



# ANNUNCIATION PARISH

The Third Sunday Of Easter, April 14, 2024

## **PARISH OFFICE**

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## **Office Hours**

Monday - Friday:  
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## **CHURCH OF ST. MARY**

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## **Confession**

Friday: 8:30-8:50 am, HS  
Saturday: 3:00-3:50 pm, HS  
Sunday: 7:30-7:50 am, SM

## **Mass Times**

**Daily Mass:** Monday - Friday  
9:00 am, HS

**Saturday Vigil:** 4:00 pm, HS

## **Sunday Masses:**

8:00 am, SM  
9:15 am, HS  
10:30 am, SM  
12:00 pm, HS

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and that repentance, for  
the forgiveness of sins,  
would be preached

*in his name*

to all the nations

LUKE 24:47



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May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

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## Welcome To Annunciation Parish, The Roman Catholic Community of Newington

Whether you are a long-time parishioner, a returning parishioner, a new parishioner, or a visitor, welcome to our community. We are glad that you are here and hope that you feel at home. If you are not already a member of our parish, please consider joining us. If you are a member of our parish already, please consider joining one of our ministries.

The Catholic Church welcomes new members of all ages. Children are welcomed into our faith through the sacrament of Baptism. Adults can either join our faith, or complete their sacraments of initiation through our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) or our Adult Confirmation program. If you are interested, please call the rectory at: (860) 666-1591.

### Parish Priests

**Rev. Robert Morgewicz, Pastor**

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**Rev. Joseph Pullikattil, Parochial Vicar**

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### Rectory Office

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### Sacramental Ministries

#### Baptism

To schedule a Baptism, visit our website: [www.annunciationnewington.com](http://www.annunciationnewington.com), scroll down to Quick Links (*center of Home Page*), *Select* - Book a Baptism and then once the form is submitted, Deacon Blanchette will call to arrange a meeting.

#### Marriage

Please call the rectory at least **six months** in advance. Couples meet with the priest for an initial pastoral conversation before a wedding date can be set. Please do not make other plans until a date has been confirmed with your parish.

#### For the Sick

We are happy to visit with the homebound. If you or a loved one would like a home visit, Holy Communion or the Anointing of the Sick, please contact the rectory office.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK –THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Monday** Acts 6:8-15 Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday** Acts 7:51-8:1a Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab Jn 6:30-35

**Wednesday** Acts 8:1b-8 Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday** Acts 8:26-40 Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 Jn 6:44-51

**Friday** Acts 9:1-20 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Jn 6:52-59

**Saturday** Acts 9:31-42 Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Jn 6:60-69

**Sunday** Acts 4:8-12 Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 1 Jn 3:1-2 Jn 10:11-18

# THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, APRIL 14, 2024

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, April 13th, The Vigil For The Third Sunday Of Easter

**H/S** 4:00 p.m. Mario Vinci, By His Wife & Family

### Sunday, April 14th, The Third Sunday Of Easter

**S/M** 8:00 a.m. Gertrude Jones, By Margaret Pelletier

**H/S** 9:15 a.m. Sandra Guglielmi, By The Guglielmi Family

**S/M** 10:30 a.m. Francesco, Maria & Carlo Mucciacciaro,  
By Anna Gugliotti

**H/S** 12:00 p.m. Paul Koppe, By Glenn & Vrege Murray

### Monday, April 15th, Easter Weekday

**H/S** 9:00 a.m. Wladyslaw Nega, Birthday Remembrance, By His Daughter

### Tuesday, April 16th, Easter Weekday

**H/S** 9:00 a.m. Marie Foster & Guy DiNocenza, By Lois & Tom Crovo &  
Richard DiNocenza & Penny & Mike DiNocenza

### Wednesday, April 17th, Easter Weekday

**H/S** 9:00 a.m. Timothy "TJ" Hanson, 1st Anniversary, By His Family

### Thursday, April 18th, Easter Weekday

**H/S** 9:00 a.m. Joseph Rao, By The Rao Family

### Friday, April 19th, Easter Weekday

**S/M** 9:00 a.m. Costantino Sacco, 3rd Anniversary, By His  
Wife & Family

### Saturday, April 20th, The Vigil For The Fourth Sunday Of Easter

**H/S** 4:00 p.m. Rena Laughlin & John Bennett, By The Phelan Family &  
Salvator, Marianna & Helen Buccino, By Their  
Daughter in-law

### Sunday, April 21st, The Fourth Sunday Of Easter

**S/M** 8:00 a.m. Emile Pelletier, By His Wife Margaret

**H/S** 9:15 a.m. Ann Profetti, 32nd Anniversary, By Her Daughters

**S/M** 10:30 a.m. Jim Smola, 4th Anniversary, By His Wife

**H/S** 12:00 p.m. Joseph Rao, By The Rao Family



## In Loving Memory

### We pray for...

**Gloria Gedicks**

**Marie Stover**

**Claire Young**

And for the consolation of their family & friends. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; let your light shine upon them.*

## Parish Support

### April 7, 2024

Weekly \$9,584.00

Online Giving \$4,654.00

Total \$14,238.00

## Eucharistic Adoration

**\*There will not be Adoration this Tuesday, April 16th @ Holy Spirit Church. Thank you.**

## The Sanctuary Lamp is lit at:

**St. Mary Church**

On April 14th-20th

**For: Costantino Sacco**

By: His Wife & Family

**\*On April 26**, the Feast Day of Our Lady of Good Counsel, **The New Britain Council of Catholic Women** will hold its April meeting. This will be **at 1pm** at St. Jerome's Church. Note that this is a Friday, rather than our usual meeting day of Thursday. We will celebrate this special day with a reflection by Deacon Alan and a culmination of the Novena to Our Lady of Good Counsel. A fair-trade pop-up store with proceeds benefiting our Ukraine Charity Fund will follow our meeting. Please bring a friend!

By assisting devoutly at Mass, we render the sacred humanity of Our Lord the greatest homage. He makes up for many failings and omissions. We should pray like this at the beginning of Mass: **"O Most just God, with contrite heart and steadfast hope, I lay my sins upon this sacred altar, in order that they may be consumed by the flames of Your divine Charity, purged away by the Precious Blood of Jesus, and fully atoned for by His infinite merits. Amen."**

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## Easter Egg Trivia

**Easter Caskets:** Easter eggs symbolize not only spring's rebirth, but also Christ's resurrection. Like his tomb, the egg is the hard, cold casket from which new life finally and triumphantly breaks forth. The Roman-proverb *Omne vivum ex ovo* (All life comes from an egg) took on a new religious significance.

**Resurrection Gardens:** Jesus said, "Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit" (John 12:24). There is an old Paschal custom of tucking red-dyed eggs into sprouting seedlings. The "Easter grass"—rye grass or wheat—is started early and kept moist in a bowl of perlite. Come the Pasch, a few of the dyed eggs are nestled in, reminders of the baptized who "washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb." (Revelation 7:14). Like the egg itself, a believer can open into the white and gold of risen life. (Boiling the eggs good and long in a container stuffed with yellow onion skins gives them a beautiful bloody, mahogany color. Tying ferns and flowers to the egg with thread before boiling gives it a tracery effect. Eggs can be rubbed with butter for a shine.)

**Colored Eggs:** According to a Ukrainian folktale, a poor peddler went to the marketplace one day to sell a basket of eggs. He encountered crowd mocking a man who was staggering under a heavy cross on which he was about to be crucified. Running to his aid, the peddler lost the basket by the roadside. Upon his return, he found the eggs wondrously transformed with exquisite designs of bright colors. The man was Christ; the peddler, Simon of Cyrene; and the eggs were to become the symbol of rebirth for all mankind. Even today in Ukraine, decorating **pysanky**, as the native eggs are called, is a treasured craft and custom.

**Eggs and Rabbits?:** Though it is now a secular symbol, the rabbit was originally a religious symbol for non-Christians. It begins with the legend of "Eastre," the European goddess of spring. While this season of rebirth erupted with abundant new life, Eastre's pet bird would lay eggs in baskets and hide them in unlikely places. On a whim, Eastre transformed her bird into a rabbit but its egg-laying ways remained unchanged from its feathered past! Whether fowl or hare, Eastre's pet and its profligate produce represented abundant new life and earth reborn. Even back to the sixteenth century there is reference to an egg-laying rabbit.

**The Egg Roll:** In 1878 President Rutherford B. Hayes and his wife, Lucy, had an Easter Monday egg roll on the White House lawn for their eight children. They popularized the tradition that today involves thousands of eggs and an army of children. Don't tell the White House (for fear that this fun event will be canceled) but historically, the rolling egg imitated the rolling away of the stone from Christ's tomb.



Doors open at **6:00 p.m.** and the show starts at **7:00 p.m.**

Tickets are **\$25.00 each**

Family Friendly Show

50/50 Raffle, Popcorn & Raffle Prizes

For more information please call Jay Dumais @ 860-836-8243 or  
email:jay11dum@gmail.com

## PARISH CALENDAR, APRIL 14, 2024

### **The Knights Sandwich Ministry**

Our next sandwich collection is Sunday, **April 21st at 4:30 pm** in the Saint Mary School parking lot. Thank you for living your faith by helping others!

### **The Prayer Shawl Group**

meets the **third Thursday** of every month at **12:30 p.m.** @ The Holy Spirit Church Hall.

### **The Men's Club**

...meets on the **third Wednesday** of every month, @ **6:00 pm** in St. Mary lower Rectory.  
Contact: Tom Morris at (860) 666-6331

### **The Men's Fellowship Group**

...meets every **Wednesday** evening from **6:30-8:00 pm** Holy Spirit Church Hall.  
Contact: Angelo Marchetti at: (860) 202-1612

### **The Women's Guild**

**Executive Board Meeting:** Monday, **May 6th**, 6:30 pm in the Holy Spirit

### **Save The Dates:**

**April 14th** (St. Mary Church) & **April 21st** (Holy Spirit Church) **Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll & Member Drive**

**April 20th, The Sacrament of Communion @ 10:00 a.m.** at Holy Spirit Church.

**April 27th, The Sacrament of Confirmation @ 10:00 a.m.** at the Cathedral of St. Joseph.

**May 4th, The Annual Parish Comedy Night.** **Tickets are now available.** For tickets and more information, please call Jay Dumais at: 860-836-8243 or email him at: [jay11dum@gmail.com](mailto:jay11dum@gmail.com)  
**\*Setups are available.**

**May 5th,** The Office of Religious Education and our First Communicants will be leading a **May Crowning** after the **10:30am Mass at St. Mary.** All are welcome to attend!

**May 10th and May 11th, The Annunciation Parish Women's Guild** will hold their 2024 **Annual Plant Sale** from: **9:00- 2:00 pm in the Holy Spirit Church Hall.** The proceeds from this fundraiser allows us to help our local community organizations. Plants will include geraniums, annuals, herbs, some vegetables, hanging baskets and planters. The Geraniums will be available at \$4.75 per plant. The colors include: red, white, magenta and pink. Please pre-order the geraniums by April 28th. Please contact Jackie Gilligan at: 860-667-1441 or Jean Fuzie at 860-667-0690 with any questions.

**May 19, 2024,** The Women's Guild **Victorian Tea** with entertainment.

### **Volunteer Opportunity!**

Are you interested in helping immigrants and refugees learn to speak English? The House of Bread would love for you to join us in our efforts at our Jubilee House location (40 Clifford Street in Hartford) to help adult learners improve their language skills. We are expanding our afternoon program (Monday – Wednesday, 12:30-2:00 PM) where parents attend with their young children. Tutors are needed for the parents as well as babysitters for their children. Our wonderful Jubilee House volunteers are the essential ingredient to creating a friendly and safe learning environment where our students can improve communication skills and work towards their goals. You will work with an individual or lead a small group on one or more days each week. All that is needed is patience and a desire to help. There are also tutoring opportunities in the morning, (Monday-Thursday, 9:30-11:30). For more information, call Michele at 860-247-3030 x 12 or email at: [mprizio@hobread.org](mailto:mprizio@hobread.org). Come join our community and help make a difference in someone's life!

### **The Annunciation Womens Guild will host a Victorian Tea on Sunday May 19th, 2024, 2-4 p.m.**

All adults are invited to attend. The tea and 3 courses of light finger food and dessert will be provided by Cafe Louise Catering of West Hartford, and served family style. The doors will open at:1:15 pm. The tea service will begin at 2:00 pm, followed by entertainment. A speaker from the Connecticut Historical Society will present a program on "Something Old, Something New; Connecticut Weddings Through The Ages". A tea cup raffle and hat contest will also be held. Everyone is encouraged to dress in their Tea Party best and wear a hat/fascinator.

Attendees are requested to donate a new personal care item (ex. tooth brush/paste, shampoo, soap, deodorant, feminine hygiene products, etc) to be given to the Newington Human Services for those in need. The cost for this event is **\$20 per person**. Checks should be made payable to Annunciation Women's Guild. Tickets will be available to Women's Guild members to purchase at the April 9th meeting. Any remaining tickets will then be sold after April 9th. Please contact Susan Haynes at: 860-231-7864 with any questions.



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## April 16 Knights of Columbus Financial Wellness Workshop with Annunciation Parish

Give Your Dream a Voice. Newington's KofC's recognized field agent, Frank Emanuele, will hold a Personal Wellness Workshop with our Parish on Tuesday, **April 16, at 6:30 p.m.** at the **Holy Spirit Church Hall**. He will discuss and educate attendees on assessing your financial situation, creating a spending plan, paying back debt, planning for retirement and growing your savings. Attendance is free of charge.



Northwest Catholic High School is now accepting applications for the 2024-25 academic year! Discover for yourself how we educate the whole person: mind, body, spirit, and imagination by scheduling a tour today!

For any inquiries, please reach out to: Amy Mandrola, Director of Admissions, at 860-236-4221 ext. 140 or at: [amandrola@nwcath.org](mailto:amandrola@nwcath.org)



## Are you wondering if your child is on track academically?

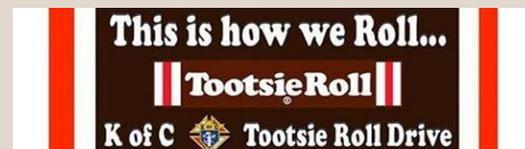
You are not alone. Perhaps you'd like to consider some other educational options.

Corpus Christi School of Wethersfield, a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, will host a **Spring Open House on Tuesday, April 16** from 6:00 – 7:30 P.M. at Corpus Christi School, 581 Silas Deane Highway. Corpus Christi School students benefit from smaller class sizes and personalized instruction. A structured curriculum combined with a nurturing environment result in student success - imagine how your child could soar!! Tours will be available; teachers, students, and parents will be on hand to answer questions. Tuition assistance is available. The school encompasses PreK - 8<sup>th</sup> grade. To register, please visit our website : <https://corpuschristischoolct.org/> or call: 860-529-5487

## Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll and Member Drive

The KofC will hold our annual **Tootsie Roll Drive** after all Masses **at St. Mary's on Sunday, April 14,** and **at Holy Spirit on Saturday and Sunday, April 20/21.** Donations benefit intellectually challenged children and adults, i.e. Harc Inc and Newington's Challengers Baseball Team. At the same Masses, KofC Knights will be available at the doors to speak with Catholic men 18 and older interested in the KofC during our **Membership Drive.**

Our Newington KofC is an active organization that supports our Parish, Community, and Families. Individuals may decide how much time to contribute to our organization. Thank-you!



## Big Money Multi-Parish Raffle is Back!

The big money parish raffle will return to our parish this summer. Top prize is \$30,000. Look for the mailing this summer!

A Raffle Committee is forming to process the tickets when purchased. The committee will meet to open mail, process payments and, most importantly and time consuming, enter data into the computer. If you are interested, please leave your name and number at the rectory. Thank you!

