



ANNUNCIATION PARISH

The Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time, August 4, 2024

PARISH OFFICE

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Office Hours

Monday - Friday:

9:00am - 2:00pm

CHURCH OF ST. MARY

626 Willard Avenue

Newington, CT. 06111

CHURCH OF HOLY SPIRIT

183 Church Street (No Mail Please!)

Newington, CT. 06111

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

Visit us on the web @
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*I am the
bread of life*

whoever comes to
me will never hunger,
and whoever
believes in me will
never thirst.

JOHN 6:35

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Draw near to your servants, O Lord, and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness, that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide, you may restore what you have created and keep safe what you have restored. 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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THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, AUGUST 4, 2024

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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Sacramental Ministries

Baptism

To schedule a Baptism, visit our website: 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 Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Monday Jer 28:1-17 Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102 Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 2 Pt 1:16-19 Mk 9:2-10

Wednesday Jer 31:1-7 Jer 31:10, 11-12AB, 13 Mt 15:21-28

Thursday Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 Mt 16:13-23

Friday Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7 De 32:35CD-36AB, 39ABCD, 41 Mt 16:24-28

Saturday 2 Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 Jn 12:24-26

Sunday 1 Kgs 19:4-8 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Eph 4:30-5:2 Jn 6:41-51

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 3rd The Vigil For The Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

H/S 4:00 p.m. John & Glenna Decker, By Laurel & Mark Decker

Sunday, August 4th, The Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

S/M 8:00 a.m. Deceased Members of The Sarra Family,
By Lidia Colangelo & Family

H/S 9:15 a.m. Louis & Josephina Ristoli, By Their Family

S/M 10:30 a.m. Giuseppe, Antonina, Vincenzo & Alina, By Anna Carducci

H/S 12:00 p.m. Carol Gallicchio, By John & Margaret Rocco

Monday, August 5th, The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major

H/S 9:00 a.m. Remy Martula, By By His Wife & Children

Tuesday, August 6th, The Transfiguration of the Lord

H/S 9:00 a.m. Paul P. & Helen Yurko, By Their Son & Daughter in-law

Wednesday, August 7th, Saint Ignatius Sixtus II, Pope & Companions, Martyrs; Saint Cajetan, Priest

H/S 9:00 a.m. Janet Ann Sweden, By John & Margaret Rocco

Thursday, August 8th, Saint Dominic, Priest

H/S 9:00 a.m. Julian Pastor, By Dario Pastor & Family

Friday, August 9th, Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin & Martyr

H/S 9:00 a.m. Richard, Justin & Linda Sawicki & Teddy Pajor,
By Their Mother & Family

Saturday, August 10th, The Vigil For The Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

H/S 4:00 p.m. James & Lorraine Behan, By Their Family

Sunday, August 11th, The Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

S/M 8:00 a.m. Anita Fairwood, By Richard & Ronald Fairwood
& Maureen Kievman

H/S 9:15 a.m. Joseph Abate, By His Wife & Children

S/M 10:30 a.m. Steffie & Joseph Kopczewski, By Carol Jordan & Family

H/S 12:00 p.m. Monica & Christopher Chacko, Wedding Anniversary (Living)
By Their Family



In Loving Memory

We pray for...

Joan Harpie

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

Parish Support

July 28, 2024

Weekly	\$8,425
<u>Online Giving</u>	<u>\$3,342</u>
Total	\$11,767

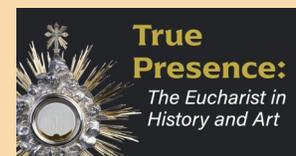
Eucharistic Adoration

Holy Spirit Church

6:00 - 7:00pm

Tuesday Evenings

Spend the whole hour or as much time as you can give!



The Blessed Michael McGivney Pilgrimage Center is hosting a new art exhibition, **Do This In Memory of Me.**

The show features more than 100 items and has received support from the National Eucharistic Revival.

Admission and parking are free. The Center is located at: 1 State St. in New Haven and is open Wednesdays through Sundays from 10 AM to 4 PM.

More at: michaelmcgivneycenter.org.

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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The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time:

The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time readings focus on God's care and our call to live in righteousness. These readings remind us of God's constant presence and the need for spiritual nourishment.

- **God's Care for Needs:** God provided bread and meat to the Israelites in the desert, showing His care for their physical needs. This reminds us that God listens and responds to our needs.
- **Bread from Heaven:** The manna from heaven in Exodus and Jesus as the bread of life in John show that God provides both physical and spiritual nourishment. This teaches us to seek God for our true sustenance.
- **Rejecting Old Ways:** Paul tells the Ephesians to discard their old sinful ways and embrace a new life. This means living according to Jesus' teachings in righteousness and holiness.
- **Renewal of Mind:** Renewal in Christ means changing how we think and act. Paul calls us to let go of sinful thoughts and behaviors and adopt a Christ-like mindset.
- **Seeking Eternal Life:** In John, Jesus tells the crowd to seek food that endures to eternal life. This highlights the importance of focusing on spiritual growth and salvation over earthly desires.
- **Jesus as the Bread of Life:** Jesus declares that He is the bread of life, promising that those who come to Him will never hunger or thirst. This signifies that true fulfillment comes from a relationship with Jesus.

These themes from the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time encourage us to trust in God's care and seek a deeper relationship with Christ. Reflecting on these themes can guide us in our spiritual journey.

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Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference 2024

Join us on Saturday, September 21st, at Northwest Catholic High School for a day that deepens and enriches your faith journey, where each year attendees' spiritual growth is magnified. The theme, "The Four Last Things: Death, Judgment, Heaven, Hell," will be explored by dynamic speakers.

The event includes a special procession of over 24 Saint reliquaries, Eucharistic Adoration, Exhibitors, Confession, and closes with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Christopher J. Coyne. Doors open at 7:30am, event begins at 8:30am, concluding with the Vigil Mass.

Tickets are \$45 for adults and \$30 for Teen (13 to 19 years old).

Visit www.ctcatholicmen.org for tickets and details.

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Steve Ray Peter Herbeck

SAVE THE DATE September 21, 2024

Fr Wade Menezes Kevin Wells

Northwest Catholic HS, West Hartford, CT



Please welcome into our parish family, the following child who was recently baptized at Annunciation Parish:

Myla DeGray

PARISH CALENDAR, AUGUST 4, 2024

The Knights Sandwich Ministry

Our next sandwich collection is Sunday, **August 19th at 4:30 pm** in the Saint Mary School parking lot.

The Prayer Shawl Group

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

The Men's Club

...meets on the **third Wednesday** of every month, at **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

A Special Thank You From The Sisters of Gulu, Uganda

The annual summer Missionary Appeal was held two weeks ago in our parish and the generosity of parishioners was seen on a huge scale!

The sisters who visited our parish wanted to make sure you knew how grateful they were for the warm reception they received and for the pledge of prayers and of course the donations made that will support their mission to child-mothers and vocational training pulling people out of the cycle of poverty in Uganda.

Members of the parish donated a total of \$6,912.00! This is a most generous amount and will allow the good sisters to accomplish good things for those most in need.

If anyone would like to contact the Little Sisters of Mary Immaculate of Gulu, you may do so by writing to their United States office: LSMIG 1029 Woodlawn Street, Scranton, PA 18509. 570-817-0642, littlesistersmig@gmail.com. You may want to contact them for prayer requests, further financial or spiritual gifts or to send Mass requests and stipends which will be used by the priests who serve the congregation on retreats or at the retreat center in Uganda.



Religious Education Registration is now OPEN!

Classes for grades 1-9 will be taking place on Sunday mornings, at John Wallace Middle School. **Drop-off/gathering is at 9am, and classes will take place from 9:15-10:15 am, starting September 15th.**

If you have children or students who would like to participate, please take a packet located at the main entrances in our churches, and join us on our journey as we grow closer to God. If your student is in 10th grade and has been enrolled in this program for the last two years and wants to receive the sacrament of Confirmation this fall, please see our alternative Confirmation III schedule.

Please pray for our students and teachers as they begin their instructions this new year!

If you have any questions you may reach the Religious Education Director, Dolores Mihaliak at: **860-666-3562 or DRE@annunciationnewington.com**

More Appreciation for You and our Parish

Birthright, the emergency pregnancy center offering caring and practical support to pregnant women in crisis wanted to convey their deep appreciation for the generous support showed during the "baby bottle campaign."

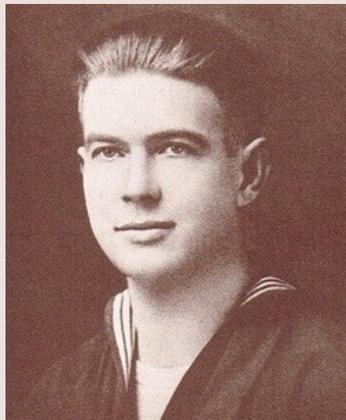
Annunciation parishioners donated \$4,239 in the baby bottle campaign and that was almost four times the parish church average for a baby bottle campaign!

Birthright believes it is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth and the right of every child to be born. A wonderful belief statement and one that lines up directly with the Catholic faith.

To learn more about Birthright or to volunteer in their mission please call 800-550-4900.



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In The Beginning...A Hundred Years of the Catholic Church in Newington: A Historical Look Back

Daniel F. Shea, (1894-1936) a native of Holyoke Mass, was a WW I veteran confined to a bed at the Newington Veterans Hospital (VA).

He served in the US Navy and was honorably discharged as disabled with service injuries. After his discharge, failing health continued to plague Daniel. Eventually he was relocated to the Newington VA.

Dan's disability was severe. He was restricted to bed, unable to move his limbs, and subsequently lost his sight. Father Timmins, Administrator of St Mary's, also served as the VA hospital chaplain. He became friends with Daniel, bringing him communion, conversation and consolation.

Dan found solace in his Catholic faith. He knew that St. Mary's church was across the street, even though he could not see the Church or attend Mass. He decided to donate a bell to St Mary's. In his mind, the bell would ring before mass, and let him know when Mass was about to begin. Thus, in his own way, he could attend Mass from his hospital bed. He planned to pay for the bell himself, out of his small government pension. Daniel imagined hearing the bell, and explained the gift "I wanted to give something alive. A bell is a living thing, always talking. In my opinion it is a prayer." The bell would also be a memorial to his mother. He wanted it inscribed "*To the Glory of God in Loving Memory of my Mother – Daniel F. Shea-Christmas 1935*"

Father Timmins and Major Thomas Bannigan, chief administrator of the VA Hospital contacted the Meneely Bell Co. (Troy NY) with Daniel's request to finance the bell from his small savings. The company's sales representative came to Newington to assess the site and visit Daniel.



After the visit the Meneely Company offered to provide a larger bell, one much grander than Dan could afford; one that would be heard for miles, and honor Daniel and his dream.

Due to the substitution of a larger bell, the Christmas date was missed but it was worth the wait. On Sunday morning, Jan. 5, 1936, Father Timmins announced the gift of the bell to St Mary's parishioners. The bell would be blessed on the following Sunday with special ceremonies throughout the day. See Part II of "The Bell" next week.



100th Anniversary Celebration
Dinner Reservation Form
Saturday, September 28, 2024
Following the 4:00 Mass, St. Mary School

Please join Archbishop Coyne and others who have gathered to celebrate the 100th Year of the Catholic Church in Newington. Dinner will follow Mass at: St. Mary Church.

To save a spot for dinner please RSVP by using this order form. Place the order form and payment in a plain envelope labeled "100 Years" and return in the collection basket or the Rectory (626 Willard Ave) by:

September 8th

For more information please contact:
Tom or Shirley Morris at
860-402-3140 or 860-402-3104

100th Anniversary Dinner Reservation Form

Saturday, September 28, 2024, Following 4:00 p.m. Mass
Celebrated at St. Mary Church, Dinner to follow in School

Name: _____ Phone: _____

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Number of Tickets _____ x \$10.00 = _____ enclosed.

Please make checks payable to
Annunciation Parish

Place in collection basket or mail to the Rectory Office,
626 Willard Ave., Newington, CT 06111