

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



**MASS
INTENTIONS**

Saturday May 11, 2019 Easter Weekday

5:00 PM All mothers living & deceased

Sunday May 12, 2019 Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM All mothers living & deceased

10:30 AM All mothers living & deceased

Monday, May 13, 2019 Our Lady of Fatima

NO MASS

Tuesday, May 14, 2019 St. Matthias, apostle

NO MASS

Wednesday May 15, 2019 St. Isidore

9:00 AM +Phyllis Jacobeno req. by Mackie Boone

Thursday May 16, 2019 Easter Weekday

NOMASS

Friday May 17, 2019 Easter Weekday

9:00 AM +Dominic Jacobeno req. by Mackie Boone

Saturday May 18, 2019 St. John I, pope & martyr

5:00 PM +Eric Hesse req. by Rose & Bill McLaughlin

Sunday May 19, 2019 Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM +Mary Flanigan req. by Evelyn Grenier

10:30 AM +Joann Pomerleau req. by her family

Offertory: \$ 3,392.00 Seminary Education: \$ 553.00
Today's second collection is for monthly extraordinary expenses.
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
1.adorers, please consider omitting to a specific hour. Contact Dennis
Girard @ 860.334.9894 or dennisgirard51@gmail.com

Weekend May 18 & 19

5:00pm Lector: Richard Lataille

Eucharistic Minister: Jim Hay

Altar Servers: CJ Frank, Stephen Bardes

8:00 am Lector: Greg Jones

Eucharistic Minister: Peggy Stygar

Altar Servers: Jack Terwilliger

10:30am Lector: Paul Pelletier

Eucharistic Minister: Tony Coscia

Altar Servers: Erika Densman & Drew Taylor

Total to date collected for Haiti is \$ 1138.00

SAVE THE DATE!

On May 18 & 19 we will have our annual WAIM collection. Our truck will be in the back parking lot ready for your donation. We will be accepting children and adult, gently used clothing and shoes. Please place items in plastic bags. Thank you for your generosity.

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

AM2 Emerson Flannery, U.S. Navy

PO 2 Alex R. Paris, U.S. Navy

Sergeant Chad Wengloski, U.S. Marines

CTN2 Jonah Swett, U.S. Navy

IT3 Rocky Spedaliere Jr., U.S. Navy

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. Martin Noe, Rev. Thomas Griffin, Rev. William McCarthy MSA, Rev. Walter Nagle, Rev. Joseph Castaldi, Rev. Dennis Mercieri,; Msgr. Kevin Randall, Rev. Joseph DeCosta, Msgr. James Carini, Rev. John O'Neill MS, Msgr. Anthony Rosaforte, Rev. Robert Buongiorno.

We also pray for those priests who have left the ministry. Mary Immaculate, we know you are blessing our priests, your beloved consecrated sons. Dear Mother, cover them with your maternal mantle and hold them in your Immaculate Heart. (Ven. Mother Catherine Aurelia, foundress)

Banns of Ordination

The following seminarian will be ordained to the Order of Deacon on Thursday, May 23, 2019:

Mr. Michael Bovino

Should you know of any reason why this man should not be ordained a deacon, please write to:

**The Most Reverend Michael R., Cote,
Bishop of Norwich
201 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360**

The Baby Bottle Campaign begins on Mother's Day, May 12th to help fund CareNet. As a result,

women experience the love of Jesus and unborn children received the gift of life through the free services offered to women facing unplanned pregnancies. Just pick up a bottle at the side entrance of Church and fill it with coins, cash or checks made payable to CareNet and then bring back to Church on Father's Day.



MEETINGS:

Confessions for Grade 2 Monday May 13th @ 6:00pm

**First Holy Communion Rehearsal Friday May 17th
@ 6:00pm**

First Holy Communion Saturday May 18th @ 10:30am
Donations for WAIM Pick-up Truck in back parking lot
Saturday May 18th & Sunday May 19th before and
after Masses

Knights of Columbus Plant Sale
& Ladies Guild Bake Sale Saturday May 18th
& Sunday May 19th

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord." Be firm, steadfast and devoted to your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekend is Jul 12-14, 2019 in MANCHESTER, CT. For more information, call Pat & Mary Jo McLaughlin at 860-315-2127 or visit them at <https://www.mectw.org/>.

Programs at Enders Island, Mystic 860.536.0565 www.endersisland.com

****Chant Express** Tuesday May 14 – Thursday May 16
****Young Adults Series: Easter** Sunday May 19 10:30am – 4:00pm. Register at <http://enders.is/YoungAdults>
****Our LADY Un-doer of Knots Icon Workshop** Sunday May 26 – Friday May 31
****Recovery Retreats for Women:** May 24-26, 6-8pm
****Father's Day Brunch** June 17 at 10am \$35pp children under 10 free. For tickets go to www.endersisland.com/fathersday
****Recovery Retreats for Men:** August 9-11, November 15-17.
****Fish Fry & Stations of the Cross** every Friday during Lent beginning March 8. Cost per meal is \$15. Stations of the Cross are said between meal times at 6pm in the Chapel of Our Lady of the Assumption.

Join us for the 27th Annual Mercy Classic Golf Tournament

The communal spirit and scramble format of the Mercy Classic place the emphasis on fun and allows for all levels of play! Proceeds benefit the Mercy Scholarship Fund. Wednesday, **June 5, 2018** at the Lyman Orchards Golf Club. Check in at 12 noon ~ Shotgun starts at 1:00 pm. Tournament Fee of \$175 per player. 18 Holes of Golf, Greens Fee, Golf Cart, Buffet Dinner with Beverages, Prizes, Raffles and MORE! Please visit www.mercyhigh.com to register or call the Advancement Office at 860-347-8957 for more info.

St. Philip the Apostle Church, 64 Pompey Hollow Road (Rte. 44), Ashford, CT will hold its **13th annual book sale** May 11-26, Sat. & Sun 8am – 7pm and M-F 2-7pm. Over 40,000 books from which to choose including fiction, nonfiction, history, religious, cookbooks, crafts, sci-fi, gardening, children, sports, arts, DVDs, VHS, records, etc. Hardcover books \$1, softcovers \$.50 with some specials as marked.

Honoring Our Senior Citizens:

Wednesday May 22, 2019 the parish family will honor the Senior Citizens (those 60+) of the parish. It is a fitting time to honor participants of Saint Andrew and Saint Francis during the month of May since it is Older Americans Month. We want to celebrate the many contributions seniors have made and continue to make in the support of our churches. Mass will be held on the 22nd at 2pm at St. Andrew Church with a special blessing for seniors. Following the Mass a social offering strawberry shortcake will be held in the parish hall. Please call and make your reservations with Barbara 860.267.0854. Please inform the committee if you have any dietary restrictions.

Programs Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center

303 Tunxis Road, West Hartford, CT 860.760.9705

www.holyfamilyretreat.org/bulletin

Women's Retreat: May 31 – June 2

The retreats begins with a buffet dinner on Friday evening and concludes with the celebration of Sunday Eucharist at 10:45 a.m. followed by a hot brunch at noon. Families of retreatants are most welcome to attend the Sunday mass and brunch at no extra charge. Offering: \$325. For more info or to register please call 860.760.9705 or check our website at holyfamilyretreat.org

Holy Family Summer Camp 2019

Theme: To Jesus through Mary July 23-July 27
Located at Holy Family Motherhouse in Baltic, CT!
For girls, ages 11-15 ~ Come join us for a wonderful spiritual experience and lots of fun!
Contact: Sister Mary Kathleen, SCMC 860-423-5122
srmarykathleen@gmail.com
Or Sister Rafael, SCMC
860-822-8241

All forms will be available on our website:

www.sistersofcharity.com

Email Sr. Mary Kathleen and I will send these directly to you!

St. Vincent de Paul in Norwich is seeking an Administrative

Assistant Tuesday – Saturday 7:30am to 3:30pm with strong managerial skills. Must be responsible, organized, and professional with the ability to multi-task, maintain confidentiality and complete tasks in a timely manner. Candidate must have a strong commitment to the mission of St. Vincent de Paul Place in serving those in need. Excellent interpersonal skills in working with patrons, staff and volunteers are essential. For more information, visit our website at www.svdpp.org or our Facebook page. Please send or email resume with cover letter to: Jillian Corbin, Executive Director, St. Vincent de Paul Place, 120 Cliff Street, Norwich, CT 06360. jcsvdpp@gmail.com four-year college, university or technical school in the fall of 2019. Application deadline is May 15. The award for this year is \$500 and will be awarded on or about June 5, 2019.

Applications available in the parish office.

ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

- ❖ **Charismatic Prayer Meeting** every Tuesday at 2pm.
- ❖ **The Office of Faith Events** is now accepting donations during the month of May of **Large New or Gently Used Baskets** to hold raffle items made by the members of our **One Heart Ministry**. Please contact us at 860.848.2237 Ext. 304 to donate and arrange for pick-up. Thank you.
- ❖ **Healing Mass:** Every 2nd and 4th Mondays at 2pm. Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich .
- ❖ **Holy Hour for Vocations:** May 16 from 6-7pm at St. Mary, Clinton
- ❖ **Divorced & Separated:** for Catholics experiencing the pain and hurt of losing a marriage relationship. "Hope and Healing: Surviving Divorce and Separation" will take place Saturday June 15 from 9am to 2pm at St. Mary Church Hall, 45 Freestone Ave., Portland, CT. Time for personal reflection group sharing, prayer, ritual, journaling, and support with other Catholics. \$15, includes materials and lunch. Registration is required. **Contact Mary-Jo McLaughlin at 860.848.2237 Ext. 312 or email at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.**

Diocesan Memorial Day Masses:

- ❖ May 27 at 9:00am St. Joseph Cemetery, Boswell Ave., Norwich – Bishop Michael R. Cote celebrant. In case of inclement weather Mass will be held in the Cathedral of St. Patrick, 231 Broadway, Norwich.
- ❖ May 27 at 9:00am Sacred Heart Cemetery, Harland Road, Taftville. Rev. Christopher Zmuda celebrant. In case of inclement weather Mass will be held in Sacred Heart Church, Taftville.
- ❖ May 27 at 9:00am St. Patrick Cemetery Depot Road, Montville. Rev. James Sucholet celebrant. In case of inclement weather Mass will be held in St. John Church, Uncasville.
- ❖ May 27 at 10:00am St. Mary Cemetery, Jefferson Ave., New London. Msgr. Leszek Janik, VG celebrant. In case of inclement weather Mass will be held in
- ❖ St. Mary Church, New London.

San Jose Assembly 121, Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus, is pleased to announce the **Andrew J. Kuhar Memorial Scholarship**. The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal organization of Catholic men based on the principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. Although academics will be one of the criteria for this award, the major criterion will be voluntary service to the applicant's Church, community or both. This scholarship is open to all graduating high school seniors in eastern Connecticut, who will be attending a two-year college, four-year college, university or technical school in the fall of 2019. Application deadline is May 15. The award for this year is \$500 and will be awarded on or about June 5, 2019.

Applications available in the parish office.

Get M-Powered! Join the Mercy High School Summer Program 2019 ~ Calling all (rising) 6th – 9th graders. Super Charge your summer and register for the 2019 M-Powered Summer Programs: Basketball, Higher Achievement, Soccer and Theater Arts (co-ed). Visit Mercy's website for information or contact the school for a brochure www.mercyhigh.com/summerprograms
Mercy High School 860-346-6659

Stewardship Coordinator (Part-Time) – The Development Office of the Diocese of Norwich is seeking a candidate for the part-time position of Stewardship Coordinator (20 hours per week). Responsibilities include: managing fundraising events, assisting with planned giving, writing articles for the Four County newspaper, supporting the Annual Catholic Appeal and other duties as assigned by the Executive Director of Development. To apply, please submit your resume, cover letter and 3 references to Mary Ellen Mahoney at memahoney@norwichdiocese.net by May 15th.

Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center 860.677.8519
Long Weekend Retreat: June 20-24, 2019
Week Long Retreat: June 20-27, 2019
Directed Retreats at Our Lady of Calvary are open to both men and women. There will be daily Mass. There will be an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
The World Will Be Saved by Beauty June 20-24, 2019.
Come spend time looking for what is beautiful. Intentionally take time to focus on those things that lift you up and help you to feel closer to your God, the One who sends beauty to refresh, nurture, and sustain you, the One who invites you into beauty's Immortal Heart.
Movie Night - Temple Grandin Wednesday, May 15, 2019 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Offering: \$25 (includes boxed supper) Join us for a movie night featuring Temple Grandin! Emmy winner Claire Danes stars as Temple Grandin, a brilliant young woman coping with the stigma of autism at a time when it was misunderstood. With the support of her loving family, Temple dedicates herself to learning and becomes a famed animal behaviorist. Her passion for animals gives her a unique ability to understand them, and she fulfills her love of education by teaching about autism and the most humane ways to treat livestock and pets. Attendees will receive a boxed supper to enjoy during the film. A short discussion will follow the screening.
Praying with Art Wednesday May 22nd 9am-1pm \$30 includes lunch.
Thomas Merton: A Monk's Insights on Love Wednesday May 29th 7-9pm. \$25
Our Lady of Calvary 19th Annual Golf Tournament May 23rd, 2019 ~ Tunxis Plantation Country Club 87 Town Farm Road ~ Farmington 10:00am registration. Day ends with an Awards Dinner & Raffle at 5:30pm. \$150 per golfer. Register on line at www.OurLadyofCalvary.net
Registration forms available at Church entrances.



75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

ON THIS DATE: May 1949...

During the St. Francis chapel's early years, parish work was shared among the people without the help of organized support. It was apparent after five years that some organization would be necessary if our Church was to grow and prosper. Seventy years ago, a group of about six women met after Mass at the home of Mary Kelley with Father Woods to discuss the formation of a Guild. Later in July, approximately twenty enthusiastic women met at Margaret Meyers' home to form the Saint Francis Ladies Guild.

\$.75 GIVING TREE-Moved to May.

Please help us turn our Dogwood tree into a Giving Tree. Envelopes can be found in a basket in our St. Francis bird feeder. Place \$.75 (or more if you wish) in the envelope, seal, and tie to the white branches with the string provided. All monies collected will go to Lebanon Social Services. Our tree will be planted on the Church grounds. *Thank you to Prides Corner Farm for their generous donation.*

SOCIAL AT LEBANON GREEN VINEYARDS

Friday, May 31, 5-7 p.m. (Rain date: June 7)

A wine and food social at the Lebanon Green Vineyards, 589 Exeter Road. \$20 per person (21 years or older), includes a glass of wine or wine tasting of five of their wines and a light supper. Soda and water will be available. Tickets are available two weekends only, after Masses 5/11-12 & 5/18-19. Tickets are limited and *Advance Ticket sales only*. For more information contact Lorraine at 860.334.0757 or parislg777@gmail.com

WE ONLY CELEBRATE 75 YEARS ONCE!

We only have four more months to celebrate. Join us for our events throughout August 2019 including upcoming June ice Cream Social and August 2019 closing.

More information on each as they approach.

The Ladies Guild will be holding a Bake Sale on May 18 & 19 in conjunction with the Knight's Plant Sale.

Parishioners are asked to bake for this event. Requested items are finger foods such as cookies, cakes, brownies, breads, pies or anything yummy! Please place cookies in packages of 2 or 6 and identify all items.

Baked goods may be dropped off at the Church after 9:00am Saturday May 18th. Thank you in advance for all baked goods and help with this spring fundraiser.

Ladies Guild Graduating Senior Award

Any graduating high school senior who is an active member of St. Francis Parish may apply for the Ladies Guild annual Graduating Senior Award. This award is based on academic record, activity in school and community and most importantly, devotion to your Parish. The maximum award is \$200. Applications are found at the Church entrances or contact Barbara at bobbi.w@charter.net to be emailed a copy. Please return by June 2nd.

???Ladies Guild Mystery Ride???

All ladies of the parish are invited to join the Ladies Guild on their annual Mystery Ride Monday, May 20. We will depart from the church parking lot at 4:45 (please eat at home). A sign-up sheet is at the side church entrance. Questions, please contact Barbara at 860-642-7168.

The Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference is Looking for Leaders

We're seeking men to take on the awesome challenge of being a Parish Captain to reach out to your brothers and invite them to this year's Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference. If you've experienced the incredible benefits of attending the conference, why not share it with the men of your parish?

A Parish Captain prays for the success of the 10/19/19 conference and the men God will call to attend. He puts up the poster at Church, recruits men through phone calls, emails, one-to-one contact, registration for the conference, and possibly arranges a group of men to get there! All efforts are helpful.

Come join our brotherhood of leaders and experience the joy of leading other men closer to Christ. Please help out by registering at www.ctcatholicmen.org. Go to the Parish Captain section and click "sign up". We will have our 2nd Annual Parish Training on June 1st and we would like to send you an invite.

More questions?

Email ctcatholicmensconference@gmail.com.

Jesus calls men to become better husbands, fathers, and leaders in the world. Each man of God is given gifts to carry out the mission of the Gospel to share Jesus with the world! We are grateful for our brothers who serve where they can, and for our priests, who lead as servants of Christ. Our prayer is that men grow in knowledge, holiness, and the grace of God, as they become who they are called to be in Christ. Each year, the Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference challenges men to take on the challenges of true grace-filled manly living. We know, however, that we can't do this alone. WE NEED "YOUR HELP!"

Join us at the Shrine of the Little Flower in Nasonville RI for Theology on Fire!

Theology on Fire is a lecture series for young adults which meets the second Friday of every month from April to November. Young adults ages 16-35 are welcome to join us for a lecture around a fire in the outdoor shrine. Following the lecture, adoration is held. Finally, the group closes the night by meeting in the Church hall for pizza and community. Don't miss out on this opportunity to meet young Catholics from across New England and to grow closer to Christ in community with them!

Mother's Day Remembrances, Living:

Jennie Brewster

Joan Olson

Jennifer Wheaton

Crystal Chesters

Mother's Day Remembrances Deceased:

Irene Wengloski

Janet Gagnon

Anne Dudar

Jennifer Chesters

Edith Perotti

Frances Wheaton



HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY