



ANNUNCIATION PARISH

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPTEMBER 7, 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

Visit us on the web @
annunciationnewington.com

Whoever does not carry his
own cross and come after me
cannot be my disciple.

Luke 14:27



God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, you may nurture in us what is good and, by your watchful care, keep safe what you have nurtured. 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.

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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.

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 – Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

Monday Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30 Ps 13:6ab, 6c Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Tuesday Col 2:6-15 Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11 Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday Col 3:1-11 Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab Lk 6:20-26

Thursday Col 3:12-17 Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 Lk 6:27-38

Friday 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14 Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11 Lk 6:39-42

Saturday 1 Tm 1:15-17 Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5 and 6-7 Lk 6:43-49

Sunday Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17

Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 6th, The Vigil For The Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

H/S 4:00 p.m. Thomas Buccino, 8th Anniversary,
By His Wife

Sunday, September 7th, The Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

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

H/S 9:15 a.m. Minnie DelMastro, 8th Anniversary, By Her Family

S/M 10:30 a.m. Norman & Louise LeBlanc,
By The St. Laurent Family

H/S 12:00 p.m. Alejandro Docena Sr., Sexto & Renaldo Macapanas,
& Donata Maragrag By, Jovie Kupstas

Monday, September 8th, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

H/S 9:00 a.m. Bridget McSweegan, By Donald McSweegan

Tuesday, September 9th, Saint Peter Claver, Priest

H/S 9:00 a.m. Bridget McSweegan, By Mary Jane Edwards

Wednesday, September 10th, Weekday

H/S 9:00 a.m. Helen & Anthony Rasimas & Family, By Their Family

Thursday, September 11th, Weekday

H/S 9:00 a.m. Steven Taber, 1st Anniversary, By The Family

Friday, September 12th, Weekday & The Most Holy Name of Mary

H/S 9:00 a.m. Gabriel Suarez, By Marco Suarez

Saturday, September 13th, The Vigil For The Exaltation of The Holy Cross

H/S 4:00 p.m. Victor DePamphilis, William & Viola DePamphilis
& Angelo & Angela Nicotera, By Rosa & Family

Sunday, September 14th, The Exaltation of The Holy Cross

S/M 8:00 a.m. Marybeth Cenci, By Marie

H/S 9:15 a.m. Mary Ellen Ashe, 7th Anniversary, By Her Family

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

H/S 12:00 p.m. Joseph & Irene Taggart, By Tom & Joan Taggart



In Loving Memory

We pray for...

Vincent DeMilia

Joan Wright

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

Parish Support

August 31, 2025

Weekly	\$9,003
<u>Online Giving</u>	<u>\$2,659</u>
Total	\$11,662

Eucharistic Adoration

Holy Spirit Church

6:00 - 7:00pm

Tuesday Evenings

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



***The Confirmation date for our students will be Sunday, November 23, 2025, at 2:30 at Saint Joseph's Cathedral.**



Special Collection for Gaza – September 13–14, 2025

Archbishop Coyne has asked all parishes to take up a special second collection the weekend of September 13–14 to support those suffering from the ongoing crisis in Gaza and the surrounding region.

Your generosity will make a real difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters who are experiencing great suffering. Please prayerfully consider supporting this important appeal.

PARISH CALENDAR, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

The Knights Sandwich Ministry

Our next sandwich collection is Sunday, **September 21st at 4:30 pm** in the Saint Mary School parking lot.

K of C Food Collection

Sunday, September 7th @ 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

The Women's Fellowship Group

...meets every **Thursday** from **6:30-8:00 pm @ Holy Spirit Church Hall.** Contact: Kim Marchetti at: (860) 202-0020

The Women's Guild

The Women's Guild Executive Board will meet on Tuesday, **October 7th**, and the **General Membership meeting** will be held on Tuesday, **September 16th**. All meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. in the Holy Spirit Church Hall.



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

Liana Lyn Kalwara

Lilith Mari Kalwara

Grace Rose Pratte

The Women's Guild first meeting of the 2025-2026 year will be held on **Tuesday, September 16th** in the **Church of The Holy Spirit Hall** beginning at **6:30 pm**. Our guest speakers for the evening are: Jill Kovalich, founder of Solo Agers Connect, and Fay deHass, owner of Kreative World Travel. They will provide a presentation on the growing number of Solo Agers, and the popularity of Solo Travel. They will also offer tips for safe solo travel and answer any questions.

***All women of the parish are invited to join the Women's Guild. Dues are \$10 for the year.**

Religious Education Registration is now OPEN!

Classes for grades K-9 will not be on Sundays at John Wallace Middle School. Classes will be held at Holy Spirit and Saint Mary's twice a month during the week on an evening to be determined. We are transitioning to the Hartford Archdiocese Faith Formation program. Please visit the Annunciation Parish website for additional information by clicking on religious education and announcements. *On September 22, 2025, a meeting for parents and children will be held at Holy Spirit Church at 6:30 p.m.

If you haven't registered your child in the faith formation class, please go to the Annunciation Parish website at: <https://www.annunciationnewington.com>

For more information, you may reach out to Deacon Jim Blanchette at: 860-729-5032 or deaconjimb@annunciationnewington.com

Religious education classes will start the first week of October, with the option to attend class on the 6th or the 9th at 6 p.m. A calendar will be published soon. We will meet in Holy Spirit Church to start. At least one parent is required to be present. If both parents can attend, that would be great. **Confirmation classes** will be starting on **Sunday, September 14th, at 1 p.m.**, Holy Spirit Hall. The Noon Mass at Holy Spirit is mandatory as well.

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“In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.” *Luke 14:33*

The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C calls us to reflect on discipleship and the wisdom needed to follow Christ. The readings challenge us to choose Jesus above everything else and to rely on God for understanding.

- **The cost of discipleship:** Jesus reminds us that following Him requires sacrifice. We must be willing to put Him above all else, even when it is difficult.
- **God’s wisdom over human understanding:** The first reading shows that God’s wisdom is greater than ours. We need His guidance to make the right choices in life.
- **Detachment from possessions:** The Gospel challenges us to let go of material things. True discipleship means not being controlled by wealth or possessions.
- **Carrying the cross:** Jesus speaks about the need to carry our crosses. This means accepting struggles and hardships with trust in Him.
- **Welcoming others as family:** In the second reading, Paul asks Philemon to welcome Onesimus as a brother. This reminds us that we are all part of God’s family.
- **Counting the cost:** The Gospel asks us to think carefully before following Jesus. Discipleship requires commitment and planning for the challenges ahead.



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Pilgrims of Hope

***Hope is not a light that scatters our darkness,
but a lamp that guides our steps in the night and suffices for the journey.***

Pope Francis

Join us for a reflection on hope during this ***Jubilee Year of Hope***.

The Franciscan Life Center invites you to a presentation by Sister John Mary Sullivan, FSE, on the virtue of hope, **Thursday, September 25, 2005**, from **7:00 to 8:00 p.m.**, on the campus of the Franciscan Life Center, 271 Finch Avenue, Meriden, CT. This educational and spiritual enrichment presentation is free of charge. **Call: 203-237-8084** or visit: flcenter.org to register.

**Connecticut Catholic Men’s Conference 2025
New Location: Holy Cross High School, Waterbury, CT
Saturday, September 27, 2025 | 7:30 AM - Vigil Mass**

Join us for a transformative day of faith with speakers Dr. Ray Guarendi, Father Anthony Federico, Michael O’Neill, and Father Jason Brooks. The day includes a **Eucharistic procession, Adoration, first-class relics, Confession, Exhibitors, Vendors**, and includes **lunch**. The day will culminate in **Vigil Mass with the Archbishop**.

For tickets, visit www.ctcatholicmen.org.

Annunciation Parish Women’s Guild 2025



Holy Spirit Church Hall
183 Church Street, Newington
Preview – Friday, September 12, 2025
\$5.00 Admission 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Saturday, September 13, 2025
Free Admission 8:00 am – 2:00 pm

CLEAN AND

NEEDED

USABLE ARTICLES

SMALL APPLIANCES (WORKING CONDITION)
JEWELRY, HANDBAGS
GLASSWARE, CHINA, POTTERY
SMALL ELECTRONICS (WORKING CONDITION)
TOYS, LAMPS
SMALL FURNITURE OR PATIO
CLEAN PET ITEMS

SMALL HAND TOOLS
LINENS & CRAFT ITEMS
SMALL SPORTS ITEMS
POTS & PANS
KNICK-KNACKS
SUITCASES
SMALL SPORTS EQUIPMENT

NO TRUCK LOADS PLEASE

WE WILL NOT ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT
FURNITURE LARGE OR HEAVY
CLOTHING OR SHOES
INFANT SEATS, CRIBS OR HIGHCHAIRS
CHRISTMAS TREES OR LIGHTS
TELEVISIONS, MONITORS OR COMPUTERS
STUFFED TOYS
PLASTIC FOOD ITEMS
LARGE LAWN OR YARD EQUIPMENT
MUGS OR WATER GLASSES
PICTURES OR FRAMES
BOOKS, CD'S, RECORDS OR CASSETTES
UNSAFE OR HAZARDOUS ITEMS
BASKETS

DROP-OFF DATES LIMITED TO: 2 DAYS AND 2 EVENINGS ONLY

September 8, 2025 Monday 9 am – 2 pm and 5 pm - 7 pm
September 9, 2025 Tuesday 9 am – 2 pm and 5 pm – 7pm

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Please text Lynn Lutz, Chairperson @ 860-604-6798 or email at lutz62511@gmail.com

BREAKFAST FUNDRAISING

**September 28th, 2025
8am-11am**

HOLY SPIRIT CHURH HALL

183 Church st. Newington, CT 06111

**We will be selling tickets at:
Saint Mary Church on Sept. 14
Holy Spirit Church on Sept. 20 & 21
WALK-IN PAYMENTS ARE WELCOME**

**Hosted by:
Newington Knights of Columbus**



**\$10-Adult
\$5-under 12
Free-under 3**

**JOIN US
FOR BREAKFAST**

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL
GO TO SUPPORT
COATS FOR KIDS**

**PANCAKES, HAM, EGGS,
SAUSAGE, DANISH,
HOME FRIES &
BEVERAGES**

For more inquiry: email us @3884events@gmail.com

REMEMBERING

The Child We Love and Have Lost

25th ANNUAL

CHERISH OUR CHILDREN WALK

Please join us as we walk in honor of children

Sunday, September 7, 2025

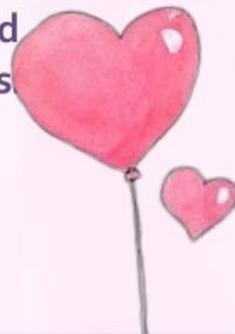
Newington Memorial Funeral Home
20 Bonair Avenue, Newington

12:00pm to Register — 1:00pm to Walk

(Rain or Shine)

Parents, relatives and friends who have experienced the death of a child of any age are invited to walk with us.

For more information,
please call 860-666-0600
or visit www.duksa.net



Duksa Family Funeral Homes
FREE SHREDDING EVENT

Saturday, September 13, 2025
From 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

You are invited to bring your unwanted personal documents
for destruction in a **FileShred** mobile shredding truck.
Shred confidential documents safely and securely. **FREE** of charge!

AT BOTH OF OUR FUNERAL HOME LOCATIONS:

**BURRITT HILL
FUNERAL HOME**

332 Burritt Street - New Britain



**NEWINGTON
MEMORIAL**

20 Bonair Avenue - Newington

Please Help Us Support Our Local Food Banks!

We will be collecting items for our local food banks at this event.

Please visit our website for a list of the items most needed.

For more information please call 860-666-0600 or visit our website at www.duksa.net

RAIN OR SHINE!



Upcoming Events

ST. ANTHONY CHURCH OF PROSPECT
4 Union City Road, Prospect

CARNIVAL

Thursday, Friday, Saturday
September 18, 19, 20, 2025
Food Available Starting At 5:00 PM

Thursday Friday 6 PM - 10 PM
Saturday 3 PM - 10 PM

Games, Food, Music, Rides (Ride Brackets Available Each Night) | Hotdogs, Hamburgers, Beverages Every Night!
Free Admission & Parking

Come hungry! Each night will feature a different ethnic cuisine, Polish, Italian, and Mexican, so there's something new to enjoy every evening!

 **Carolyn's Place**
PREGNANCY CARE CENTER

33rd Anniversary Dinner
Sunday, November 2, 2025 | 3:30 PM

La Bella Vista
380 Farmwood Road Waterbury, CT

2025 Awardees -
Bill O'Brien, Sr. Mary Richards, F.S.E.,
Terri Moriello & Kathy Durgy-Conception

Celebrate Another Year of Life Affirming Support

5 Course Meal | Award Presentation | Silent Auction

Reservations Required Respond by October 24, 2025
Reservations Available:
www.carolynsplace.org or 203.597.9080

 **Dinner \$60 per person**

 **Knights of Columbus**
Terryville Council 1090

Sponsorships & Advertising Opportunities Available



09/17 - 11/5 WEDNESDAYS 10AM
LUKE: THE STORY OF SALVATION FULFILLED

Sacred Heart on the Lake Retreat Center,
194 Candlewood Hill Rd, Higganum

Jeff Cavins and Jeffrey Morrow take us on a journey through the Gospel of Luke with its best loved stories and its messages for our times. Through the DVD and discussions Jesus' life comes alive in our imagination, Suggested donation is \$10.00 per session.

8 Wednesdays from September 17 through November 5, 2025, from 10:00 to 11:30.

To register or for further information you can email or call Sr. Patricia at email: cigrandpatricia@gmail.com or 203-606-4830.

2025 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

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



Total Goal: \$10M

92.26% as of 8/25/25
\$9,225,649.91 pledges from 27,707 generous donors

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