



# Church of Saint Ann

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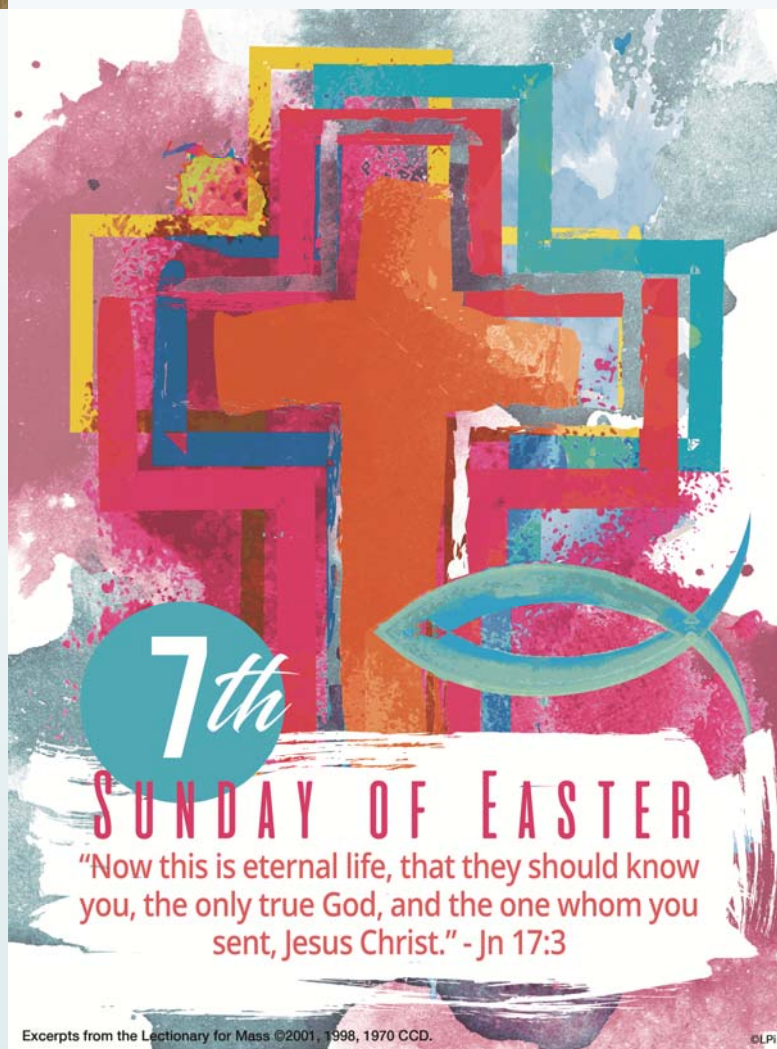
Call the Parish Office

## MARRIAGES

Please set the date with the priest or deacon at least six months prior to the wedding. Weddings cannot be scheduled after the Saturday evening Mass or on Sundays.

## BULLETIN DEADLINE & INSERTS

Please submit any bulletin announcements to the Parish Office by 2pm on the Monday prior to the weekend you would like it published. Also, please contact the office to obtain permission to insert fliers into the weekly bulletin.



## MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday - Friday:

9:00 am

Sunday Vigil (Saturday):

4:00 pm

Sunday:

7:30, 9:30 and 11:00am

First Friday:

9:00 am

## CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: after 4pm Mass

First Friday: Before 9:00 AM Mass

Other times by appointment

## DEVOTIONS:

Rosary: 8:30 am, daily

Chaplet: following daily Mass

Holy Hour

Thursday: 12:00 Noon



**7th Sunday  
of Easter**

**WELCOME!**



*If you are a resident in this area, we hope that you will continue to grace us with your presence and register with our office manager. You may call 860-673-9858 or stop by the parish office to register. If you are a visitor, we thank you for participating in worshipping with us and we hope to see you again.*

**MONDAY, May 29**

9:00 **In Celebration of the Ordination of Fr. McHugh**

**TUESDAY, May 30**

9:00 **Special Intentions**

**WEDNESDAY, May 31**

9:00 **Tom Graboski**, requested by the St. Ann Book Sale

**THURSDAY, June 1**

9:00 **Anthony Joseph Alphonso** (month's mind) requested by the Alphonso Family

**FRIDAY, June 2**

9:00 **Pat Hill**, requested by Richard Hill & family

**SATURDAY, June 3**

4:00 **Gerald Buckley (25th Ann.)**, requested by the family

**SUNDAY, June 4**

7:30 **Joyce Franceschina**, requested by the Archer Family

9:30 **Dee Dee Sullivan**, requested by Dick and Anita Sullivan

11:00 **Carol DeVita**, requested by the St. Ann Social Justice Committee

**THIS WEEK AT ST. ANN'S**

**MONDAY, May 29**

**Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle:** will return next week

**TUESDAY, May 30**

**RCIA:** 7pm in Room 3

**WEDNESDAY, May 31**

**THURSDAY, June 1**

**Holy Hour:** 12 noon in the church

**Traditional Choir:** 2pm in the Choir Loft

**Folk/Contemporary Choir:** 7:30pm in the Choir Loft

**FRIDAY, June 2**

**SATURDAY, June 3**

**Men's Breakfast Group:** 8am in Room 3

**SUNDAY, June 4**

**"Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures":** 10:30am in Rm. 3

**Mass for Graduates**



*Sunday, June 11, 2017  
11:00am*

*2017 High School Graduates and Families*

*Join your parish Family for a special Mass to celebrate, honor and bless you!*

Light refreshments and the Signing of the Book of Graduates to follow in the Gathering Space

RSVP by June 4 to Rosemary Neamtz at: [rosemary.neamtz@stannavon.com](mailto:rosemary.neamtz@stannavon.com)

**Thank You from  
St. Ann Cares**

Thank you to all who helped make this year's St. Ann Cares Day a huge success. Through your financial support and sacrificing of your time, the projects at St. Agnes Home and Mercy Housing and Shelter were completed with much appreciation and joy.  
**Peace and blessings!**

## WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

May 21, 2017: \$6,548.25  
 Online Giving (week ending 5/24/17): \$2,934.00  
 Next weekend's 2<sup>nd</sup> collection:  
*Catholic Relief Services*



**Our 2017 Bible Camp  
 is now filled and we are  
 no longer accepting  
 registrations.**

**We look forward to a  
 great week of learning,  
 laughter and love!**



*Church of  
 Saint Ann  
 Legacy Society*

Father McHugh invites you to join the **Church of Saint Ann Legacy Society**,

founded to recognize and honor parishioners, who wish to perpetuate the efforts of Saint Ann's Parish Ministries and Outreach, through legacy gifts made in their lifetime.

All the proceeds from these estate plans will be used exclusively for the benefit of this parish. Legacy gifts will be added to the endowment fund in order to strengthen the financial future of the parish. By honoring all parishioners who make bequests with membership in the **Church of Saint Ann Legacy Society**, the parish hopes to inspire others to contribute toward long term fiscal stability.

You are invited to join those fellow parishioners who have already designated bequests that will reach beyond their lifetimes to support the mission of the parish. If you wish to take advantage of this ideal way to pass on your faith and heritage, please contact Fr. McHugh and make him aware of your intentions.

(Of course, all requests for anonymity will be honored)

## ADULT EDUCATION & ENRICHMENT

### By Popular Demand...

We will continue to offer "Unpacking the Sunday Scriptures" on most\* Sundays through the summer, from 10:30am- 12pm in Room 3. Come discover what the Sunday readings meant when they were written, and what they mean to you personally today (*Lectio Divina*) Please register with Chip Janiszewski, [chip@chipj.com](mailto:chip@chipj.com), however, **DROP INS ARE WELCOME!** This is the perfect time to try out a Small Group Bible Study experience – join us! All materials are provided – bring your own Bible, if you like. \*Check the [www.stannavon.org](http://www.stannavon.org) for the updated schedule.

### *The Francine M. Sider Memorial Scholarship*

Fr. McHugh is delighted to announce the Francine M. Sider Memorial Scholarship which is available to St. Ann 8th Graders that will be entering a Catholic high school in Fall 2017.

The application will be included as a flyer in this weekend's bulletin and is also available on our webpage under the "Resources" tab. You can also stop by or call the Parish Office for a copy.

Don't delay as the deadline is June 12, 2017!

If you have any questions please contact Jane Ellen Peregrin at: [jep325@hotmail.com](mailto:jep325@hotmail.com).



### Next Weekend's Collection for Catholic Relief Services

Next week, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Funds from this collection help provide food to the hungry, support to displaced refugees, and Christ's love and respect to all people here at home and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the CRSC and **help Jesus in disguise.**

Learn more about the collection at:  
[www.usccb.org/catholic-relief](http://www.usccb.org/catholic-relief).



## HEARTS & SOULS

Ministering to body, mind and spirit, the Health Ministry offers blood pressure screening, health counseling and referrals to our community of faith. Office hours are generally the 2nd Sunday of each month from 8:15-11am in the Sacristy (2nd door on the left as you enter the vestibule of the church). No appointment necessary.

### St. Ann's Re-Employment Group

meets every other Wednesday from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the Activity Room at St. Ann's. For more information, or if any working member of the parish hears of :**JOHN DRAKE**, **860-989-2377** or email at: johndrake.humancapital@live.com.

### Marian Movement of Priests Prayer Cenacle Monday evenings in the church from 7:15-8:15pm

The MMP is for priests and laity who are devoted to Our Lady and her Rosary. The Prayer Cenacles are gatherings of prayer that consist of the Holy Rosary and Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary. A Message from the MMP Book "To the Priests, Our Lady's Beloved Sons" is read at every Cenacle. We are praying for an outpouring of The Holy Spirit, and for Our Lady's intercession. For more information on the Marian Movement of Priests, please visit the official website at [www.mmp-usa.net](http://www.mmp-usa.net)

Come and see, come pray with us. All are welcome.

### Communion For Shut-Ins

The Eucharistic ministers would be happy to bring Communion to those in our parish who are unable to come to church. Please call the Parish Office and leave your name and address if you wish to receive Communion **860-673-9858**.

## VFW Poppy Drive is This Weekend!

The VFW Poppy Drive will take place after all Masses this weekend. The funds raised through your donations are used to assist local veterans and assistance programs for veterans who are homeless, needs, hospitalized, wounded, deployed and also help the needy families of fallen veterans. Please support our veterans and honor those who lost their lives defending our country!



Visit our website for news, events, to learn about our many ministries and for great resources: [stannavon.org](http://stannavon.org)

Please take a moment to "LIKE" us on Facebook our page **AND** choose to "RECEIVE NOTIFICATIONS". Thank you and see you on Facebook!

To do this, please follow these 5 simple steps:

- Step 1: Log onto FACEBOOK
- Step 2: Search: Church of Saint Ann – Avon, CT
- Step 3: Go to the page and Click the "LIKE" button
- Step 4: Click the "LIKED" button, then drop down to "RECEIVE NOTIFICATIONS"
- Step 5: Click "ALL POSTS" AND "EVENTS" to be informed of happenings at the Church of Saint Ann

### PRAYER FOR THE FALLEN

God our creator and sustainer,  
today our country brings to our memory  
those who have defended this nation in times  
of trouble.

They have sacrificed their lives to protect our shores  
from those who would limit our freedoms or enslave  
us to ways that are against your will.  
Bring all those who have died in service to our country  
into your heavenly presence.

We humbly call down your blessing on those still  
serving; grant your heavenly protection to these men  
and women, and open your Sacred Heart to give  
them peace and comfort.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments

I don't think I am giving away anything to say that Knights of Columbus are supposed to always carry with them a rosary. Even before I became a Knight, often I would carry a rosary with me. Like most good habits, at times I would slowly become oblivious and forget to have it with me. Many weeks and months of carrying it in my pocket would give way to a couple weeks of wondering where it went. To stick with any practice you have to be intentional and mindful of what you are doing.

A good prayer life requires commitment. Carrying a rosary isn't really prayer, because the prayers are not being said. However, a rosary or other religious article does serve as a reminder of who we are and to whom we belong. A prayer life should not be one where we simply seek to recite words, but one where we walk in the presence of God at all times. Prayer is about presence.

An everyday steward will find success in cultivating a prayer life by inviting God into all aspects and moments of the day. Recited prayer throughout the day serves as the formal ritual part of our relationship with God. In all relationships we have standard things we say to each other about love, our needs, and our hopes for that person. It is what takes place between the words that sometimes makes the difference.  
Tracy Earl Welliver, MT

## QUOTES

Words to Inspire the Faithful

*The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom should I fear? The LORD is my life's refuge; of whom should I be afraid?*

- Psalm 27:1

## SUNDAY'S READINGS

### First Reading:

All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer, together with some women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.  
(Acts 1:14)

### Psalm:

I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living. (Ps 27) OR Alleluia.

### Second Reading:

But whoever is made to suffer as a Christian should not be ashamed but glorify God because of the name. (1 Pt 4:16)

### Gospel:

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come. Give glory to your son, so that your son may glorify you, just as you gave him authority over all people, so that your son may give eternal life to all you gave him. Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ."  
(Jn 17:1-3)

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## WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week of May 28, 2017

Sunday: Acts 1:12-14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a  
Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab /Jn 16:29-33  
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a  
Wednesday: Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/  
Lk 1:39-56  
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11/Jn 17:20-26  
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19  
Saturday: Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4-5, 7/Jn 21:20-25  
Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or  
Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30/Rom 8:22-27/  
Jn 7:37-39  
Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-15/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/  
Dn 3:52-56 or Ps 19:8-11/Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-9/  
Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-30/Rom 8:22-27/  
Jn 7:37-39

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

"Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ." The Easter season is resplendent with the joy of eternal life. Jesus conquered death through his resurrection and promises all believers a share in this miraculous triumph. The gates of heaven have been opened for us by the great sacrifice of our Savior. All good things lie in wait for us who know "the only true God" and his Son, Jesus Christ.

When we gather together in our communities of faith, it's easy to remember all of this. We share common beliefs and practices with those friends, family members, and neighbors who attend our church. But carrying the joy of Easter with us out into the "world" can be more of a challenge. Once we step outside the safe confines of our parish or home, we encounter those who do not know the true God. We work with, study with, encounter, or gather with many people who have forgotten, abandoned, or never even known Jesus. Sometimes this can make us hesitant to share our joy, or even apologetic for our beliefs. But of course we are called to be witnesses of what we believe, not cowards who hide it from public view.

So let us take courage from today's Gospel. Jesus himself offered prayers on behalf of his followers. "I pray for them. I do not pray for the world, but for the ones you have given me." As the followers of Christ, we have the benefit of his own desire to help us, to strengthen us even amidst the challenges that we face. He knows that we "are in the world" even though he is not here in the same way. And he has asked God the Father to share his divine blessings with us even as we make our way in this world.

## INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Live the Liturgy

"Now this is eternal life, that they should know you, the only true God, and the one whom you sent, Jesus Christ." This is a very intimate promise given to us by God. We are meant to be eternally bonded with God in a way that fulfills us beyond our imagining. As suffering, death, resurrection, and ascension bring Christ to full stature so too does our suffering and death bring us to where we ultimately need to be as well. We are already on this eternal journey. All that we come to see and know about God and our relationship with him on earth is just a prelude of things to come. Knowing our destiny gives us the inspiration to use the gifts and talents God has given in service of that eternal goal. Are we ready to use our gifts for this purpose?

# THE BULLETIN BOARD

## Read, Reap and Rise to New Life!

*The plowman should plow in hope, and the thresher in hope of receiving a share. (1 Cor 9:10)*

The Archdiocesan Catholic Biblical School (CBS) invites adults to engage the Word of God from the perspective of Catholic faith. Enrollment begins May 1. Contact the CBS office by August 15 to enroll. Classes begin in locations throughout the Archdiocese just after Labor Day.

For more information, check out our website [www.CatholicEdAOHCT.org](http://www.CatholicEdAOHCT.org) or contact us in the Office of Education, Evangelization and Catechesis at 860-242-5573 or [catholic.biblical.school@aohct.org](mailto:catholic.biblical.school@aohct.org).



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### 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:

Kathleen D. Nowosadko  
Victim Assistance Coordinator  
860-541-6475

[kathleen.nowosadko@aohct.org](mailto:kathleen.nowosadko@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 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:  
Abuse Investigations Division of the Office of Protection and Advocacy  
for Persons with Disabilities  
1-800-842-7303

Incidents involving sexual abuse of vulnerable adults aged 60 and over should be reported to:  
Department of Social Services for the Elderly  
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.

Join us on Saturday, June 10th  
Bishop Peter Rosazza Social Justice Conference

*Rooted in Faith-  
One Family Under God*



Saturday, June 10, 2017  
9:00 am—3:00 pm  
Registration 8:00—8:45 am  
St. Thomas Seminary  
Bloomfield, CT

#### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

**Sister Ruth Rosenbaum, TC, PhD**

Founder and Executive Director, CREA: Center for Reflection, Education and Action

**Father Joseph Donnelly**

Pastor, Sacred Heart Church, Southbury

12 Workshop Topics      Networking and Conversation  
Exhibitors from Across the Region      Prayer and Music  
Workshops in English and Spanish

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## Summer Program at Northeast Catholic College

Once again, Northeast Catholic College in Warner, NH is pleased to announce the dates for its Summer Program for high school students. The Collegiate Summer Program offers participants the opportunity to study theology, philosophy, literature and political science. During the summer program, students also attend daily Mass and enjoy sports, socials and day trips including hiking and canoeing. The program is for students who will be entering their sophomore, junior or senior year of high school in the fall of 2017. It is also open to students who have just graduated high school. The Collegiate Summer Program is a two-week session that runs from Sunday, July 23 – Saturday, August 5, 2017.

Register today at [www.NortheastCatholic.edu](http://www.NortheastCatholic.edu)!

For more information, contact the admissions office at [admissions@northeastcatholic.edu](mailto:admissions@northeastcatholic.edu) or 603.456.2656.