



# Church of Saint Ann

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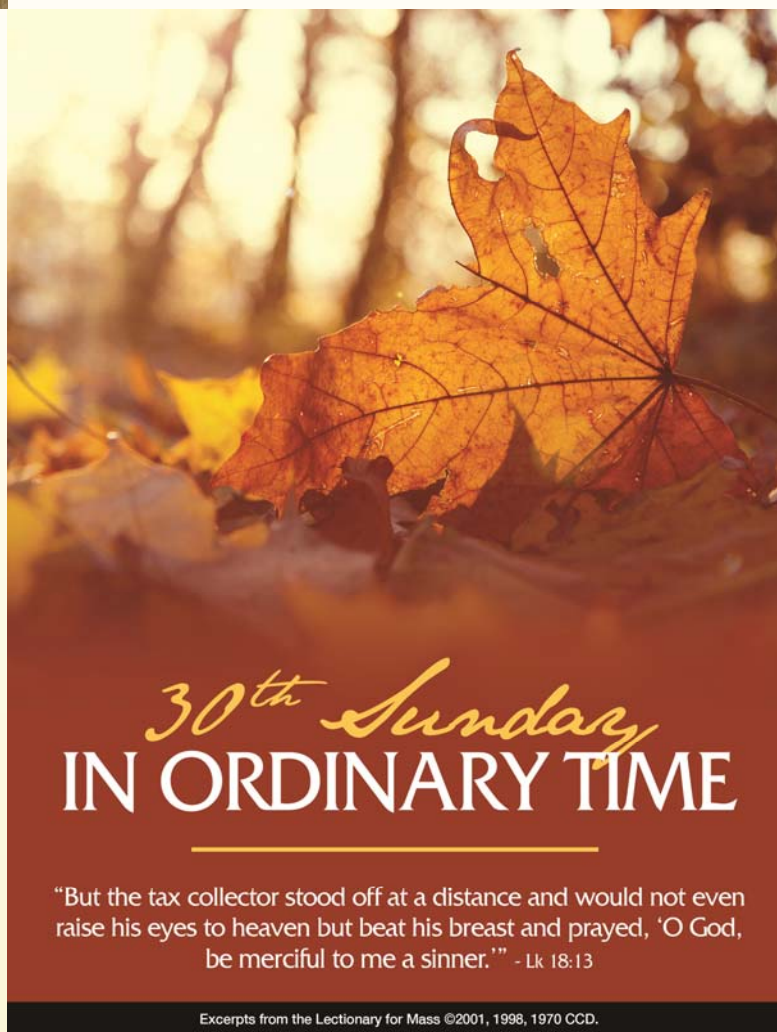
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## MARRIAGES

Please set the date with the priest or deacon at least six months prior to the wedding. Weddings cannot be scheduled after the Saturday evening Mass or on Sundays.

## BULLETIN DEADLINE & INSERTS

Please submit any bulletin announcements to the Parish Office by 2pm on the Monday prior to the weekend you would like it published. Also, please contact the office to obtain permission to insert fliers into the weekly bulletin.



## 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.'" - Lk 18:13

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## MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday - Friday:

9:00 am

Sunday Vigil (Saturday):

4:00 pm

Sunday:

7:30, 9:30 and 11:00am

First Friday:

9:00 am

## CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: after 4pm Mass

First Friday: Before 9:00 AM Mass

Other times by appointment

## DEVOTIONS:

Rosary: 8:30 am, daily

Chaplet: following daily Mass

Holy Hour

Thursday: 12:00 Noon

# MASS INTENTIONS



30th Sunday  
Ordinary Time

**MONDAY, October 24**  
9:00 **Special Intentions**

**TUESDAY, October 25**  
9:00 **Pietro DiTommaso**, *requested by his family*

**WEDNESDAY, October 26**  
9:00 **Jake Scheidel**, *requested by Oscar & Ida Maillet*

**THURSDAY, October 27**  
9:00 **Special Intentions**

**FRIDAY, October 28**  
9:00 **Special Intentions**

**SATURDAY, October 29**  
4:00 **John M. Reilly**, *requested by his family*

**SUNDAY, October 30**  
7:30 **John & Rose King**, *requested by the family*  
9:30 **Special Intentions**  
11:00 **For the deceased members of the Alphonso & Dias Families**



*If you are a resident in this area, we hope that you will continue to grace us with your presence and register with our office manager. You may call 860-673-9858 or stop by the parish office to register. If you are a visitor, we thank you for participating in worshipping with us and we hope to see you again.*

## THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN'S

### MONDAY, October 24

**Bill Walsh Workshop:** 7:15pm in Fr. Bennett Hall  
**Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle:** 7:15pm in the church.  
All are welcome! (*Enter through door on the left side of the church*)  
**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible:** 7:30pm in Rooms 1 & 3

### TUESDAY, October 25

**M+M Moms:** 12:30 in the Activity Room  
**RCIA:** 7pm in Room 3

### WEDNESDAY, October 26

**Acts of the Apostles Bible Study:** 9:30am in Room 2 & 3 (*filled*)  
**Lectio Divina:** 3pm in Room 3  
**Re-Employment Support Group:** 7pm. in the Activity Room

### THURSDAY, October 27

**Holy Hour:** 12 noon in the church  
**Traditional Choir:** 2pm in the Choir Loft  
**Youth Choir:** 4:15pm in the Choir Loft  
**Folk/Contemporary Choir:** 7:30pm in the Choir Loft

### FRIDAY, October 28

**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible:** 9:30am in Rooms 1 & 3

### SATURDAY, October 29

**Men's Breakfast Group:** 8am in Room 3  
**Flea Market:** 9am-2pm in Fr. Bennett Hall

### SUNDAY, October 30

**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible:** 10:45am in Rooms 1 & 3



## Unpacking the Spiritual Works of Mercy

**Sunday, Oct 23, 12:00 noon**  
**Repeated Monday, Oct. 24,**  
**7:15pm**  
**in Fr. Bennett Hall**

Join popular speaker Bill Walsh as he helps us understand where these challenging teachings come from, and how we can put them into practice in our relationships with others.  
RSVP to Ann DiStefano at 860-673-9858, x228 or [ann.distefano@stannavon.com](mailto:ann.distefano@stannavon.com)

**Flea Market**  
**October 29th**  
**9am - 2pm**  
**Fr. Bennett Hall**



Church of St. Ann's Confirmation & Youth Ministry will be sponsoring a Flea Market on Saturday, October 29th fro 9am -2pm. Proceeds will be donated to the Avon Food Pantry and Gifts of Love .



**WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME**

**October 16, 2016:** \$7,418.92  
**Online Giving (week ending 10/19/16):** \$4,139.00  
**Next weekend's 2<sup>nd</sup> collection:**  
 Archdiocese for Military Services



**Annual Parish Collection**



*We are very grateful for the generosity shown by so many to our Annual Parish Collection. If you have not yet had an opportunity to return your gift card, please do so as soon as possible. Every gift is welcomed and sincerely appreciated. Thank you.*

*Please join us before daily Mass  
 for Rosary at 8:30 am and the  
 Divine Mercy Chaplet  
 immediately following Mass.*



Many Hartford area companies will soon begin their United Way Campaigns. Last year, many parishioners were generous in designating

St. Ann's as the beneficiary of their United Way pledge, and for that I am most grateful. Please consider designating St. Ann's Church (United Way code #AG0723) for your United Way pledge. Thank you for your generosity. -Fr. McHugh



**HEARTS & SOULS**


Ministering to body, mind and spirit, the Health Ministry offers blood pressure screening, health counseling and referrals to our community of faith. Office hours are generally the 2nd Sunday of each month from 8:15-11am in the Sacristy (2<sup>nd</sup> door on the left as you enter the vestibule of the church). No appointment necessary. OFFICE HOURS FOR OCTOBER WILL BE ON OCTOBER 16th (the 3rd Sunday)

**Marian Movement of Priests Prayer Cenacle  
 Monday evenings in the church from 7:15-8:15pm**

The MMP is for priests and laity who are devoted to Our Lady and her Rosary. The Prayer Cenacles are gatherings of prayer that consist of the Holy Rosary and Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary. A Message from the MMP Book "To the Priests, Our Lady's Beloved Sons" is read at every Cenacle. We are praying for an outpouring of The Holy Spirit, and for Our Lady's intercession. For more information on the Marian Movement of Priests, please visit the official website at [www.mmp-usa.net](http://www.mmp-usa.net)  
 Come and see, come pray with us. All are welcome.

**Communion For Shut-Ins**

The Eucharistic ministers would be happy to bring Communion to those in our parish who are unable to come to church. Please call the Parish Office and leave your name and address if you wish to receive Communion **860-673-9858**.


 A large, artistic graphic on the left side of the bereavement notice. It features a white cross in the center, surrounded by flowing, layered blue ribbons that create a sense of movement and depth. The background is a soft, light blue wash.
 

**THE BEREAVEMENT  
 COMMITTEE  
 OF  
 SAINT ANN'S PARISH**

*Invites you to participate  
 in a special Mass to  
 celebrate the lives  
 of your deceased loved  
 ones, who meant so much to  
 you and others.*

**THIS MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON  
 SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016  
 9:30 A.M.  
 CHURCH OF SAINT ANN  
 289 ARCH ROAD  
 AVON, CT**

# St. Ann's Annual Clothing Sale

Please save clean, gently used: clothing (all ages), shoes, outerwear, jewelry & accessories

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE ST. ANN'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

## DONATION DATES:

Wednesday, November 2nd from 9am-7pm  
Thursday, November 3rd from 9am-7pm



## SALE DATES:

Friday, November 4th from 6-8pm (admission)  
Saturday, November 5th from 8:30am-2pm (no admission)



## VOLUNTEERS:

All you clothing-conscience souls: we need your help!  
Think about volunteering for some fashionable fun!

## CONTACT:

Meg Kundahl: 860-521-1051 or [mkkf@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mkkf@sbcglobal.net)



## Jubilee Year of Mercy

Cathedral of Saint Joseph  
October 29/30, 2016  
Marian Jubilee – Jubilee of the Family

### Saturday, October 29

10:00 a.m. Tours of Cathedral  
11:00 a.m. Recitation of the Rosary/Confessions  
12:00 Noon Mass  
Homily: Rev. Richard Gibbons,  
Rector of the Knock Shrine, Ireland  
2:30 – 3:45 p.m. Confessions  
4:00 p.m. Mass (Vigil)  
Homily: Rev. Richard Gibbons  
Icon of the Holy Family and  
Recitation of the Family Prayer: Knights of Columbus

### Sunday, October 30

8:30 a.m. Mass  
11:00 a.m. Mass with Archdiocesan Choir  
Homily: Rev. Richard Gibbons,  
Rector of the Knock Shrine, Ireland  
Icon of the Holy Family and  
Recitation of the Family Prayer: Knights of Columbus

- The closing of the Holy Door at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph will be at the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, November 13, 2016.
- The Jubilee Year will end when Pope Francis closes the Holy Door at Saint Peter's in Rome on Sunday, November 20, 2016.

# The Church of Saint Ann *Lives the Year of Mercy*

**WANTED: YOUR STORIES, PHOTOS AND ART FOR OUR MERCY QUILT!**

As the Year of Mercy draws to a close (Nov. 20), we are creating a paper Mercy Quilt to show the different ways we have been sharing mercy at St. Ann. ADULTS and CHILDREN, do you have a story, photo or piece of art to add to our display? Please contact Ann DiStefano by Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> [ann.distefano@stannavon.com](mailto:ann.distefano@stannavon.com)



## FAITH FORMATION FOR THE FAMILY

### Sharing the Gospel

During Mass you will hear the priest and people say, "Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy." It means, "Lord, forgive me." You are human. You will make mistakes. God is proud when you are honest and admit that you did something wrong. He smiles when you forgive yourself and others. He frowns when you talk and act like you are better than others. God wants you to do right.

### Prayer

Lord, please forgive me.

### Something to Draw

Draw yourself at home or church praying to ask God to forgive you.

### Mission for the Week

I will ask God for forgiveness morning, noon, and night.

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For the Children...

### Readings for the Week of October 23, 2016

Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-19, 23/  
2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14  
Monday: Eph 4:32--5:8/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 13:10-17  
Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-32/Ps 128:1-5/  
Lk 13:18-21  
Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9/Ps 145:10-14/Lk 13:22-30  
Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1-2, 9-10/Lk 13:31-35  
Friday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 6:12-16  
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2-3, 5/Lk 14:1, 7-11  
Next Sunday: Wis 11:22--12:2/Ps 145: 1-2, 8-11, 13-14/  
2 Thes 1:11--2:2/Lk 19:1-10

### 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There was a movie a few years back entitled "Fever Pitch," where Jimmy Fallon played a devoted Red Sox fan. He was so loyal and consumed by the Red Sox, it was a huge obstacle to any romantic relationship he tried to start. In the end, he found a partner in a woman, played by Drew Barrymore, who was able to deal with his devotion once he showed he was willing to give up his season tickets for her. In fact, she came to love how he cared about something so much, realizing few people care that much about anything.

Loyalty to a sports team can be tested when wins are hard to come by. But true fans never forsake their teams. They cheer them on through the good times and the bad.

The extreme loyalty of the most faithful sports fan gives us only a glimpse of the loyalty God has for us. If everyone chooses to desert us, God remains faithful to his own. This reality should have such an impact on our lives because we never need to fear the obstacles and trials ahead. The life of a disciple is not an easy one. People will sometimes find our faithfulness unsettling or it may make them feel uncomfortable. They may choose to walk away rather than hear about this Jesus that seems all consuming. But the loyalty and faithfulness of God can be your strength. In him you will find the strength to run the race and reach the finish line.

And when you cross that finish line, God will be there: your coach, your teammate, and your greatest fan. Think about what happened to the Red Sox after so many years of disappointment. Even when it seems you have no chance to win, God knows if you stick to the game plan, the prize will be yours.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS  
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### Defending Our Religious Liberty

Through Our Lady of the Rosary's aid, may voters and elected leaders uphold the virtues of religious freedom in their political engagement.

If you haven't done so already, please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate by calling U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445, and your elected state representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.





# THE BULLETIN BOARD

## Empowered for Life: the Thomas Awiapo Story



The Office for Social Justice and the Archbishop O'Brien Library will co-sponsor a presentation with Field Expert, Thomas Awiapo, who will talk about his experiences with Catholic Relief Services (CRS)

Date: Saturday, October 29 from 10:30 a.m.—noon

One of four orphaned brothers, Thomas Awiapo would go to bed at night crying from hunger. Born into extreme poverty in northern Ghana, Thomas and his brothers would crouch over a single bowl to share what little food they had. Thomas' two younger brothers eventually died from malnutrition; his older brother walked off one day never to be seen again. "We'd wake up with no breakfast. We had no idea what lunch was. We cried for food," says Thomas.

One day, Thomas smelled lunch cooking at a CRS-supported school and it changed his life. Like millions of children who have received meals provided by CRS, a daily lunch lured Thomas into the classroom and kept him coming back.

Today Thomas is a field expert with Catholic Relief Services and travels every year to tell his story to American Catholics. As part of the CRS Rice Bowl Hunger Awareness Speakers' Tour, Thomas will be visiting parishes, schools and communities across the United States. This will be his last year with CRS.

The program, which is free and open to the public, will be held at The Archdiocesan Center at Saint Thomas Seminary, 467 Bloomfield Avenue in Bloomfield. Refreshments will be served. Registration is recommended. To sign up, call the Library at 860-242-5573, ext. 2608/2623. For further information contact the Office for Social Justice at 860-242-5573, ext. 2689.

## Attention Girl Scouts

Would you like to earn a Catholic Religious Certificate & Medal? If the answer is "YES!" then we'd like you to join us for the annual *Catholic Girl Scout Program Day* at St. Bridget School (74 Main Street, Manchester) October 29, from 9am to 4pm. Our program covers all Girl Scout levels (Daisy thru Ambassador) with appropriate material and coaching for all. The members of the Archdiocesan Catholic Girl Scout Committee will help you complete some of the work required and answer your question. Join our Committee members and fellow Girl Scouts from all over the Archdiocese for a day of fun and faith. For a registration form, please visit your Parish Office, or contact the Archdiocesan Office of Education, Evangelization & Catechesis, Scouting Coordinator Jennifer McClintock ([JENNIFER.MCCLINTOCK@AOHCT.ORG](mailto:JENNIFER.MCCLINTOCK@AOHCT.ORG)) for more information.

## OPEN HOUSE

### St. Mary's School - Simsbury

Curious about the benefits of a Catholic education? St. Mary's School invites you to attend our Open House for Pre-Kindergarten through Eighth grade on Thursday, November 3, 2016 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. Now accepting applications for the 2017- 2018 school year. For questions or to RSVP please contact Toni Chagnon at 860-658-9412 or [tchagnon@stmarysimsbury.eduk12.net](mailto:tchagnon@stmarysimsbury.eduk12.net)

## FREE PIANO CONCERT

Rick Daddario, music director for The Church of Saint Mary Star of the Sea, Unionville, will once again present a one-hour piano concert at the church on **Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 2-3pm**. The concert, which is open to the general public **FREE OF CHARGE**, will feature an hour-long medley of standard favorites from Broadway and film, and contemporary tunes. For those who may wish to contribute, a free-will offering will be accepted with **100%** of all proceeds donated to the **Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF)** North



Central CT/Western MA Chapter and Greater New Haven Chapter. Mark the date on your calendar now, and plan to attend and enjoy an afternoon of relaxing music. Refreshments will be offered in the gathering hall following the program.

## HARVEST BREAKFAST

*The Avon Lions Charities Inc.*  
8:00 AM – 11:00 AM Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016  
1<sup>st</sup> Company, Governors Horse Guard Facility  
280 Arch Road, Avon  
Adults: \$8.00, Children 5-12: \$4.00  
Children 4 and under: Free

## Catholic Scout Retreat Year of Mercy and Friendship

October 29th from 8am - 3:30pm at St. Bridget School, 74 Main Street, Manchester

This will be a great opportunity for Catholic Scouts in Cub, Boy, Sea Scouts and Venture crews to have fun while learning more about their Catholic Faith. This day will not only meet the requirement for those needing a retreat for the Ad Altare Dei but will also be a Duty to God requirement for those who require it. For more information: Jennifer McClintock office of Education, Evangelization and Catechesis at [Jennifer.McClintock@aohtc.org](mailto:Jennifer.McClintock@aohtc.org)