

**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 August 19, 2017 St. John Eudes, priest**

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM Bill Brewster req. by his family

**Sunday, August 20, 2017 Twentieth Sunday - Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM Margaret O'Neill req. by her family

10:30 AM James Nowosad req. by the St. Andrew Ladies  
Guild

**Monday August 21, 2017 St. Pius X, pope**

NO MASS

**Tuesday August 22, 2017 Queenship of the Blessed Virgin**

**Mary**

NO MASS

**Wednesday August 23, 2017 St. Rose of Lima, virgin**

9:00 AM Phyllis Jacobeno req. by Mackie

**Thursday August 24, 2017 St. Bartholomew, apostle**

NO MASS

**Friday August 25, 2017 St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, priest**

9:00 AM Souls in Purgatory

**Saturday August 26, 2017 Blessed Virgin Mary**

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM Nick Wengloski

**Sunday, August 27, 2017 Twenty-first Sunday - Ordinary Time**

8:00 AM Antoinette Johnston & Stella Ploszaj req.

by Fr. Mark

10:30 AM James Nowosad req. by the Stygar family

Offertory: \$ 2,229.00

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**

**Weekend August 26 & 27**

5:00pm Lector: Bob Nejako

Eucharistic Minister: Jim Hay

Altar Servers: Genevieve & Nina Gardella

8:00am Lector: Kathy Pellerin

Eucharistic Minister: Peggy Stygar

Altar Servers: Anthony & Emily Pomerleau, Ryan Dungan

10:30am Lector: Don Dubiel

Eucharistic Minister: Pat Dubiel

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  
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. Richard Breton, Rev. Michael Gill, Rev. Brian Maxwell, Rev. Jonathan Ficara, Rev. Frank McKenna, Rev. Leo Almendra, Rev. Paul Ramen, Msgr. Anthony Rosaforte, Rev. William McCarthy MSA, Rev. Robert Washabaugh, Rev. Joseph DeCosta, Rev. Tomasz Albrecht, Msgr. Henry Archambault, Rev John Antonelle.

Father, enkindle in Your priests a hunger for the glory of Jesus, and for the love of souls. May Your priests be happy, may they be esteemed a thousand times, privileged to drink of the Fountain of the Savior each day. (Ven. Mother Catherine Aurelia, foundress)

**MEETINGS**

- **75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting  
Monday August 28 @ 6:30pm**
- **Guild Executive Board Meeting  
Wednesday August 30 @ 6:30pm**
- **CCD Teacher Meeting  
Thursday. August 31 @ 6:30pm**

## Defending Our Religious Liberty AUG 20, 2017

According to USCCB President Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, "The Catholic Church teaches that religious freedom has to do with immunity from coercion. Immunity from government coercion is a right that all citizens in this country should enjoy. So, in asking for an exemption to the HHS mandate to fully accommodate deeply held moral and religious beliefs, the USCCB is asking that the government give us the space to fully participate in American life." Let us pray that efforts to change the health care bill protect our First Amendment rights.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

- ✓ **Charismatic Prayer Meeting** every Tuesday at 2 PM Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich, CT (860-887-0702).
- ✓ **TRUST IN THE MERCY OF GOD'S LOVE** ~ If you are carrying the grief and sorrow of past abortions and seek healing and forgiveness, call **Project Rachel**, a post-abortion healing ministry. Priests in the **Project Rachel** ministry are there for you with God's Grace and Mercy. Call **860-861-4439**. All calls are confidential.
- ✓ **Healing Mass** Monday, August 28, 2017 Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich,
- ✓ **Holy Hour for Vocations: August 24, Saint John, Old Saybrook from 6-7pm.**
- ✓ **Blue Mass Steak Dinner Fundraiser** Friday, September 8, 2017 East Great Plain Fire Department, 488 New London Turnpike, Norwich 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Steak – Baked Potato – Salad – Bread & Butter – Soda & Water \$20.00 Adults \$10.00 Children 12 and under *The Blue Mass is celebrated at the Cathedral on September 24, 2017, 10:15 a.m., for all law enforcement personnel and their families.* This fundraiser helps to defray expenses associated with the Annual Blue Mass honoring law enforcement personnel. For more information or tickets please call Monsignor Brown at 860-887-9294, ext. 232 or Ms. Becky Cady 860-887-9294, ext. 235.
- ✓ 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.
- ✓ **Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti Golf Charity Event** Join Bishop Cote at the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti annual Charity Golf Tournament which will be held Saturday, September 16. at Wintonbury Hills Golf Course - Ranked #6 Municipal Golf course in the USA by Sports Illustrated Golf.com. On-line registration [www.outreachtohaiti.org](http://www.outreachtohaiti.org). or call Outreach to Haiti **860 800 3601**. Proceeds benefit the Diocese's mission in Haiti: nutrition & feeding programs, medical care, orphanages, education and efforts to rebuild the medical clinic & mission house in Port-au-Prince. The

event includes golf, lunch & dinner. Thank you for your support!

- ✓ **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 17<sup>th</sup> 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 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament will be held on **Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup>** 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](mailto:cjackel@norwichdiocese.net).
- ✓ **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](http://worship@norwichdiocese.net) or call 860.848.2237 x302. Fee is \$10.
- ✓ **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.
- ✓ **Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference** Saturday, October 21, 2017 at St. Paul Catholic High School in Bristol. 8am – 5pm. Tickets at [www.ctcatholicmen.org](http://www.ctcatholicmen.org) Cost \$45. Theme "You will be my witness"
- ✓ **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** "After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave." Help each other hear God's plan for your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are Nov 3-5, 2017 in Manchester, CT and Sep 15-17, 2017 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call Dennis & Jane Lamondy at **860-481 3720** or visit us at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

## Programs at My Father's House – 39 N, Moodus Rd, Moodus [Mfh.moodus@gmail.com](mailto:Mfh.moodus@gmail.com) 860.873.1906

- ❖ October 7 Retreat on the Rosary
- ❖ November 18 Thanksgiving Retreat
- ❖ December 9 Retreat on Our Lady of Guadalupe

## PARENTS PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

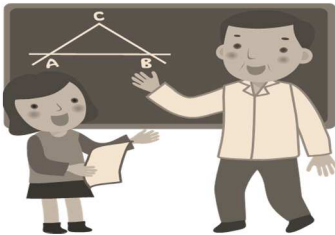


### Registration Information

## IT IS TIME TO REGISTER FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

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

Please return registrations ASAP.



### Sunday School Begins September 10th.

Classes are held from 9:00am to 10:00am at the Elementary School. Grade 9 classes are held at the same time in the Church.

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.

Please join us for the **9th Annual Race to End Hunger** in our Community on September 16th, 2017. It is a certified 5K run/walk with all proceeds going to the local Food and Fuel Banks and the Free Community Lunch Program. **The course begins at the Colchester town hall on Norwich Ave. at 9:00 a.m. with same day registration starting at 8.**

You may also register at [www.RunReg.com](http://www.RunReg.com), pick up a registration form at Sunshine Bike/Run located on Lebanon Ave., or contact Jamie Roach-Decker at [atjrdmdd@comcast.net](mailto:atjrdmdd@comcast.net) Registration cost is \$20.00 and prizes will be awarded to top 3 finishers in all age groups. We encourage teams of 3 or more to enter and compete for a trophy. The first 100 to register also receive a free T shirt.

We once again we will have a slice of wonderful apple pie waiting for you at the finish line as well as other refreshments provided by the St. Andrews Choir, who sponsors the race, and the Bacon Academy Culinary Arts program. We are pleased to announce that Ana Cara will once again be providing live music and chair massages will be available. Hope you can join us for a good cause!

### DEAR PARISHIONERS; WE ARE CURRENTLY 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).

An eligible parishioner interested in becoming a chosen member of 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.

Meetings are on the first Wednesday every other month at 6:30pm beginning in September and ending in May.

CT Right to LIFE, Eastern Chapter, presents Melissa Ohden...On September 16, 2017 at 10am at Christian Fellowship Church in Hampton CT (Scotland CT) Come hear HER powerful story... Melissa Ohden, wife, mother, speaker, abortion survivor...Author of *You Carried Me*. Doors open at 9am. Q & A to follow. Book signing. Vendors. Lunch included. For TICKETS or info: <http://bit.do/Melissa-Ohden-CT-RTL-E> Childcare available - email [sancloutier@juno.com](mailto:sancloutier@juno.com) for details.



## Annual Parish Picnic

Sunday

September 10

Immediately Following the

10:30am Mass

Help is need in running games for the children, please contact Cheryl.  
More information to come.

Saturday, September 23rd, 2017

St. Andrew Church

Proudly Presents

## MISGIVINGS

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

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.



St. Andrew Parish Hall

128 Norwich Avenue,

Colchester, CT

Doors open: 6:30pm

Showtime: 7:00pm

\$20

(Last day to buy tickets will  
be September 18<sup>th</sup>)

For Reservations and information please call the  
Parish Office at 860.537.2355

**SAVE THE DATE! Polish Dinner, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 5-7 at the FSC, \$18.00** the number of tickets are limited and advance tickets are required. Tickets will go on sale Labor Day weekend. All proceeds will go to St. Francis Parish.



**Life Teen News:** On Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, we are having a huge celebration for our 15th anniversary of our Life Teen program. If you are a Life Teen alumni in ANY way, former teen core, meal coordinator, music minister...etc., please email Carol Petit at [carolannpettit1@gmail.com](mailto:carolannpettit1@gmail.com) with your current email and mailing address.

**Saturday, October 21, 2017  
COMPOSER AND LITURGIST  
TOM KENDZIA**

**How to make the best use of musical resources of  
your parish**

Come all presiders, music ministers, choirs, cantors,  
RCIA Teams, catechists,

Liturgy committees, all who love to sing!

**St. Mathias Parish Center, East Lyme, CT**

9:00 to Noon

**Register by October 16<sup>th</sup>.**

Cost: \$10 Registration materials available at

[www.Norwichdiocese.org](http://www.Norwichdiocese.org)

Or call 860-848-2237

### **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***