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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.

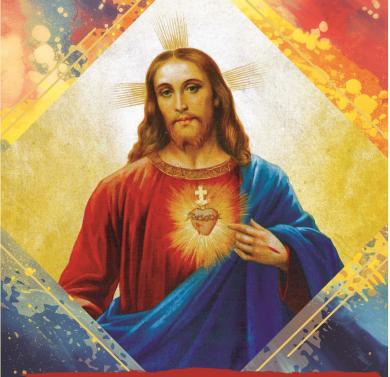
BULLETIN DEADLINE & INSERTS

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.

Church of Saint Ann

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Reverend Alphonso Fontana, Pastor



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:15

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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 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

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, August 31

4:00 David Spino, requested by the Theroux Family

SUNDAY, September 1, 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 Steven Krenisky, requested by Deb and Michael Stevens
- **9:30** David Healy, requested by Fiona Tolin & family
- **11:00** Dave Matthes, requested by Tom & Marilyn Lenihan

MONDAY, September 2

9:00 Lawrence Brenner, requested by Lou and Eileen Del Prete

TUESDAY, September 3, *Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church*

9:00 Deacon Harry Grospitch, requested by the Theroux Family

WEDNESDAY, September 4

9:00 Veronica and Frederyk Krach, requested by the family

THURSDAY, September 5

9:00 John Krach, requested by the family

FRIDAY, September 6

9:00 David Matthes, requested by his wife, Ann & family

SATURDAY, September 7

4:00 Mary Hojnowski, requested by Russell Koch

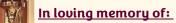
SUNDAY, September 8, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 Matthew Griffin, requested by the Mascoli Family
- 9:30 Kathleen Kealy, requested by Fiona Tolin & family
- **11:00 Dawn DeSantis Mancini,** requested by Jayne and Bud O'Donnell

To schedule a Mass Intention, please call or email Kris in the Parish Office: 860-673-9858, ext. 221 or kris.martino@stannavon.com Suggested Donations: \$30 Weekends, \$25 Weekdays

Sanctuary Lamp Memorial

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



<u>Requested by:</u>

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



Help, we are 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.

lf 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

This Week at St. Ann

SATURDAY, August 30 Men's Breakfast Group: 8:00 am in Room 3

SUNDAY, September 1 Lectio Divina: 10:30am in Room 3, and via ZOOM

MONDAY, September 2

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, September 3 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 6 -7:30pm in the church

WEDNESDAY, September 4 The Chosen, Season 2 Watch Party: 9:30am in Fr. Bennett Hall

THURSDAY, September 5 Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

FRIDAY, September Lectio Divina: 9:45am via Zoom

SATURDAY, September 76 Men's Breakfast Group: 8:00 am in Room 3

SUNDAY, September 8 Lectio Divina: 10:30am in Room 3, and via ZOOM



Tools For Schools Collection

Please consider these suggested items: Backpacks Calculators Notebooks Pencils * Rulers Pens Notebook paper Markers, etc.

Through September 7/8

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.*







Kristen Lago John Pendergraph



OUR VOLUNTEERS HELP US THRIVE

The Church of St. Ann is is Offering an In-Person VIRTUS Training

We're excited to announce an in-person VIRTUS training session here at St. Ann. Come join Ginamarie Garabedian, Director of Safe Environment - Archdiocese of Hartford, as she hosts this training to help us maintain a safe environment for all our volunteers.

<u>VIRTUS Training</u> Wednesday, September 11th: 2-5pm Church of St. Ann (Avon) in Fr. Bennett Hall





We'd like to share some of our Faith Formation students' offerings of their time, talent and/or treasure.

Name	Gave of their Time-Talent-Treasure
Rosie L.	Helped Caroline fill her water bottle
James L.	Helped in St. Ann's Food Pantry Garden
Scarlett	Loves her family and puppy and donated treasure

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

Weekly Giving for Sunday, August 25, 2024

Weekly In-person: \$3,335 Weekly Online: \$2,216.50 Weekly TOTAL: \$5,551.50

Monthly In-Person: \$1,477 Monthly Online: \$434 Monthly TOTAL: \$1,911

Votive Candles: \$247.02

Other Online Donations: Utility: \$20

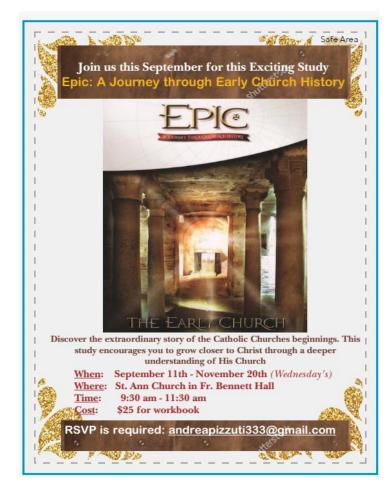
Next Weekend's 2nd Collection: none

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 <u>The New Day Journal: a journey</u> <u>from grief to healing</u> 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.

> More information can be found at: www.stannavon.org/new-day-seminar Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested: 860-673-9858.





PRO-LIFE MINISTRY



"On the liturgical Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (June 24, 2022) the 1973

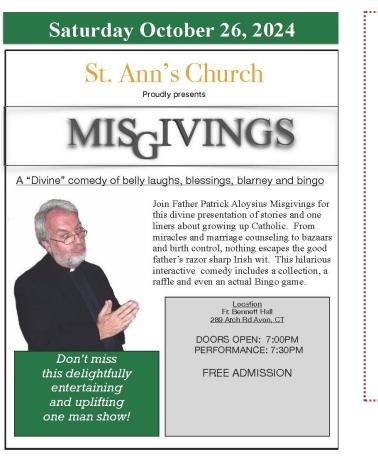
U.S. Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade was overturned. Coincidence? Or divinely inspired? By Br. Elliot, MIC



The Holy Eucharist DID γΟU ΚΝΟW?

"Look what we get to receive. Look what we get to experience in our lives. Going to daily Mass has changed my life. The Eucharist for me is healing. The Eucharist for me is peace. The Eucharist for me is my grounding. The Eucharist for me is His Heart within me." ---This is a quote from Jonathan Roumie, the actor, who plays the role of Jesus in "THE CHOSEN". It was spoken during his address to the Eucharistic Congress this year.

Reflection: This testimony is a great example of the way in which, we, the laity can witness to what Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament means to us. Are you as passionately in love with Our Eucharistic Lord?



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 Special Blessing and photo with Father Fontana

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<u>Requirements:</u> 3rd to 12th grade * Received First Holy Communion Available to serve 2 masses per month

Next Training: Wednesday, October 2nd

Register no later than: Friday, September 22nd



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

Worship & Meditation: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Purity isn't popular at the moment. Or is it? Look at a rack of health magazines or at popular podcasts. You'll see an infinite ocean of regulations and rituals of diets, intermittent fasting, morning sun rituals, intense juice detox practices, lists of dangerous foods, mental practices, as well as long lists of dos and don'ts for the proper cleaning of clothes, dishes, cars, houses, pets, and children. Like it or not, we long to be pure, clean, and without blemish.

This question of purity haunted people in Jesus' day, too. The Pharisees and scribes (the leading purity authorities of the day) criticize Jesus, asking, **"Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?"** (Mark 7:5). Jesus responds by saying, **"There is nothing outside the person that can defile him if it goes into him; but the things that come out of the person are what defile the person"** (Mark 7:15). What does he mean, and how can it help us be pure?

We've probably all heard the somewhat shopworn interpretation that Jesus replaces the ritual, exterior notion of purity with a moral, interior one. Christianity is thus seen as a kind of moral re-tooling, as if religion doesn't make us pure. Good moral intentions do. But this doesn't take the rest of Jesus' ministry seriously enough, nor our obsession with purity. The better reading is that Jesus audaciously offers himself as the ultimate source of human purity — from *within* each human heart. Both our religious ritual practices and our moral actions are meant to flow from this encounter with Jesus the Lord. When we are in friendship with him, everything becomes pure for us.

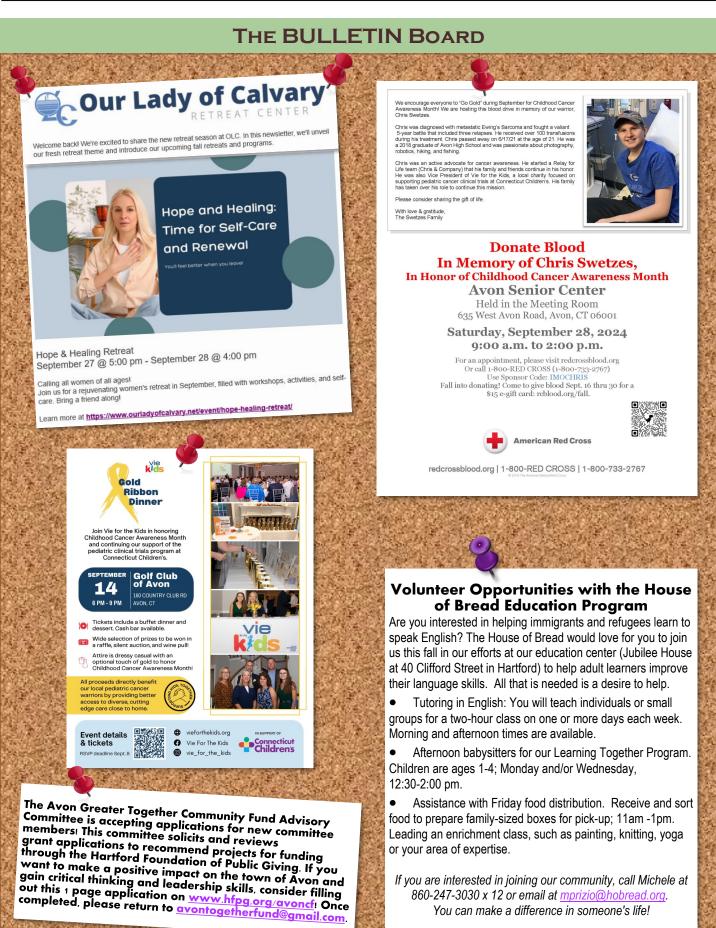
— Father John Muir

Readings for the Week of September 1, 2024

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Sunday:

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 1a/ Jas 2:1-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/ Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5/Ps 119:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102/Lk 4:16-30 **Tuesday:** 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 4:31-37 Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21/ Lk 4:38-44 Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/ Lk 5:1-11 Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40/ Lk 5:33-39 Saturday: 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Ps 145:17-18, 19-20, 21/ Lk 6:1-5 Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1B)/ Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37





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