

**We are pleased and honored
To welcome you to
St. Francis of Assisi Parish**
67 West Town Street, Lebanon, CT 06249
Telephone: 860.642.6711 Fax: 860.642.4032
Rev. Mark Masnicki, Pastor
Rev. Richard Breton
Deacon Michael Puscas



Saturday April 7, 2018 Saturday within Octave of Easter

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM Marion Preisler req. by the Lavin family

Sunday April 8, 2018 Sunday of Divine Mercy

8:00 AM Nicholas Kuzel req. by Norm & Ella Mae Kuzel

10:30 AM Jean Marc Letourneau req. by the Fauteux family

3:00 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament @ St. Andrew

Monday April 9, 2018 Annunciation

NO MASS

Tuesday April 10, 2018 Easter Weekday

NO MASS

Wednesday April 11, 2018 St. Stanislaus, bishop, martyr

9:00 AM Poor Souls in Purgatory req. by Pam Roberts

Thursday April 12, 2018 Easter Weekday

NO MASS

Friday April 13, 2018 St. Martin I, pope, martyr

9:00 AM Living & deceased members of the Sardi family req. by Mackie

Saturday April 14, 2018 Easter Weekday

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM Robert Burns req. by Irene Burns

Sunday April 15, 2018 Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM

10:30 AM

11:30 AM Baptism Amelia Seng

3/25 Offertory: \$ 2,144.00 Rice Bowl: \$ 809.25
4/1 Offertory: \$ 2,776.75 Easter Priest: \$ 1113.75
Today's second collection is for extraordinary expenses.
A very sincere thanks to all those parishioners who make-up their offertory while away.

Adoration of our Lord. Jesus is the Friend who never abandons us.
(St. Luigi Guanella) Adoration begins at 8:30am following the 8:00am Mass on Thursdays and continues until Benediction at 7:00pm at St. Andrew Church. There is always a need for faithful 1.adorers, please consider omitting to a specific hour. Contact Dennis Girard @ 860.334.9894 or dennisgirard51@gmail.com

Weekend April 14 & April 15

5:00pm Lector: Steve Wengloski

Eucharistic Minister: Richard Lataille

Altar Servers: Grace, Nina & Luci Gardella

8:00am Lector: Rosanne Coffey

Eucharistic Minister: Peggy Stygar

Altar Servers: Christian & Jack Terwilliger

10:30am Lector: Angela Coentini

Eucharistic Minister: Paul Pelletier

Altar Servers: Erika Densman, Becca Wheaton

Grades 3 & 5 will be assisting at the 10:30am Mass on April 8. Refreshments following the Mass in the meeting room.

Military Service Honor Roll

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

SFC Justin A. VonEdwins, U.S. Army

Sgt. Robert Massicotte U.S. Army

1st Lt. Miles N. Snelgrove USMC 2nd Batt. 6th Marines

AM2 Emerson Flannery, U.S. Navy

Seaman Alex R. Paris, U.S. Navy

LCPL Chad Wengloski, U.S. Marines

CTN3 Jonah Swett, U.S. Navy

ITSA Rocky Spedaliere Jr., U.S. Navy

2nd Lt. Tyler McGuire, U.S. Air Force

Prayer for our Men and Women in Military Service

O Prince of Peace, we humbly ask for 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 — We pray for Bishop Michael R. Cote, Rev. Jonathan Ficara, Rev. John Ashe, Rev. Tomasz Albrecht, Rev. Benjamin Soosaimanickam, Rev. Victor Chaker, Rev. Christopher Zmuda, Rev. Thomas Sickler MS, V. Rev. Laurence LaPointe, Msgr. Leszek Janik, Rev. Paul Ramen, Rev. Dennis Mercieri, Rev. Robert Washabaugh. Father, recall to our priests that they hold between their hands the Most Precious Treasure of the Church: the Blood of the Sacred Victim. Enkindle in them the fire of love of Christ as they do Your work. (Ven. Mother Catherine Aurelia, foundress)



Annual Layette Program

The Norwich Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will hold its 38th Annual Layette Program on Sunday April 22nd, starting at 2 PM, at Christ the King Church, 1 McCurdy Road, Old Lyme. All women of the Diocese are welcome to attend. We are collecting **new** baby items such as baby clothes from Newborn to Toddler 3T, as well as blankets, diapers, etc. The collection box will be located at the side entrance, till after the 1030 mass on Sunday, April 22, 2018. Baby items are greatly needed by our Norwich Diocese families and will be donated to Catholic Charities to distribute. Representatives of Catholic Charities will be in attendance to gratefully accept our donations. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Sandra Spedaliere Committee Chair person

Junk in Your Trunk



Ladies Guild JUNK IN THE TRUNK SALE

Saturday April 28th, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Rear parking lot

HAVE SOMETHING TO SELL?

Rent a parking space and sell your treasures out of your trunk or bring a table.

NOW ACCEPTING BOOKINGS

SPACE MUST BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE

Contact Estelle to book a space!

(Deadline: April 16)

@ 860-420-7221 or estelle7moodus@yahoo.com

\$20 for a single (8'W x 16'L) space; \$30 for a double (17'W x 16'L) space

(Cars, vans, pickups only: no trailers allowed - All vehicles must fit in the space provided)

My Father's House Eucharist Retreat from Saturday April 28 to Sunday April 29. A retreat full of fiery preaching, anointed music, & powerful prayer! Presented by Rocco Fortunato, Catholic Speaker and Evangelist. Founder of Spread the Blaze & guest speaker on Catholic Radio.

For more information visit www.spreadtheblaze.com

SPECIAL EVENT! April 22, 2018, "Let there be life" @ My Father's House, Moodus, CT. Powerful presentations from speakers, Melisa Ohden, Dr. Judith Mascolo, and Peter Wolfgang Esq. will leave you inspired. This uplifting day also features exhibits by V.P. John Martin of Human life International and mobile ultra-sound van tours. For detailed information or to register go to www.myfathershousect.org. Reserve your seat- call (860) 873-1906

Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center Programs

860.760.9705 www.holyfamilyretreat.org

303 Tunxis Road, West Hartford

Men's Evening Retreat: Brewing & Blessing Wed. April 11 6-9pm \$40pp includes dinner and tasting

Alive with Beauty Weekend Retreat: Fri. – Sun. April 20-22

Worldwide Marriage Encounter "Brothers and sisters, I should like you to be free of anxieties." Let us learn to calm our anxieties about our spouses by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekend is Jul 6-8, 2018 in MANCHESTER, CT. For more information, call Dennis & Jane Lamondy at [860-481-3720](tel:860-481-3720) or visit them at <https://www.mectw.org/>.

Defending Our Religious Liberty April 8, 2018

The Administration has pledged that it will defend and protect religious liberty. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has urged the fulfillment of this promise, including an end to regulations and other mandates by the federal government that force people of faith to make choices that go against their religious principles.

ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

- ✓ **Charismatic Prayer Meeting** every Tuesday at 2 PM Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich (860-887-0702).
- ✓ **Women's Conference 2018: Called to Joy!** The Office of Faith Events and the Norwich Diocesan Council of Catholic Women welcome women of all ages. Offering workshops on parenting, relationships, prayer, scripture and more. Keynote speaker ValLimar Jansen, and Mass with Bishop Cote...Saturday, April 14, 2018, 8:30-3:30, St. Bernard High School, Uncasville. Find the registration form at www.norwichdiocese.org under the Office of Faith Events- Upcoming Events. Or contact us at 860-848-2237. Register today! Registration forms available at Church entrances. Deadline for registration is March 20th.
- ✓ **28th Annual White Mass for Healthcare Workers & Caregivers** Sunday, April 15 at 9am in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick. Brunch to follow in the Cathedral Auditorium. Featuring Sr. Rita Johnson, S.S.M.N.D. who will deliver the David P. Lauer, M.D. & Joan M. Lauer, B.S.N. lecture. A donation of \$25 per person is requested. For more information, to make a reservation, or to reserve table, please call 8560.88.9294, ext. 100.
- ✓ **Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations** April 19 from 6-7pm at St. Luke in Ellington.
- ✓ **Marriage Help** – If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring, or, if you are divorced or separated but want to try again, the **Retrouaille** program can help. Retrouaille provides tools to communicate better, resolve conflicts fairly and re-discover why you fell in love. The next local Retrouaille weekend is **April 20-22, 2018**. For information, call confidentially 1-800-470-2230, email cherylandsteve@cox.net, or go to the website www.helpourmarriage.com for information and registration.

Bishop Daniel P. Reilly's 90th Birthday, May 2018

The Knights of Columbus in Worcester, Mass are honoring Bishop Reilly and combing a Fundraiser for the Health Care Facility (Notre Dame Health Care Facility), Where he is a resident. A luncheon will be held in his honor on Saturday, May 12, 2018 at 12noon at St. John High School, 378 Main Street, Shrewsbury, Mass. Tickets are \$45 per person. Please send any ticket request with a stamped envelope and money to: Bishop Reilly 90th Celebration, 206 Quinsigmond Avenue, Shrewsbury, Mass 01545 "If you plan to come, please order early as we are expecting a grateful attendance!" Any questions call Fr. Ray Introvigne at [1-860-887-0702](tel:1-860-887-0702)

Catholic Charities "Evening of Hope" Sunday April 15th at

Mystic Aquarium 6:30pm Silent Auction & Dinner Tickets are \$100; \$125 after April 1st Recipients of the 2018 awards are: Humanitarian of the Year: Christopher A. Lipinski, Ph.D. ~ Our Heritage: Jane Leger ~ Community Servants of the Year: Middletown Advisory Board ~ Employee of the Year: Cynthia Mageski Contact: Christine Jackel, Development Coordinator cjackel@norwichdiocese.net or 860.886.1928 x12

Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti Annual Fundraiser
Join Bishop Cote at the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti annual Charity Gala, Saturday, April 28, at A Villa Louisa, Bolton CT.

RSVP on-line www.outreachtohaiti.org. or call Outreach to Haiti 860 800 3601. Proceeds benefit the Diocese's long-standing mission in Haiti: nutrition & feeding programs, medical care, orphanages, and education program. The evening features Dr. Jacquet, Outreach Clinic Director, a silent auction, cocktails and dinner. The price is \$100. Thank you for your support!

YOUNG PEOPLE, HELP THE POPE

Attention Parents and Grandparents PASS THIS ON TO THE YOUTH IN YOUR LIFE!

Young people ages 16 – 29, Catholic and non-Catholics, are invited to participate via social media. The Pope wants to hear ideas, feelings and recommendations from our youth on the topic: "Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment". Young people from all around the world, can participate by responding to 15 Hashtags using their social media (Twitter, Instagram, Facebook) which are listed online at:

<http://www.synod2018.va/content/synod2018/en/pre-synodal-meeting/15---hashtags-for-comments.html>

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND ~ If you are widowed, separated or divorced and want help in resolving the pain and grief of losing the marriage relationship and create a more peace-filled future, consider attending a **Beginning Experience weekend May 4-6 at St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield, CT.** The fee for the Catholic-based weekend is \$265, which covers food, lodging, materials and a follow-up event.

For more information call Maureen at 860-285-8685 or Victoria at 860-993-2384, or visit www.beginningexperience.org.

10th ANNUAL MULTI-FAMILY TAG SALE

The St. Andrew Church Choir will be holding their 10th Annual Multi-Family Tag Sale on Saturday, April 21st, from 8:30am – 2:00pm in the Church Hall. All proceeds from the Tag Sale will benefit the local Food & Fuel Banks and the Colchester Free Community Lunch Program. If you have any items that you would like to donate to this worthwhile event, all donations will be accepted on **Friday, April 20th** from 1:00-7:00pm in the Parish Hall. There is also room for up to 20 families to reserve a space to sell their own tag sale items. The cost is \$20.00 for two (2) six foot tables. Set up will be on Friday, April 20th from 1:00pm – 7:00pm. For table rental and donation information, please contact Carol at 860-303-1842



8 Wine, Wisdom and Why Night "The Young Adult Edition"

April 24, 2018 from 7-9 pm

Learn more about your faith and share some fellowship with other young adult Catholics. Although the

evening is geared toward questions and concerns of our 21-39 year olds, all adults are welcome!

Join us for an evening of questions and answers about our Faith!

Ask questions about Church teachings, prayers, rituals as well as any other Faith Traditions you have always wondered about!

A panel of experts ready to answer any questions include:

Bishop Michael Cote, Bishop of the Norwich Diocese
Sr. Elissa Rinere CP, Chancellor of the Norwich Diocese
Deacon Chris Deskus, Director of Prison Ministry Office,
Norwich Diocese

Mr. Paul Kieda, Morality/Ethics Teacher, Xavier High School,
Middletown

St. Mary Church Hall, Portland RSVP Via email faithevents@norwichdiocese.net or via phone 860-848-2237, ext. 304. Wine donations for this event are being accepted at the Bishop Flanagan Ministry Center at 199 Broadway, Norwich.

My Father's House Pro-Life Conference, April, Sunday 22, 2018: "LET THERE BE LIFE", a conference to inspire, educate and embolden action. Featured Speakers: - Melissa Ohden, advocates for life as a national speaker, author, and has addressed the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. She is a miraculous survivor of a 5 day saline abortion attempt. Her inspirational life story is a compelling witness to God's extraordinary plan for her life. She is the founder of The Abortion Survivors Network, is a board member for the Vitae Foundation and former speaker for Feminists for Life. - Judith Mascolo M.D., Family Practice Medicine - Peter Wolfgang Esq. - Executive Director, Family Institute of Connecticut. - Exhibit by John Martin., Vice President of Human Life International new spiritual event: A Marian Day of Recollection with Fr. Francis J. Peffley on Saturday, November 25th.

Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center
31 Colton St., Farmington CT 860.677.8519

*Movie Night "Babette's Feast" Wed. April 11 6:30pm – 9:00pm (Pope Francis' favorite film) Basket Supper \$25pp

*Make me an Instrument of Your Peace for women April 6-8 and April 13-15

*Faith that asks something of us: Doing the Truth in Love Sat. April 14 9am-1:30am

*Western Barbecue & Comedy Night Wed. April 18 5:30pm-9:00pm, plus raffle

*Making the Insights of Thomas Merton Accessible Wed. April 25 7:00pm-9:00pm

This year's Paschal Candle has been donated in memory of



Richard & Mary Williams

James Francis Nowosad

Margaret O'Neill

Richard Lesson

The Smutko & Haralson families

Isidore & Theresa Wengloski



75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

IN ORDER TO BE LISTED IN THE COMMEMORATIVE BOOK, DONATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY APRIL 15TH, THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY DONATED.

Please use the envelope that was provided in the mailing to return your donation.

Checks are made out to "Saint Francis of Assisi", with 75th Anniversary on the memo line.

Please mail to: 75th Anniversary Celebration, P.O. Box 75 Lebanon, CT 06249-0075

LAST CALL!

IF YOU SERVE IN A MINISTRY, PLEASE MAKE SURE WE HAVE YOUR NAME.

Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Greeters, Lectors, Ushers, Parish Council, Finance, Religious Ed Teachers, Money Counters, Liturgy Committee: Please review the lists in the sacristy for accuracy; the names will be in the commemorative book as listed, unless otherwise corrected.

PHOTOS STILL NEEDED!

There is another story behind a photo...

Have you looked at a photo and saw something else happening in the background?

Do you have wedding, baptism or Holy Communion photos from the Route 87 Church?

You would not believe what stories the backgrounds in these photos are telling us – especially interior photos, they tell the story of Church renovations that occurred over a number of year. Please see if you have some to share.

BIRTHDAY & Anniversary Recognitions

At the August 25, 2018 parish picnic we would like to recognize those in our parish who are the **OLDEST, YOUNGEST, AND THE NEWLY MARRIED.**

If you qualify for any of the above categories please fill out the form you received or contact Barbara at bobbie.w@charter.net by April 15th. Forms also available at Church entrances.

137 days to go to the August 22 start of our celebration!

EASTER FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF:

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| M/M Isidore Wengloski | Eugene Grecki |
| Paul Wengloski | Lynda Kalinowski |
| Joyce Wengloski | Janet Gagnon |
| M/M Kazmierz Wieczorek | Stanley Dudar |
| Marion Jones | Nicholas Wengloski |
| Raymond F. Andrews III | John Kane |
| Jane & Jim Herring | Henry Dabkowski |
| Henry & Mary Malinowsky | M/M Leo Coriarty |
| Esther & Gary Hand | Mrs. Elizabeth Baker |
| M/M Alexander Beaudoin | Bill Brewster |
| Charles Garthwait | Jerry Chaviaras |
| Ann E. Cubeta | Katherine Macht |
| Roy Showalter | Mark Showalter |
| William & Margaret Fries | Jesus |
| Constance & Wallace Arsenault | Maurice Pelletier |
| 17 teenagers killed in Florida High School | |
| Regina Boisvert | Catherine Fritz |
| Rev. Adam Hildebrand | Jordan Haralson |
| Viola & Frank Smutko | Jim Mackey |
| Ernest & Mary Sunega | Stanley Krawiec |
| Barbara Nowak | James & Peg Mackey |
| Bill & Nellie Shanley | Richard Chalifoux |
| Irene & Roger Therrien | Abbie Marie Coutu |
| Paul & Josephine Mathieu | Ed Coutu |
| John & Barbara Cwikla | Nicholas Kuzel |
| Stanley & Josephine Misinsky | |
| Dr. & Mrs. Eugene Szafarek | Steven Jurovaty |

Deceased Members of:

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| Brisson & Lataille families | Coffey & Vos families |
| Sikora & Grecki families | Gilleese family |
| Ciarcia & Leone families | Therrien family |
| Dudar & Kulynyck families | Foley & Dyer families |
| O'Neill & Stygar families | Wheaton family |
| Fauteux & Soucy families | Perotti family |
| Elliott & Guilbeault families | Palmer family |
| Bosse & Lavertu families | Adamcewicz family |
| Oliveira & Medeiros families | Pelletier family |
| Clinch & Kuzel families | Burns family |
| Getman & Parish families | Pratt & Walden families |
| Valliere & Diette families | Hull & Nejako families |
| Anastasio & Albrecht families | |