

**We are pleased and honored
To welcome you to
St. Francis of Assisi Parish**
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Rev. Mark Masnicki, Pastor
Rev. Richard Breton
Deacon Michael Puscas



**MASS
INTENTIONS**

Saturday July 1, 2017 St. Junipero Serra, priest

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM John Sullivan req. by Peter Pacific

Sunday, July 2, 2017 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Souls in Purgatory

10:30 AM Julie Coscia req. by her family

Monday July 3, 2017 St. Thomas, apostle

NO MASS

Tuesday July 4, 2017 Independence Day

9:00 AM J. P. Musial req. by C. Wheaton

Wednesday July 5, 2017 St. Anthony Zaccaria, priest; St. Elizabeth of Portugal

9:00 AM Marie Krom req. by Mackie

Thursday July 6, 2017 St. Maria Goretti, virgin, martyr

NO MASS

Friday July 7, 2017 Weekday

9:00 AM Souls in Purgatory req. by P. Roberts

Saturday July 8, 2017 Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00 PM Confessions

5:30 PM Christopher & Trish Goba Churchill 18th

Anniversary req. by Bill & Joan Russoniello Goba

Sunday, July 9, 2017 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Mary Kay Clinch req. by Norm & Ella Mae Kuzel

NO 10:30am MASS

Offertory: \$ 1816.00 World Combined: \$ 1773.00
Today's second collection is the monthly extraordinary.

Next weekend's second collection is our endowment fund. Next weekend's collection is for our endowment fund. Our Parish currently has a small Endowment Fund which was begun in June of 1991. The purpose of gifts of monies to the endowment fund is to provide for the future support or maintenance of the Parish. The interest earned can be left in the fund to increase the principal or used for parish expenses. With an Endowment Fund, only the interest would be distributed each year, with the principal remaining intact. Over time, with additional gifts and interest earned, the account balance could become large enough to give the parish a nice annual income.

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 adorers, please consider omitting to a specific hour. Contact Dennis Girard @ 860.334.9894 or dennisgirard51@gmail.com

The weekend of July 8 & 9 Masses times change. Saturday 5:30pm and Sunday 8:00am only.

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
AM3 Emerson Flannery, U.S. Navy
Seaman Alex R. Paris, U.S. Navy
LCPL Chad Wengloski, U.S. Marines
Seaman Jonathan Wengloski, U.S. Navy
CTN3 Jonah Swett, U.S. Navy
Seaman Recruit Rocky Spedaliere
2nd Lt. Tyler McGuire, U.S. Air Force

Prayer for our Men and Women in Military Service

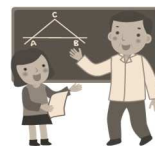
O Prince of Peace, we humbly ask for Your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity, and devotion the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Guard our churches, our homes, our schools, our hospitals, our factories, 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 Rev. P. Grzegorz Jednaki, Rev. Gregoire Fluet, Msgr. Leszek Janik, Rev. Richard Sliwinski, Rev. Jeffrey Ellis, Rev. Edward Dempsey DBA, V. Rev. David Choquette, V. Rev. Dennis Perkins, Rev. Joseph Ashe, Msgr. Michael Donohue, Rev. George Villamthanam CST, Rev. Mark O'Donnell. We also pray for those priests who have left the ministry.

Precious Blood of Jesus, cover our priests and protect them from the snares of the enemy. Kindle in their hearts a great love for You and for all souls. Bless them and make them guardians to watch over Your sheep...May the Blood of Jesus always help them. (Ven. Mother Catherine Aurelia, foundress)

Weekend July 8 & 9

5:30pm Lector: Carole Briggs
Eucharistic Minister: Pam Flaherty
Altar Servers: Steve Bardes & CJ Frank
8:00am Lector: Rosanne Coffey
Eucharistic Minister: Kathy Pellerin
Altar Servers: Anthony & Emily Pomerleau,
Sarah Dungan
10:30am Lector: NO MASS
Eucharistic Minister: NO MASS
Altar Servers: NO MASS



CCD Classes Begin in September. Classes are held from 9:00am to 10:00am at the Elementary School. Teachers and Teacher Aides will be needed.

U-R qualified if you are --- over 21---a high-school grad --- and a practicing Catholic who attends weekend Mass. We will help you with the rest of the job and help you to easily get certified to work with our youth. Call Jim Hay, the DRE at 860.886.1882 or the parish office at 860.642.6711.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter "And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love Him and reveal myself to Him." Expand your married love by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next WWME Weekends are Jul 7-9, 2017 in Manchester, CT and Nov 3-5, 2017 in Manchester, CT. For more information, call Dennis & Jane Lamondy at [860-376-0440](tel:860-376-0440) or visit us at <https://wwmectw.org/>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

- ✓ **Charismatic Prayer Meeting** every Tuesday at 2 PM Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich, CT ([860-887-0702](tel:860-887-0702)).
- ✓ **Healing Mass** ~ Mondays, July 10 and 24, 2017 Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich
- ✓ **Holy Hour for Vocations: July 20 at St. Pius X, Middle town from 6-7pm**
- ✓ On Sunday, September 10, 2017, at 8:45 a.m., Bishop Cote will celebrate **Mass for Those Dedicated to Education**, in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick. Currently, the Planning Committee for this Mass is seeking additional members to assist in preparing this very meaningful tribute to Educators and to become an active member of the planning committee. The next meeting of the Mass Committee will be held on June 26, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. in the Bishop Hines Conference Room of the Chancery. Please join us in planning the 22nd Annual Mass for Those Dedicated to Education. Contact Mrs. Rebecca McDougal at 860-887-9294.

Programs at My Father's House – 39 N, Moodus Rd, Moodus mfh.moodus@gmail.com **860.873.1906**

- ❖ **The Holy Shroud of Turin Retreat** ~ Saturday July 8 from 7:30am – 4:00pm \$ per person A relic of the Holy Shroud will be available for veneration
- ❖ October 7 Retreat on the Rosary
- ❖ November 18 Thanksgiving Retreat
- ❖ December 9 Retreat on Our Lady of Guadalupe

Women's ACTS Retreat: The Corpus Christi Catholic Community of Willimantic is sponsoring a Women's ACTS retreat at Immaculata Retreat House in Willimantic from July 13-16, 2017. This retreat experience is an opportunity for spiritual renewal, faith strengthening and experiencing God's unconditional love through the women who serve on the retreat team. It would be a great gift to yourself or any of the special women in your life. Informational brochures and registration forms are available at the Church doors. For more information you can contact Donna Cawley at [860-456-2505](tel:860-456-2505) or go to actsct@net.



Registration Information

IT IS TIME TO REGISTER FOR CCD CLASSES!
We are now accepting registrations for the 2017-2018 CCD Classes.
Registrations are due August 1st. Forms are available from the parish office, and at the entrances of Church.
Please return registrations ASAP.

Wishing You a Safe & Happy Fourth of July



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& the Parish Staff

Fr. Ben is back again to St. Francis

Mission is the purpose of vocation. All who are called to follow Christ are sent by Christ, in the person of His Church, to extend the Kingdom of God. To support the extended Catholic people of God in the Diocese of Tuticorin in India, Fr. Ben will visit our parish on July 15th & 16th requesting our support and prayers. Tree of Faith was planted in the Diocese of Tuticorin by St. Francis Xavier a Jesuit missionary from Portugal. We have to continue planting trees of faith that will bear fruits of truth and love in the Diocese of Tuticorin in India.

Last weekend the **Combined Collection for World Charities** which consists of the following collections: Catholic Relief Services, The Campaign for Human Development, Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and assistance for The Holy Land was taken up. If you were unable to bring your gift envelope, extra envelopes are available at (please state the place where these envelopes can be found). Your support of these needs of the Universal Church is greatly appreciated. Your envelope can be dropped in the collection basket next weekend or mailed directly to the parish. Thank you.

Defending Our Religious Liberty July 2, 2017

Our freedom of religion can only be assured by active vigilance. As we come to the conclusion of Fortnight for Freedom on July 4th, let us take a few moments to pray, reflect, and take action on religious liberty. For daily reflections, visit: uscbb.org.

June was "Leave a Legacy" month in the Diocese of Norwich. Most recently, through his Estate, Reverend Thomas W. Ahern who served our Diocese for over 41 years, established two endowments within the Catholic Foundation, one to benefit our seminarians and the other, the hungry poor of our Diocese. We are blessed that Father Ahern's generosity will forever allow him to help many in our Diocese. If you are interested in learning more about how you can leave your legacy and support all the good works that the Church is involved in, please contact Mary Ellen Mahoney, Development Manager, at (860) 886-1928 or memahoney@norwichdiocese.net.

31st ANNUAL Rummage Sale St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church in Baltic (70 W. Main St.) is seeking donations for its annual rummage sale. Donations of furniture, household items, clothing, etc. will be gratefully accepted through July 23. Please call St. Mary Rectory at (860) 822-6378 to arrange pick-up of larger items. Thank you very much for your support!

<https://www.facebook.com/SaintMaryRummageSale>

Free Admission on all days except Thursday, July 27
August 5 LAST DAY BARGAINS!

Early Bird Shopping - \$10 admission
Thursday, July 27 ~ 5 PM to 8 PM
Friday, July 28 ~ 9 AM to 6 PM
Saturday, July 29 ~ 9 AM to 2 PM
Friday, August 4 ~ 10 AM to 5 PM
Saturday, August 5 ~ 9 AM to 2 PM

26th Annual Steeple Chase Bike Tour August 19, 2017. 20, 35, 50, 62.5 & 100 mile bike routes and a 5 mile walk through scenic northeastern CT. Ride starts at Eastern CT State University Athletic Complex, 69 Mansfield City Road, Mansfield Center, CT. Registration opens at 7am. Info @ [860.450.7122](tel:860.450.7122) and www.steeplechase.org
Register @ Bikereg.com

