

April 16, 2017



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9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M. Monday - Friday

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New Parishioners

Welcome! If you are new in the parish, please introduce yourself after Liturgy or at the Rectory.

Liturgy Schedule

Sunday Liturgy - Church

Saturday 4:00 P.M.

Sunday 8:30 A.M.

Sunday 10:30 A.M.

Weekday Liturgy

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., Sat. 8:00 A.M.

Devotions

Rosary - Monday through Saturday before Morning Mass.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples should make arrangements at least six months in advance. Dates or time can be arranged only after speaking with one of the parish clergy.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents should begin to prepare for the Sacrament of Baptism for their child in advance (even before the child is born, if possible). This allows time for the required preparation. Dates can be arranged after attending the parent preparation program. For information contact Rich and Sue Dziura 860 -747-5451.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday At Noon

Sacrament of the Sick

Arrangements can be made for any sick person to be anointed. Holy Eucharist is brought to the homebound by our Eucharistic Ministers and the parish clergy.

Dear Padre,

Why do Catholics teach Christ rose on the third day? Given a Friday crucifixion and Sunday's resurrection, I barely count two days.

There are a couple of issues to consider here. To begin with, Jesus' resurrection from the dead was an event that happened both in and out of time. Theologians say it was a transcendental event with historical consequences. Because Jesus' resurrection is not like anything we have ever seen before and bears little or no resemblance to any other historical event, our concepts of time falter when trying to express exactly what happened.

To put it another way, the length of time that Jesus spent in the tomb is much less important than what he did there. What really matters is that he conquered death, vacated the tomb, and entered into his risen and glorified state.

We must also remember that the Jews of Jesus' day were not as precise in their measurement of time as we are today. We tend to measure time in terms of hours, minutes, and seconds. They thought in terms of sunrises and sunsets. When seen in this light, the typical explanation given to the three-day time frame of Jesus' death and resurrection is that it took place in the course of three separate days: Good Friday (when Jesus was condemned to death and crucified), Holy Saturday (when Jesus lay in the tomb), and Easter (Sunday, when Jesus rose from the dead).

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PARISH MISSION

We, the people of Our Lady of Mercy Church in Plainville, Connecticut are committed to journey together as a community of faith, hope, and love within the Catholic tradition. We are called to witness to the presence of Jesus Christ in our lives through sharing and celebration of faith and a life of Christian service.

April 16 – Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

MONDAY **April 17**
8:00AM For Members of the Parish from
A Parish Member – God Bless

TUESDAY **April 18**
8:00AM Martha Soucie
Req. Frank & Claudette
Chasse

WEDNESDAY **April 19**
8:00AM No Mass

THURSDAY **April 20**
7:00PM Santo Aparo
Req. Family

FRIDAY **April 21**
3:00PM John Lanzl
Req. Greta Moore

SATURDAY **April 22**
8:00AM Frank J. Cavaliere – 1st. Anniv.
John L. Martin – 1st. Anniv.
Cecile Daigle – 1st. Anniv.
Leocadia M. Symolon – 1st. Anniv.
Joseph Truszkowski – 1st. Anniv.
4:00PM Violet Mather
Req. Sandy & Bob
Michalik

SUNDAY **April 23**
8:30AM Parishioners
10:30AM Lucy Lucente
Req. Niece - Sandi

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Regular	\$5,446.50
Monthly	31.00
Catch Up	191.00
Cathedraticum	- 311.76
SSP	- 311.76
Total	\$5,044.98

The Second Collection Next weekend is the Monthly Collection.

2017 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL...Thank you to the parish families who have made a gift or pledge commitment to the 2017 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not yet had the opportunity, please consider prayerfully supporting the many Good Works of the Archdiocese. Every gift will be gratefully received and sincerely appreciated.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY MASS...Sunday, April 23, 2:30PM, St. Ann Church, 215 West St., Bristol, 860.582.8169. Included is the blessing of the Image of Divine Mercy, Novena Prayer, Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Veneration of the Relic of St. Faustina.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL 17 – 6 – 8PM – Karate - Gym
APRIL 19 – 6 – 8PM – PARC – BB - Gym
APRIL 19 – 7PM – NA – Room 107
APRIL 20 – 1 – 2:30PM - Atrium
APRIL 23 – 10:30AM - 12:30PM – Men's AA – Room 107

IT IS OLM TAG SALE TIME

AGAIN!... it will be held on May 5 & 6 from 9AM - 3PM. Please bring your unwanted treasures to the garage behind the Rectory. Please do not donate TVs, Magazines or Computers. Please absolutely **NO** furniture of any kind until Monday, May 1! Those items can be brought directly to the Parish Center.



RETROUVAILLE APRIL 21ST WEEKEND...

Marriage help - If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring; even if you are divorced or separated but want to try again, the Retrouvaille program can help. Retrouvaille provides tools to communicate better, resolve conflicts fairly, and re-discover why you fell in love. The next local Retrouvaille weekend is April 21-23, 2017. For information, call confidentially 1-800-470-2230, email cherylandsteve@cox.net, or go to our website www.helpourmarriage.com for information & registration.

THE CHRISTIAN MINISTRY HOCKEY MINISTRIES

INTERNATIONAL...will be holding their 20th Anniversary Pasta Dinner & Silent Auction, Tuesday, May 2, 6 – 8PM, First Congregational Church, 689 Hopmeadow St., Simsbury, CT. Featured Speaker is Adam Burt and Rich Coppola Sports Director Fox 61. Tickets \$25. Deadline April 28th. Text or call Rick Mitera at 860.817.6440 or email at hmineusa@hotmail.com



PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION...Thank you for your generous support in last week's collection! Our contributions will be combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world to help Pope Francis provide essential relief to people in need.

THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR DONATIONS TO THE TOILETRY COLLECTION. IT WAS VERY SUCCESSFUL! THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

WALKING THE PATH TOGETHER...Evening Workshop for Couples, May 10, 6 – 9PM, Holy Family Retreat Center, 303 Tunxis Rd., West Hartford, 860-521.0440, Brandon & Susan Nappi presenting.

Join us for an exploration of how to deepen the connection we feel with our partner. In this couples' retreat, we will:

Explore practical mindfulness exercises to help couples grow in intimacy and trust

- Examine thought patterns and behaviors that block our ability to be compassionate and accept our partners as they are
- Learn to recognize difficult emotions, such as anger, fear, and sadness, as messengers carrying important information for the health of our relationship
- Explore ways to accept the differences in our partners while being honest about our own needs

Through guided meditation, teaching, conversation, and laughter, this retreat will help you to accept differences in your spouse more graciously, deal with conflict more honestly, and deepen the sense of joyful mutual appreciation in your relationship. *Offering: \$40; \$70 per couple (includes dinner).*

FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY...April 30, 2PM in the church, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. All are welcome.

SELECTION PROCESS OF PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS...*In today's bulletin is an insert explaining the selection process of the new Pastoral Council Members. Please read it and prayerfully ask for the Lord's guidance as to whom you feel should be nominated, or if you feel the calling to nominate yourself because you wish to get more involved with the Parish and the decision making process.*

BRINGING UP THE GIFTS AT MASS... If you are having a Mass prayed for someone and would like to bring up the Gifts, please let a minister of hospitality know before Mass and arrangements can be made.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN...Allows children the opportunity to hear the readings of the Mass at their level. During the 8:30 and 10:30AM Masses, your children will be invited to come before the altar for the Children's Liturgy of the Word. After a short prayer, the Priest or Deacon will invite the children to go with one of our Children's



lectors into our gathering room while the rest of the parish community listens to the readings and the homily. They participate in age appropriate reflections on the week's readings and then discuss the readings in relation to their lives. The children then return to their families after the homily with a flyer related to that week's readings. They return during the Presentation of the Gifts in the main church, so that they can join their families for the Liturgy of the Eucharist. This program is meant for children aged 3 years and up. However, younger children are welcome to attend, when accompanied by a parent, so long as they can sit quietly and participate appropriately for 15 to 20 minutes. Children are invited to attend anytime they wish and there is no registration, fee or sign up for your children to enjoy this age appropriate teaching about Jesus. Jesus said, "Let the children come to me and do not hinder them..." Then he embraced them and blessed them, placing his hands on them. Mark 10:14-16

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