

**We are pleased and honored
To welcome you to
St. Francis of Assisi Parish**
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Deacon Michael Puscas



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday February 27, 2016 Lenten Weekday

4:00 PM Confession
5:00 PM Therese Phaneuf req. by the Boisvert family

Sunday, February 28, 2016 Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM Harold Geer req. by Betsy & Roddy
10:30 AM Patricia & Robert Martelli req. by Debbie Levesque

Monday February 29, 2016 Lenten Weekday

NO MASS

Tuesday March 1, 2016 Lenten Weekday

NO MASS

Wednesday March 2, 2016 Lenten Weekday

9:00 AM Jim Mackey req. by his family

Thursday March 3, 2016 St. Katharine Drexel, virgin

NO MASS

Friday March 4, 2016 St. Casimir

9:00 AM Theresa Phaneuf req. by the Boisvert family
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

Saturday March 5, 2016 Lenten Weekday

4:00 PM Confession
5:00 PM Theresa Baran req. by Jennie Brewster & the
Wengloski family

Sunday, March 6, 2016 Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 AM Harold Geer req. by Coutu & Flannery families
10:30 AM

Offertory: \$ 2,413.01

Today's second collection is for February monthly extraordinary expenses.

Next weekend's second collection is for March monthly extraordinary expenses.

Rice Bowl ~ Families are encouraged to gather each week in prayer for the hungry poor and to share a sacrificial meal. Save the moneys saved from this meal each week and bring your offering to the Church on Palm Sunday, March 20, 2016

A very sincere thanks to all those parishioners who make-up their offertory while away.

Confessions at St. Andrew Church every Tuesday from 6-7pm during Lent.

Every Thursday ~ Adoration at 8:30 ~ Rosary at 6:00 ~ Benediction at 7:00pm.

Weekend of March 5 & 6

5:30pm Lector: Bob Nejako
Eucharistic Minister: Pam Flaherty
Altar Servers: Nicholas Barrett, Nina Gardella

8:00am Lector: Rosanne Coffey
Eucharistic Minister: Kathy Walden
Altar Servers: Anthony Pomerleau, Wayne Woodward

10:30am Lector: Maureen Polana
Eucharistic Minister: Paul Pelletier
Altar Servers: Erika Densman, Becca Chesters, Marianne Clippinger

Military Service Honor Roll

SW1 John P. Dyer Jr. U.S. Navy
LCPL Alex Bielawa, U.S. Marines
Lt. Colonel William J. Girard, U.S. Army
Sgt. Derek Keegan, U.S. Army
Major Michael A. Goba, U.S. Army JAG
E-5 Francis Orcutt, U.S. Army
HMC Heather S. Gardipee, U.S. Navy
Pvt. Zachary Berquist, U.S. Army
Pvt. First Class Jacob Grzanowicz
Sgt. Justin A. VonEdwins, U.S. Army
Sgt. Robert Massicotte U.S. Army
1st Lt. Miles N. Snelgrove USMC 2nd Batt. 6th Marines
Sgt. Chad Pellerin, U.S. Army Dubai

Prayer for our Men and Women in Military Service

O Prince of Peace, we humbly ask Your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity, and devotion the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Guard our churches, our homes, our schools, our hospitals, our factories, our buildings and all those within from harm and peril. Protect our land and its peoples from enemies within and without. Grant an early peace with victory founded upon justice. Instill in the hearts and minds of men and women everywhere a firm purpose to live forever in peace and good will toward all. Amen.

APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER — Heavenly Father during this penitential season, we pray that the Blood of Jesus may kindle in the hearts of our priests the divine fire of Your love by their devotion to the Eucharist. Father, we pray for our priests — Rev. Alfred Irving, Rev. Thomas Angelo, Rev. William McNulty, Rev. John O'Neill MS, Rev. Patrick McCorry, Rev. Michael Gill, Rev. Grzegorz P. Jednaki, Msgr. Thaddeus Malanowski, Msgr. Kevin Randall, Rev. Roland Cloutier Rev. Mark Masnicki, Rev. Richard Sliwinski, Rev. Krzysztof Drybka OSPPE, Msgr. Henry Archambault - for the sanctity of their souls and for perfect love, that they may be the voice of Christ. (Mother Catherine Aurelia, foundress)

We also pray for any priests who have left the ministry.

FAST AND ABSTINENCE

These regulations unite the whole Catholic Church throughout the world in the Lenten journey of repentance and conversion of heart. Observed in a spirit of generosity, fast and abstinence remind us of our own frailty and make us more sensitive to the needs of others. Acts of penance find their completion in works of charity and justice.

Fasting: Those between the ages of 18 and 59 years old are obliged to observe the laws on fasting. Traditionally, to fast means limiting oneself to one full meal in the day and two smaller meals. The two prescribed days of fasting are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Abstinence: The law of abstinence obliges all those who are over the age of 14. On days of abstinence meat is not eaten at any meal. The prescribed days of abstinence are Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent, including Good Friday.

PAVING PLEDGE UPDATE

Our Goal: 67,000 Pledges received to date \$64,025.00.
If you have not yet pledged, extra pledge cards are available at the Church side entrance.

Collected to date for the Happy House in Haiti is \$305.70. Our goal for one Happy House is \$1250. Please help our CCD classes with this project. The collection jar may be found by the side exit. Extra funds collected will be used to buy chickens, goats, or pigs.

Meetings

- ❖ **Tragic & Triumphant Cross Bible Study**
Tuesday March 1 @ 7-8pm in Church or Friday
March 4 @ 9:30-10:30am in parish office
- ❖ **Parish Advisory Council** Wed. March 2 @
6:30pm
- ❖ **Knights of Columbus** Thursday March 3 @
7:00pm

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Operation Rice Bowl ~ Our Lenten Program
What you give up for Lent changes lives.

Families are encouraged to gather each week in prayer for the hungry poor and to share a sacrificial meal. Save the moneys saved from this meal each week and bring your offering to the Church on Palm Sunday, March 20, 2016

75% of monies donated are used for development projects overseas. 25% of the monies collected remain in our diocese.

Some of the 2015 grant recipients in our diocese were: **Outreach to Haiti Diocese of Norwich** – serves the people of Haiti in the spirit and values of the Gospel. Providing sacramental and spiritual support, it offers education, health care, parish twinning opportunities, and community development to benefit Haitians in need and hospitality to international volunteers and visitors. Malnutrition and food insecurity have a major impact on the lives of the children in Haiti. Most recently available statistics from UNICEF report that in Haiti, 20% of the children under five are moderately to severely malnourished, 10% experience moderate to severe wasting and 29% moderate to severe growth stunting. The immediate objectives of the Outreach nutrition program are to alleviate malnutrition in infants and children, to decrease the infant mortality, and to reduce the number of stunted children and children with grave disease. Outreach can accommodate 50 children and caregivers enrolled in and rotating through the program at one time. While the number of children served on an annual basis depends on how quickly children achieve normal weight, we estimate that 100 children will benefit from the program in any 12 month period.

THE NEXT WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT WEEKEND FOR ST. ANDREW, ST. FRANCIS & ST. PATRICK CHURCH WILL TAKE PLACE ON APRIL 14-17

at the newly renovated Immaculata Retreat Center in Willimantic. We invite all women to consider making this beautiful life-changing retreat. This is a three day, 3 night Catholic lay Retreat presented by women who have attended prior ACTS retreats. Retreat activities focus on Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service with the goals of renewing yourself spiritually and strengthening your faith and its application to your daily life, and to create lasting and supporting friendships. The cost of the retreat is \$230.00. Registration forms are located at the entrances to the Church. Please call Karen Bouley Director @ 860.334.7090, or Virginia Hurlbert (Co-Director) @ 860.803.4220 (Retreat Director) @ 860.614.3901, Tracy London (Co-Director) with any questions you may have. Registration forms are also available on the www.actsct.org website.

ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

❖ **RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKENDS**

If you are silently grieving or suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat** weekend. Upcoming weekends are: **March 4-6** in Litchfield, CT, call 203-631-9030; **March 11-13** in Stockbridge, MA, call 413-452-0661; in Rhode Island **March 4-6** in English call 401-351-7730, or **April 8-10** in Spanish call 401-742-1510 or visit the national website at www.rachelsvineyard.org "PROJECT RACHEL" is our Diocesan ministry for anyone seeking healing and forgiveness. Priests in the **Project Rachel** ministry are there for you with God's Grace and Mercy. Call 860-848-2237, ext 306. All inquiries are confidential.

❖ **Trip to Haiti**

The Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti is organizing one or more immersion trips to Haiti. Typical places you would visit are schools, clinics, neighborhoods, the national museum, Sunday mass at a Haitian church.

Room, board and airfare is in the \$1,000 to \$1,300 range (depending on the airfare you get).

The dates being booked now are April 5-12, April 26 to May 3, or May 9-16.

If you are interested in any of these dates, contact Outreach at info@outreachtohaiti.org, or call 860-887-1019 x817.

If you are interested, but can't make these dates, you can contact Outreach as noted above, and have them put you on a list to be contacted as more trips are planned.

❖ **St. Patrick and St. Anne Society Reception with Bishop Michael R. Cote**

– Bishop Cote will be hosting a reception for all parishioners who have named the Diocese as a beneficiary in their Will or other estate planning documents. Anyone who has remembered the Diocese in this very special way may become new members of the St. Patrick and St. Anne Society, the Diocese's legacy society, and are welcome to attend. Please contact Mary Ellen Mahoney, Development Manager- Major Gifts, memahoney@norwichdiocese.net or (860) 886-1928 ext. 14 before March 18th for more details and to register for the event or to become a member of the legacy society.

❖ **WORKSHOP**

Life is Changed, Not Ended: How to Prepare a Funeral Saturday, April 9, 2016 at St. Catherine of Siena Parish, 243 Route 164 Preston, CT 06365 Registration at 8:45 AM. Program from 9:15 to 1 PM. Fee: \$10 For more information go to www.norwichdiocese.org Or call 860-848-2237x203 Registration forms on entrance tables of Church.



WORLD YOUTH DAY

July 23rd Youth Event for Gr. 7 -12

Calling all Youth in Grades 7 – 12 to World Youth Day- CT on Saturday, July 23rd from 1p – 5pm. World Youth Day- CT will take place at Xavier High School in Middletown, CT. We will bridge youth to World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland through the theme of Mercy with speaker Copper Ray, Praise Band Jerusalem Roads, Mercy Projects, and Mass with the Bishop of Norwich, The Most Reverend Michael Cote. The cost is \$10 and it is a day to rejoice with friends CT, but also from all around New England. If you are interested, please contact your Catechetical Leader or Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or (860)848-2237 ex. 305.

Starting Saturday, March 5th Beloved Video Series

Come and experience "Beloved", a powerful new video series to help you enrich and fortify your marriage. 8 sessions will be held at St. Mary's in Baltic, beginning on Saturday, 3/5, from 7 to 9pm. The remainder of the sessions will be held on: 4/16, 5/21, 6/18, 7/23, 8/13, 9/10 & 10/15. If you are interested, please contact Brenda Peter by February 20th at 860-303-0494 or brendapeter@sbcglobal.net to sign up and purchase a Couples' Guide (\$24.95). Thank you.

The Willimantic District of the Norwich Diocese Council of Catholic Women invites all women to a Lenten Program on March 13th at 1:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Church in Willimantic. Guest speaker will be Genevieve Kineke, a wife, mother, and author who writes specifically about authentic femininity. Her topic is **THE AUTHENTIC CATHOLIC WOMAN**. Her goal is to make the Church's beautiful teaching on women accessible, practical and a path to joy. Come join other women of faith. A light lunch will be provided; there is no fee. To make a reservation please contact Barbara at 860-642-7168 by March 5th.

ANNUAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE- SAT. APRIL 9th
Women of all ages are invited to enhance their journey of faith and build community by attending the Annual Women's Conference on Saturday, April 9th from 8:30am – 3:30pm at St. Bernard's High School. The day begins with Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael Cote, followed by the talented author and Blogger Kathy Irr to dazzle us, a catered lunch, reconciliation, and adoration.
It is a great day for women's growth and faith life, so register today by contacting the Office of Faith Events – Marge Vanner at (860)848-2237 ex. 312 or faithevents@norwichdiocese.net.



Trip to Incredible India

12 days from October 16th to 27 -2016
South and North India. 12 days in
October 2016. In south – St. Thomas

the apostle's tomb, place of his martyrdom, Lourdes of east basilica, Famous Hindu temples, cultural programs, elephant rides on the Western Ghats Mountain. In the North - New Delhi, Agra Taj Mahal, famous monuments and Jaipur beautiful palaces. It includes all breakfast, lunches dinners and all entrance fees, and air tickets, and visa cost.

Cost \$ 3450.00 per person from New York double occupancy

For more information:

Hosted by Fr. Benjamin Soosaimanickam
St. Andrew Church, Colchester

- Contact Fr. Benjamin 860.537.2355
- Email- benjaminvin@yahoo.com.

Youth Group (www.standrewym.org)

Life Teen High School youth Ministry Gr. 8-12.

Sun. Feb. 28 Life Teen Mass 5pm followed by dinner & life night with some "special guests".
Youth Group meets at St. Andrew Church.

Vacancy: Superintendent of Schools, Diocese of Norwich, Connecticut February 2016

The Superintendent of Schools, as the Bishop's delegate in all school matters, is chief administrator and supervisor of all schools of the Diocese of Norwich. The Superintendent is responsible for all areas of education relating to elementary and secondary schools, including programs and personnel. The Superintendent is responsible for the implementation of all policies of the Diocesan Board of Education.

Interested and qualified applicants are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by April 1, 2016 to:

Edward J. Shine, Ed. D.
Superintendent of Schools

Please attach the letter and resume to an email and send to Nicholas Graziano, Administrative Assistant to Dr. Shine at adminasstdso@norwichdiocese.net

Letters and resumes will be accepted until the position is filled. Finalists will be required to provide official transcripts, Sacramental documentation, letters of reference and a list of references.

Details of responsibilities and qualifications posted on the side entrance wall bulletin board.

Principal Vacancy: St. John Paul II Regional, Diocesan PreK-8 School, Middletown, CT

February 4, 2016

The successful candidate will be a practicing Catholic with an understanding of and a commitment to the mission of Catholic education. In addition to a record of successful teaching, a master's degree and Connecticut State Certification, bi-lingual (English/Spanish) fluency is preferred, as is demonstrated knowledge of curriculum and the qualities of potential leadership at the elementary level. The principal will possess the ability to work effectively with teachers, parents and pastors, along with an understanding of the complexities of interactions which need to take place between the school and the Diocesan School Office. The candidate should possess superior written and oral communication skills.

The full job description can be found on the diocesan website: www.norwichdiocese.org

To apply, send a cover letter, current resume, three references and certification information to:

superintendentdso@norwichdiocese.net

or

Edward J. Shine, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools, Diocesan School Office, 43 Perkins Avenue, Norwich, Ct 06360

Screening begins March 15, 2016. Resumes accepted until the position is filled.

MASS INTENTIONS

We have several open Masses during 2016. You may have a Mass said for a variety of intentions: for a deceased loved one, in celebration of a marriage, anniversary, birthday, in thanksgiving, for a special intention, for world peace, etc.

To request a Mass intention, please call Cheryl in the parish office during office hours.

LENTEN PROGRAMS

- ✓ **Saint Joseph Church 120 Cliff Street, Norwich** will be holding their annual **Lenten Fish and Chips Dinner** every Friday through March 25th (Good Friday). 4:30-6:30pm. Take out available. A full meal consisting of 2 pieces of fish \$9.00; 1 piece meal \$7.00 and Chowder \$4.00. Please join us! For more information, call 860-887-1565.
- ✓ **PROGRAMS at Holy Family Retreat Center**, West Hartford 860-760-9705.
www.holyfamilyretreat.org
Tuesday, Mar 1, 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Praying Our Broken World with Mary, led by **Andree Grafstein**. We will look to Mary, Our Lady of Sorrows, for guidance on being present to and praying with brokenness. \$65, includes lunch.
- ✓ **Wednesday, Mar 16**, 6-9 p.m.
Women's Evening Retreat: Life Stages: Taking Care at Every Age, with **Sr. Mary Ann Strain**. The evening will focus on what women of every age can do to create a rich and fulfilling future for themselves. \$40, includes dinner.

Scholarship - Knights of Columbus Council 13 has established a \$500 scholarship for graduating high school seniors entering their freshman year in an approved undergraduate college, university or technical school as a regular full-time student in a program leading to a Bachelor's Degree or equivalent technical certification. Information including application forms and directions may be obtained from the parish secretary. Applications must be received by March 1.

Please join the Most Reverend Michael R. Cote D.D. on Saturday April 9th at the Mystic Marriott in Groton CT to celebrate **Catholic Charities 95th Anniversary Gala**. The evening begins with a Silent Auction and Dinner. We will honor the following individuals: Humanitarian of the Year: Meg Gustafson; Community Servants of the Year: Willimantic Advisory Board; Honoring our Heritage Award: Jacqueline Keller and Catholic Charities Employee of the Year: Therese Fontaine. Tickets are \$100 if purchased before March 18 (\$125 after). Proceeds from this event allows Catholic Charities to continue our mission of providing services for our neighbors most in need in Eastern CT. To purchase tickets, contact Christine Jackel @ 860.886.1928 x12 or e-mail cjackel@norwichdiocese.net

Defending Our Religious Liberty Feb. 28, 2016

Religious freedom is a God-given right. It is protected in the First Amendment of the Bill of Rights of our U.S. Constitution, which dates back to Dec. 15, 1791. The government should not be allowed to force people or groups to violate their most deeply held religious convictions.

If you haven't done so already, please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate by calling U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445, and your elected representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OPEN HOUSES & ENTRANCE EXAMS

- ❖ **Saint Bernard School** Grades 6-12 **Information session** on Tuesday March 1 at 6:00pm. **Placement testing** on Saturday March 19 at 8:30am. Saint Bernard School may be just what you are looking for. Expanded transportation routes and financial aid are available. For more information call 860.848.1271 or e-mail admissions@saint-bernard.com
- ❖ **East Catholic High School** Make-up Entrance Exam Wednesday March 2 at 8am to all eighth graders who were unable to take preceding exams. Pre-registration recommended but not required. Non-refundable fee of \$25 is required. Questions – call the Admissions Office at 860.649.5336 x6238 or x6456. Exam will be given at the school. School is located at 115 New State Road in Manchester.
- ❖ **Mercy High School, Middletown, CT** "Discover Mercy" for 5th, 6th, & 7th grade girls and their parents Saturday March 5 from 9am to 1pm. Register online – www.mercyhigh.com
- ❖ Mercy & Xavier High Schools presents "Into the Woods" Friday March 11th at 7pm, Saturday March 12 at 7pm, and Sunday March 13 at 2pm. Mercy High School Auditorium - \$10 Admission. To order tickets on line, visit www.mercyhigh.com
- ❖ \$25,000 Education Raffle. Anyone can win! The \$25,000 is tax free and can be used at any accredited school in the U.S. Tickets are \$100. The drawing is Wednesday May 18th during intermission at Mercy's Spring Concert which starts at 7pm. You do not need to be present to win. Only 600 tickets will be sold. For information, or to order a ticket go to www.mercyhigh.com or call Mercy at 860.347.8957.
- ❖ **Sacred Heart School** - Grades Pre K through 8 Open House on Thursday, March 3rd @ 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. 15 Hunters Ave Taftville, CT - Parish Life Center Entrance on South B Street 860-887-1757 www.sacredhearttaftville.org

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES?

Would you like to receive offertory envelopes? The rectory has received a number of inquiries regarding how an individual can receive them. Please fill out this form and within a few weeks they will be sent to you. If you have any questions, please call the rectory at 642-6711. Thank you!

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Food Baskets

Suggestions:

HAMS

Boxed Potatoes,
Canned Food & Vegetables
Pasta & Sauce
Cake Mixes & Frosting
Brownie & Muffin Mixes
Mayonnaise
Soups
Peanut Butter, Jams & Jellies
Pie Crusts & Pie Fillings
Coffee & Tea
Cereals Both Hot & Cold
Canned Tuna
Canned Fruit
Pudding & Jello

Food baskets to be delivered Saturday March 19. Please bring all food donations to Church by Sunday March 13.

We are thankful for food donations of all types. Your continued support of this program has helped many of our friends and neighbors when they have stumbled upon difficult times. Thank You.

Columbia and Lebanon Girl Scouts will be holding a Fill-A-Truck event to benefit the Cookies for Heroes Program (www.cookiesforheroes.com). Everyone is invited to join the Girl Scouts on **Saturday March 12th** from **10:00-2:00** at **Columbia Ford, 234 Willimantic Road (Route 6), Columbia** to help fill a truck with boxes of Girl Scout cookies for our heroes. .

An important part of the Girl Scout Cookie Program is the Gift of Caring Project that sends cookies to service women and men. This year Girl Scouts of Connecticut has set a goal to send more than 140,000 boxes of cookies to our heroes.

Cookies are \$4.00 per box or \$48.00 for a case. Customers will not be able to purchase cookies for themselves at this event, however watch for booth sales at various locations throughout March.

For more information please contact Terry @ 860.558.2531.

The Cross of Mercy

The Cross of Mercy will be displayed for the entire Year of Mercy.



The purpose of the Cross is to provide all our parishioners the opportunity to display their Works of Mercy. As you perform a Work of Mercy we ask you to write it down on the cards provided and using a push pin attach it to the Cross. The cards should be nameless. Cards, push pins and pencils will be provided. Let's be mindful of the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

We will begin reciting the Chaplet of Divine Mercy on Friday March 4, and every Friday thereafter, following the 9 A.M. Mass. Please join us.

Lebanon Ecumenical Community Lenten Service

Wednesday March 9th, 7:00 p.m.
at the First Congregational Church,
588 Exeter Road

The event is sponsored by the Lebanon Ecumenical Clergy and Franklin Congregational Church.

Please bring an item for the Neighbors Helping Neighbors Easter Baskets (children's small toys, books, crafts, chocolate bunnies, etc.).



Save the Date
 Spring Fling Dinner
 Sat., April 2, 2016
 6 - 10 pm

Fire Safety Complex
 Sponsored by the Ladies
 Guild

More info to follow

**Pancake breakfast/ Knights of Columbus
 Council #2336 Baltic CT**

A pancake breakfast sponsored by the K of C Council 2336 will be held on Sunday March 6 2016 from 8:00 a.m. till Noon in Hanlon Hall. Pancakes, sausage, eggs, home fries, French toast, juice, and coffee will be served to help warm the winter chill. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children 12 & under, Two & under are free or \$20.00 max per family.

For more info please contact Brian at 860-822-1788 or BJDaly@aol.com ~Thank you
 At Academy of the Holy Family Cafeteria 54 West Main St. Baltic CT. We look forward to seeing you there!

The Sisters of Charity of Our Lady Mother of the Church invite girls in the 4th and 5th grades to our **Share-A-Day with the Sisters** from 9am to 6:30pm on Saturday March 5th at Holy Family Motherhouse in Baltic. This special day includes recreation, talks, activities, and prayers with the Sisters. Please R. S. V. P. by March 1st. Respond or contact for more information to Sister Mary Jacinta. Telephone 860.822.8241 or e-mail smaryjacinta@gmail.com .Hope to see you there.

ANNUAL LAYETTE PROGRAM

The
 Norwich
 Diocesan
 Council of
 Catholic
 Women's
 Annual
 Layette



Program will be on Sunday, April 3 at St Matthias Church, East Lyme. We are collecting **new** baby items (diapers and blankets) and baby clothing sizes newborn, to size 3T. All items collected will go to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Norwich. You may leave your items in the collection box located at the side entrance of the church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Blood Drive

**Lebanon Senior Center
 37 West Town Street
 Wednesday March 9th from 1:00-6:00pm.**

**Appointments: 1.800.REDCROSS
 1.800.733.2767 or redcrossblood.org.**

**Save up to 15 minutes at your donation.
 Visit redcrossblood.org/rapidpass
 to get started.**