



# ANNUNCIATION PARISH

The Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time, February 11, 2024

## **PARISH OFFICE**

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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**

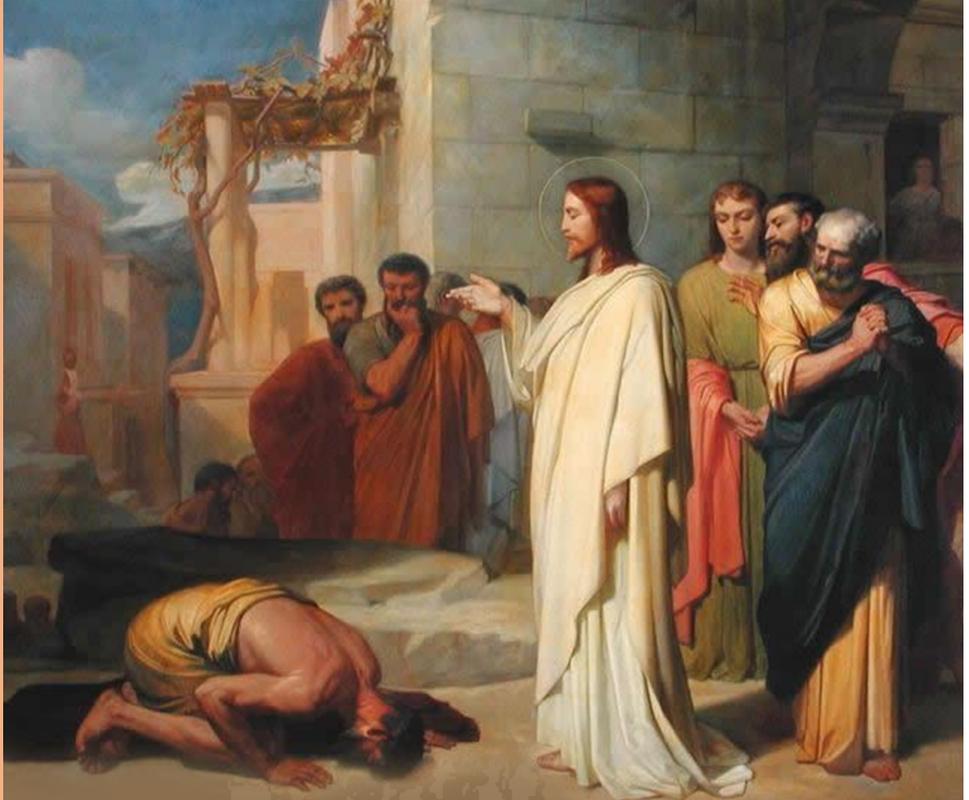
**Daily Mass:** Monday - Friday  
9:00 am, HS

**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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[annunciationnewington.com](http://annunciationnewington.com)



I do will it.  
*Be made clean.*

MARK 1:41

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O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. 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 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, FEBRUARY 11, 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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**Msgr. James Kinnane**

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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 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Monday** Jas 1:1-11 Ps 119:67, 68, 71, 72, 75, 76 Mk 8:11-13

**Tuesday** Jas 1:12-18 Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 18-19 Mk 8:14-21

**Wednesday** Jl 2:12-18 Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 2 Cor 5:20-6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thursday** Dt 30:15-20 Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Lk 9:22-25

**Friday** Is 58:1-9a Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 Mt 9:14-15

**Saturday** Is 58:9b-14 Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Lk 5:27-32

**Sunday** Gn 9:8-15 Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9. 1 Pt 3:18-22 Mk 1:12-15

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, February 10th, The Vigil For The Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**H/S** 4:00 p.m. Carmen & Theresa Paladino, By Their Family

**Sunday, February 11th, The Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

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

**H/S** 9:15 a.m. Gilles A. Brodeur, By His Children

**S/M** 10:30 a.m. Muriel Donahue, By Phil Fleming

**H/S** 12:00 p.m. Muriel Bendzinski, By The Annunciation Parish Women's Guild

**Monday, February 12th, Weekday**

**H/S** 9:00 a.m. In Honor Of The Holy Face Of Jesus

**Tuesday, February 13th, Weekday**

**H/S** 9:00 a.m. Barry Skipp, Sr., Birthday Remembrance, By His Wife

**Wednesday, February 14th, Ash Wednesday**

**H/S** 9:00 a.m. The People of the Parish

**S/M** 12:10 p.m. No Intention- Distribution of Ashes, No Mass

**H/S** 5:30 p.m. No intention- Distribution of Ashes, No Mass

**Thursday, February 15th, Thursday after Ash Wednesday**

**H/S** 9:00 a.m. Sister Elizabeth Szilvasi, By D. Callegher

**Friday, February 16th, Friday after Ash Wednesday**

**H/S** 9:00 a.m. Rae C. Zrinsky, By D. Callegher

**Saturday, February 17th, The Vigil For The Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**H/S** 4:00 p.m. Rev. John Bennett, By The Phelan Family

**Sunday, February 18th, The Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time**

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

**H/S** 9:15 a.m. Beverly Capoldo, By John & Margaret Rocco

**S/M** 10:30 a.m. Muriel Donahue, By Phil Fleming

**H/S** 12:00 p.m. Sisto Carroccia, 1st Anniversary, By His Family



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.”**

**In Loving Memory**

**we pray for...**

**Claire Bialaski**

**Daniel Goodchild**

**Roy Hebert**

**Normand E. Lessard**

**Barbara Ouellette**

**Rose Rudek**

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

**Parish Support**

**February 4, 2024**

Weekly: \$13,541.00

Online Giving: \$ 3,738.00

Total \$17,279.00

**Eucharistic Adoration**

**Holy Spirit Church**

6:00 - 7:00pm

Tuesday Evenings

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



**The Sanctuary Lamp is lit at:**

Holy Spirit Church

**On February 11th-17th**

For: Deceased Members of

The Arborio Family

By: The Arborio Family



## Stations of the Cross

The devotion of the Stations of the Cross also known as The Way of the Cross are a traditional Lenten devotional prayer designed to bring us into the events of Jesus' last steps that he walked on Good Friday during His passion and leading up to His death.

Tradition holds that it was the Blessed Mother who originated this devotion by retracing the steps of Jesus and pausing at spots along the way marked by special incidents. It is more likely, however, that the devotion began with pilgrims to the Holy Land, who visited and prayed at scenes of the passion. During the Crusades, pilgrimage to the Holy Land was very dangerous to "walk the walk" of Jesus. As a result, Catholic Churches began to place the traditional stations inside the parish church, offering parishioners a safe and easy way to unite themselves and meditate on the final steps of Jesus.

The Stations of the Cross developed widely along with devotion to the Passion in the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Centuries. The Franciscans were instrumental in this development, but it was the Redemptorist, St. Alphonsus Liguori (1696-1787) who gave the devotion its modern impetus with meditations that became standard in many churches.

The Stations of the Cross are prayed as a group on Fridays during Lent, at 12:10 p.m. at St. Mary and 7:00 p.m. at Holy Spirit.

Stations can be prayed anytime and anywhere. A listing of the Stations are as follows:

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| I. Pilate Condemns Jesus to Die          | II. Jesus Accepts His Cross                  |
| III. Jesus Falls the First Time          | IV. Jesus Meets His Mother                   |
| V. Simon Helps Carry the Cross           | VI. Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus         |
| VII. Jesus Falls the Second Time         | VIII. Jesus Speaks to the Women of Jerusalem |
| IX. Jesus Falls the Third Time           | X. Jesus is Stripped of His Garments         |
| XI. Jesus is Nailed to the Cross         | XII. Jesus Dies on the Cross                 |
| XIII. Jesus is Taken Down from the Cross | XV. Jesus is Laid in the Tomb                |

Consider joining us as we come together to walk the walk of Jesus, mediating on His suffering and death, a suffering and death offered for us and our salvation, every Friday during Lent at 12:10 or 7:00 p.m.



## **Make Plans to Place Your Orders**

The annual Palm Cross sale will start taking orders next week, see the bulleting for the order form.

Each piece is 24" x 12" and decorated with 60 pieces of palm, purple ribbon and 2 artificial lilies. \$13.00 each.

See the bulletin next week for the order form. Orders are due by March 10th and can be picked up on March 16, 2024.

## **Into The Breach Retreat**

St Mary Church Hall,  
5 Hillhouse, New Haven  
Saturday, February 17, 2024  
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

The Into The Breach Retreat is a one day examination of the spiritual battle that is currently going on in our world, country, the Church, our towns and our homes. All men are invited to attend. You will understand what this battle is, but more importantly, determine what you can do about it.

**Who should attend? All CATHOLIC MEN**

**For information contact:** Retreat Program Director:  
Deacon David Imhof [imhofda@aol.com](mailto:imhofda@aol.com)

## PARISH CALENDAR, FEBRUARY 11, 2024

### The Knights Sandwich Ministry

Our next sandwich collection is Sunday, **February 18th** 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

**The General Membership** meeting will be held on Tuesday, **February 13th**. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will be held in the Holy Spirit Church Hall. New members are always welcome to attend any meeting.

### The Knights Sandwich Ministry - Thank You

Thank you everyone for coming out on a freezing December Sunday - we collected approximately 550 sandwiches and many bags of snacks for Shelters in Hartford. The Shelters are very grateful for our donations and they use these sandwiches for lunches, late-meals, walk-in's and outreach programs. Our collections are on the third Sunday of the month. Our next sandwich collection is **Sunday, February 18th @ 4:30 in the Saint Mary School parking lot**. Please note, if there happens to be inclement weather on the collection date, the collection will be cancelled, safety comes first. Any questions please call Bill at: 860-436-2669. Thank you for living your faith by helping others!

### The Power of Prayer

By Paradisus Dei and St. Augustine Institute

Presented by the

**Annunciation Parish Men's Fellowship Group**

**Prepare your HEART for HOLY WEEK Leading up to EASTER SUNDAY**

**Make your Lenten Journey even more fruitful by Taking a Tour of the Mysteries of the Rosary as we take you through each of the**

**5 Sorrowful Mysteries**

**Together we will pray for each other, over each other, with each other, through each other.**

**Join us at the Holy Spirit Hall from 6:30 - 8pm**

### Friday Evenings After Stations

**2/9 - Introduction**

**2/16 - The Agony in the Garden**

**2/23 - The Scourging of Jesus at the Pillar**

**3/1 - The Crowning of Jesus with Thorns**

**3/8 - The Carrying of the Cross**

**3/15 - The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus**

**3/22 - Conclusion**

**There will be a 30-minute Video Presentation followed by group discussion and prayer.**

**Refreshments provided.**

### Save The Date

On **May 19, 2024**, The Annunciation Women's Guild will once again be holding a Victorian Tea with entertainment. This popular event will have you reminiscing and smiling ear to ear. Full details will be available in the future. At this time we are seeking volunteers to host a table by providing the china and serving items for one table. The tea and food are being catered. This is a great time to show off your china that has been sitting around unused. If you are interested or have any questions please contact the event chairs, Susan Haynes at 860-231-7864 or Patti Keltonic at 860-967-5928.

Thank you for your support!

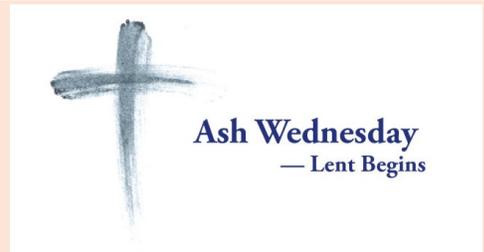


## Ash Wednesday Schedule-February 14th:

**9:00 a.m. Mass and Distribution of Ashes: Holy Spirit**

**12:10 p.m. Distribution of Ashes: St. Mary Church**

**5:30 p.m. Distribution of Ashes: Holy Spirit Church**



## Preparation for the Season of Preparation!

During the season of Lent, beginning on Ash Wednesday this Wednesday, the Church asks us to spend more time in intentional prayer, to fast and abstain from meat on designated days, and to practice charitable giving for the sake of others.

Recalling Jesus' forty day fast in the wilderness, we believe that our constant participation in these practices is a form of purification that deepens our spiritual center by stripping away all that is unnecessary and by reminding us of our sole reliance on God. Participating in a spiritual program during Lent allows us to celebrate the Easter Mystery more worthily and allows that celebration to build in excitement and anticipation.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of both fast and abstinence and all Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence. Abstinence means eating no meat. Fasting means eating only one normal sized meal and two smaller meals not exceeding the size of the one meal and not eating in-between meals (no snacks). Those 14 and older are required to abstain from meat; those 18-59 are required to fast, except in cases of special medical conditions that prevent fasting.

There are many spiritual programs to assist us in our Lenten Plan. To start our plan we can receive ashes on Ash Wednesday. The ashes imposed on our forehead are from blessed palm from the previous year. This act reminds us that we are dust and to dust we shall return and the fact that we are sinners working on our redemption in a special way during this holy season of Lent. Ashes are available on Ash Wednesday at Mass at 9:00 a.m. at Holy Spirit or during prayer services at St. Mary at 12:10 and Holy Spirit at 5:30.

The essential spiritual act for the season of Lent is to celebrate God's forgiveness and mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This soul saving sacrament is provided many times a week during Lent. The sacrament is celebrated every Saturday before Mass at Holy Spirit 3:00-3:50 and Friday morning before Mass at 8:30, every Tuesday Holy Hour at 6:00-7:00 at Holy Spirit and during the Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent at St. Mary at 12:10 and Holy Spirit at 7:00 p.m.

See information below for a special gathering on Fridays before Stations for Soup and Bread During Lent. See page 5 of this bulletin for the video program, The Power of Prayer which will follow Stations on Fridays during Lent.

The important thing is that everyone think about and begin a spiritual plan for this season of preparation, this special time of the year that is set apart, in order to be spiritually ready to enter into the great celebration at Easter.

## **Soup & Bread during Lent is Back!!!!**

Please come and join us for Soup & Bread every Friday during Lent starting at 6pm (Holy Spirit Hall). A different ministry from our Parish will be providing a meatless soup or soups and plenty of bread. Beverages will include coffee, tea and water. This is a great opportunity to grab something to eat before Stations of the Cross. Here is this year's schedule:

- Friday Feb. 16th:** Annunciation Men's Club
- Friday Feb. 23rd:** Annunciation Eucharistic Ministry
- Friday March 1st:** Annunciation Women's Guild
- Friday March 8th:** Knights of Columbus
- Friday March 15th:** Annunciation Men's Fellowship
- Friday March 22nd:** CCD 9th and 10th Graders



Please contact Jay Dumais at (860)836-8243 if you have any questions.