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Call the Parish Office

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.



14th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." - Mk 6:4

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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



14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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 worshiping with us and we hope to see you again.

MONDAY, July 9
9:00 Special Intentions

TUESDAY, July 10
9:00 Michael and Helen Ragusa, requested by their daughter

WEDNESDAY, July 11
9:00 Special Intentions

THURSDAY, July 12
9:00 Peter Pavlik, requested by the family

FRIDAY, July 13
9:00 Special Intentions

SATURDAY, July 14
4:00 Enrico Nori, requested by Rose Nori

SUNDAY, July 15
7:30 John O'Neill, requested by Heidi O'Neill
9:30 Mary Ann B. Cassidy, requested by Tom and Pat Heavren
11:00 Jack Murphy, requested by Bob and Linda Ellis

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN'S

MONDAY, July 9
MMP Cenacle: 7:15pm in the church.
Enter through door on left side of church. All are welcome!
Young Adult Bible Study: 7pm in the Activity Room

TUESDAY, July 10

WEDNESDAY, July 11

THURSDAY, July 12
Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

FRIDAY, July 13

SATURDAY, July 14
Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room 3

SUNDAY, July 15
"Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures": 10:30am in Rm. 3

Thank You to This Year's Vacation Bible Camp Volunteers!

At Vacation Bible Camp, we seek to help campers encounter Jesus in many different ways, through music, prayer, storytelling, games, skits, food, organization, holding a hand or offering a listening ear.

Thank you for the passion and dedication that you brought to camp each day, and for all that you did to bless others.



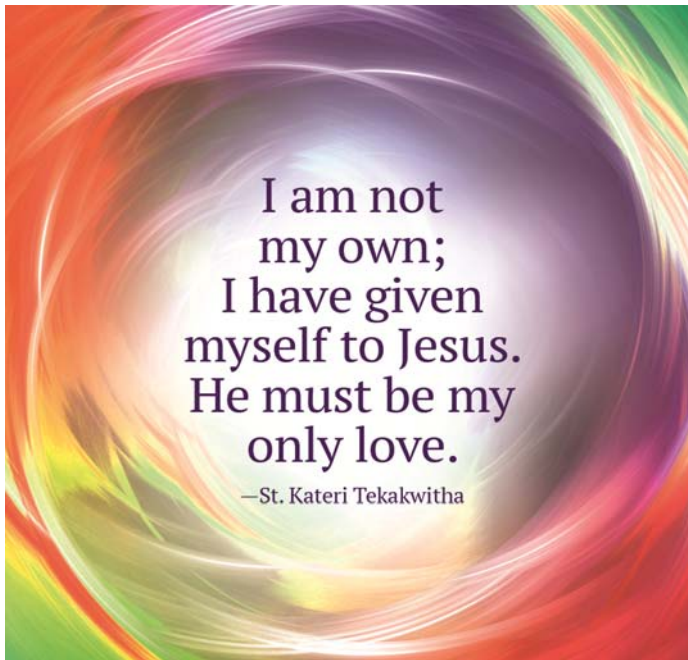
Adult Volunteers: Sue Ollestad, Ann DiStefano, Katie Keefrider, Ann Marie White, Jean Mix, Sara Shea, Kristen Milardo, Eileen Reilly, Jennifer Valentine, Colleen Waterbury, Heather Hoffman, Erika McDermott, Caitlin Donovan

Junior Counselors: Mia Agudelo, Sofia Agudelo, Ryan Blackmore, Luke Capozzoli, Scott Capozzoli, Andrew Cappabianca, Celia Cleary, John Cleary, Hannah Cote, Cecilia DiStefano, Gavin George, Kate George, Gianna Godbout, Mya Hall, Charlie Hoffman, Joey Hoffman, Halle Keane, Brendan Keefrider, Jack Keefrider, Sarah Lancaster, Will Lancaster, Kate Loparco, Grace Magel, Hope Meaney, Lilly Meaney, Nicolas Menendez, Grace Merritt, Lauren Mix, Ali Nyberg, Maya Parady, Sammie Reilly, Zach Reilly, Bridget Soucy, Dominic Turner, Connor Valentine, Grace Walsh, Jimmy Walsh, Curran Waterbury, Francie Waterbury, Hadley Waterbury, Harry Waterbury

2018-2019 Faith Formation School Year Registration



It's time to plan for our 2018-2019 Faith Formation school year. Again this year, we will automatically enroll all existing students into the next grade level assuming all requirements have been met. Please visit our website for the registration form and return with your payment including the \$40 late fee as we are now past June 1st. Please do not hold up your child(ren)'s registration due to financial issues. We are happy to make payment arrangements that work for your family. All information is confidential.



Young ADULT GROUP

The St. Ann Young Adult Group welcomes all adults in their 20s and 30s to join us for

- community
- growing in faith
- exploring how our relationship with God can help us navigate life

We hold socials, offer Bible Study, and more. We meet Monday nights at 7:30pm, generally in the Activity Room beneath the left wing of the church. To get on our communications list, contact Kylie Brasel: kylie.brasel13@gmail.com.

To explore further, visit us at www.stannavon.org/young-adults. Come check us out – we can't wait to meet you!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

This Summer Taste and See How Adult Faith Formation Can Enrich You:

Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures...

will take place on most Sundays at 10:30am in Room 3, by Chip Janiszewski. Materials are provided. Drop ins are welcome! Contact Chip to confirm that we're meeting: chip@chipj.com; (860) 675-6719

- enjoy community, refreshments, prayer and conversation
- make personal connections to the Sunday readings
- enhance your experience of Mass
- practice the popular *Lectio Divina* prayer method

"Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible"

- *Choose your level of participation*
- *make sense of the Bible and see how it relates to your everyday life*
- *see how the sacraments, the Church and our entire Catholic Faith is rooted in Scripture*
- *uncover God's message of love for you*

This overview of how to read Scripture is perfect for beginners and for those who want a refresher. **Participate according to your availability:**

- Do a self-study, using the workbook and/or viewing the videos online.
- Come to Room 3 to view the 30-minute videos on Wednesday mornings at 9:30am, from July 11-August 29
- Stay for discussion after the video, if you like, led by Janet Newman and friends
- Do a combination of self-study and drop-in

\$20 fee covers workbook and video access.

Register by June 27 with

Ann: ann.distefano@stannavon.com;

(860) 673 -9858, X228

2018 Good Summer Read

This year's selection is "**The Prayer List and Other True Stories of How Families Pray**" by Jane Knuth. This simple but inspiring book offers something for people of all ages and spiritualities. \$12 discount-copies of the book are available through Ann – ann.distefano@stannavon.com, (860) 673-9858 x228. Drop into the online discussion group anytime, starting July 16th. Email Ann for link. Attend our discussion in the Hall Wednesday, August 22nd at 7:15pm.

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

July 1, 2018: *not available at time of upload*
 Next weekend's 2nd collection: *monthly*

CENACLES

of the Marian Movement of Priests



Question: Is the cenacle primarily for priests?
Answer: No. In Message #34 (1-17-74), Our Lady introduces this question, "Why do I want them to come together in cenacle with me?" In this message she addresses herself to the priests, but what she tells them is also applicable to the laity. She wants all her children—priests, religious, laity, families, to gather together with her in cenacles of prayer, to pray with her and to learn how to love one another. Also, the cenacle helps us to deepen our understanding and live the obligations we have undertaken through our consecration to her

Immaculate Heart. We refer you to the message dated Nov. 1, 1973, "my Faithful Cohort." (#25)

Excerpt from Cenacles of the Marian Movement of Priests Purpose/Guide

Our cenacle meets every Monday at 7:15pm in the church.
 Come pray the Rosary with us.

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 & leave your name & address if you wish to receive Communion 860-673-9858.

Free Rosary Repair Service

Leave your broken rosaries in the box in the gathering space and they will be repaired and returned within the week. Old and broken rosaries are also accepted to be repaired and sent on to the missions. Please indicate "repair and return to me" or "Donation" along with your phone number so we can let you know when your rosaries can be picked up. holdenbnd@gmail.com or Dick at 239-463-3993 or Betty at 860-595-6370.

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ONLINE GIVING

Our parish has been using an Online Giving system that is strengthening stewardship as well as making it easier for members to support our parish. There are many benefits for the parish and for parishioners that choose to give online. Some of the benefits for the parishioner include: no need to write checks; you can give even if you are unable to attend services; and your contribution amount can easily be adjusted at any time. During the summer our weekly collections drop as families leave for vacations so please prayerfully consider making an offering online to our parish. Your contribution will support the operation of the church and all of our different ministries. Sign up today by visiting www.stannavon.com and follow the links.

Church of Saint Ann & FAVARH Recycling Project

Church of Saint Ann is partnering with Arc of the Farmington Valley (Favarh) to promote recycling of returnable bottles and cans beginning July 1, 2018.

Favarh is a non-profit agency providing services and supports for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

By depositing your cans and bottles in the marked receptacle you will make a positive impact on the earth, take action to promote an ecofriendly future and to help support Favarh's non-profit Day Programs in Avon and the Farmington Valley area.

The proceeds from the returns will help Day Programs purchase much needed supplies to offer a stimulating and active day such as music, electronics, art supplies, books, sensory items, fitness items and much more.

Please consider your support by placing your cans and bottles in the identified receptacle located in the Church Hall.



14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

Sometimes we need a dose of healthy skepticism. Do you see some of the claims on the Internet, in social media, or even on the cover of supermarket tabloids? If we are not careful, we can easily be led astray.

However, when we find ourselves skeptical all the time, unable to trust anyone or anything, we have a problem. Trust is essential in a conversion process, and we all are in a continual process of turning toward and moving closer to God. If we find it hard to trust the promises of God, then we will find ourselves lost and bewildered.

Sometimes the biggest obstacle to a stewardship way of life is lack of trust. This is true for individuals as well as parish communities. Do we believe that God will provide for our needs? Do we believe that if we give it all away we will receive even more in abundance? Do we believe that there is true freedom in complete surrender?

Many will say that the principles of a stewardship way of life sound good spirituality and are inspiring. But when really faced with the tough decisions, they will fall back on placing trust in themselves, material goods, or money. Are we true disciples and good stewards as we claim? Where do you place your trust? Have you chosen a path where you are all in or are you still keeping something for yourself because you just aren't sure all this talk of "consider the lilies" is real or just pretty words on a page?

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

QUOTES

Words to Inspire the Faithful

Christ has illumined you with wisdom and the fires of His presence...let it blaze!

- Caryll Houselander

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

They shall know that a prophet has been among them. (Ez 2:5b)

Psalm:

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy. (Ps 123)

Second Reading:

But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." (2 Cor 12:9a)

Gospel:

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished.

They said, "Where did this man get all this?

What kind of wisdom has been given him?

What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!" (Mk 6:2)

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WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of July 8, 2018

Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/2 Cor 12:7-10/
Mk 6:1-6a
Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/
Mt 9:18-26
Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10 [9a]/
Mt 9:32-38
Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [4b]/Mt 10:1-7
Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16 [4b]/
Mt 10:7-15
Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17 [17b]/
Mt 10:16-23
Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mt 10:24-33
Next Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14
or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13

GOSPEL MEDITATION

If you have been closely following the Sunday readings, today's Gospel could sound a bit like a broken record. Four weeks ago, the Gospel told of Jesus visiting his home of Nazareth and being poorly received by his family members. Jesus had attracted a large crowd as he preached, and his concerned relatives came to bring him home. Jesus, they thought, was out of his league.

Today Jesus takes things further. He returns to Nazareth. Rather than preaching from his house, he enters the synagogue. He speaks eloquently. The listeners acknowledge that "wisdom has been given him" and recognize the "mighty deeds wrought by his hands," but it is too much for them to bear. "Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?" The listeners know his whole clan, his male and female relatives. Jesus as carpenter was acceptable. Even Jesus as fringe preacher was interesting enough to draw a crowd. But Jesus as authoritative teacher is too much. "They took offense at him."

As Christians, we have known the truth of Jesus' identity since we were first introduced to him. He is fully human and fully divine. He is the second person of the Trinity. It could be easy to look down on these 1st century listeners for their lack of faith. But where do we expect to learn our own lessons? The more we age, the easier it is to believe we understand the world and how it works. We have experience with people, with the Church, with politics, and with the affairs of daily living. We have developed criteria for first impressions. We categorize. Today we remember that the Christian life requires humility. Jesus' listeners have an expectation of how things should be, and their lack of faith causes doubt in others. "He was not able to perform any mighty deeds there." Do your assumptions limit your perspective? Who can you learn from that you did not expect?

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Live the Liturgy

It seems that Jesus is always facing some kind of opposition. Today, those from his native place amaze him because of their lack of faith. We oppose Jesus as well. It is not easy to be challenged and realize our great need to change. We grow comfortable with ourselves and our surroundings and resist change. We become defensive when the wisdom Jesus utters asks us to leave ourselves and our concerns and think more about others. We lack faith in God, faith in ourselves, and faith in one another. We are asked to keep our eyes fixed on the Lord and allow ourselves to be stretched. Jesus knows what he is talking about. Do we really believe this?

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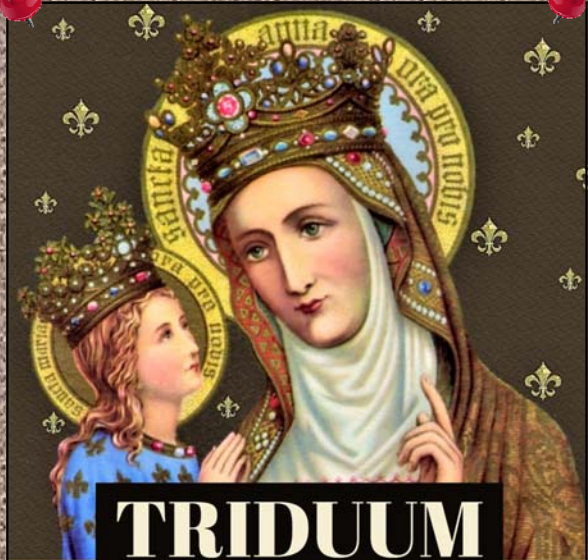
Franciscan Golf Classic

The 23rd Annual Franciscan Golf Classic will be held on Monday August 20, 2018, at Tunxis Country Club, Farmington, Connecticut. This yearly event benefits the counseling and educational programs of the Franciscan Life Center and care of the sick and end of life care services of Franciscan Home Care and Hospice Care. The day includes 18 holes of golf, lunch on the course, an outdoor dinner, and four chances to Win a Hole In One:

- \$23,000 in cash
- Trip for two St. Andrews
- Trip for two Augusta National
- Join us!

Cost to play 175/person.
Sponsorship Opportunities are Available.

Call 203-237-8084 or visit flcenter.org for more information.



TRIDUUM OF SAINT ANN

JULY 24 - 26, 7 PM

ST. MICHAEL PARISH, NEW HAVEN

The St. Ann Society of St. Michael Church in historic Wooster Square, cordially invites you to the annual Triduum in honor of Good Saint Ann. The Triduum begins with two nights of rosary, prayers invoking the intercession of Saint Ann, and Benediction. The third night is a Mass with a reception afterward in the rectory. Please join us for this inspirational and moving experience!

St. Michael Church, 29 Wooster Place, New Haven, CT 06511
(203) 562-7178

The Third Annual Robby Brisco Open



Monday, August 6, 2018

Golf Club of Avon

10:00 am Shotgun Start

4:30 pm Dinner, Awards, Prizes and Auction



Register at rbogolf.org

You're Invited!!

The Monastery Gallery of Art is hosting a reception and gallery talk for Sr. Helen David Brancato, IHM and her exhibit:

Reflections on the Human Condition

Reflections offered by:

Sr. Helen David Brancato

Lynn Campbell, Office for Catholic Social Justice Ministry

Mary Joan Picone, Kino Border Initiative

Wednesday, July 11, 2018, 7pm

330 Tunxis Road, West Hartford

No reservations required

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Here's where you can find out more:

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