



# ANNUNCIATION PARISH

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time, September 15, 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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**JESUS**  
**THE MESSIAH**

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Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart. 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 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SEPTEMBER 15, 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

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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.

##### 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 Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

**Monday** 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33 Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 Lk 7:1-10

**Tuesday** 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 Lk 7:11-17

**Wednesday** 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22 Lk 7:31-35

**Thursday** 1 Cor 15:1-11 Ps 118:1B-2, 16AB-17, 28 Lk 7:36-50

**Friday** 1 Cor 15:12-20 Ps 17:1BCD, 6-7, 8B and 15 Lk 8:1-3

**Saturday** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Mt 9:9-13

**Sunday** Wis 2:12, 17-20 Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6 and 8 Jas 3:16-4:3 Mk 9:30-37

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, September 14th, The Vigil For The Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**H/S** 4:00 p.m. Thomas Buccino, 7th Anniversary, By His Wife

**Sunday, September 15th, The Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

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

**H/S** 9:15 a.m. Cosimo & Teresa Niro, By Their Granddaughter

**S/M** 10:30 a.m. Marino & Felicia Carducci & Giovanni Carducci, By Anna Carducci

**H/S** 12:00 p.m. Andy Anderson, 10th Anniversary, By His Wife & Daughter

**Monday, September 16th, Saints Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs**

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

**Tuesday, September 17th, Saint Robert Bellamine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church; Saint Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin & Doctor of the Church**

**H/S** 9:00 a.m. Bronislaw Jarombel, By The Family

**Wednesday, September 18th, Weekday**

**H/S** 9:00 a.m. Romualdo Jarombel, By The Family

**Thursday, September 19th, Saint Januarius, Bishop & Martyr**

**H/S** 9:00 a.m. David Daniel DeTuccio, Sr., By His Family

**Friday, September 20th, Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, & Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companions, Martyrs**

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

**Saturday, September 21st, The Vigil For The Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**H/S** 4:00 p.m. Joseph & Irene Taggart, By Tom & Joan Taggart & Emilienne & Elie Richard, By The Phelan Family

**Sunday, September 22nd, The Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**S/M** 8:00 a.m. Kay McMahon, 1st anniversary, By Her Family

**H/S** 9:15 a.m. Filomena & Antonio Manocchio & Angelo, By Their Family

**S/M** 10:30 a.m. Timothy Mitchell, By His Family

**H/S** 12:00 p.m. Josefina Astiasaran, By Domingo Astiasaran & Family



**In Loving Memory**

**We pray for...**

**Thomas Donagher  
Alice Milluzzo**

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

**Parish Support**

**September 8, 2024**

Weekly \$11,106

Online Giving \$4,052

Total \$15,158



**Eucharistic Adoration**

**Holy Spirit Church**

6:00 - 7:00pm

Tuesday Evenings

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



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 The Beginning...A Hundred Years of the Catholic Church in Newington:**

### **A Historical Look Back**

St. Mary's School opened in September of 1958 as a junior high school for students in grades 7 and 8. As time continued, St. Mary's School continually changed to fit the needs of the children it served and through the efforts of many dedicated individuals the school became an integral part of the parish. A 9<sup>th</sup> grade class was added in the following year and in 1960 the school had its first graduating class.

As the decade continued, the Newington School System moved the 9<sup>th</sup> grade from their junior high schools to the Newington High School. To maintain conformity with the other junior high schools, St. Mary's School dropped 9<sup>th</sup> grade and added a 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

As the number of school age children continued to rise, the Town of Newington used two classrooms at St. Mary's School for kindergarten class for several years and in 1968 the townspeople approved by referendum vote St. Mary's request to provide bus



*St. Mary's Junior High School - 1974*

transportation for the students at St. Mary's School as was done for the town's public schools.

As the 1970s approached, there was a decline in the number of teaching sisters and due to their scarcity. With this reduction, the number of lay teachers increased at St. Mary's School. St. Mary's School has the distinction of being one of the first Catholic junior high schools in the Archdiocese to have all lay teachers.

As years continued, additional grades were added, and the curriculum enhanced to allow for students from pre-k through 8<sup>th</sup> grade to be able to attend St. Mary's School and benefit from all it could offer.

One of the more notable curriculum enhancements in later years was the combination of grades within the classroom structure. By doing so, allowed for fewer staff as a financial savings but did illustrate the versatility, commitment, and the capabilities of the teachers and administrators of St. Mary's School.

With this change, St. Mary's School was one of the first Catholic schools in the Archdiocese to implement such a curriculum where other Catholic schools used as a template for their schools.

All during this time and after the school's students and teachers had left for the day, the school's auditorium-gymnasium fulfilled its second purpose as a large hall to hold a multitude of events and social gatherings. These events over the years ranged from dances to fairs, basketball leagues to ping pong, picnics to dinners, and of course bingo.

Lastly on an unfortunate and very sad note, due to a continual decline in enrollment and not being able to sustain itself financially, St. Mary's School was closed before the start of the 2016-2017 school year.

## **RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKENDS FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION**

If you are suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend **October 25-27, 2024 in Litchfield, CT**. The weekend healing process includes discussions, Living Scriptures with meditations, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and Mass of Entrustment. Participation is totally confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. Both women and men have participated in past retreats and have ranged in age from teens to mid-eighties. The fee for the weekend is \$175.00 for meals, private room and all retreat materials. Scholarships are available for financial assistance. For more information contact Marie at: 203-631-9030, e-mail her at [mlaffin@prolifeministry.org](mailto:mlaffin@prolifeministry.org), or visit our website at [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org).



### **Notice of Change to Mass Schedule**

As has been announced in the bulletin and through pulpit announcements there will not be a vigil Mass on Saturday, September 28 at Holy Spirit Church.

The 4:00 p.m. vigil Mass on September 28 will be celebrated at St. Mary as the parish welcomes Archbishop Coyne in celebrating 100 Years of the Catholic Church in Newington. All parishioners are asked to attend the vigil Mass as a way of welcoming the Archbishop. A special musical program will begin at 3:30 followed by Mass at 4:00 and dinner, for those who signed up, immediately following.

# PARISH CALENDAR, SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

## **The Knights Sandwich Ministry**

Our next sandwich collection is Sunday, **October 20th 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

## **The Women's Guild**

**Executive Board Meeting:** Monday, **September 30, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.**

The Archbishop's Annual Appeal, **Do This in Memory of Me**, helps provide the critical funding needed to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, counsel those in despair, offer much-needed assistance to the under-employed, and make medical care available to those without health insurance. Your gift to the 2024 Appeal will help to continue these and other vital ministries, services, and programs that reach out to so many in need. the Appeal literature, which can be found at <https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/>.



The Annunciation Women's Guild will hold their next **general membership meeting** on **Tuesday, October 8th at 6:30 pm** in the Holy Spirit church hall. The evenings program will be speaker Chef Andrea from the House of Bread. All members attending are requested to bring a premade, precooked one pound meatloaf either fresh or frozen, that will be donated to provide a dinner for the homeless at the House of Bread.

## **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**



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

**Liliana Elizabeth Bragoni**

**Rhys Collin Field**

**Dominic Sebastian LaPointe**

To be baptized at Annunciation Parish, you must be a registered parishioner, reside in Newington, or have some tangible connection to our Parish.

To get started, visit our website at: **[annunciationnewington.com/baptism](http://annunciationnewington.com/baptism)**

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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, Judgement, 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 Ticket (13 to 19 years old).

Visit [www.ctcatholicmen.org](http://www.ctcatholicmen.org) for tickets and details.



## *Registered Nurse Case Manager* Franciscan Home Care and Hospice Care



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**The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B** readings highlight faith, trust in God, and the call to follow Christ. These themes show us how to live out our faith in everyday life.

**First Reading** – [Isaiah 50:5-9A](#):

God supports me, so I face opposition without shame or fear, confident that no one can prove me wrong.

**Responsorial Psalm** – [Psalm 116](#): I rejoice in God's kindness as He listens and saves me from death, allowing me to live in His presence.

**Second Reading** – [James 2:14-18](#): Claiming faith without action is useless.

True faith is demonstrated through caring deeds, not just words.

**Gospel** – [Mark 8:27-35](#): Jesus challenges His followers to recognize Him as the Messiah and teaches about self-denial and the hardships of following Him, promising life to those who sacrifice for His sake.

- **Listening to God**: Isaiah speaks about listening to God and not rebelling. We are called to be attentive to God's voice in our lives.
- **Enduring Suffering**: Isaiah describes the suffering servant. Suffering can be a part of our journey with God.
- **Faith and Works**: James emphasizes that faith without works is dead. Our actions must reflect our faith in God.
- **Confessing Jesus as Messiah**: In the Gospel, Peter confesses Jesus as the Messiah. Recognizing Jesus' true identity is essential for our faith.
- **Carrying the Cross**: Jesus calls us to take up our cross and follow Him. We must be willing to face challenges for our faith.
- **Losing Life to Save It**: Jesus teaches that losing our life for His sake leads to true life. Sacrifice is part of our commitment to Christ.
- These themes for the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B guide us to deepen our relationship with God and to live out our faith in practical ways. Reflecting on these can help us grow closer to Christ and strengthen our commitment to following Him.

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