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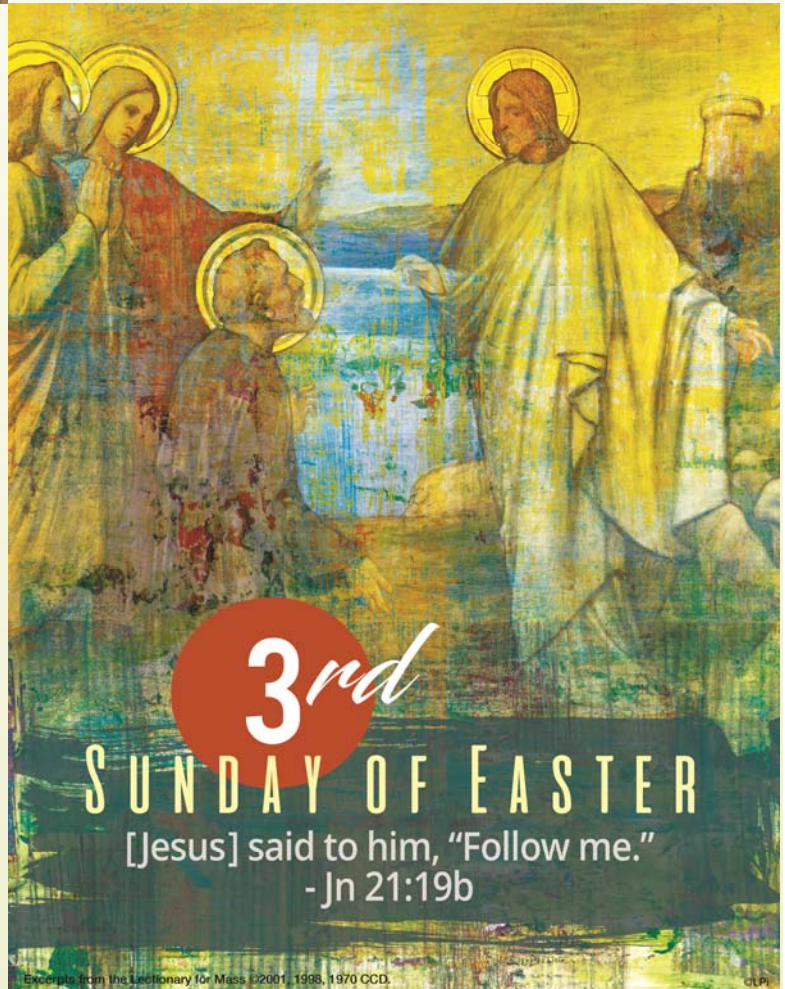
BAPTISMS: Registered parishioners call the Parish Office

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.



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

MMP Cenacle: Mondays at 7:15pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Tues.- Fri.

9:30-9:40am in the Sanctuary

Holy Hour: Thursdays at 12noon

MASS INTENTIONS



3rd Sunday of Easter

MONDAY, May 6

9:00 **Michael Sumers**, requested by Rosanne Harutunian

TUESDAY, May 7

9:00 **Caroline Sikora**, requested by Dottie Cialfi

WEDNESDAY, May 8

9:00 **In Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother**

THURSDAY, May 9

9:00 **Special Intentions**

FRIDAY, May 10

9:00 **In Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother**

SATURDAY, May 11

4:00 **Manda Koch**, requested by Russell and Diane Koch

SUNDAY, May 12

7:30 **For all mothers, living and deceased**
9:30 **For all mothers, living and deceased**
11:00 **For all mothers, living and deceased**

WELCOME!



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, May 6

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 9:30-10:30am in the church
Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting: 7pm in Room 2
MMP Cenacle-Rosary Prayer Group: 7:15pm in the church .
All are welcome! (*Enter through door on the left side of the church*)
Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures: 7:15pm in Rm. 3

TUESDAY, May 7

Refreshing Catholicism: 9:30am in Room 3

WEDNESDAY, May 8

Refreshing Catholicism: 7:15pm in Room 3

THURSDAY, May 9

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church
St. Ann Cares Meeting: 7pm in Room 2
Adult Confirmation Class: 7pm in Room 3
Folk/Contemporary Choir: 7:30pm in the Choir Loft

FRIDAY, May 10

Getting More Out of Mass Lent Program: 9:30am in Room
Traditional Choir: 2pm in the Choir Loft

SATURDAY, May 11

Men's Breakfast Group: 8am in Room 3

SUNDAY, May 12

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



Please join in celebrating the

Centennial of the Church of Saint Ann

Sunday, May 19, 2019

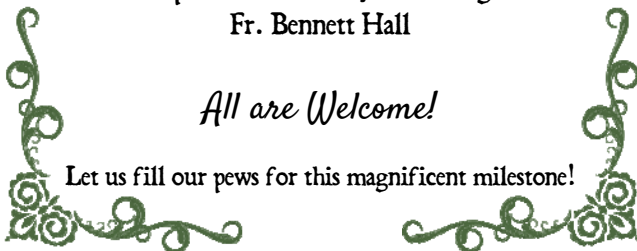
11:00am Mass

Principal Celebrant:
Archbishop Leonard P. Blair

Reception immediately following in
Fr. Bennett Hall

All are Welcome!

Let us fill our pews for this magnificent milestone!



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Come be a part of our ministry!

Upcoming Meeting:

Monday, May 6th
7-8:30pm
in Room 2



All are welcome... including brand new knitters!
For more information call Tina: 860-674-1541



ADULT FAITH FORMATION

New Spring Programs

Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures

Come make personal connections to the Sunday readings through the lens of historical context and the popular *Lectio Divina* prayer method.

Sundays, 10:30am-12pm, Room 3, with Chip Janiszewski
Mondays, 7:15-8:45pm, Room 3, with Jim Serruta
All materials provided. (Bring your own Bible if you like.)
Register with Ann DiStefano (see bulletin front) or drop in!

Refreshing Catholicism (April 30 - June 5)

If it's been a while since you were in catechism class, could you use a refresher? Or are you non-Catholic, interested in exploring the faith? Join us for this six-week series covering:

1. *We Are the Church*
2. *What Makes us Catholic?*
3. *Growing in Faith*
4. *Scripture*
5. *Jesus Christ*

Tuesdays, 9:30-11am, Room 3
Wednesdays, 7:15-8:45pm, Room 3;
Book fee: \$10;
Register with Ann DiStefano (see bulletin cover)

Book Discussion Series:

Here and Now by Henri Nouwen

Life is messy, God is a mystery, but with faith and the Spirit, we find peace.

Thursdays, May 16- June 13, with Terry Pendergast
9:30-11am, Room 3
Register with Ann DiStefano (see bulletin cover)

Looking for Historical St. Ann Memorabilia for Exhibit at the Avon Free Public Library

As part of our 100th anniversary celebration, St. Ann's Church is planning a historical exhibit at the Avon Free Public Library during the months of July and August, 2019. This will be a dual exhibit with the Avon Congregational Church, which is celebrating its 200th anniversary. The exhibit will be in the History Corner, and St. Ann will be using the tack-board wall and metal shelves to the right of the glass case. If you have items (photos, old documents, letters, memorabilia, etc.) that you would like to share for the exhibit, please contact Jean Frey at 860-673-1949. It would be nice to be able to include photos or memories related to the first church on Mountain View Avenue as well as our current church location. Copies could be made of items such as photos or old letters that you would not want damaged by hanging them for display.

Perennial Plant Sale

Saturday, May 25
8 a.m. to Noon
St. Ann's Parking Lot



Plant Donations Needed!

As the weather grows warmer and you start to work in your yards this spring, please consider sharing some of your perennials that are ready for dividing. If you are unable to donate from your own gardens, we would welcome the donation of purchased perennials.

Donations may be dropped off in the parking lot (West Avon Rd. side, under tree) on:

Thursday, May 23, from 8:30-10am & 5-7pm
Friday, May 24, from 8:30-10am & 1-2pm

Please IDENTIFY plants (name, color, sun/shade)

We are a small committee and could use some additional hands, especially on Saturday morning. Please consider joining us.

If you have any questions or would like to help, please call Jean Frey at (860) 673-1949.



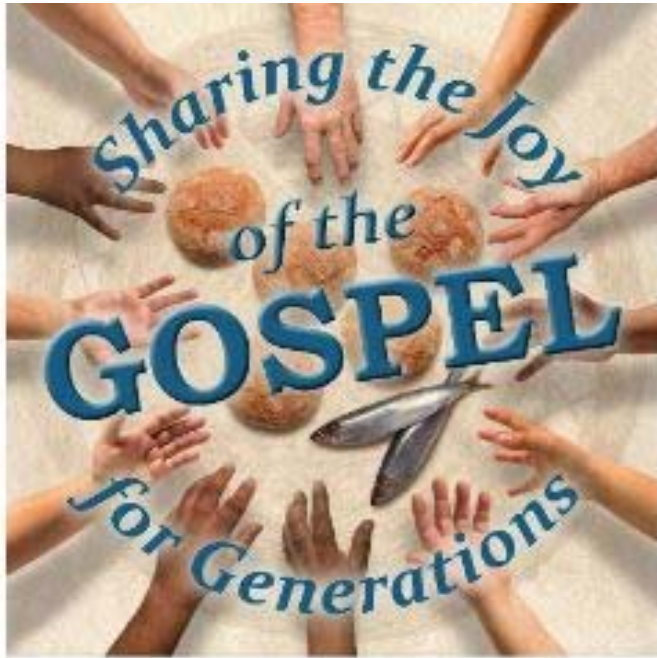
The proceeds from the sale will benefit the Social Justice Scholarship Program, which supports deserving urban students with partial tuition to area Catholic high schools.

WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

April 28, 2019: \$6,473.97
Next weekend's 2nd collection:
Helping Haitian Children

Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. - Jn 21:12-13

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2019 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Thank you to the parish families who have made a gift or pledge commitment to the 2019 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.

All funds contributed to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal are used exclusively for the purposes outlined in the Appeal literature, which can be found at <https://archdioceseofhartford.org/aaa-2019-last-years-appeal-impact/>. No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." Peter is a favorite apostle for many people. I wonder if it is because of his flawed, relatable humanity. Today's Gospel takes place after Jesus appears to the disciples and breathes the Holy Spirit upon them. And yet, Peter finds himself returning to his old way of life, to comfortable habits he formed long before following Jesus. Is something still lingering in him? Is something still lingering in us? Lent is over, and we should be rejoicing! But do you feel like you're still holding onto something? Or perhaps you had an excellent Lent. You encountered Jesus in a new way and grew in faith. But as the weeks since Easter have slipped by, some of your newfound devotion has begun to waver. The closeness you felt in your Lenten commitments has given way to humdrum status quo or turn-of-the-season busyness.

"Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter has endured so much in his walk of discipleship! But something is still weighing on him. In today's Gospel, Jesus confirms Peter's devotion three times, a redemption of his earlier threefold denial. The call of the Lord must come again, as if heard anew for the first time. So often, this is the pattern of the Christian life. We discover God and experience a new desire for our faith, but in time, our enthusiasm begins to wane. Perhaps something happens that startles us, or we startle ourselves by a poor decision. Then we discover God anew! Our joy returns...for a while. Even the Apostles were no strangers to the cyclical nature of spiritual growth. Our disappointments or frustrations should not be cause for giving up. Like Peter, we too can recommit and start anew. This Sunday and every day of our lives, Jesus is waiting to say again, "Follow me."

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Live the Liturgy

If you really want to get to know someone, invite them to dinner. Sharing a meal with someone opens up the door to a deeper, more intimate, and more authentic encounter. When we gather around a table, we are more vulnerable and are reminded not only of our need for food and sustenance, but also the love of friends and community. We are meant to be together. Meals can be opportunities not only for authentic meetings, but for healing relationships, for understanding one another better, and for renewal. Jesus invites us to dine with him once again at today's Eucharist. He receives our pain and blesses our wounds. We are forgiven, set straight, renewed, and reconfirmed in our task of discipleship. Love is celebrated here again. May we bring that love to those who need it most, especially those we may find difficult to love and to those who have hurt us. Share with them the bread of compassion and the wine of mercy.