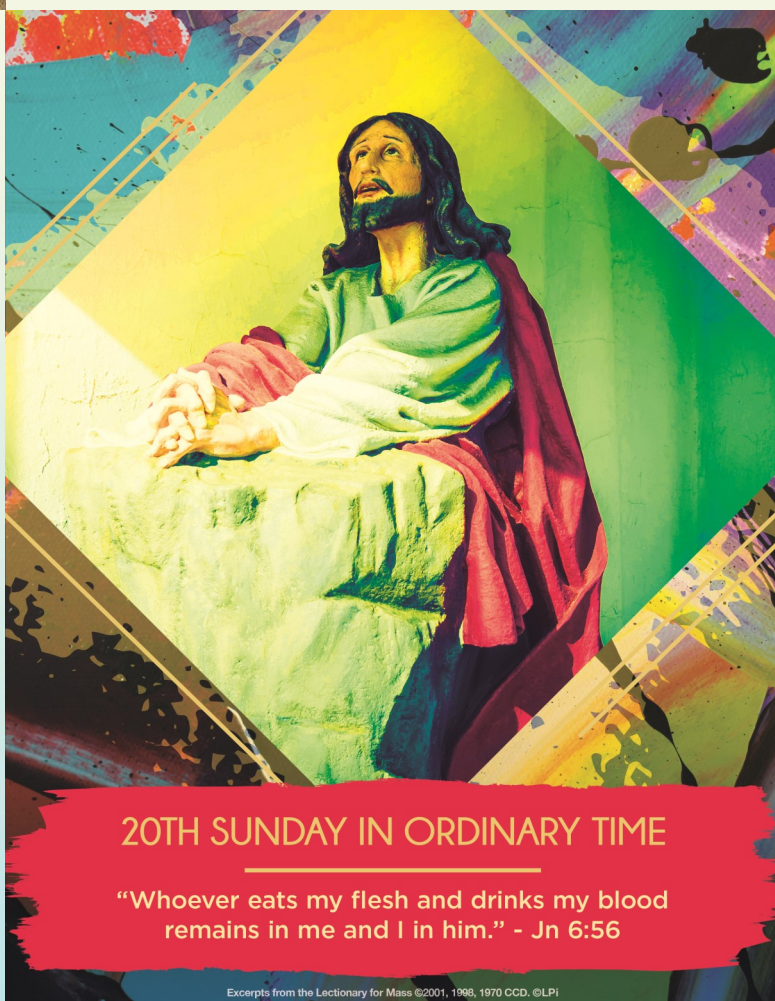
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20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him." - Jn 6:56

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BAPTISM and MARRIAGES:

Please call the Parish Office: 860-673-9858, ext. 221.

Wedding dates should be scheduled 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.

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

Tuesdays 6 - 7:30pm

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



WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF SAINT ANN

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!



MASS INTENTIONS

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, August 17

4:00 Mary Harvell, requested by the Harvell Family

SUNDAY, August 18, 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 James Jablonski, requested by the Zone Family

9:30 Autumn Fisher, requested by
Dianne and Bob Anderson

11:00 For all those who are starting a new journey in life
this Fall

MONDAY, August 19, Saint John Eudes, Priest

9:00 Elizabeth Godbout, requested by
the Godbout Family

TUESDAY, August 20,

Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

9:00 David Theroux Jr., requested by the Theroux Family

WEDNESDAY, August 21,

Saint Pius X, Pope

9:00 James Jablonski, requested by the
Bohdan & Helena Krasij Family

THURSDAY, August 22,

The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 In Thanksgiving for Lorraine ZuWallack's many
years of service (Living), requested by St. Ann's
Social Outreach Ministry

FRIDAY, August 23, Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

9:00 Irene D. O'Donnell, requested by
Meg and Todd Donovan

SATURDAY, August 24, Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

4:00 Derek Stockwell (7th Ann.), requested by his mom,
dad and sisters, Jaclyn Stockwell & Jessica Rivera

SUNDAY, August 25, 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 Hugh and Susan Linnane, requested by
Christine Linnane

9:30 Robert Mansfield, requested by his children

11:00 Fermin Alambra, requested by John & Jean Henares



Sanctuary Lamp Memorial

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for
the Greater honor and glory of God and:

In loving memory of:
Helen and Bill Ward

Requested by:
Pat (Ward) Hennig

Prayers for the living:

Requested by:

**We pray for the safe
return of those currently
serving in our Military**



Contact the Parish Office to have your family members added.

LCDR Jack Hamel, USCG
LT Victoria Hamel, USCG
1LT Sean Neagle, USArmy
1LT Brian J. Heavren Jr., USArmy

Capt. Matthew Mascoli, USMC
1LT Andrew Mascoli, USMC
ME3 Luke Hobbs, USCG



**Please note: there will be
NO ADORATION
this Tuesday evening, Aug. 20th.**

Adoration will return
next Tuesday, August 27th.

Sending Mass

**This Sunday, August 18th
11:00am Mass**

*Join us in Fr. Bennett Hall after Mass for
light refreshments and fellowship!*



Are you starting a new
journey in life this fall?
Maybe a new educational,
professional, or military
pursuit. If you are, please join
us on August 18, 2024, at
the 11am Mass where we
will send you off with a
special blessing. May God
bless you and watch over
you on your next adventure.

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

SATURDAY, August 17

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

SUNDAY, August 18

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

Reception for Sending Mass: after 11am Mass in Fr. Bennett Hall

MONDAY, August 19

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, August 20

NO Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: *will return next week*

WEDNESDAY, August 21

The Chosen, Season 2 Watch Party: 9:30am in Fr. Bennett Hall

THURSDAY, August 22

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

FRIDAY, August 23

Lectio Divina: 9:45am via Zoom

SATURDAY, August 24

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

SUNDAY, August 25

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



Join us for a Good Summer Read

THE ROCKING CHAIR PROPHET *by Matthew Kelly*

Books will be available for free will offering in the Gathering Space. If none are left it can be purchased on Amazon.com or through a local bookstore.

Grab a book and a friend and join us!

Book Discussion will be on:

**THURSDAY,
AUGUST 29TH
6:00PM
ACTIVITY ROOM**

**RSVP:
Colleen Waterbury
via text: 203-913-8764**



Tools For Schools Collection

Through September 7/8

Please consider these **suggested items:**

**Backpacks
Calculators
Notebooks
Pencils * Rulers
Pens
Notebook paper
Markers, etc.**

The school buses will soon be rolling... it's time for our annual *Tools for Schools Collection*. This collection is of great assistance to the Catholic Worker House, Hartford (new) refugee families and the Avon Food Pantry families. Any/all NEW school supplies are welcomed. Backpacks are especially needed. *Please place the items in the area marked "Tools for Schools" in the Gathering Space or bring down to church offices below Fr. Bennett Hall.* May you be blessed for your generosity!



WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

Giving for Sunday, August 11, 2024

Weekly In-person: \$4,630.11

Weekly Online: \$2,453.50

Weekly TOTAL: \$7,083.61

Votive Candles: \$208.50

Other Donations:

Monthly: 283, Assumption: 10, Parish Cemetery: 20

Catholic Elementary Schools: 23, Utility Fund: 20

Next Weekend's 2nd Collection: monthly

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Catechists Needed



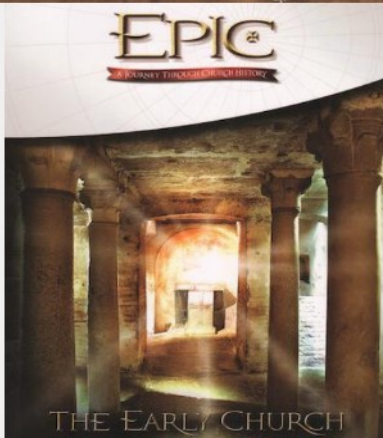
Help, we are in dire need of Catechists to help with the Faith Formation for the children out of Parish. All levels needed K-10..please think about volunteering for this very rewarding and Faith filled opportunity.

If you are interested in helping out or would like more information please contact:

Kindergarten-8th grade: deborah.benson@stannavon.com
or 860-673-9858, ext. 223

Confirmation (9/10): rosemary.neamtz@stannavon.com
or 860-673-9858, ext. 226

Join us this September for this Exciting Study
Epic: A Journey through Early Church History



Discover the extraordinary story of the Catholic Churches beginnings. This study encourages you to grow closer to Christ through a deeper understanding of His Church

When: September 11th - November 20th (Wednesday's)

Where: St. Ann Church in Fr. Bennett Hall

Time: 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Cost: \$25 for workbook

RSVP is required: andreapizzuti333@gmail.com

Grief Support

This Fall, the Bereavement Ministry will be offering a new program entitled "The New Day Seminar".

This 10-week offering will be held on Thursday mornings beginning on September 26 and uses The New Day Journal: a journey from grief to healing to help participants work through their grief. *New Day* has brought comfort and hope to many as they try to fill the void left by the loss of a loved one.

Interested in becoming an Altar Server?



Training on the 1st Wednesday of EVERY month
7:00 – 8:30pm

*** Pre-Registration Required ***

Brian McDermott and his son Jack (Senior altar server)

Offering Full Training

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Requirements:

3rd to 12th grade

Received First Holy Communion

Available to serve 2 masses per month

Next Training:

Wednesday, September 4th

Register no later than:

Friday, August 30th



To register or for more information contact Brian McDermott:
Email: brianmcdermott359@gmail.com or Text: 203-641-6560

CHURCH OF SAINT ANN

Annual Report for Year Ending June 30, 2024

Dear Parishioners:

I'm approaching my second anniversary as your pastor, and I am filled with gratitude for your faithful and generous support of the financial and social efforts and activities of our parish.

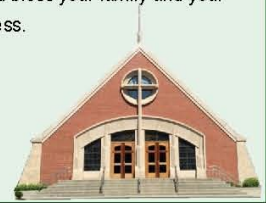
Over the last year, we have had some challenges to our buildings and grounds due to the forces of nature or aged buildings. The excessive amount of rain and poor drainage caused a sinkhole behind the church. The area of the sinkhole was excavated and filled in. We are correcting the problem by adding more drainage basins to the front and back parking lot. The Activity Room (lower church) where our young people gather was in poor condition. We installed all new flooring and furniture to make it safe for our young people and catechists. The air conditioning unit and hot water heater for Father Bennett Hall both needed to be replaced. Moreover, all of us have experienced daily living challenges with products and services rising by more than 20%. The parish experiences them as well.

As a community we have met these challenges through your generosity.

Our weekly offertory and fall Annual Collection remain our primary source of income. We were doubly blessed with two large bequests totaling \$363,672. Approximately fifty percent of that total is restricted for Catholic School Scholarships and the remainder is unrestricted. With the sage advice of our Finance Council, we used some of the unrestricted funds to purchase and install the beautiful Carillon Bells that are enjoyed by our parish and the surrounding area.

I humbly thank God for the gift of St. Ann Parish made possible by the hardworking and generous parishioners. God bless your family and your home with gifts of peace, health and happiness.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Father Al Fontana, Pastor



<u>INCOME</u>	\$
Offertory, Annual & Special Purpose	704,912
<i>Gifts, Donations, Bequests</i>	363,672
Religious Formation & Other Miscellaneous Income	75,211
Other Income	34,788
TOTAL INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	<u>1,178,583</u>

<u>EXPENSES</u>	\$
Salaries, Taxes & Benefits	397,370
Insurance	20,340
Utilities (Oil, Gas, Electric, Phone, Cable)	66,319
Maintenance & Repairs	93,762
Contracted Services (Plowing, Mowing, Professional Services, etc.)	58,771
Rectory Expenses (Food & Household Supplies)	29,764
Liturgy (Hosts, Wine, Candles, Vestments, Music)	27,279
Religious Formation (Books, Rent, Supplies)	34,802
Charity & Ministry Events	43,186
Bank & Investment Fees	16,392
Office Expenses	23,925
Publications & Memberships	15,262
School Subsidy & Assessments	5,250
Cathedraticum (Effective rate of 12%)	131,516
TOTAL EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS	<u>963,938</u>
INCOME/(LOSS) FROM OPERATIONS	<u>214,645</u>

<u>OTHER INCOME</u>	\$
Interest & Dividends	106,940
Realized Gain/(Loss) on Investments	(83,233)
Unrealized Gain/(Loss) on Investments	343,570 *
Discount on Cathedraticum	7,010
Proceeds from Insurance	33,282
Forward with Faith - Hartford Bishop's Foundation	53,951
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	<u>407,569</u>

<u>OTHER EXPENSES</u>	\$
Depreciation Expense	139,516
Forward with Faith - Hartford Bishops Foundation Expenses	23,213
Other Non-Operating Expense	2,639
TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES	<u>162,729</u>
NET INCOME/(LOSS)	<u>459,485</u>

**Unrealized Gains/(Losses) are subject to market increases and decreases. These values should not be relied upon for economic decision making purposes. They will change with the market until such time that they are realized, i.e. sold.*

As of December 31st, 2023 the number of registered households at the Church of Saint Ann was 1864 and we had 6195 active members.

Sacramental Information for 2023

39 Baptisms * 60 First Communions * 63 Confirmations * 4 Marriages * 56 Deaths

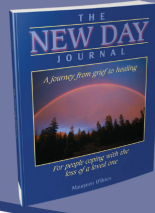
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Marriage Help Program September 6-8, 2024

Location: Hotel near Bradley
International Airport Windsor Locks, CT

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email hels4marriage@gmail.com or go
to our website
www.helpourmarriage.org.



The Bereavement Ministry at the
Church of St. Ann is now providing

The New Day Seminar

Grief support group

starting September 26, 2024

Grieving the loss of a loved one is some of the most difficult work a person can experience. Many find it difficult to come to terms with the staggering loss of a spouse or family member and would welcome some gentle, compassionate accompaniment. St. Ann's is expanding the Bereavement Ministry to provide this companionship for parishioners who wish to accept it. In addition to the customary funeral planning help that has always been offered, you'll find at the heart of the ministry the well-known New Day Seminar.

Seminar sessions are focused on different facets of grief, guided by The New Day Journal. A typical meeting begins with prayer, followed by reflection and voluntary sharing. Participants are encouraged to journal (write down one's thoughts relating to a topic discussed) during the session as well as in preparation for subsequent meetings. Journaling has been found to be an excellent tool to elicit thoughts and feelings which give us insights into ourselves. Through journaling we are better able to see where we have been in our grief journey and where we are now. Many other resources will become available as the ministry flourishes.

The New Day Seminar curriculum was developed by the late Sister Maureen O'Brien, O.P. while working with many different grief support groups. It has brought comfort and hope to many as they try to fill the void in their life that has been created as a result of the loss of their loved ones.

If you have suffered the loss of a loved, we hope that you, and perhaps others you feel may also benefit, will consider joining us for the Fall series of The New Day Seminar, which begins on September 26, 2024.

For more information, please call Kris Martino, Office Manager, at 860.673.9858.

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