

**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 18, 2018 Blessed Virgin Mary**  
5:30 PM Bill Brewster req.by his family  
**Sunday August 19, 2018 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:00 AM  
NO 10:30 AM MASS  
**Monday August 20, 2018 St. Bernard. Abbot, doctor of the  
Church**  
NO MASS  
**Tuesday August 21, 2018 St. Pius X, pope**  
NO MASS  
**Wednesday August 22, 2018 Queenship ~ Blessed Virgin  
Mary**  
9:00 AM Living & deceased members of the Saville family  
Req. by Mackie  
**Thursday August 23, 2018 St. Rose of Lima, virgin**  
NO MASS  
**Friday August 24, 2018 St. Bartholomew, apostle**  
9:00 AM Living & deceased members of the Kellogg  
Family req. by Mackie  
**Saturday August 25, 2018 St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz,  
priest**  
5:00 PM OUTDOOR MASS  
Nick Wengloski req.by his family  
**Sunday August 26, 2018 21th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8:00 AM For the parishioners on the celebration of the 75<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary  
10:30 AM Patricia Vogler req. by her family

Offertory: \$1531.00 Mission Co-op: \$342.00  
Ladies Guild Membership envelopes may be placed in the offertory  
collection.  
Today's second collection is for the annual Mission Co-op Appeal.  
This year the appeal is from diocese of KUMBAKONAM, India. Rev.  
Augustine Ignacimuthu will be speaking to us during all the Masses this  
weekend.  
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  
1.adorers, please consider omitting to a specific hour. Contact Dennis  
Girard @ 860.334.9894 or dennisgirard51@gmail.com**

### **Weekend August 25 & 26**

5:30pm Lector: Bob Nejako  
Eucharistic Minister: Jim Hay  
Altar Servers: Steve Bardes, C.J. Frank  
8:00am Lector: Rosanne Coffey  
Eucharistic Minister: Ella Mae Kuzel  
Altar Servers: Emily Pomerleau  
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  
AM2 Emerson Flannery, U.S. Navy  
PO 3 Alex R. Paris, U.S. Navy  
Sergeant Chad Wengloski, U.S. Marines  
CTN3 Jonah Swett, U.S. Navy  
IT3 Rocky Spedaliere Jr., U.S. Navy  
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. Jonathan  
Ficara, Rev. John Ashe, Rev. Tomasz Albrecht, Rev. Benjamin  
Soosaimanickam, Rev. Victor Chaker, Rev. Christopher Zmuda,  
Rev. Thomas Sickler MS, V. Rev. Laurence LaPointe, Msgr.  
Leszek Janik, Rev. Paul Ramen, Rev. Dennis Mercieri, Rev.  
Robert Washabaugh, Rev. Richard Crawley OFM Cp, Rev.  
William Olesik.

May Your priests be happy, may they be esteemed a thousand  
times, privileged to drink the Fountain of the Savior each day!  
Glory to the Precious Blood! (Ven. Mother Catherine Aurelia,  
foundress)

**We are now accepting registrations for the  
upcoming CCD year. Registration forms have  
been sent home with your child. Extra forms are  
available at Church entrances. Please register by  
August 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Catholic Trivia Question:**  
Who was the last apostle to die?  
St. John, St. Peter, St. Paul, St. James, St. Andrew

**Changes in Mass Schedule  
August 18 ~ 5:30pm  
August 19 ~ 8:00am ONLY  
No 10:30am Mass**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH**

- ✓ **Charismatic Prayer Meeting** every Tuesday at 2pm.  
**Healing Mass:** Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 2pm.  
Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich
- ✓ **Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations** August 23 from 5:30-6:30pm at St. Joseph, Rockville, CT
- ✓ **ENHANCING MINISTRY WITH TECHNOLOGY** Learn how to be innovative with updated technology that's available to everyone. Learn how to communicate in the most efficient way through virtual meetings, webinars, programs which make flyers or videos, and more – all for free. There are three dates: August 28<sup>th</sup> at Christ the King in Old Lyme, September 6<sup>th</sup> at Holy Family in Hebron, and September 18<sup>th</sup> at St. Pius X in Middletown at 7pm. To register, please email Marianne at [manicholas@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:manicholas@norwichdiocese.net) or call (860)848-2237 ex. 305.
- ✓ **Mass for Those Dedicated to Education September 9, 2018, at 8:45 a.m.** The Twenty-Third Annual Diocesan Mass for Those Dedicated to Education will be celebrated on Sunday, September 9, 2018, in the Cathedral of St. Patrick, at 8:45 a.m. Bishop Cote will celebrate this Mass for all teachers and support staff, public, parochial, and private, active and retired, of all faiths.
- ✓ **Annulment Workshop** ~ If you are a divorced Catholic who would like to know more about annulments or is considering beginning the annulment process but aren't quite sure what it is or how to go about doing so, consider attending this informational workshop **Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018, from 7-9 P.M. at St. Bernard Church Hall, 25 St. Bernard's Terrace, Rockville, CT.** A panel of experts from the Diocesan Marriage Tribunal will be there to answer questions and explain the numerous aspects of the annulment process. For more information, contact the Catholic Family Services Office at 860-848-2237, Ext 306.
- ✓ **Are you separated or divorced and in need of support? The Church is here to help.** The Catholic Family Services Office is sponsoring a monthly **Support Group for Divorced and Separated Catholics** the third Wednesday of each month from 7-8:30 P.M. beginning Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> at St. John the Evangelist Parish Hall, 22 Maple Ave., Uncasville, CT. To register, or for more information, call Catholic Family Services, 860-848-2237, ext. 306.
- ✓ **2018 Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference** Go Into the World (Mark 16:15) Saturday October 20<sup>th</sup> 8:00am – 5:00pm at St. Paul Catholic High School, 1001 Stafford Ave., Bristol, CT. Tickets on sale now. [CTCATHOLICMEN.ORG](http://CTCATHOLICMEN.ORG) 860.484.7950 Great talks, exciting events, free food, meet new people, share the faith, adoration, confession & Mass. Special guests: Archbishop Blair of the Hartford Diocese & Deacon Doug Hoffman.
- ✓ **Trip to Haiti!** Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti is organizing an Immersion Trip for October 24-31. Visit our clinic, a school, experience Mass at a twinned parish. See the amazing spirit of the Haitian people, and get a sense of their culture and history through a neighborhood tour, and a visit to the National Museum. If interested, call 860-800-3601 or contact [info@outreachtohaiti.org](mailto:info@outreachtohaiti.org). See more on our website at [outreachtohaiti.org](http://outreachtohaiti.org).

## **Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center Programs**

### **For information & to RSVP call 860.677.8519**

- ❖ Morning Star Rising Performance (a Christian praise and worship band) Sunday, September 9 from 2pm-4pm
- ❖ Book Club beginning 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month – Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> 10-11:30am. This month' book Jesus, a Pilgrimage by James Martin SJ. Books available at our gift shop.
- ❖ Full of Grace October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 12 noon – 3pm. \$25 includes box lunch.
- ❖ Anniversary Mass & Reception October 6 at 4pm in celebration of our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Please call if you will attend.
- ❖ Anniversary Celebration Wine Tasting & Car Raffle, Saturday October 6 from 7-9:30pm Cost: \$75 per person
- ❖ October 10<sup>th</sup>. Celebrating 300 Years of CT Remarkable Women from 7-8pm.
- ❖ October 17 from 7-9pm. Amazing Grace with Moving in the Spirit. Dress comfortably. Looser clothing recommended.

Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center is located at 31 Colton Street in Farmington.

"You are invited, along with all women of your parish, to join CT ACTS Women for A Day of Prayer & Reflection: Walking with Jesus & Mary. This one day reflective retreat will be held on September 8, 2018, from 8AM to 8PM, at My Father's House, 39 N Moodus Road, Moodus, CT. Fee is \$45 and includes breakfast, lunch & dinner. Registration forms may be found at <http://www.actsct.org>. For more information, contact Elizabeth Percy at [espercy@msn.com](mailto:espercy@msn.com) 860-648-2615 or Maureen Fleming at [mfcoventry@charter.net](mailto:mfcoventry@charter.net) 860-338-1392. Note: Overnight accommodations are available based on double occupancy rooms; see registration form at the entrances to Church for details. Registration closes on 9/1/18."

**ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS:** Catholic Charities 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament will be held on **Wednesday, September 19<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)

**Legion of Mary, Norwich Curia Day of Recollection at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 63 Old Norwich Road, Quaker Hill, CT.**  
Mary Our Model, September 15 from 9am – 2:30pm. Rev. James Sucholet. 3 Conferences, Mass, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction, lunch included. Cost: \$25. Please register by September 10. Send check to: c/o Legion of Mary, PO Box 323, Moodus, CT 06469. For information please call Armand Lambert 860.437.1430 or Mary Alice Rossini 631.946.2888.

**CARENET WALK FOR LIFE** on Saturday August 25<sup>th</sup>. 492 Montauk Avenue in New London. Looking for walkers to participate by walking two miles and also raising pledges to support the ministry. Care Net is a ministry in New London that is committed to providing alternatives to abortion and sharing the love of Jesus Christ with women in unplanned pregnancies. Join us and become a part of the solution. Call Care Net at 860.449.0386 or register on line at [www.psclife.org](http://www.psclife.org)

## YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!



Sunday School Begins September 9<sup>th</sup>. Classes are held from 9:00am to 10:00am at the Elementary School. Teachers and teacher assistants will be needed. Diocesan requirement is a teacher and an assistant per each class.

Parents please consider volunteering as a teacher or assistant. Teachers & Assistants needed for Kindergarten & 1<sup>st</sup> grades. Assistants needed for 5<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade. 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. Registrations for classes is ongoing. Registration deadline is August 12<sup>th</sup>.

**The Ingela Gram Golf Classic BENEFITING THE RECOVERY ENDOWMENT FUND Monday, October 1, 2018 Lake of Isles Golf Club, North Stonington, CT** Please join us for the Ingela Gram Golf Classic and test your golf skills on the spectacular 7,300-yard layout of the exclusive and private Lake of Isles Golf Club South Course! Now in its 15<sup>th</sup> year, we've renamed the Enders Island Golf Classic in memory of Ingela Gram, a beloved friend of the Island and the tournament. Ingela, who passed away earlier this year, was an effervescent presence at registration, where she loved to greet our golfers each year. She will be missed greatly and we are pleased that her legacy to the Enders Island Recovery Program will live on through this tournament. Your player package includes: Greens fee and cart, lunch, after golf reception, prizes, a great time, wonderful memories, and more! \$100 of each golfer's \$200 ticket is tax deductible. For further information, contact Deb Neuman by calling (860) 536-0565 or dneuman@endersisland.com.

**Women's Faith Share Meeting Formerly known as ACTS Faith Share**, this gathering of women for prayer, scripture study, faith discussion, and fellowship meets the second Tuesday of every month following the 7:00 pm evening Mass at St. Andrew's Church. Faith Share is open to all women of the parish; there is no requirement that you have attended an ACTS retreat. Come and join us on Tuesday August 14<sup>th</sup> for engaging discussion and reflection with fellow women of our parish community! The meeting takes place in the parish hall, and begins around 7:45 pm. We hope to see you there!

Mercy High School Open House for Middle School and Transfer Students. Sunday, November 4, 2018 1:00-4:00 pm 1:00 p.m. Presentation by the Administration Entrance Exam for the Class of 2023  
Mercy High School  
Saturday, November 10, 2018 & Saturday, November 17, 2018 8:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.  
1740 Randolph Road Middletown, CT.  
Mercy High School is a Catholic diocesan college preparatory high school for young women. Students from over 50 communities across Connecticut and Foreign Countries are challenged to grow academically, emotionally, socially, aesthetically and spiritually. Mercy is committed to providing a challenging educational experience in a safe and nurturing environment.  
Pre-register at [www.mercyhigh.com](http://www.mercyhigh.com)

**Each Friday, August 3–September 28, answer the U.S. bishops' call to pray and fast that a change in the U.S. Supreme Court will move our nation closer to the day when every human being is protected in law and welcomed in life. Join at [www.usccb.org/pray](http://www.usccb.org/pray)**

**JOB OPENING:** Mercy High School, an all-girls Catholic high school located in Middletown, CT is now accepting applications for a full-time evening custodian. Please call 860-343-5989 for further details and/or pick-up an application in the Main Office. Mercy High School – 1740 Randolph Road – Middletown, CT [www.mercyhigh.com](http://www.mercyhigh.com)

Dear St. Francis Parishioners, Thank you for your generous donations to the Back to School Program. Your generosity will help to make a difference in the lives of many of our Lebanon children and families in need. Each and everyone's kindness, generosity and support of the program are so greatly appreciated. Thank you to all who contributed. Shelly Ashcom, Social Service Administrator

## STAY AFTER MASS FOR 15-MINUTES (on: 9/2, or 9/8, or 9/9) as follows:

We have some great news to share with you (if you remain for 15-minutes after mass) for a 15-minute lecture. We will present the Great-News after each of the following 3-masses so, you can pick the mass you wish to attend accordingly. You will hear some great things about our Catholic Faith and about Jesus, which should help your life become its happiest and most exciting version-of-life for you during the 15 minute lecture. You do not have to stay after mass (it is not a requirement) but we promise you will not be sorry you invested 15-minutes to do so. You may pick from the following options because our speaker has offered to give the lecture 3-times, in order to be most helpful to all parishioners.  
(Attend your choice of: -- Sun. 8:00 AM 9/2, -- or Sat. 5:00 PM 9/8, -- or Sun. 10:30: AM 9/9).

## Hospital Visits

Middlesex Hospital will no longer contact the parish if a parishioner is admitted. It is the family responsibility to notify the parish in order for the priest to visit. Remember the Sacrament of the Sick can be given at any time a person falls sick or injured. Please do not wait until the person near death to call a priest.



## **75<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

**ON THIS DATE... August 22, 1943,**

The First Mass at the new Saint Francis of Assisi Chapel was read. Father Francis Murphy read the Mass at 11:00 a.m., with a congregation of 160.

### **OUR KICKOFF TO 75 YEARS STARTS NEXT WEEKEND**

**ON AUGUST 25<sup>TH</sup> with an Outdoor Mass (5:00) and Parish Picnic (6:00).**

**(Rain date for picnic only is August 26 after the 10:30 Mass)**

**Please bring an appetizer, salad, side dish or dessert**

**to share; serving utensils and lawn chairs.**

**We will be acknowledging our oldest/youngest,**

**Newly and longest married couples and someone born in 1943. And, we have a special guest presenter.**

**For planning purposes,**

**Please let us know if you will attend by August 19.**

**Committee members will be at the Church entrances with sign up sheets.**

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### **September 16, 2:00 Mass with Bishop Cote**

Everyone is welcome to mark 75 years blessed with our former priests and special guests. Information on this special Mass is available in the enclosed bulletin flier.

**DUE TO LIMITED SEATING, ADMISSION WILL BE BY TICKET ONLY. A LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE STARTING NEXT WEEKEND, AUGUST 25-26 AFTER ALL MASSES.**

**Please come join us –  
WE ONLY CELEBRATE 75 YEARS ONCE!**

**Check the Church website, under Events for information**

7 days to the start of our celebration and  
33 days to the Anniversary Mass

#### **LEBANON**

#### **FIRST MASS READ IN NEW MISSION CHAPEL**

When the pastor of St. Andrew's Church, Colchester, Rev. Francis A. Murphy read the first Mass in the new mission chapel of St. Francis de Assisi here on Sunday at 11 o'clock. Groups from Norwich, Fitchville, Colchester and Columbia lake joined with Lebanon residents, making a congregation of over 160. The altar boys serving the Mass were John Farley and Austin Murphy. The collectors were Stephen Dzialo and Joseph Kurcnik. In the congregation were Rev. Murphy's sister, a nun from St. Patrick's parish, New Haven, Sister Frances Borgia and a companion nun.

The chapel will be dedicated next Sunday at 11 o'clock by Most Rev. Maurice F. McAuliffe, D.D. At that time, the music will be by Henry J. LaFontaine and the quartet from St. Patrick's Church, Norwich.

