



# Church of Saint Ann

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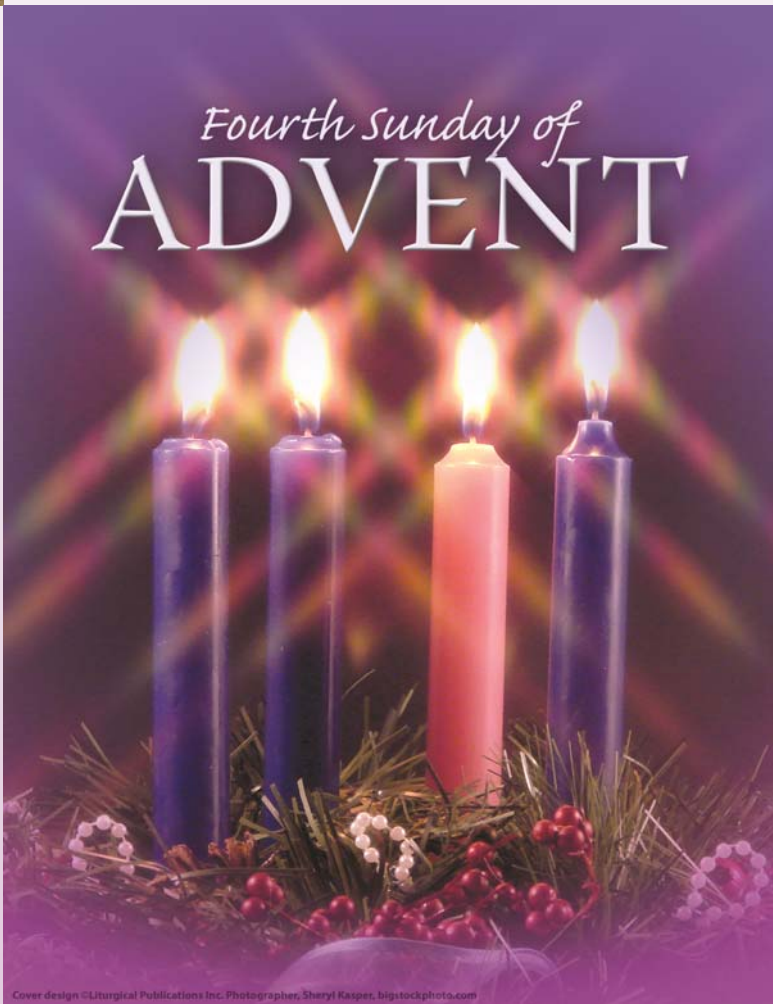
Registered parishioners call the Parish Office

## 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.



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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

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



## Fourth Sunday of Advent

# 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.

### MONDAY, December 23

9:00 **Camille and Peter Angelina & Michael Nay**, requested by the family

### TUESDAY, December 24, Christmas Eve

3:00 For all those in whose memory or honor the altar plants have been donated  
6:00 For all those in whose memory or honor the altar plants have been donated  
9:00 For all those in whose memory or honor the altar plants have been donated

### WEDNESDAY, December 25, Christmas

8:00 For all those in whose memory or honor the altar plants have been donated  
10:00 For all those in whose memory or honor the altar plants have been donated

### THURSDAY, December 26

9:00 **Anastasia Kalvoda**, requested by a friend

### FRIDAY, December 27

9:00 For Divine Peace, Divine Love and Divine Will on Earth

### SATURDAY, December 28

4:00 **Patricia Fox**, requested by the McBride Family

### SUNDAY, December 29

7:30 **Christopher Hwang**, requested by the family  
9:30 For the intentions of **Emily Rosen (Living)**, requested by her family  
11:00 **Jessica Adams**, requested by the Dolan Family

## THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN'S

### MONDAY, December 23

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** 9:30-10:30am in the church  
**MMP Cenacle-Rosary Prayer Group:** 7:15pm in the church .  
All are welcome! (Enter through door on the left side of the church)

### TUESDAY, December 24

### WEDNESDAY, December 25, Christmas



### THURSDAY, December 26

### FRIDAY, December 27

### SATURDAY, December 28

**Men's Breakfast Group:** 8am in Room 3

### SUNDAY, December 29



## 2019 Christmas Schedule

### Christmas Eve

3:00 pm  
6:00 pm  
9:00 pm

### Christmas

8:00 am  
10:00 am

### Solemnity of Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)

Monday, December 31st: 4:00pm  
Tuesday, January 1, 2020: 8:00 am & 10:00 am



## ImmaCare Update and Collection for the Homeless THIS Weekend!

Thanks to everyone who has asked about ImmaCare and to those of you who have worried about and prayed for the men who used to stay there. The good news is the renovation is going smoothly and hopefully by Spring the shelter will be a safer, more efficient place while still maintaining the welcoming spirit. For many people this winter has been a difficult one with rain and freezing temperatures. Other shelter spaces have been limited and we are told that emergency rooms are often filled with people who have no where else to stay.

We will again be collecting warm socks, hats, gloves, toiletries, and chapsticks to put together Christmas giftbags for the people who are helped through the ImmaCare outreach program, many of whom sleep outdoors until the weather is life-threatening. We will also distribute to people living in supportive housing, and to a women's shelter. Please leave any donations in ImmaCare marked boxes in Fr. Bennett Hall. More than ever we are hoping to put together lots of bags and are praying that lots of individuals and groups will make this possible.



Any questions please email [kfinocchio@gmail.com](mailto:kfinocchio@gmail.com) or [Twohig7@gmail.com](mailto:Twohig7@gmail.com).

## Save the Dates: January 17- 19, 2020 Church of St. Ann Used Book Sale



### Donation Dates:

Wednesday, January 15th: 9:30am—6pm  
Thursday, January 16th: 9:30am - 6pm  
Friday, January 17th: 9:30am - 11:30am

**Please donate books:** *best sellers, fiction, non-fiction, religious, classics, biographies, memoirs, self-help books, vintage books, cookbooks, children's books, young readers, books-on-CD, etc.*

### January 2020 Book Sale Dates:

Friday, January 17th: 5pm - 7:30pm (\$5 adult admission)  
Saturday, January 18th: 9am - 6pm (no admission fee)  
Sunday, January 19th: 8am—12:45pm (no admission fee)

### Volunteers are needed for collection & sale week

To volunteer at the January 2020 Book Sale, please contact Nancy Casey 860.673.3141 Thank you!

*Proceeds go to Catholic High School Student Scholarships*



## How To Support St. Ann and Reduce your Tax Liability!

### What's a QCD... and Why Taxpayers Need to Know Now

Looking for a way to support the Church of Saint Ann and reduce your tax liability? If you are at least 70.5 years, donate to charities, and don't like taxes—you may be very interested in qualified charitable distributions. Although this instrument has been around since 2006, big changes in deductions on federal income tax returns mean that QCDs are attracting a lot more attention.

This is the time of year when every nonprofit sends an appeal while you are still evaluating what charitable gifts you will make before the tax year ends. The Church of Saint Ann sincerely hopes to make it onto your priority list.

*If you have any questions, please contact Russ Koch at 860-673-9858, ext. 234 or [russ.koch@stannavon.com](mailto:russ.koch@stannavon.com).*

Women of St. Ann's  
ARE YOU READY TO WALK WITH PURPOSE, AND BE  
**FEARLESS & FREE**  
PLEASE JOIN US TO CONNECT,  
SHARE & BECOME CLOSER TO GOD.

Begin 2020, with friendship.  
WHILE BEING WRAPPED IN THE  
EMBRACE OF THE ONE WHO  
LOVES US ALL COMPLETELY.



Wednesdays: Jan 8-Feb 19 at 7-8:30PM  
Cost: \$35 includes book  
Please contact  
[wendyarcher@comcast.net](mailto:wendyarcher@comcast.net) to register



## WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

December 15, 2019: not available at time of upload  
**2 Collections on Christmas Eve/Christmas:**  
*Christmas & Parish Charities*  
**Next weekend's 2<sup>nd</sup> collection: none**

*The Men and Women of the Church of Saint Ann are Invited to a retreat at Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford*

### Annual Men's Retreat

January 17 - 19, 2020

### Annual Women's Retreat

January 10 - 12, 2020

*Join Us for a focus on*  
**"Our Deepest Longing"**

*We spend our time and energy on the necessities of everyday life, which hold so many things that are beyond our control. But what is it that we are longing for in the deepest way? We will explore that deep longing planted inside us by God – a longing for peace, for wholeness, and for relationships that bring us joy and lift us up.*

*Our Retreat begins with dinner Friday night at 6pm and concludes with Brunch at 11:00am on Sunday*  
**For more information go to the Holy Family Retreat Center website: <https://www.holyfamilyretreat.org>**

#### **Call or Email your St. Ann Representatives:**

**Men:** Paul Watson 860-922-0812 (Pgwatson33@gmail.com)  
 Bob Yurch 860-675-1366 (byurch@fiainc.com)

**Women:** Nancy Janiszewski at 860-818-9260  
 Eileen DiMauro at 860-930-3046.

## Part Time Job Opening at St. Ann: Dir. of Communications

Sadly, Meredith Springer is stepping down as our communications director, due to other work obligations. We will miss her and wish her well. We are seeking a part-time Director of Communications with strong digital media skills. The position features flexible hours and the ability to work remotely.

*Please send any inquiries/leads ASAP to*  
[ann.distefano@stannavon.com](mailto:ann.distefano@stannavon.com), 860-673-9858, x228

## A Christmas Prayer

Today marks the end of the Advent season and the beginning of the Christmas season. We have lighted four candles these past four weeks and asked God to help us be present to our neighbors and friends. Now in the Christmas season we are called to be Christ in the flesh to our world. Let us pray...

God,

*you became human through the obedience of a simple young woman named Mary.*

*Mary is our model of faith.*

*May we be faithful to your word as Mary was.*

*Give us the courage to face each day with the yes that Mary gave to you.*

*We ask this through the incarnate God, who comes to us again during this Christmas season.*

Amen.



## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

### ADULT CONFIRMATION – Unlock the Power of the Spirit in Your Life!

Are you an ADULT CATHOLIC who has been baptized and received First Communion, but were NEVER CONFIRMED? We're delighted to offer an 8-week preparation program here at St. Ann's for you, leading to your receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 5, 2020 at 7pm at St. Joseph Cathedral in Hartford.

**WHEN:** Thursdays, Feb 13-Apr 2; 7-8:30pm

**WHERE:** Room 3, lower level of Fr Bennett Hall

**FACILITATOR:** Deacon Jeff Sutherland

**TO REGISTER:** Contact [ann.distefano@stannavon.com](mailto:ann.distefano@stannavon.com);  
 860-673-9858, x228

### Parents: Tired of Small Talk? Try ALPHA!

January 5th at Avon Middle School  
 (while children are in class, both AM & PM sessions)  
 Childcare provided at morning session



\*To register for childcare, contact Lisa Giarratana by the Thursday prior to the session:  
[lrg1010@comcast.net](mailto:lrg1010@comcast.net); 860-471-3776.

*The poinsettias decorating the altar for Christmas have been  
donated in honor of or in memory of the following persons:*

**In Honor Of**

Charlotte Donnelly  
John Gray  
James  
Jim and Barbara Martino  
Louise Davenport  
The Connors Family  
Helen Petruvich & Family

**In Memory Of**

Mary Hojnowski  
Henry Hojnowski  
Manda Koch  
Alfred Koch  
Arthur & Elizabeth Godbout  
George & Virginia Yurch  
John T. LaVia  
The Moody Family  
The Renard Family  
William Sharp  
Lynn Rossini  
Vinnie Tucker  
Ann & Luke Harvell  
Jess & Lil Benton  
Fred & Linda Beloin  
Wil & Kathy Talbot  
George & Cathie Jerto  
John & Miriam Muth  
Frank Beloin  
Gerry deSimas  
James Donnelly  
Mr. & Mrs. Luman Sipperly  
Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Kapinski  
Mr. Gary Kapinski  
Dee Dee Sullivan  
Douglas Blood  
Frank & Joan Wirth  
John & Rita Pellegrini  
Aldo & Elizabeth Zeffiro  
William J. Stevens  
Mary O'Brien Stevens  
Helen Ann Bachhuber  
John Bachhuber  
Maryann Enderle

Ruth & Natale Ballich  
Frances & John Curran  
Mr & Mrs Robert Ghynn  
Mr & Mrs Joseph Kreivenas  
The Guzaukas Family  
The Charbonneau/Glaude Family  
Eugene Terminello  
Gery Teirney  
Mary Agnes Carey  
Rev. Msgr. Thomas Bride  
Edward Gauthier  
Robert Wise  
Frank & Marie Gallo  
Josephine & Irving McBride  
Mr & Mrs Joseph Faraghan  
Dr. & Mrs Herbert Oakes  
Gary Francis Walls  
Helen Frances Walls  
Connie Elizabeth Wall  
John & Dorothy McCoy  
The Ahern & Girard Families  
Joseph & Jeremy Savidge  
Palma Van Blerkom  
Ruby Sutherland  
Angela Rowley  
The Shoulder Family  
The Healey Family  
John Douglass Sr.  
John Douglass Jr.  
Elizabeth Douglass  
Eric K. Robillard  
Jean D. Perreault  
Carl & Mildred Lawrynowicz  
Alphonse & Lily Apuzzo  
George & Catherine Taverna  
James Fiedler  
Bill Weldon  
James  
The Kulesa Family  
The Testa Family  
The Ward Family  
The Hennig Family  
Lawrence Tousignant  
Joan Tousignant

Fred & Christine Bielefeld  
The Bondhus & Vuono Families  
Rev. Thomas P. Quinn  
David Matthes  
The Matthes & Lupo Families  
Florence, Frank, & Laureen Pirnat  
Eric & Inez Anderson & Family  
The Polonis Family  
The Potkay Family  
The Kondzielaski & Miller Families  
Charles Generose  
The Herman Family  
The Kuzia Family  
Mary & Lou Rucci  
Nesta & Charles Corso  
Adele, Taduesz, Mary Peron Family  
Paul & Nadine Maglietti  
Florence & Linda Wasik  
Freeman & Shirley Clark  
Anna & Charles McNamara  
Leo & Bea Salvatore  
Addis & Elsie Daly  
Lucille Tavtigian  
Thomas Ledwidge  
John Downey  
Gerald Buckley  
Genevieve Murdock  
Vincent & Anna Vitkauskas  
Patrick & Mary Marra  
Fred & Linda Beloin  
Kathleen Talbot  
George & Cathie Jerto  
Leo Lattizori  
Carl T. Dubiel  
Mr & Mrs Geo. Kubik  
Wayne Cromack  
Albert & Olga & Matt Weiss  
Americo & Agnes Accomasso  
Leon & Apolonia Wawrzynowski  
The Portal & Monteiro Families  
Rosemarie & Joseph Wallack  
Paul Davenport  
Souls in Purgatory  
Mary O'Brien

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**In Memory Of (cont.)**

*Ralph Schuermann*

*The Marcotte & Messier Families*

*Mary & Otto Jahne*

*Bruce L. Clark*

*Paul G. Landers*

*Joseph Jacob*

*Terry Moody*

*Nicholas Seminara*

*Enrico Spalvieri*

*Margaret & Joseph Juliano*

*Anita & Horace Abate*

*Christine Blyther*

*The Alphonso, Dias & Dourado  
Families*

*Miriam & Walter Hill*

*Mortimer & Jane Murphy Jr.*

*Gene Overmyer & Andy Moe*

*Anna Hill & Grover McNemar*

*The Tomlinson Family*

*The Biscoglio Family*

*The Mc Hugh Family*

*The Cheah Family*

*The Sullivan Family*

*The Zalenski Family*

*The ZuWallack Family*

*Mildred & Walter Newman*

*Vera & Albert Alft*

*James & Mary Martino*

*Harold & Hope Whalen*

*Jean Leavitt*

*Lucy Rose*

*Kathy Gardner*

*John & Neda Ruk*

*Pat & Linda Keniry*

*Jim Cronin*

*Eleanor McGrath*

*The Tromza Family*

*Paula & Margaret Topolosky*

*Carol A. DeVita*

*Daniel Carrasquillo*

*The Fee Family*

*The Peregrin Family*

*The Calderone Family*

*The Klish Family*

*Edwin Lysak*

*The Joseph Brennan Family*

*The Miller & Lenihan Families*

*William LaMonica, Sr.*

*Katherine LaMonica*

*James Waldron*

*Gertrude Waldron*

*The McCusker Family*

*Mildred Bonk*

*Michael Morgan*

*Vittorio Dequilla*

*The Benoit Family*

*Doris S. Stockton*

*Robert Turmelle*

*Ahmed Khoshnevis*

*Afsara Khoshnevis*

*Pat C. Clark*

*John Cochefski & Ed Bialaski*

*Mr & Mrs Charles E. Devanney*

*Mr & Mrs Miner L. Fyler, Jr.*

*the Szydllo Family*

*The Magiera Family*

*Samuel R. Olson*

*Mr & Mrs Raymond Olson*

*William & Elvira Severini*

*Arthur & Philomina Leone*

*Bud & Mary Thompson*

*Anthony & Concetta Gugliotti*

*Lorraine Kelley*

*Paul Kelley*

*Maureen Kelley*

*Chris McGough*

*Rose Immatteo*

*Theresa Soucy*

*Leo Soucy*

*Tony Immatteo*

*Laurie Leberator*

*The Maxime Lozier Family*

*The Alexis Cyr Family*

*James Coleman Snyder Jr.*

*Jean Springman*

*The Bingham & DuRoss Families*

*John Kiernan*

*Katherine Kiernan*

*Kenneth Montanye*

*Ruth Montanye*

*John Myers*

*Robert Gregurich*

*Gabrielle St. Jean*

*Alberta & Betty St. Jean*

*Marguerite Claffey & parents*

*Derek Stockwell*

*Virginia Dunn*

*Frank Scalzo Jr.*

*Frank & Angie Scalzo Sr.*

*Helen Randall*

*Gerald Gill*

*Paul Irving*

*Mr & Mrs N. Hartonavich*

*Mr & Mrs Edwin Jud*

*The Driscoll Family*

*The O'Neill Family*

*The Driscoll & Sullivan Family*

*The Wright & Jude Family*

*The Juda Family*

*The Angelica Family*

*Mary & Ed Gorski*

*Marion Toce*

*Joseph, Dahlia & Carolyn Calcagni*

*Bette Risedorf*

*Joshua, Kristen & Daniel Moritz*

*Bea & Art Fox*

*Ray & Mary Pugh*

*Lou Gallo*

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