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Please call the Parish Office: 860-673-9858, ext. 221. Wedding dates should be scheduled at least 6 months ahead. Weddings cannot be scheduled after the Saturday evening Mass.

## **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Please submit any bulletin announcements to the Parish Office by 12 noon 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.

# All Souls Day, Movember 2nd 2025 FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Irma McGuff Bettie Ann Treichel David Pirro Sherif Sabry Kodsy Iskarous Robert Wolcott Iean Tai Ladetto Gennaro DeLuca Elizabeth Phenix Patricia R. Ryan Henrietta Paprotna Elizabeth Candels Marianne Castellani John E. Regish Joseph E. Gilbey Yvette G. Garro Barbara Dzis

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# **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:**

Eucharistic Adoration: Mondays 9:30 - 10:30am Tuesdays 6 - 7:30pm

Rosary: 8:25am, daily MMP Cenacle: Mondays at 7:15pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Tues.- Fri. 9:30–9:40am in the Sanctuary Holy Hour: Thursdays at 12noon



# WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF SAINT ANN

If you are a resident in this area, we hope that you will continue to grace us with your presence and register with our parish. You can do so by stopping by or calling the Parish Office: 860-673-9858,ext.221. You can also register online at:ˈwww.stannavon.org/register-at-st-ann If you are a visitor, we thank you for participating in worshiping with us and we hope to see you again!



## **MASS INTENTIONS**

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day)

#### SATURDAY, November 1, All Saints

9:00 For the Parishioners of Saint Ann 4:00 Joseph Jr. and Jeremy Savidge and Mike Gilotti, requested by the family

#### SUNDAY, November 2, All Souls

7:30 Joseph Jr. and Jeremy Savidge and Mike Gilotti, requested by the family

9:30 For the deceased members of the Prince Thomas of Savoy Men's and Women's **Societies** 

11:00 Kathleen Driscoll, requested by the Driscoll Family

#### MONDAY, November 3, Saint Martin de Porres, Religious

9:00 Alice Kuzia (2nd Ann.) requested by her husband, John

#### TUESDAY, November 4, Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

9:00 Nuncio Calderone, requested by Tim and Chris Healy

#### WEDNESDAY, November 5

9:00 Joe Koe, requested by the family

#### THURSDAY, November 6

Louis Perleoni, requested by Kathy Weissberg

#### FRIDAY, November 7

Dorothy LaRosa, requested by Mike LaRosa

#### **SATURDAY, November 8**

4:00 Ann Hodges, requested by Lou and Eileen Del Prete

#### SUNDAY, November 9, The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

7:30 Nancy Boyd-Martin requested by the Mascoli Family

9:30 Mary Spalla, requested by Tony and Dee Pastizzo

11:00 **Valerie Magro,** requested by friends and family

To schedule a Mass Intention, please contact the Parish Office: 860-673-9858, ext. 221 or kris.martino@stannavon.com



# Sanctuary Lamp Memorial

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week for the Greater honor and glory of God and:

In loving memory of:

Requested by: the Family of Brian McCutcheon Brian McCutcheon

Prayers for the living:

Requested by:



#### **Altar Server Training**

1st Wednesday of every month 6:30 -8:00 pm in the Church

Requirements: Received the Sacrament of Holy Communion

RSVP directly to Brian McDermottt: 203-641-6560 or brianmcdermott359@gmail.com

We pray for the safe return of those currently serving in our Military



Contact the Parish Office to have your family members added.

LCDR Jack Hamel, USCG LCDR Victoria Hamel, USCG 1LT Brian J. Heavren Jr., USArmy Capt. Matthew Mascoli, USMC 1LT Andrew Mascoli, USMC ME3 Luke Hobbs, USCG

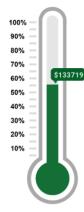
# **Annual Parish Collection** Church of Saint Ann



Thank you to the parishioners who have already made donations to our annual collection. Every parish household is asked to prayerfully consider a gift to assist the parish in

meeting our annual operating expenditures and current parish improvement projects. If you did not receive a pledge card, please contact the parish office. Every gift is welcome and sincerely appreciated. The participation of ALL parishioners is essential for the success of this effort. Thank you!

Great week! We're up to 53%!



(as of 10/27/2025)

## This Week at St. Ann

#### **SATURDAY, November 1**

Men's Breakfast Group: 8:00am in Room 3

Youth Ministry, Jr. High Scavenger Hunt: 1pm in the Activity Rm.

#### SUNDAY, November 2

**Adult Choir Rehearsal:** 8:20am in the choir loft, sing at 9:30am Mass

Lectio Divina: 10:30am in Room 3, and via ZOOM

#### **MONDAY, November 3**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 9:30-10:30am

Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting: 7pm in Fr. Bennett Hall

MMP Cenacle-Rosary Prayer Group: 7:15pm in the church

#### TUESDAY, November 4

Foundations of Faith study: 9:30am in Father Bennett Hall

Walking With Purpose-Zoom: returns next week
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 6:00-7:30pm

OCIA: 6pm in Room 3

Youth Ministry Prayer Night: 6:15pm in the Activity Room

#### WEDNESDAY, November 5

Walking With Purpose: returns next week

#### **THURSDAY, November 6**

Holy Hour: 12 noon in the church

Children's Choir Rehearsal: 4:15pm in the choir loft

#### FRIDAY, November 7

Lectio Divina: 9:45am via Zoom

Sr. High School Movie Night: 6-8pm in the SCA Activity Room

#### **SATURDAY, November 8**

Men's Breakfast Group: 8:00am in Room 3

#### SUNDAY, November 9

Parish Coffee: after all Masses in Fr. Bennett Hall,

sponsored by our Men's and Women's Retreat Ministry

Adult Choir Rehearsal: 8:20am in the choir loft, sing at 9:30am Mass

**Lectio Divina:** 10:30am in Room 3, and via ZOOM **Divine Mercy Holy Hour:** 2:30-3:30pm in the church



# **Parish Coffee**

Next Sunday, November 9, 2025 After ALL Masses

Please join fellow parishioners and guests in Fr. Bennett Hall after all Masses on Sunday, November 9th, for coffee, refreshments and fellowship. Sponsored by our Men's & Women's Retreat Ministries

#### WEEKLY ORDINARY INCOME

#### Weekend of Sunday, October 26, 2025

Weekly In-person: \$5,032.97 Weekly Online: \$2,585.50 **Weekly TOTAL: \$7,618.47** 

Votive Candles and Sanctuary Lamp: \$403.30

Parish Annual Appeal: donations this week: \$18,458 **Parish Annual Appeal TOTAL: \$133,719** (as of 10/27/25)

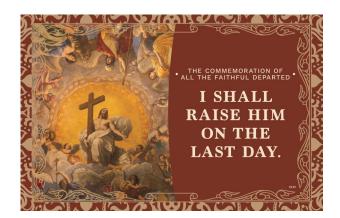
#### Other Online Donations:

Church Services: \$705, Holy Days: \$70, Monthly: \$469, Propagation of the Faith: \$65,

Youth Ministry: \$500, Utilities: \$23,

#### Next Weekend's 2nd Collection:

Archdiocese for Military Services





Divine Mercy Holy Hour Next Sunday, November 9th 2:30 - 3:30pm

Please join us to implore God's Mercy on us and the whole world.







Volunteers needed to help fill and package nutritious food to send to Haiti & Hartford.

Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> 9am-12 noon Fr. Bennett Hall

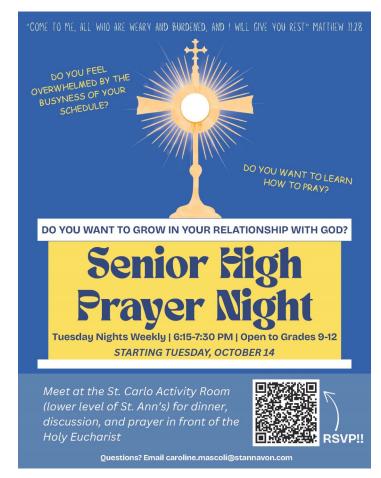


Come even if you can't stay the entire time.

Contact: Social Outreach
Mary Lou Connors, rconnors74@comcast.net
860-673-4694

This effort could provide 30,000 meals!







# Knights of Columbus Annual Thanksgiving Pie Sale

Place orders in the Gathering Space after Masses on November 8/9 and 15/16.

(also in Fr. Bennett Hall during the Parish Coffees on November 9th)

Pick up pies in Fr. Bennett Hall after Masses on November 22/23.



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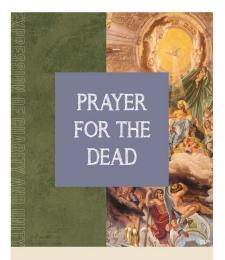
All proceeds benefit St. Ann's ministries and charities within our local community!



Today we commemorate all of the Faithful Departed Souls. In today's readings we hear Jesus teach the importance of addressing those who are in most need. He tells His disciples "Invite the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind....because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." (Luke 14: 13-14) We are reminded that the souls of the just are in God's hands.

One of the great graces of the Holy Eucharist is the enrichment of love of neighbor. If we receive Jesus prayerfully, we should be compelled to "Give the gift that we've been given as a gift." Give that gift to those in great need both the living and the dead.

Reflection: Focus on the Holy Souls in Purgatory, those who are suffering the intense, painful longing to see God in Heaven. Pray for them this month and commend them daily to God's Mercy, especially when you are heart to heart with Jesus after the reception Him in Holy Communion.



## Devotions, Explained!

God is not subject to the constrictions of time as we understand them. Our prayers for the dead are, like our prayers for the living, an expression of charity and the unity which exists between all members of the Body of Christ.

## **Prayer during Loss**

In the midst of my grief, be with me. Cover this season with Your comfort and consolation. help me to know Your presence and Your grace. Bring comfort to my affliction, and hope to my heart. Amen.

# Upcoming Events





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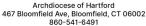
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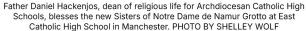
#### **NEWS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD**



# Branches on the Vine

NOVEMBER 1 - 7, 2025







The Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur are surrounded by students from East Catholic High School during a Mass and dedication of the new grotto named in their honor. PHOTO BY SHELLEY WOLF

n Oct. 2, the feast of the guardian angels, students at East Catholic High School in Manchester recognized their guardian angels here on earth by dedicating a new Marian grotto to the religious sisters who have served them as trusted mentors and guides.

Students and faculty at East Catholic honored the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur with a Mass and the dedication of a new Marian grotto at the high school: the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur Grotto.

"Seventy-one Sisters worked here over the years," Sean Brennan, chief administrator of East Catholic High School, told the crowd at the dedication ceremony. The Sisters, he said, served over the years as administrators, teachers and counselors.

With the motto "God is good all the time," the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur are still bringing their special charism to East Catholic High School, where they have been educating and shaping generations of students since the school's founding in 1961.

Sister Peggy Evans, who has been with the school 58 years and still works part time, came up with the idea for the grotto. "Sister Peggy wanted to honor her fellow Sisters," Brennan explained.

Brennan introduced Sister Peggy as "the soul of the school." Over the years, she worked as a religion teacher, Spanish teacher, vice principal and guidance counselor. Today, she assists with alumni relations.

# EAST CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL **DEDICATES NEW GROTTO TO**

# NOTRE DAME SISTERS

"They always said 'East was best.' East was best because of the student body here," Sister Peggy told the students. "You rejuvenate me every day. The Sisters will tell you, I'm happy to wake up and come to work here every day."

The event opened with a Mass in the auditorium, celebrated by Father Daniel Hackenjos, the dean of religious life for Archdiocesan Catholic High Schools. Later, students processed to the grotto for the dedication ceremony.

As the Sisters, the entire student body, and archdiocesan officials looked on, Father Hackenjos blessed the new grotto along with the student choir members who performed at the event

The focal point of the new grotto is a bronze statue of Mary holding the baby Jesus. Now mounted on the side wall of the school, the statue was rescued from the old Notre Dame convent, which existed on the school property until it was razed in 2021. Bricks taken from that same convent now form the lower walls of the grotto.

Completing the grotto are a concrete sidewalk, prayer benches, hot pink rose bushes, evergreen plantings, and a bronze plaque dedicating it to all the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

The dedication ceremony was followed by a lunch honoring the 14 Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, who were present for the special tribute.

The previous day, members of East Catholic's boys basketball team, dressed in white shirts and black bowties, also served dinner at the Sisters' Jubilee celebration at St. Robert Bellarmine Church in Windsor Locks.

The Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur are an international congregation, founded in 1804 by St. Julie Billiart (1751-1816) in Amiens, France. Today, their Motherhouse is located in Namur, Belgium. Their Connecticut office is located in Windsor.

- Story by Shelley Wolf





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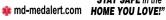
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