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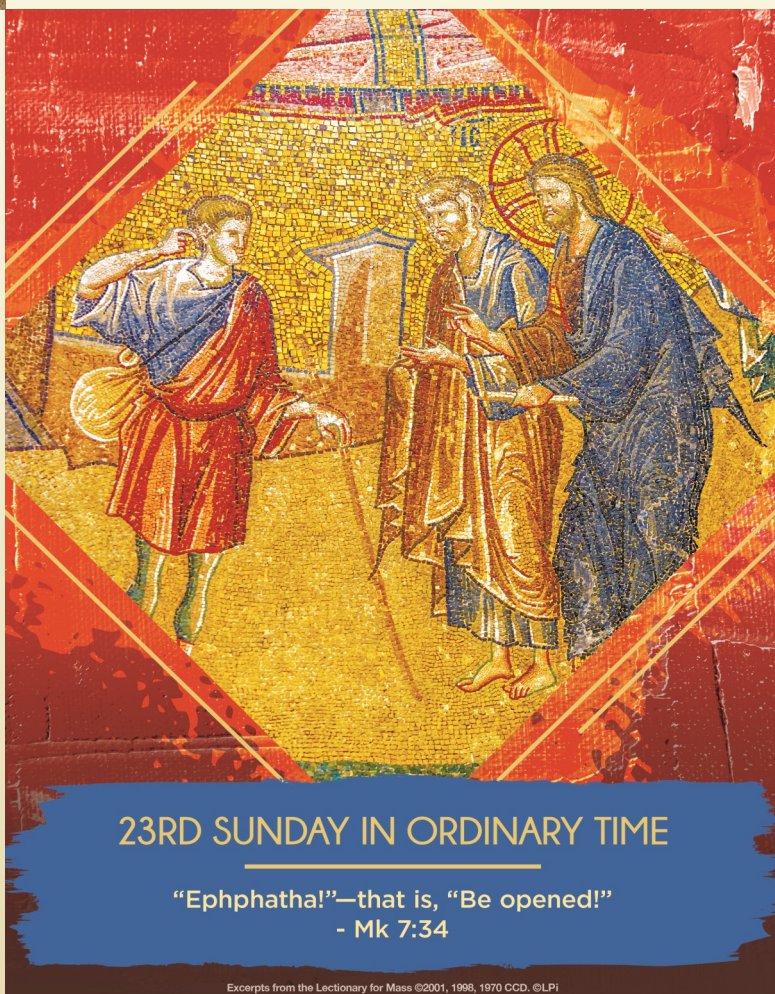
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23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Ephphatha!"—that is, "Be opened!"
- Mk 7:34

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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

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

MONDAY, September 9, Saint Peter Claver, Priest

9:00 Mass of Reparation to the
Eucharistic Heart of Jesus

TUESDAY, September 10

9:00 For the intentions of Natalie Theroux (Living),
requested by Tom, Laurie and Joseph

WEDNESDAY, September 11

9:00 Barbara Martino, requested by the family

THURSDAY, September 12, The Most Holy Name of Mary

9:00 Marvin Lewis, requested by the Gill Family

FRIDAY, September 13,

Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

9:00 Special Intentions, requested by
the Waterbury Family

SATURDAY, September 14, The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

4:00 Angela Chiara, requested by
Sandra and James Williams

SUNDAY, September 15, 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 Kathleen Cook, requested by the Duarte Family

9:30 Angela Chiara, requested by Phyllis Kelleher

11:00 Frank and Marie Gallo, requested by
Rose Ann and Ken McBride

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:

In loving memory of:

Vittorio Cifaldi
Philip Anthony Pantano

Requested by:

Brian & Ann Beloin
APL Book Sorters

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



"A thousand years of enjoying human glory
is not worth even an hour spent sweetly
communing with Jesus in the Blessed
Sacrament." – Saint Padre Pio

**JOIN
US!**

ADORATION
of the Blessed Sacrament
TUESDAY EVENINGS: 6-7:30PM

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN

SATURDAY, September 7

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

SUNDAY, September 8

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

MONDAY, September 9

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 10

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

WEDNESDAY, September 11

Epic: Early Church History: 9:30am in Fr. Bennett Hall

THURSDAY, September 12

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

Children's Choir: 4:15-5pm in the choir loft

FRIDAY, September 13

Lectio Divina: 9:45am via Zoom

SATURDAY, September 14

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

SUNDAY, September 15

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

Adult Choir: Starts next week, Sept. 22! (8:20am in the choir loft)

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

Weekly Giving for Sunday, September 1, 2024

Weekly In-person: \$6,811

Weekly Online: \$3,070.50

Weekly TOTAL: \$9,881.50

Votive Candles and Sanctuary Lamp: \$296.40

Other Online Donations:

Monthly: \$676, Assumption: \$35, Church Fees: \$500

Cath. Elem. Schools: \$25, All Souls: \$50, Easter: \$50

Donations in memoriam: \$25, Utility Fund: \$20

Next Weekend's 2nd Collection: *monthly*



OUR VOLUNTEERS HELP US THRIVE

The Church of St. Ann 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.

VIRTUS Training

Wednesday, September 11th: 2-5pm

Church of St. Ann (Avon) in Fr. Bennett Hall



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Snacks and refreshments will be provided.

Training is the full 3 hours.

It is essential that all regular volunteers complete a VIRTUS training.

RSVP by September 9th:

Jennifer Soucy: 860-673-9858, x.234



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

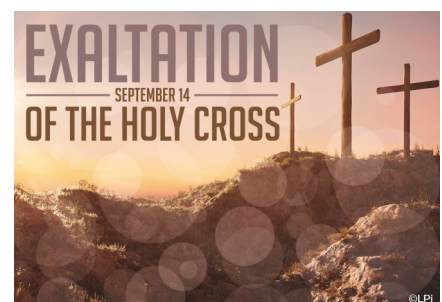
Catechists Needed

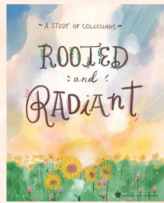
Help, we are in dire need of Catechists to help with the Faith Formation for the children out of Parish. All levels needed K-10..please think about volunteering for this very rewarding and Faith filled opportunity.

*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





LADIES, PLEASE JOIN US THIS FALL FOR
"ROOTED AND RADIANT",
A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF COLOSSIANS!

We will seek to understand the challenges facing the Colossians,
recognizing that they are remarkably similar to our
own challenges today.

CHOOSE FROM TWO SESSIONS:

Tuesdays 10:15 AM via ZOOM
Or Wednesdays 7:00 PM in Person in Father Bennett Hall

DATES: September 24 & 25 through November 12 & 13

COST: Book is \$25
It can be purchased on the Walking With Purpose website

CONTACT: Colleen Waterbury at (203)913-8764
or Pat Wall at (860)508-0947



St. Ann's Family Ministry bringing SOULCORE to St. Ann

Join SoulCore Leader Diana, to nourish body, mind & soul with SoulCore - a prayer experience that combines the prayers of the rosary with core strengthening, stretching and functional movement. No fitness level or experience required. All are welcome!

Visit www.soulcore.com for more information.

WHAT YOU NEED:

Exercise mat or large towel, water bottle, and an open heart.

WHEN/WHERE:

Thursdays, September 26 - November 14
1-2 pm in Fr. Bennett Hall (*no class on Oct. 3rd*)

For planning purposes, please email
familyministriystann@gmail.com
if you are planning to attend!

*There is no cost but a free will offering is welcome,
for those who are able.*

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.

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



Saint Ann's Adult Choir

Sing to the Lord a New Song!

If you can match pitch, have a basic musical ability and love to sing, share your musical talents with your fellow parishioners! Consider joining the church choir, it is a wonderful way to connect with yourself, your community, and God.

Rehearsals: Sundays at 8:20am in the Choir Loft.

Starts: Sunday, September 22, 2024

SAINT ANN'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR



St. Augustine once said, "to sing is to pray twice."
Encourage your children to share in this gift of music!

Saint Ann's music program is looking for children in grades 4 to 7 (flexible) to join the new children's choir.

Rehearsals: Thursdays at 4:15-5pm in the Choir Loft.

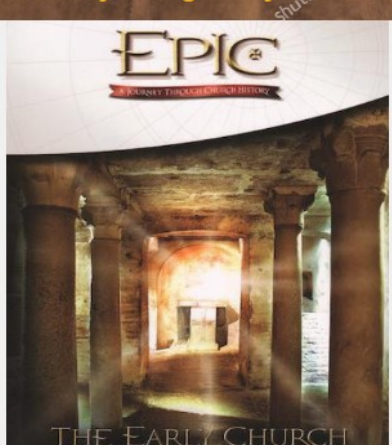
Starts: Thursday, September 12, 2024

If your child/children are interested, please email:
mercedes.featherston@stannavon.com. Thank you!

Feel free to visit Mercedes in the Choir Loft after our weekend Masses for more information on either choir!



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

Saturday October 26, 2024

St. Ann's Church

Proudly presents

MISGIVINGS

A "Divine" comedy of belly laughs, blessings, blarney and bingo



*Don't miss
this delightfully
entertaining
and uplifting
one man show!*

Join Father Patrick Aloysius Misgivings for this divine presentation of stories and one liners about growing up Catholic. From miracles and marriage counseling to bazaars and birth control, nothing escapes the good father's razor sharp Irish wit. This hilarious interactive comedy includes a collection, a raffle and even an actual Bingo game.

Location
Fr. Bennett Hall
289 Arch Rd Avon, CT

DOORS OPEN: 7:00PM
PERFORMANCE: 7:30PM

FREE ADMISSION

PRO-LIFE MINISTRY

**DID YOU
KNOW?**

Outlawing abortion will not affect treatment for miscarriage .
In the tragic case of miscarriage, surgery maybe necessary and is an ethical treatment - to remove the remains of an unborn child that has already died. While the same surgery is done to perform an abortion, abortions impose this procedure on a living child with the intention of ending his or her life.
USCCB



Interested in becoming an Altar Server?

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

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Brian McDermott and his son Jack (Senior altar server)
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Requirements:

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: brianmcdermott359@gmail.com or Text: 203-641-6560



**The Holy
Eucharist**
DID YOU KNOW?

We have the healing of the deaf man to reflect upon in today's Gospel (Mark 7:31-37) Every area in which we need healing is open to us when Jesus touches us, as we receive Him in the Blessed Sacrament. Ida Gorres, a German Catholic spiritual writer penned this perceptive line. "In the Holy Eucharist, Jesus Himself meets and touches us."

Reflection: How aware are you of your personal meeting with Jesus, when He is placed on your tongue? Do you allow Him to touch you in the deepest recesses of your heart and soul? Do you allow Him to flood you with all of the healing graces, which He has prepared to pour out upon you?

THE BULLETIN BOARD



Our Lady of Calvary RETREAT CENTER

Welcome back! We're excited to share the new retreat season at OLC. In this newsletter, we'll unveil our fresh retreat theme and introduce our upcoming fall retreats and programs.



**Hope and Healing:
Time for Self-Care
and Renewal**

You'll feel better when you leave!

Hope & Healing Retreat
September 27 @ 5:00 pm - September 28 @ 4:00 pm

Calling all women of all ages!
Join us for a rejuvenating women's retreat in September, filled with workshops, activities, and self-care. Bring a friend along!

Learn more at <https://www.ourladyofcalvary.net/event/hope-healing-retreat/>

St. Paul Catholic High School, Bristol, CT

Join St. Paul Catholic High School on 9/19 for a virtual information session and learn all about what is offered at this great school. Hear from current parents and students why there's something greater here to begin your child's high school career! RSVP at spchs.com/informationalsessions.

St. Paul Catholic High School's **open house will take place on Saturday, September 28 with tours starting at 10:00am**. If you or someone you know has a prospective student looking to attend St. Paul in the 2025/2026 school year this is the open house you'll want to visit. Sign up for a time that works best for your family - spchs.com/openhouse.



Celebrating Ste. Thérèse 25 Years of Feeding, Learning, Building Haiti's Future



Thursday, September 26, 2024

Farmington Polo Club (Clubhouse Dining Room)
162 Town Farm Road, Farmington CT

5 PM Cocktail Hour (cash bar)
6 PM Dinner & Program

\$65/single or \$120/pair



Scan the QR code or visit

<https://stmarystpat.org/stmaryhaiti> for more information.
Thank you!



Join Vie for the Kids in honoring Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and continuing our support of the pediatric clinical trials program at Connecticut Children's.

SEPTEMBER 14 **Gold Club of Avon**
6 PM - 9 PM
160 COUNTRY CLUB RD
AVON, CT

- Tickets include a buffet dinner and dessert. Cash bar available.
- Wide selection of prizes to be won in a raffle, silent auction, and wine pull!
- Attire is dressy casual with an optional touch of gold to honor Childhood Cancer Awareness Month!

All proceeds directly benefit our local pediatric cancer warriors by providing better access to diverse, cutting edge care close to home.



**Event details
& tickets**



RSVP deadline Sept. 8

[vieforthekids.org](https://www.facebook.com/vieforthekids.org)
[Vie For The Kids](https://twitter.com/VieForTheKids)
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