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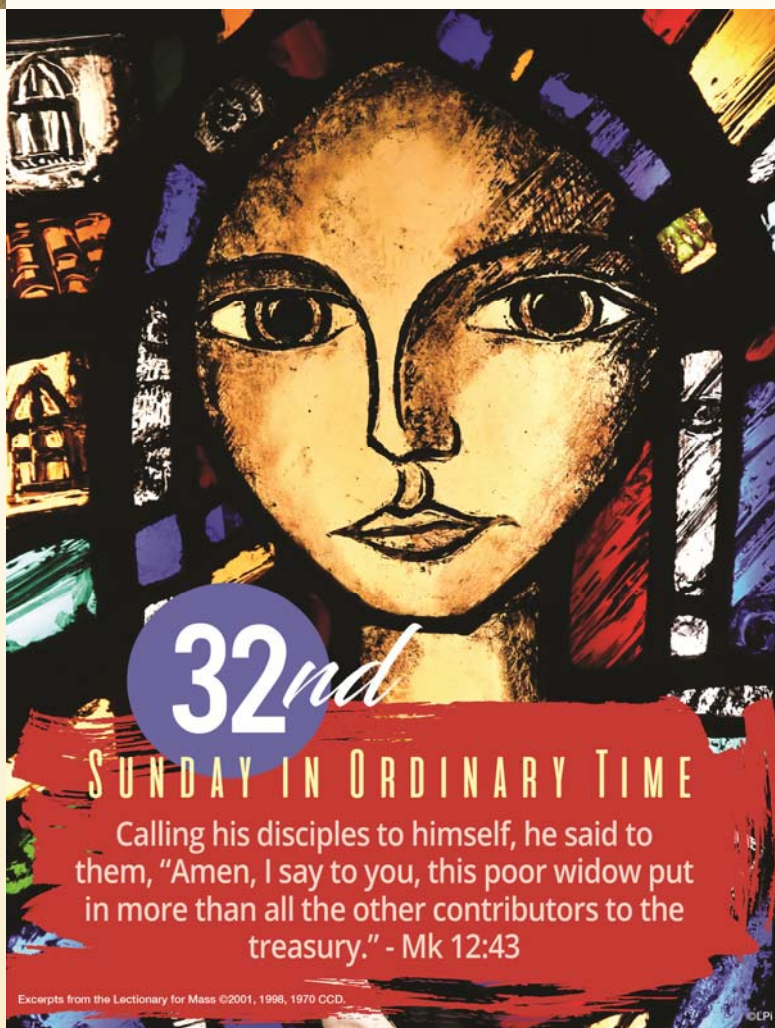
Call the Parish Office

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.



32nd

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:43

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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:

Eucharistic Adoration:
Mondays 9:30-10:30am
Rosary: 8:30 am, daily
Chaplet: following daily Mass
MMP Cenacle: Mondays at 7:15pm
Holy Hour: Thursdays at 12 Noon



32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MONDAY, November 12

9:00 **Sophie Pichura**, requested by John and Alice Kuzia

TUESDAY, November 13

9:00 **Edward Stepien (6th Ann.)**, requested by Lorraine and family

WEDNESDAY, November 14

9:00 **Special Intentions**

THURSDAY, November 15

9:00 **John O'Neill**, requested by Heidi O'Neill

FRIDAY, November 16

9:00 **Martin Madden**, requested by Mike and Rosemary Madden

SATURDAY, November 17

4:00 **Lee Hein**, requested by the Cooper Family

SUNDAY, November 18

7:30 **Thomas Mitchell, Frances Mitchell and Maria Kelly**, requested by Victor Mitchell
9:30 **Joseph and Marie Joyce**, requested by Tom and Pat Heaven
11:00 **Raymond Teodosio**, requested by The Teodosio/McDermott Families
4:30 Teen Mass



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.

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN'S

MONDAY, November 12

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 9:30-10:30am in the church
MMP Cenacle-Rosary Prayer Group: 7:15pm in the church.

Enter through door on left side of church. All are welcome!

Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures: 7:15pm in Rm. 3

Young Adult Bible Study: 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30pm (Activity Rm)

Young Adult Bible Study: 7pm in the Activity Room

TUESDAY, November 13

RCIA (morning group): 9:30am in Room 3

Youth Ministry Meeting: 6:30pm in Room 1

Social Justice Committee Meeting: 7pm in Room 2

RCIA (evening group): 7pm in Room 3

WEDNESDAY, November 14

Prophets Bible Study: 9:30am in Room 2/3

St. Ann Playgroup: 10am in the Activity Room

Acts Bible Study: 6:30pm in Room 3

Knights of Columbus: 7pm in Room 2

THURSDAY, November 15

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, November 16

Acts Bible Study: 9:30am in Room 3

SATURDAY, November 17

Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room 3

Turkey Roundup Collection: after Mass

SUNDAY, November 18

Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures: 10:30am in Rm. 3

Turkey Roundup Collection: after all Masses

Knights of Columbus Annual Thanksgiving Pie Sale

Sold after Masses on November 3/4 and November 10/11

Pick up after Masses on November 17/18

Still only \$10 each our locally sourced pies are made just for you!

Apple * Peach Praline * Pumpkin * Very Berry

All proceeds benefit St. Ann's ministries and charities within our local community!



Live This Advent with Peace and Purpose!

Our Advent Reflection Series begins the week of November 25.

Form a small group at home with friends, or join us at church in Room 3 on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. or Mondays at 7:15 p.m., or Thursdays at 9:30am.

All materials are provided!

To register, please contact: 860-673-9858, x228
ann.distefano@stannavon.com

St. Ann's YOUTH MINISTRY

Calling All Teens!

Come see what Youth Ministry is all about!

Tuesday, November 13th

6:30-8pm in Room 1

To find out more details and RSVP, contacts
Rosemary Neamtz, rosemary.neamtz@stannavon.com

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Visit www.stannavon.org for full details. To register, contact Ann: ann.distefano@stannavon.com; 860-673-9858, x228

Grow in Faith with Friends

Form a Small Group with your friends/neighbors to explore your faith and deepen your friendships, at your pace and from the comfort of home. Materials and support are waiting for you!

Encounter God in the Bible

"Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures"

helps you make personal connections to the Sunday readings. *Lectio Divina* prayer included. Drop in, all materials provided.

- Sundays, 10:30am, Room 3 with Chip Janiszewski
- Mondays, 7:15pm, Room 3 with Jim Serruta

Parenting with Purpose

"The video presenters are so relatable." "These are great tips not just to help me raise my kids, but to help me be a better person!" Come see what your peers are talking about!

Join us for our engaging video series on parenting on CCD Sundays at Avon Middle School, Room 228.

* 9am – "Sharing Faith" For K-4th Grade parents

Childcare for babies-preK is available at this session - sign up by Thurs prior with babysitters Lisa, lrg1010@comcast.net AND Paula, uconnloves@att.net

* 5:45pm – "Families of Character" for 5th-8th Grade parents

Young Adult Group

Join us on the 2nd and 4th Monday nights of the month at 7:30pm in the Activity Room (beneath the left wing of the church). Unwind, connect and explore faith with other men, women and couples in their 20's and 30's.

Contact: Kylie Brasel, (860) 951-6211, kylie.brasel13@gmail.com.

Find us on Facebook: St. Ann's Young Adult Group

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 the 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month at 7:30pm, generally in the Activity Room beneath the left wing of the church.

To get on our communications list, contact Kylie Brasel: 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!

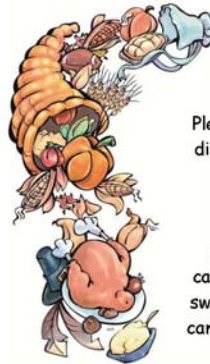
Turkey Express

Weekend of November 17/18, 2018

at Church of Saint Ann

Saturday: 3:30-5pm * Sunday: 7am-12:30pm

Look for the truck labeled "Turkey Express"



Please consider donating the following Thanksgiving dinner items for our Avon and Hartford neighbors:

Frozen Turkeys (or some Hams or Chickens)

Suggested Fixings:

stuffing mix, jellied cranberry sauce, fresh or canned vegetables, rice, small bag of potatoes &/or sweet potatoes, shredded cheddar cheese, fresh or canned fruit, juice, dinner rolls, brownie/cake mixes, frosting, gravy, baby food, salad dressing, mayonnaise...

Our Parish Goal is 400 Turkeys and Lots of Fixings!

Thank you for your generosity and have a wonderful Thanksgiving.



Sponsored by our Social Justice Committee
"Together We Serve All God's People"

**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 18, 2018
9:30 A.M.
CHURCH OF SAINT ANN
289 ARCH ROAD
AVON, CT**

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

November 4, 2018: will be reported next weekend
Online Giving/Pmts. (week ending 11/7/18): \$4,270.00
Next weekend's 2nd collection:
Campaign for Human Development



Advent Wreath Making

Saturday, December 1
3:00 – 3:45 pm in
Fr. Bennett Hall

Join the 4th grade Faith Formation students for some family parish fun followed by a family Mass at 4:00 PM.

Come and craft a wreath to enjoy all Advent season and have it blessed during Mass. Christmas cookies and Hot Coco will be served. So, make plans now and reserve the time on your calendar to join us for this annual favorite! **PLEASE RSVP** so we can plan accordingly: valeri.stjean@stannavon.com



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 (2nd door on the left as you enter the vestibule of the church). No appointment necessary.

Thank You!

The St. Ann Scholarship Clothing Sale on November 2nd and 3rd was a huge success.

The Scholarship Program provides partial tuition support for deserving urban students to attend area Catholic high schools. We currently sponsor 17 students.

Great thanks to the core team who planned and organized, the many hard-working volunteers who put the plan into action, the generous people who donated, and the discerning shoppers who supported the sale. Along with many parishioners, we received donations from three Catholic high schools as well as St. Mary's in Simsbury.



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OFFICE OF
 THE ARCHBISHOP

October 30, 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The U.S. bishops are joining together in a commitment of prayer and reparation leading up to the bishops' general assembly, where we will be making critical decisions in response to the clergy sexual abuse crisis. With my brother bishops across the nation, I will be dedicating myself to seven days of intensified prayer and fasting, from Monday, November 5, through Sunday, November 11. The intentions for this period of prayer and sacrifice are three-fold:

- For the healing and support of all victims of clergy sexual abuse.
- For the conversion and just punishment of the perpetrators and concealers of sexual abuse.
- For the strength of the bishops to be holy shepherds in protecting and leading our sheep from all harm.

If you feel called to do so, you are welcome to join me in praying for these intentions. I would also be grateful for any prayers for me and my brother bishops during our general assembly, that we may follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit in responding to the tragedy of clergy sexual abuse in the Church.

Please be assured of my prayers for you, as well.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Leonard P. Blair
 Archbishop of Hartford

Thank you from Northwest Catholic

Thanks so much for the excellent raffle ticket sales effort at St. Ann the weekend of October 27/28! Everything balanced perfectly and our Raffle Co-Chairs, Mary Clark and Kris Griffith, are grateful to let you know that 54 tickets were sold! The generosity of the parishioners at St. Ann is much appreciated!

Church of St. Ann

Celebrating Our

100th Anniversary

2018 ANNUAL PARISH COLLECTION

We are very grateful for the generosity shown by so many to our 2018 Annual Parish Collection. If you have not yet had an opportunity to return your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible. Every gift is welcomed and sincerely appreciated! Thank you.

**You can pick up a pledge form in the Gathering Space,
 Parish Office or print one out from our website:
www.stannavon.org**

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

What does sacrifice look like? I think of those who serve in the Armed Forces. They have sacrificed much for my freedom and to work towards real peace in our world. I think of those in service to our Church: priests, deacons, and religious. Their lives are dedicated to prayer and good works so that the Good News might not only be preached but be seen in the love they display toward God and their fellow brothers and sisters. I think of parents who stay up long nights with sick children and then one day find themselves staying up even longer as they wait for them to return home. I think of teachers who work hard to educate the next generation of citizens with low salaries and little respect.

I can see sacrifice all around me. I think you can see it, too, if you look. However, I also see too many seeking to get ahead at the expense of others. I see those who have so much and only crave for more. I see those caught up in themselves to the point where families fall apart, friendships disappear, and people literally die from a lack of compassion. I see many who have forgotten where all their gifts in this world came from, if they even knew in the first place.

I think of all those who sacrifice and see all those who do the opposite. May our eyes see more of those who are generous. May we never focus on those who have forsaken others more than those who have given freely to others. May the witness of true sacrifice show us the way to the Father and to a world full of His love.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

QUOTES

Words to Inspire the Faithful

*Miss no single opportunity of making
some small sacrifice.*

- St. Therese of Lisieux

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of November 11, 2018

Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/
Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44
Monday: Ti 1:1-9/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Ps 37:3-4, 18 and 23, 27 and 29 [39a]/
Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7/Ps 23:1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6 [1]/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Phlm 7-20/Ps 146:7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [5a]/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: 2 Jn 4-9/Ps 119:1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 18 [1b]/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8/Ps 112:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/
Mk 13:24-32

GOSPEL MEDITATION

In 1 Samuel, God advises the prophet Samuel not to observe as men see but as God sees. He tells him to "look to the heart." This is the movement of this Sunday's Gospel reading. "Beware the scribes," Jesus advises. He points out their public greetings and "seats of honor," which stands in sharp contrast to their private greed. For the Jewish people of Jesus' day, honor resides at the top. Power and prestige created a high profile back then as it still does today. After his warning, Jesus turns his disciples' attention elsewhere: a poor widow.

"She, from her poverty, has contributed all she had." While the scribes donated large sums to the temple, they did so "from their surplus wealth." This woman -- in her faith and devotion -- offers "her whole livelihood." Jesus invited his disciples to see with God's eyes, to recognize a holy life in people the world overlooks. Here -- in the poor, the vulnerable, the marginalized -- God waits hidden.

Today's Gospel begs a few questions. What do we see? Whom do we value? Are we impressed by the pomp and circumstance of modern day Pharisees? Do we ignore their self-righteousness because it looks impressive, even seems somewhat helpful? The point isn't to judge the scribes, of course. God can see their hearts as well, and those assessments are firmly his responsibility. The point is to turn our eyes from the typically honored to the rarely respected. Are we disinterested in the poverty of the modern day widows? Do we ignore their faith because we forget to look for it? This Sunday, consider the widows in your own life. Who can you see with God's eyes?

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Live the Liturgy

We are all generous, at least to some degree. Most of us when asked for something -- whether it be our time, our talent, or our treasure -- assess whether we can "afford" to fulfill the request and still preserve our own needs. Have we ever given the last bit of what we had knowing that we will have to do without so that someone else can benefit? We all tend to be a little covetous of our time, talent, and treasure. There are people throughout history who have given everything away only to find that they have received much more in return. St. Francis of Assisi is a prime witness. The Scriptures today bring us two widows who do the same. Do we see in people such as this examples of foolishness or wisdom, inspiration, and hope?

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

"For the LORD, the God of Israel, says, 'The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, until the day when the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'" (1 Kgs 17:14)

Psalm:

Praise the Lord, my soul! (Ps 146) or Alleluia

Second Reading:

But now once for all he has appeared at the end of the ages to take away sin by his sacrifice. (Heb 9:26b)

Gospel:

"Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." (Mk 12:43b)

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THE BULLETIN BOARD



International Bazaar
St. Patrick Church Hall, Farmington
Saturday Nov. 17, 2018: 9am-6pm
after all Masses on **Sunday, Nov. 18th**

Fair Trade crafts and food will be sold as well as handcrafted jewelry, clothing, wood and metalwork art, and more from Haiti, Uganda, Guatemala, Peru, Catholic Relief Services, and more. The Bazaar offers us an opportunity to more fully integrate our principles with our purchasing patterns. By purchasing fairly traded foods and handcrafts we are making a conscious choice to buy from poor people in a way that promises to help lift them out of poverty.

The church youth group will sell "Heifer Giving Cards" to benefit Heifer International. A light lunch will be available on Saturday.
Free Admission.

For more information contact Sue Petruzzi at s.petruzzi@comcast.net

PLEASE COME AND SHOP FOR A GOOD CAUSE!

Help Wanted!

St. Patrick Church has an opening for a part-time (12 hours per week) Parish Secretary. The Parish Secretary is responsible for providing secretarial and related office services for the Pastor and other parish staff and ministries, as directed. This position is the initial point of contact for church members and visitors or when calling or visiting the Parish office. Duties will include, but are not limited to: general secretarial support of the parish, maintaining record-keeping and filing systems, computer and internet work, updating the parish website, phone and reception duties as well as other office-related duties. Qualified candidates should have strong written and verbal communication skills as well as excellent computer skills, a high degree of confidentiality, professionalism, and the ability to multi-task while maintaining a high level of organization and productivity.

Please submit resume to: St. Patrick Church,
P.O. Box 523, Farmington, CT 06032-0523

Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection

The weekend of November 18 the second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about CCHD and projects funded in the Archdiocese of Hartford visit: <http://www.catholicsocialjustice.org/catholic-campaign-for-human-development.html>

House of Bread's Annual Hunger Banquet Wednesday, November 14th

Please join us for lunch at our 33rd House of Bread Annual Hunger Banquet on Wednesday, November 14th from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Franciscan Urban Center, 285 Church Street, Hartford for \$25 per person. Parking is free and located across the street from St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church. As you know, the House of Bread provides various services to the hungry and homeless in Hartford. We depend greatly on the generosity of others to help support this mission.



CNA needed for a home health aide position
Franciscan Home Care and Hospice Care
licensed, faith-based home health care agency
Contact Marie Laffin, RN, 203-238-1441 or resume to franciscanhc.org.