

**We are pleased and honored
To welcome you to
St. Francis of Assisi Parish**
67 West Town Street, Lebanon, CT 06249
Telephone: 860.642.6711 Fax: 860.642.4032
Rev. Mark Masnicki, Pastor
Rev. Richard Breton
Deacon Michael Puscas



**MASS
INTENTIONS**

Saturday July 22, 2017 St. Mary Magdalene

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM People of the Parish living & Deceased

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

Monday July 24, 2017 St. Shabel Makhluaf, priest

NO MASS

Tuesday July 25, 2017 St. James, apostle

NO MASS

**Wednesday July 26, 2017 Sts. Joachim & Anne, parents of
the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00 AM Dave & Edith Perotti req. by their family

Thursday July 27, 2017 Weekday

NO MASS

Friday July 28, 2017 Weekday

9:00 AM Milt Krom req. by Mackie

Saturday July 29, 2017 St. Martha

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM

Sunday, July 30, 2017 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Jean Watts Tanger req. by the Coutu family

10:30 AM

Offertory: \$ 2,034.50 Mission Co-op Tuticorin, India: \$ 1812.75

Today's second collection is for building maintenance.
Next weekend's second collection: 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
blessings, Fr. Mark.

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

Weekend July 29 & 30

5:00pm Lector: Robert Nejacko

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Michael

Altar Servers: Grace & Genevieve Gardella

8:00am Lector: Rick Kane

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Michael

Altar Servers: Anthony & Emily Pomerleau

10:30am Lector: Paul Pelletier

Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Michael

Altar Servers: Erika Densman, Drew Taylor

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
1st Lt. Miles N. Snelgrove USMC 2nd Batt. 6th 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
2nd 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. Michael
Sequeira, Rev. Keith Shuley, Rev. Gerald Kirby, Rev. Krzysztof
Drybka OSPPE, all priests, Rev. Anthony Gruber, Rev. James
Sucholet, V. Rev. Ted Tumicki, Rev. John O'Neill MS, Rev.
Thomas Angelo, Rev. Roland Cloutier, Rev. Mark Curesky OFM
Cv, Rev. Joseph Tito.

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)

Defending Our Religious Liberty JULY, 23, 2017

Critics who say the Catholic Church is against universal
health care are misinformed. The Catholic Church is
founded on the Corporal Works of Mercy and helping
others. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
(USCCB) has always advocated for health care. The
Catholic Church is opposing the health care mandate,
because it violates the First Amendment, which is
supposed to safeguard freedom of religion.

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
Register @ Bikereg.com

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.**
- ✓ 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 22nd Annual Mass for Those Dedicated to Education. Contact Mrs. Rebecca McDougal at 860-887-9294.
- ✓ **Holy Hour for Vocations: August 24 at St. John, Old Saybrook from 6-7pm.**
- ✓ **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 or visit us at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

SAVE THE DATE – All couples married 25 & 50 years or celebrating any significant anniversary year are invited to attend a **Silver and Gold Jubilee Anniversary Mass** at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick in Norwich on Sunday, September 17th at 2:00pm. Come and renew your commitment to live your marriage in holiness in a Pontifical Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote. Family and friends are invited to share in this special testimony and witness to love and marriage. Light refreshments will be served following the Mass in the Cathedral Hall. Register through your parish. For more information call the Catholic Family Services Office at 860.848.2237, Ext. 306.

ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS: Catholic Charities 12th Annual Golf Tournament will be held on **Wednesday, September 20th** at the Fox Hopyard Golf Club in East Haddam CT. Entry fee of \$175.00 includes: green fees, cart, lunch, dinner buffet and awards. Registration begins at 10:30 AM; Lunch at 11:30 AM, Shotgun Start at 1:00 PM and Dinner Buffet/Awards at 6:00 PM. Sponsorships are available! Funds raised at the tournament help support those most in need throughout Eastern Connecticut. For more information, contact **Christine Jackel**, Development Coordinator via phone at: 860-886-1928 x12 or via e-mail: cjackel@norwichdiocese.net



SAVE THE DATE Saturday, October 21, 2017
HOW TO HAVE THE BEST LITURGICAL MUSIC IN YOUR PARISH GIVEN WHAT YOU HAVE – AND DON'T HAVE
For presiders, music ministers, choirs, cantors, RCIA Teams, catechists, liturgy committees, all who love to sing! Come to meet and learn from renowned composer and liturgist Tom Kendzia. St. Mathias Parish Center, East Lyme, CT 9:00 to Noon. Cost: \$10 Registration materials available in September.

Upcoming Workshop for New Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Saturday, September 30 from 9:30am to 11:30am
St. Patrick Parish Hall, 47 W. High Street, East Hampton, CT 06424.
Register by September 23 at worship@norwichdiocese.net or call 860.848.2237 x302.
Fee is \$10.

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 23-29th ~ 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 or 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.

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 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 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

Programs @ Enders Island 860.536.0565

- ❖ **Gregorian Chant Workshop** - \$660 per person
commuter rate - Sunday August 6 – Friday August 11
<http://enders.is/chantweek>
- ❖ **Mini Guided Retreat Holy Martyrs of the Faith** –
Sunday August 6 – Thursday August 10 - \$395
shared room <http://enders.is/miniguided>
- ❖ **Relief Woodcarving Week Long Intensive** –
Sunday August 6 – Friday August 11 - commuter
rate \$660 <http://enders.is/woodcarving>

St. Theresa of the Child of Jesus Church & Shrine,
35 Dion Drive, Harrisville, RI 401.568.8280
24th Annual Shrine Feast Day Celebration
(Rain or shine)

10am Prayers at the Holy Shrine

11am Stations of the Cross

12pm Lunch & Concert

1pm Procession with St. Theresa

1:30pm Outdoor Living Rosary

3pm Solemn High Mass in the Extraordinary Form

Blessing with St. Theresa's Relic following Mass

Continuous showing St. Theresa's Life

Food & Refreshments; Canopy covered benches

Gift Shop; bus parking

More information: 401.568.0575 or 401.568.8280

E-mail: Sjjirl@Finelli.us

St Theresa's Shrine is at the intersection of

Routes 102 & 7, Nasonville, Rhode Island

Center for Hospice Care - Expressive Arts

227 Dunham Street, Norwich

Space is limited. Pre-registration is required. Contact

868.848.5699 x250 or e-mail lbradley@hospicesect.org

For Teens: Thursdays July 27, August 3, 10, & 17 from
5pm-6pm

For Adults: Tuesdays, July 25, August 1, 8 & 15 from
6:30pm-7:45pm

For Children:

Pet Therapy & Snack Time 4:30pm – 5:15pm.

Expressive Arts Group 5:15pm-6:15pm.

- Just for Kids Hospice Garden July 25,
- Say it with Music August 1,
- Moving it Outside August 8,
- Ice Cream Social August 15

The monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass will take place at
The Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on **Saturday,**
August 5 at 8:30 A.M. Please join our celebrant **Rev.**
Walter Nagle at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for
the healing for those who have had an abortion. Following
the Mass, the Rosary will be prayed both at the Cathedral
and Planned Parenthood. A brunch in the Cathedral Hall
will follow the Rosary this month.

This is Natural Family Planning Week. July 23-29
Learn more about Church teachings that supports
NFP use in marriage at www.usccb.org/nfp/catholic-teaching/index.cfm

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**

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 need to
complete some 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).

Please support our Saint Francis Bulletin and
our community by supporting these wonderful
businesses. They pay good money to sponsor
these ads and provide this bulletin at no cost to
St. Francis Parish. Please let them know that you
appreciate their generous financial support by
saying "Thank You" when you patronize them.

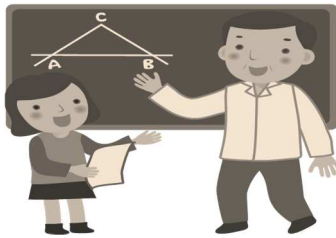
PARENTS PLEASE TAKE NOTE:



IT IS TIME TO REGISTER FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

We are now accepting registrations for the 2017-2018 Sunday School. Registrations are due August 1st. Forms are available from the parish office, and at the entrances of Church.

Please return registrations ASAP.



Sunday School Begins in September. Classes are held from 9:00am to 10:00am at the Elementary School.

A teacher is needed for grade 3.

Teacher's assistants are needed for grades 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8.

Parents of children in these grades, please consider volunteering as an assistant.

U-R qualified if you are over 16 and a practicing Catholic who attends weekend Mass. We will help you with the rest of the job and help you to easily get certified to work with our youth. Call Jim Hay, the DRE at 860.886.1882 or the parish office at 860.642.6711.



Deacon Michael will portray Tevye in the production of Fiddler on the Roof.

East Lyme High School.
Tickets \$15 each ... available at the door.

Thursday July 27 at 7pm
Friday July 28 at 7pm
Saturday July 29 at 7pm
Sunday July 30 matinee at 2pm

Parish Bulletin E-mailed to You

*If you would like the parish bulletin emailed to you, a friend, or a college student away from home,
E-mail the parish office a request to be put on the email list.*

**Parish E-mail address:
cheryl@stfrancisassisilebanonct.org**

SEEKING - PARISH ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Consideration for candidates to the Parish Advisory Council shall be by Letter of Intent.

- (a) Active parishioners are eligible.
- (b) Parishioners may nominate any interested parishioner, including themselves.
- (c) Must be a Roman Catholic.
- (d) Must be a practicing Catholic in accordance of Canon Law.
- (e) Must be Confirmed (meaning, has received the Sacrament of Confirmation).

A parishioner desiring to serve on the Parish Advisory Council should be nominated by making his or her interest known to the Pastor. The Pastor will verify and confirm that such individual is eligible and is a Catholic in good standing.

WE CAN HELP

To report inappropriate contact of any kind by a representative of the Diocese of Norwich or for assistance to victims, please call: 1.800.624.7407