

**We are pleased and honored  
To welcome you to  
St. Francis of Assisi Parish**  
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Rev. Mark Masnicki, Pastor  
Rev. Richard Breton  
Deacon Michael Puscas



**MASS  
INTENTIONS**

**Saturday July 15, 2017 St. Bonaventure, bishop & doctor of the Church**

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM James Maffiolini req. by his family

**Sunday, July 16, 2017 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM Joseph Bendoraitis req. by his family

10:30 AM Alex Ross req. by C. Wheaton

11:30 AM Baptism

**Monday July 17, 2017 Weekday**

NO MASS

**Tuesday July 18, 2017 St. Camillus de Lellis, priest**

NO MASS

**Wednesday July 19, 2017 Weekday**

9:00 AM Dominic Jacobeno req. by Mackie

**Thursday July 20, 2017 St. Apollinaris, bishop, martyr**

NO MASS

**Friday July 21, 2017 St. Lawrence of Brindisi, priest, doctor of the Church**

9:00 AM Souls in Purgatory req. by P. Roberts

**Saturday July 22, 2017 St. Mary Magdalene**

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM

**Sunday, July 23, 2017 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM Robert Simko req. by Fran Petrowski & family

10:30 AM Vincenzo Marciano req. by his family

7/1&2 Offertory: \$ 1,879.00 Monthly Extraordinary: \$ 634.00  
7/8&9 Offertory: \$ 3082.50 Parish Endowment Fund: \$ 462.00

Today's second collection is the Mission Co-Op collection. This year Fr. Ben will speak to you about his diocese of Tuticorin, India. Next weekend's second collection is for building maintenance.

A very sincere thanks to all those parishioners who make-up their offertory while away.

**Adoration of our Lord. Jesus is the Friend who never abandons us.** (St. Luigi Guanella) Adoration begins at 8:30am following the 8:00am Mass on Thursdays and continues until Benediction at 7:00pm at St. Andrew Church. There is always a need for faithful adorers, please consider omitting to a specific hour. Contact Dennis Girard @ 860.334.9894 or dennisgirard51@gmail.com

Dear Parishioners,

The parish fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

The year ended with a shortage fall in the offertory of \$1,628.00. To make up this shortage, there will be a second collection on the weekend of July 29 & 30. Please be as generous as your means allows.

In appreciation of your faithfulness to your parish and with God's blessing,

Fr. Mark

**Military Service Honor Roll**

LCPL Alex Bielawa, U.S. Marines  
Lt. Colonel William J. Girard, U.S. Army  
Sgt. Derek Keegan, U.S. Army  
Major Michael A. Goba, U.S. Army JAG  
E-5 Francis Orcutt, U.S. Army  
HMC Heather S. Gardipee, U.S. Navy  
Pvt. Zachary Berquist, U.S. Army  
Pvt. First Class Jacob Grzanowicz  
SFC Justin A. VonEdwins, U.S. Army  
Sgt. Robert Massicotte U.S. Army  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Miles N. Snelgrove USMC 2<sup>nd</sup> Batt. 6<sup>th</sup> Marines  
AM3 Emerson Flannery, U.S. Navy  
Seaman Alex R. Paris, U.S. Navy  
LCPL Chad Wengloski, U.S. Marines  
Seaman Jonathan Wengloski, U.S. Navy  
CTN3 Jonah Swett, U.S. Navy  
Seaman Recruit Rocky Spedaliere  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Tyler McGuire, U.S. Air Force

**Prayer for our Men and Women in Military Service**

O Prince of Peace, we humbly ask for Your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity, and devotion the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Guard our churches, our homes, our schools, our hospitals, our factories, our buildings and all those within from harm and peril. Protect our land and its peoples from enemies within and without. Grant an early peace with victory founded upon justice. Instill in the hearts and minds of men and women everywhere a firm purpose to live forever in peace and good will toward all. Amen.

**APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER** — We pray for Rev. Grzegorz Brozonowicz, Rev. David Zercie MSA, Rev. Victor Chaker, Rev. Joseph Castaldi, Rev. John Ashe, Rev. Domink Libiszewski OSPPE, Rev. Mark Masnicki, Rev. Anthony DiMarco, V. Rev. Laurence LaPointe, Rev. Brian Converse, Rev. V. Antony Alaharasan, Rev. Brian Romanoski, Rev. Augustine Naduvilekoot, Rev. Arthur Archer.

Precious Blood of Jesus, cover our priests and protect them from the snares of the enemy. Kindle in their hearts a great love for You and for all souls. Bless them and make them guardians to watch over Your sheep...May the Blood of Jesus always help them. (Ven. Mother Catherine Aurelia, foundress)

**Weekend July 22 & 23**

5:00pm Lector: Anne Staebner

Eucharistic Minister: Sharon Nejako

Altar Servers: CJ Frank, Nina Gardella

Eucharistic Minister: Rick Kane

Altar Servers: Christian & Jack Terwilliger

10:30am Lector: Greg Jones

Eucharistic Minister: Pat Dubiel

Altar Servers: Erika Densman, Felipe Mastroluca

Thank you to the parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi Parish for your generosity to the **CareNet Baby Bottle for Life Campaign**. Total donations were \$ 609.64.

Thank you to our CCD children and our parishioners for the generous donations to our **Goats for Haiti Campaign**. Together enough monies were raised to purchase **21 goats** for the families of Haiti...a total of \$3,150. Names chosen for the goats are: Rosy, Lucy, Patrick, Frances, Ki, Evan, Mary-Elizabeth Bernadette-Bobette, Spirit, Love, Gabi, Mary, Ema, Elsa, Charlize, Frances, Rosa, Bridget, Jill, Katie, & Madeline.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

- ✓ **Charismatic Prayer Meeting** every Tuesday at 2 PM Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich, CT (860-887-0702).
- ✓ **Healing Mass** ~ Mondays, July 24, 2017 Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich
- ✓ **Holy Hour for Vocations: July 20 at St. Pius X, Middle town from 6-7pm.**
- ✓ **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** ~ A Catholic-based Bereavement Support group meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month at three alternating diocesan parishes. The next meeting is **Thursday, July 20 from 7-8:30 P.M. at St. Mary's Parish Center, 1600 Main St., Coventry, CT.** For more information, contact Catholic Family Services at 860-848-2237, ext. 306.
- ✓ On Sunday, September 10, 2017, at 8:45 a.m., Bishop Cote will celebrate **Mass for Those Dedicated to Education**, in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick. Currently, the Planning Committee for this Mass is seeking additional members to assist in preparing this very meaningful tribute to Educators and to become an active member of the planning committee. The next meeting of the Mass Committee will be held on June 26, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. in the Bishop Hines Conference Room of the Chancery. Please join us in planning the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mass for Those Dedicated to Education. Contact Mrs. Rebecca McDougal at 860-887-9294.
- ✓ **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** "And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love Him and reveal myself to Him." Expand your married love by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekend is Nov 3-5, 2017 in Manchester, CT. For more information, call Dennis & Jane Lamondy at [860-376-0440](tel:860-376-0440) or visit us at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

### 26th Annual Steeple Chase Bike Tour

August 19, 2017.



20, 35, 50, 62.5 & 100 mile bike routes and a 5 mile walk through scenic northeastern CT. Ride starts at Eastern CT State University Athletic Complex, 69 Mansfield City Road, Mansfield Center, CT.

Registration opens at 7am. Info @ 860.450.7122 and [www.steeplechase.org](http://www.steeplechase.org) Register @ [Bikereg.com](mailto:Bikereg.com)

31st ANNUAL Rummage Sale St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church in Baltic (70 W. Main St.) is seeking donations for its annual rummage sale. Donations of furniture, household items, clothing, etc. will be gratefully accepted through July 23. Please call St. Mary Rectory at (860) 822-6378 to arrange pick-up of larger items. Thank you very much for your support!

<https://www.facebook.com/SaintMaryRummageSale>

Free Admission on all days except Thursday, July 27

August 5 LAST DAY BARGAINS!

**Early Bird Shopping** - \$10 admission

Thursday, July 27 ~ 5 PM to 8 PM

Friday, July 28 ~ 9 AM to 6 PM

Saturday, July 29 ~ 9 AM to 2 PM

Friday, August 4 ~ 10 AM to 5 PM

Saturday, August 5 ~ 9 AM to 2 PM

### Natural Family Planning Awareness Week July 23-29<sup>th</sup> ~

Natural Family Planning is medically safe with no harmful side effects, is 99 percent effective at achieving or postponing pregnancy without the use of chemicals, is easy to learn and use and is in keeping with God's design for married love. Read more about NFP at [www.foryourmarriage.org](http://www.foryourmarriage.org) or [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org). Or, for more information, call the Catholic Family Services Office at 860-887-2237, Ext. 306. Ongoing NFP classes are offered within the diocese by certified instructor couples.

St. Joseph School in Baltic has two positions open. A first/second grade teacher and a first/second grade teacher aide. For further information, please contact Sister Mary Patrick, Principal, @ 860.822.6141 or [sistermarypatrick@gmail.com](mailto:sistermarypatrick@gmail.com).

LEBANON FAIR Aug. 11 – 13, 2017

The St. Francis Ladies Guild Soda Booth needs your help. Sign-up sheets will be located at the side entrance of the church. All new volunteers MUST complete background paperwork and an on-line Training module. Please see Cheryl during office hours for forms and training information. Give it a try - you're in the shade and you get to talk with friends. Questions please call Estelle Elliott [860-420-7221](tel:860-420-7221).



### IT IS TIME TO REGISTER FOR CCD CLASSES!



Registration Information

We are now accepting registrations for the 2017-2018 CCD Classes.

Registrations are due

August 1<sup>st</sup>. Forms are available from the parish office, and at the entrances of Church.

Please return registrations ASAP.

### RESTORE – REKINDLE – RENEW MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT –

The Catholic Family Services Office and Worldwide Marriage Encounter of Connecticut are sponsoring an 8-week marriage enrichment called **Restore – Rekindle – Renew** that aims to enhance a married couple's communication, renew their commitment to one another and rekindle romance. The program will meet for eight Wednesday nights **August 9 through September 27 at 7 P.M. at St. Mary's Parish Center in Putnam.** Couples will explore individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited. A \$50 application fee is required. For more information or to register, call or email Frank and Margie Pearson at 860-742-6934 or [MarriageEncounterCT@gmail.com](mailto:MarriageEncounterCT@gmail.com) or call the Catholic Family Services Office at 860-848-2237, Ext. 306.

### Programs at My Father's House – 39 N, Moodus Rd,

Moodus [Mfh.moodus@gmail.com](mailto:Mfh.moodus@gmail.com) 860.873.1906

- ❖ August 14 "A day of healing for victims, their families and health service professionals" on the feast of Saint Maximilian Kolbe.
- ❖ August 18-20 "Life in the Spirit" weekend retreat- Spiritual Renewal Services, Diocese of Norwich.
- ❖ October 7 Retreat on the Rosary
- ❖ November 18 Thanksgiving Retreat
- ❖ December 9 Retreat on Our Lady of Guadalupe

### Defending Our Religious Liberty July 16, 2017

In June, the bishops from the United States voted to establish a permanent Committee for Religious Liberty. Currently, the USCCB's Committee for Religious Liberty seeks to strengthen and sustain religious freedom by assisting the U.S. bishops, individually and collectively, to teach about religious freedom to the faithful and the broader public, and to promote and defend religious freedom in law and policy. Let us pray that the committee can encourage lawmakers to protect this First Amendment right as they revamp the HHS mandate.

### Diocese of Norwich Attends Six Flags Catholic Youth & Family Day ~ Tuesday August 8<sup>th</sup>.

Day includes free parking, Mass with Bishop Rozanski at 9:30am, Christian Music, buffet lunch, and admission to the park. Cost is \$43.50 for Mass, lunch and admission. Season pass holders \$17.50 and includes lunch. \$36.00 admission only. Purchase tickets from Joanne McCormick at 413.786.9300 ext. 3524 or through Liza Roach at [lroach@norwichdiocesenet](mailto:lroach@norwichdiocesenet) or call 860.848.2337 ext. 305. All tickets must be paid for in advance by July 18<sup>th</sup> through the Diocese of Norwich.