

Defending Our Religious Liberty Jan. 15, 2017

We are called to advocate for the most fundamental of human goods and rights, in particular, the right to life and the right not only to profess our faith, but to live it out. We are advocating for the freedom to “be Catholic,” to go about our lives serving the needs of our brothers and sisters, regardless of their race, creed, or religion, not because they are Catholic but because we are Catholic.

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.

The Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti is planning an immersion trip experience to Haiti from March 1 to March 8th. There are still openings. If you are interested please contact Sue Petruzzi - sue.petruzzi@outreachtohaiti.org - as soon as possible. The cost of the trip is approximately \$1200 depending on the price of your plane fare at the time of booking. Please join us for an experience like no other!

Community Prayer Service from the Lebanon Clergy group scheduled for Tuesday January 17th, 7:00 at the Baptist Church.

Please join together to pray for hope and peace for our nation, community and world.

Programs at Enders Island – Mystic CT

860.536.0565

- **Byzantine Iconography** Evening Enrichment 12 week series Thursdays 1/9/17 through 4/6/17 \$760 commuter rate. For more information <http://enders.is/byzantineicon>
- **Gregorian Chant** Evening Enrichment 12 Week Series Wednesdays 1/18/17 through 4/5/17 \$760 commuter rate. For more information <http://enders.is/lentenchants>
- **February Day of Recollection** Thursday 2/2/17 (Candlemas) \$50 per person includes hot served lunch. For more information <http://enders.is/februarydor>
- **Stained Glass Workshop** Sundays 2/5/17 through Friday 2/10/17 \$660 commuter rate. For more information <http://enders.is/byzantineiconstainedglass>
- **Married Couples Retreat** Friday 2/10/17 through Sunday 2/12/17 through Sunday 2/12/17 \$420 per couple For more information <http://enders.is/couplesretreat>
- **Women's' 11th Step Retreat** Friday 2/24/17 through Sunday 2/26/17 \$210 shared room. <http://enders.is/feb11thstep>

A **memorial service** for Nancy Alicia Wayland will be held at 1 pm on Saturday, February 4, 2017 at the historic First Congregational Church, 588 Exeter Road, Lebanon, CT. A reception will follow in the church fellowship hall. Please share this notice with Alicia's friends, family and colleagues.

Our family would also welcome receiving any stories or memories you have of our mother as we write our tributes to her.

Thank you for the many thoughts, prayers and good deeds you have been sending our way over the last few months.

Warm regards,

The Wayland Family