



# ANNUNCIATION PARISH

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JULY 13, 2025

## **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

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

Mercy

O God, who show the light of your truth to those who go astray, so that they may return to the right path, give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ and to strive after all that does it honor. 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. Janusz Kukulka**, Pastor

fr.kukulka@aohct.org

**Rev. Joseph Pullikattil**, Parochial Vicar

fr.pullikattil@aohct.org

### Weekend Associates

**Rev. Lawrence Bock**

**Msgr. James Kinnane**

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**James Blanchette**

deaconjimb@annunciationnewington.com

**Bruce Thompson**, Senior Deacon

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**Mark Neumann**, Parish Director of Music

neumn@hotmail.com

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music.dyson@annunciationnewington.com

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business@annunciationnewington.com

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### Religious Education Office

Phone: (860) 729-5032

**Deacon James Blanchette**, Director of Religious Education

deaconjimb@annunciationnewington.com

**Eliza Harris**, Coordinator of Religious Education

CRE@annunciationnewington.com

### 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.

#### 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 – Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**Monday** Ex 1:8-14, 22 Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 Mt 10:34—11:1

**Tuesday** Ex 2:1-15a Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 Mt 11:20-24

**Wednesday** Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 Mt 11:25-27

**Thursday** Ex 3:13-20 Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 Mt 11:28-30

**Friday** Ex 11:10—12:14 Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 Mt 12:1-8

**Saturday** Ex 12:37-42 Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15 Mt 12:14-21

**Sunday** Gen 18:1-10a Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 Col 1:24-28 Lk 10:38-42

# FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JULY 13, 2025

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, July 12th, The Vigil For The Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

H/S 4:00 p.m. Joan & Tony Pappa, By Their Son

### Sunday, July 13th, The Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

S/M 8:00 a.m. Virginia Barber, By Her Family

H/S 9:15 a.m. Lourdes Pastor, By Dario Pastor & Family

S/M 10:30 a.m. Sammy & Albertine Anest, By Marie

H/S 12:00 p.m. Rocco Ambruso, 14th Anniversary,  
By His Wife & Family

### Monday, July 14th, Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

H/S 9:00 a.m. Steven Michael Macholl, By Nathan Monoret

### Tuesday, July 15th, Saint Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

H/S 9:00 a.m. Kiwi & Greg Nowakowski, Marriage Blessing,  
By Their Parents

### Wednesday, July 16th, Weekday & Our Lady of Mount Carmel

H/S 9:00 a.m. Lac Vu & Vy Vu, By Their Granddaughter

### Thursday, July 17th, Weekday

H/S 9:00 a.m. Tina Germano, 2nd Anniversary, &  
The Giliberto Family, By The Family

### Friday, July 18th, Weekday & Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest

H/S 9:00 a.m. Francis (Ray) Paradise, By The Paradise Children

### Saturday, July 19th, The Vigil For The Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

H/S 4:00 p.m. Timothy F. Luddy, Sr., By His Family

### Sunday, July 20th, The Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

S/M 8:00 a.m. Tony Iannone, By His Wife Gail

H/S 9:15 a.m. Virginia Barber, By The Annunciation Parish  
Women's Guild

S/M 10:30 a.m. Deceased Members of The Anna Pizzoferrato Family,  
By The Family

H/S 12:00 p.m. George, Patricia, Vito & Robert Kupstas,  
By Jovie Kupstas



## In Loving Memory

### We pray for...

**George Blasko**

**Maria Giarratana**

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

## Parish Support

### June 29, 2025

Weekly \$11,946

Online Giving \$3,083

Total \$15,029

## Parish Support

### July 6, 2025

Weekly \$10,639

Online Giving \$4,056

Total \$14,695

## Eucharistic Adoration

### Holy Spirit Church

6:00 - 7:00pm

Tuesday Evenings

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



**\*Just a reminder, the Parish Raffle tickets and money are due back by July 15th to the Saint Mary's Rectory. The drawing will be on Saturday, July 19th at 8:00 p.m. at 123 Garfield Street, Newington.**

**Good luck to everyone who participated!!**

# PARISH CALENDAR, JULY 13, 2025

## The Knights Sandwich Ministry

Our next sandwich collection is Sunday,  
**July 20th at 4:30 pm** in the Saint Mary School  
parking lot.

## K of C Food Collection

**Sunday, July 6th @** both churches

## 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

## 18th Annual Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference

**Saturday, September 27, 2025, 7:30AM -  
Vigil Mass**

**New Location - Holy Cross High School,  
Waterbury, CT**

**Adoration, Confession, Speakers, Exhibitors,  
Lunch, Mass**

**Speakers: Dr. Ray Guarendi and  
Fr. Anthony Federico,**

**Fr. Jason Brooks, and Mr. Michael O'Neill**

**\*For more information, please visit:**

**[www.ctcatholicmen.org](http://www.ctcatholicmen.org)**

**or call Bill Mitchell in the evenings at:  
(860) 436-2669**



## Save The Date:

**To all Parishioners. Your assistance is requested. The Annunciation Women's Guild will once again be holding a Tag Sale fundraiser. It will be held on Saturday, September 13th, 2025 with free admission, and paid preview on Friday, September 12th.**

**As you complete your Spring and Summer household cleaning, we ask you to consider putting aside clean, working, and useable items and donating them to the tag sale in September.**

**Clean, working and useable items needed are: small appliances, jewelry, handbags, glassware, china, pottery, small electronics, pots and pans, toys, lamps, suitcases, small furniture or patio items, clean pet items, small sports equipment, small hand tools, knickknacks, and linens and craft items.**

**ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED include: Large furniture, books, CD's, DVD's, videos, records, video equipment, medical equipment, clothing or shoes, infant seats, cribs or high chairs, Christmas trees or lights, televisions, monitors or computer items, plastic food items, mugs and water glasses, pictures or picture frames, stuffed toy and unsafe or hazardous items.**

## **Annunciation Parish Pet Food Drive Newington CT Humane Society**

**Please bring  
NON-PERISHABLE  
PETFOOD ITEMS**

**To Mass on the following  
Dates  
Sat. July 19th & Sun. July 20th  
Leave them just inside the  
side entrance closest to  
parking lot**



**God Bless and Thank You for Your Generosity**

# ANNUNCIATION PARISH

**The 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C focuses on living out God's Word in everyday life. The readings encourage faith in action, love for others, and seeing Christ as the center of all creation.**

- **Obeying God's Word:** God's commandments are clear and close to us. The first reading reminds us that following God's will is not beyond our reach.
- **Christ at the Center:** The second reading highlights Jesus as the foundation of creation and our faith. Everything exists through Him and is united in Him.
- **Loving Your Neighbor:** The Gospel calls us to love others, especially those in need. The story of the Good Samaritan challenges us to show kindness and mercy.
- **Faith in Action:** Faith is not just about knowing God's Word. The readings show that faith comes alive when we live it out through our actions.
- **Compassion for Others:** The Good Samaritan shows what compassion looks like. True love for God means caring for people, even strangers or those we find hard to love.
- **God's Word is Close:** The first reading teaches that God's Word is already in our hearts. We can live it out if we listen and choose to follow it.
- **Jesus as the Source of Unity:** The second reading shows Jesus as the one who holds all things together. Our faith unites us with Him and with one another.

**On the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C, we are reminded to live our faith through love and action. God's Word is near to us, and Jesus calls us to serve others with compassion and care.**

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## **The Annunciation Parish**

### **Women's Fellowship Group**

**Welcome women of all ages! We meet every Thursday evening from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in The Holy Spirit Church Hall. The group will focus on our walk with God in our daily lives through scripture, fostering spiritual growth, building lasting friendships and trust. Our mission is to provide a safe place where women are encouraged to connect, serve, and develop their faith through shared experiences and activities.**

**Please register by either emailing or texting Kimberly Marchetti at: [kim@annunciationnewington.com](mailto:kim@annunciationnewington.com) or 860-202-0020. Please provide the following information: full name, home address, phone number and email address. Walk-Ins are always welcome!**



## **A Special Thank You!**

The Little Sisters of the Poor who visited our parish last week, were very appreciative for the kind and receptive welcome they received. They were amazed at the generosity of the people who donated from both of our Churches. The Sisters raised \$6,733 from our parish. Thank you to all who donated to such a worthy cause!



# **Birtright**

## NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

860-290-8800

[www.birtrightofhartford.org](http://www.birtrightofhartford.org)

Birtright is an emergency pregnancy service offering caring and practical support to pregnant women in crisis. Our guiding principle: It is the RIGHT of every pregnant woman to give BIRTH and the RIGHT of every child to be BORN.

**HELP A MOTHER GIVE BIRTH TO HER BABY!**  
Opportunities include friendship counseling and clerical and clothing work. Training is provided.

# ANNUNCIATION PARISH

Archdiocese of Hartford  
Office of Safe Environment  
467 Bloomfield Ave.  
Bloomfield, CT 06002

## **HOW TO REPORT AN INCIDENT OF SEXUAL ABUSE** **TO THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD**

If you have knowledge or suspect that a minor or vulnerable adult (an adult with an intellectual disability) has been sexually abused, in any manner, by personnel of the Archdiocese of Hartford, you are urged to report this information to:

**Faith Vos Winkel, MSW**  
**Victim Assistance Coordinator**  
**(860) 541-6475**  
[faith.voswinkel@aohct.org](mailto:faith.voswinkel@aohct.org)

In addition, you will be asked to follow up in writing with a detailed description of the facts involved in the incident. Specifics of this written report can be found in the [Policies and Procedures of the Archdiocese of Hartford Relating to Allegations of Sexual Misconduct Involving Minors and Vulnerable Adults](#). This document is also available online at [www.archdioceseofhartford.org](http://www.archdioceseofhartford.org). The Archdiocese of Hartford will report any and all incidents to the proper civil authorities.

Mandated reporters in the State of Connecticut are required by law to report any incident of sexual abuse involving a minor or vulnerable adult. We encourage any Non-Mandated persons to report such incidents to the proper authorities as well. We support your right to do so.

Incidents involving sexual abuse of minors (persons under the age of 18) should be reported to:

State of CT Department of Children and Families Care-line  
**1-800-842-2288**

Incidents involving sexual abuse of vulnerable adults aged 18 – 59 should be reported to the:

State of CT Connecticut Department of Developmental Services  
AID Division for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities  
**1-844-878-8923**

Incidents involving sexual abuse of vulnerable adults aged 60 and over should be reported to:

State of CT Department of Social Services  
Division of Protective Services for Elders  
**1-888-385-4225**

Once a written report of an incident of sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult has been received, an investigation will be undertaken by, or on behalf of, the Archdiocese of Hartford.



## NOD TO THE COLLAR

CELEBRATING THE GOOD

Want to acknowledge a priest who has made a positive impact on your life? You're not alone! Visit [nodtothecollar.com](http://nodtothecollar.com) and express your gratitude for the dedicated members of our Catholic clergy through video or audio, art, or a written statement. It's a quick and simple way to make a meaningful impact.

## SHARE YOUR STORY ON [nodtothecollar.com](http://nodtothecollar.com)



### Through Video or Audio

Recording a Nod is as easy as taking a selfie! Visit our website to record a thank you (audio or video), highlighting a priest who has helped you or a loved-one in a specific way.



### Through Art

As the saying goes, a picture is worth a thousand words! Upload a drawing or piece of original art through our website, highlighting a priest who has helped you or a loved one in a specific way.



### Through Words

Submitting a written Nod through our website couldn't be simpler. Compose a short thank you highlighting a priest who has helped you or a loved-one in a specific way, press the submit button and you're done!

## WHO IS NOD TO THE COLLAR?

We are lay Catholics without an agenda. Our sole purpose is to create a loving space where we can share our stories and show appreciation to the incredible priests who tirelessly serve.

 [www.nodtothecollar.com](http://www.nodtothecollar.com)



I wanna give a nod to **Father Michael** because he did my first communion. This meant a lot to me because of how he helped me a lot with my faith.



Thank you, **Father Tom**, for the thoughtful spiritual direction when I shared an ethical issue that was confronting me in my workplace. Your attentiveness, time and availability during a time when I was confused helped bring me back to the grounding of my faith and how to live it in a challenging job environment.

Francis

NEWS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD



## Branches on the Vine

JULY 12 - 18, 2025



Kelly Henderschedt, archdiocesan director of Faith Formation and Parish Life, holds up a map showing Hartford among 20 dioceses selected to participate in a national family faith project.  
PHOTO BY SHELLEY WOLF

### ARCHDIOCESE IS SELECTED FOR NATIONAL PARENT AND FAMILY FAITH PROJECT

- Story by Shelley Wolf

There is a map of the United States with 20 Catholic dioceses that are part of a cutting-edge, family faith project – and the Archdiocese of Hartford is literally on the map.

Hartford appears proudly among the dioceses of New York, Chicago, Los Angeles and Honolulu on a map created by the National Community of Catechetical Leaders, or NCCL, a national association of Catholic religious educators.

“It’s kind of amazing to have Hartford be part of this huge national project that literally goes from coast to coast,” says Kelly Henderschedt, director of Faith Formation and Parish Life for the Archdiocese of Hartford.

The project, “Parents and Families at the Center of Faith Formation,” is being conducted by NCCL thanks to a five-year grant from the Lilly Endowment, a private foundation. The Archdiocese of Hartford is among 20 dioceses invited to participate in the national project, which is helping 200 Catholic parishes across the country engage 30,000 parents and their families.

The project is already underway in the archdiocese in 10 participating parishes.

The 10 parishes include: Most Holy Trinity, Wallingford; St. Peter Claver, West Hartford; St. Margaret, Madison; St. Thomas the Apostle, Oxford; St. Luke, Southington; St. Anthony, Prospect; St. Mary, Simsbury; St. Damien of Molokai, Windsor; St. John Bosco, Branford; and St. Paul VI, Hamden.

Together, the parishes are exploring how to strengthen faith formation at home during the first two decades of life, and create parish communities that support parents and the whole family. All initiatives are incorporating the most current thinking about faith transmission in today’s families.

According to Henderschedt, this is year two of the five-year project, which began in the fall of 2024. The first year involved information gathering. Year two includes idea generation, program development and the launch of pilot programs in the parishes. More activities will be phased in over the following years, ending with evaluation in 2028.

In each of the 10 archdiocesan parishes, parish teams have already completed parent surveys.

“We’re saying, “Tell us. What is your biggest struggle with your family?”

How can we help you grow your child in his or her faith? How can we support you?” Henderschedt asks. Parents, she says, were thrilled to be asked.

Some parents, she reports, want help talking to their teenagers about faith, some want advice on teaching the Bible at home, and others need help with difficult conversations.

Currently, the parish teams are using the parent data to develop new pilot programs, or tweak existing ones, to better support families in instilling Catholic faith and values. These customized family faith programs are also taking into account various cultures, family structures, caregivers, and the needs expressed by today’s parents.

“In my 25 years of doing faith formation, including my eight years at the archdiocese, I have not seen anything this forward thinking,” Henderschedt says.

“It’s super exciting. It’s so innovative. We’re really thinking outside of the box about how we are forming families. Really creative work is coming out of this,” she insists. Stay tuned for new and engaging family faith programs in the 10 parishes, beginning this fall.



# Upcoming Events

**VOTIVE MASS IN HONOR OF SAINT MARY MAGDALENE**

*Patron of Atrani, Italy*  
Thursday, July 17, 2025 - 6:30 PM



Mass in Italian with Fr. Joseph MacNeill

Music by Dr. Ezequiel Menendez & choir  
U.S. premiere of "Inno a Maria Maddalena" by Mons. Marco Frisina

Coffee & Refreshments to follow  
Sponsored by the Societa Santa Maria Maddalena

Saint Michael Church of Blessed Michael McGivney Parish  
29 Wooster Place, New Haven, CT



07/30 WEDNESDAY 7PM  
**FREE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES**  
**THE INFINITY SAXOPHONE QUARTET**  
Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center  
303 Tunxis Rd, West Hartford

The grounds of Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center will again resonate with the sound of music this summer. Gather your family and friends, grab a blanket or low-profile beach chair, and make your way to our pavilion for this lively concert series. You are welcome to bring food and beverages to enjoy throughout the evening. Our grounds are magnificent, so come early to enjoy our walking paths or recenter yourself with a journey through our labyrinth.

These concerts are FREE to attend. No registration required.

Wednesday, July 30, 2025  
7:00 to 8:30 P.M.  
The Infinity Saxophone Quartet

This evening's showcase features a diverse mix of jazz standards, contemporary classical, big band, folk, and classic pop music. Featuring Justin Fontano (soprano/alto sax), Steve Moran (alto sax), Rich Szulczewski (tenor sax, manager), and Matt Schmidt (baritone sax).

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07/22 TUESDAY 1-6PM  
**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**  
The Lyceum, 181 Main St, Terryville

Join St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish and help save lives at a community blood drive. Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood. That's why St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish is on a mission to help save lives by hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, July 22, 2025, from 1:00-6:00 PM at The Lyceum, 181 Main St., Terryville.

The community is invited to take part in this special event and donate blood for patients across the country. Make a difference in our community and beyond and help ensure blood is on the shelves before it is needed.

To schedule your appointment, visit [www.tinyurl.com/4jfvbska](http://www.tinyurl.com/4jfvbska)

## 2025 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Scan the QR code to learn how you can make a lasting impact!



Total Goal: \$10M

85.76% as of 7/1/25  
\$8,576,174.71 pledges from  
25,390 generous donors

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