

Blessed Sacrament Church

The Transfiguration of The Lord
August 6, 2017



LITURGY SCHEDULE

Vigil Mass Saturday at 4:00 p.m.
Sunday at 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Daily Mass Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.
Weekdays Rosary at 7:40 a.m.
Friday Adoration 7:30-8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 3:00-3:45 p.m.

To schedule a wedding, you must meet with the priest at least six months prior to the intended date.

Baptisms done at the convenience of the family;
please call to schedule.

PARISH OFFICE

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Call the Parish Office for Grades K through 8
203-753-3149, ext. 330

Reverend Roberto D. McCarthy

Pastor

frmccarthy@blessedsacramentwtby.org





MASSES FOR THE WEEK AT BLESSED SACRAMENT

SATURDAY August 5:

4:00 p.m. Jane O'Connor
Requested by Silvia and Francis O'Connor

SUNDAY, August 6 : Transfiguration of the Lord

8:00 a.m. Richard Jackman
Requested by His Wife, Mary
11:00 a.m. Domenic Piombo
Requested by the Giordano Family

MONDAY, August 7:

8:00 a.m. Christopher M. Silva
Requested by the Fisher Family

TUESDAY, August 8: St Dominic, Priest

8:00 a.m. Cathy Perreault
Requested by Joan Crowley

WEDNESDAY, August 9: St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

8:00 a.m. The Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, August 10: St Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

8:00 a.m. The Parishioners of Blessed Sacrament

FRIDAY, August 11:

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

SATURDAY August 12:

4:00 p.m. Francis Woodruff
Requested by His Wife and Children

SUNDAY, August 13: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Theodore Esposito
Requested by His Family
11:00 a.m. Mary Angela Ryan Kunkel
Requested by Her Family

Family members for whom the Mass is being offered are invited to bring up the Offertory gifts. Please notify one of the ushers just before Mass.

*The Blessed Sacrament Sanctuary Candle
burns this week for
Domenic A. Piomba*

From the Desk of Fr. Roberto D. McCarthy...

This weekend we celebrate the Transfiguration of the Lord. It is one of the great solemnities of the Church meant to point to the Resurrection of Christ and ultimately towards Heaven. Christ gives to Peter, James, and John a glimpse of His glorified body to strengthen their faith. Christ knows that they will soon experience His arrest, trial and crucifixion, and that they will need this glimpse so that they do not lose faith. God does the same for each one of us at various moments of our lives; it is the ups and downs of the spiritual life. When we are experiences dryness of weakness in our faith, we must remember past blessings and times when God helped us through dark points. Hopefully we can always see and remember where God has helped us in the past and be confident that He is and will continue to guide us in the future.

Many people have been asking about Bob Duff. He is home and doing well. He wished that I thank everyone for their prayers, concerns, and well-wishes. He is again taking calls on his prayer line as he recovers. I went to visit him on Friday and he is in good spirits and happy to be home. Please continue to pray for him, as he has been such a great pray warrior for so many people.

Mass intentions for 2018 will be accepted starting Tuesday September 5th. You can call or stop by the rectory to schedule Mass on or after that day. We still have some open intentions for 2017 and those can be requested at any time. Prayers for deceased loved ones, especially offering Masses for them, is one of the most beautiful expressions of our faith and a great source of consolation; at every Mass we must personally and collectively pray for dead for God always hears these prayers.

Be assured of my prayers for you, your families, and our parish family before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. May we always remain united in the love and grace offered to each one of us in the Eucharist.

Sincerely,
Father Roberto D. McCarthy

The Chalice Program

The Chalice Program consists of taking home a hand-made ceramic chalice after the weekend Mass. The Chalice is in a quilted bag with handles. There are printed prayers for the week in the bag. All the prayers are for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Sign up and take the chalice home for a week, bringing it back the following Saturday or Sunday with prayers. Your prayers for vocations are needed!

Stewardship

Thank you for your generous financial support!
We depend on your weekly contributions. Your presence
at the weekly liturgies is appreciated.

July 29 & 30: First Collection \$3088.25

This week at Blessed Sacrament:

Sunday, August 6:

- Second Collection for Fuel and Electric

Wednesday, August 8:

- Bible study in conference room with Fr. McCarthy at 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 10:

- No Bingo

Update!

Bob Duff is home and is going well. He is excited and ready to take your calls on the prayer line.

Prayer Line: call any time at 203-573-0032

Pastoral Care

Anointing of the sick and hospital visits by Fr. McCarthy can be arranged by calling Blessed Sacrament Parish.

Prayers for the Sick

Please enter the name of your loved one, relative or friend into the book on the lectern stand in church.

They will be prayed for by the entire faith community during Mass.

Attention Volunteers

Anyone who is involved in Any ministry at Blessed Sacrament Parish is now required to complete a background check form, (even if you have already done so) and complete a Virtus training.

Background checks forms are located on the table in the back of the church and kindly call the rectory with any questions or to register for a fall Virtus training, (203) 753-3149.

* If you have attended a Virtus training in the past, an updates packet is available to read

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

AUGUST 15, 2017

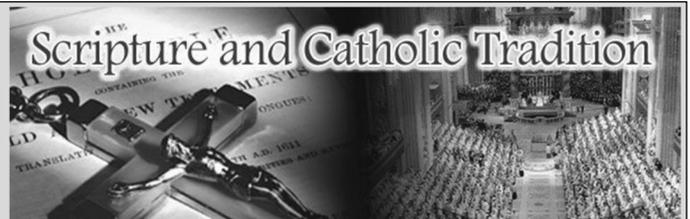
HOLY DAY OF
OBLIGATION

MASS SCHEDULE

8:00 A.M.

12:10 P.M.

6:30 P.M.



Catholic Study Group

The Wednesday Bible study will continue for the summer. However, it is more of a Scripture and Tradition study group. We will be examining the Book of Revelation and the writings of Catholic thinkers that have helped shape our understanding of Catholic Theology and life.

Please join us on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the rectory conference room. All you need to bring is a Bible .

Mass Intentions Available :

Call the parish offices to schedule a Mass intention, spaces are available in the 2017 Mass Book. Call the parish offices to have the Sanctuary Candle burn for a special intention (\$15).

The Blessed Sacrament Parish family welcomes you to register and worship with us!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime phone: _____

Please complete form and drop in to the collection basket or call the parish office at 203-753-3149.



Please pray that all who serve in the military will be protected from harm and return to their families safely, especially:

Kevin Arrojado	Steven Marc Aurele
Thomas Bochicchio	Tyler Brumbley
Carolyn Buonomo	Daniel Carpino
Jaime Colón	Justin Hackett
Ryan Kalnins	Joseph Keating
Michael Kell, Jr.	Chad Kinzley, Jr.
Kevin Lauber	Andrew Lemay
Justice Loubier	Jason Magnarella
Christopher Meier	Samuel Michalik
John Palmer	Anthony Porzio
Mark Rizza	Daniel Sabatelli
Andrew Terenzio	Kaleb Violette

Please call the rectory to add a loved one's name



Archdiocese of Hartford
2017 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
Be Strong and Courageous!

The Office of Education, Evangelization and Catechesis of the Archdiocese of Hartford is pleased to announce the inaugural Archdiocesan Women's Conference, a day to celebrate our Roman Catholic faith.

This year's theme, "Be Strong and Courageous!" is taken from Joshua 1:9, and provides the foundation for highlighting the ways that women of faith inspire each other and strengthen our Church and world.

The event will take place on Saturday, November 4, 2017 at the beautiful Hartford Marriott Downtown in Hartford, CT and run from 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. – a full day of inspiration, spiritual nourishment, and sisterhood.

Registration opens in August!

Archdiocesan residents who register before September 15: \$50

Archdiocesan residents who register between September 15-October 15: \$60

Visit www.catholicEdAOHCT.org for more information!



**WANTED: Donations for the
 BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL
 FALL FESTIVAL TAG SALE**

This year's Blessed Sacrament School Fall Festival will include a Tag Sale.

We are seeking donations for the tag sale. Items that sold well in the past include, but are not limited to:

- Knick-knacks
- Seasonal items, i.e. Christmas, Easter, decorations
- Small furniture, lamps
- Comforter sets, bedding sets, blankets
- Dishware
- Small appliances
- Kid's toys, especially ride-on toys, games

** please, no clothing or stuffed animals

We will be accepting donations for 1 hour after masses on the following dates:

- August 5th and 6th
- August 19th and 20th
- September 9th and 10th

Donations can also be dropped off on the following Wednesday evenings from 7pm - 8pm:

- August 23rd
- August 30th

If you have any questions, or need to arrange a different drop-off date, please email bss.hsa@gmail.com or call Chris Farris at 203-757-6254.

P.S. There are also a limited number of spaces available for crafters/vendors at the fall festival. If you would like to rent a table for the day, please contact Chris Farris at the number/email above.

We hope to see you at our Fall Festival on Saturday, September 16th!

**Thank you for your continued support of Blessed
 Sacrament School!!!**



Dear Parishioners,

How quickly the beautiful summer days are passing!

It has been quite an exciting time here at Blessed Sacrament School. We are very happy to have Father Roberto McCarthy here to guide us.

We are busy planning and preparing for a successful and productive school year!

Please remember you are always welcome to visit our school family and we hope to see you at the special events that are being planned at church and at the school.

There is strength in numbers, so let us all unite to promote the well-being of Blessed Sacrament School.

God bless our
Blessed Sacrament Family,

Respectfully,
Mrs. Banach, Principal

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Through their charitable contributions, TD Bank is giving Blessed Sacrament School funds, and you can help. If you have a TD Bank account, the next time you are in a branch office simply tell them you are affiliated with Blessed Sacrament Church and School. A percentage of the total of your account/s will be donated by TD Bank charitable funds to our school!



AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support Blessed Sacrament every time you shop, at no cost to you. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. You can choose from nearly one million organizations to support.

On your first visit to AmazonSmile smile.amazon.com, you need to select Corporation of the Church of the Blessed Sacrament in Waterbury to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. We will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation.

Learning more about our Catholic Faith The Why of Catholic School

The Catholic school exists in order that youth may walk morally as well as intellectually among the stars, that their consciences may be attuned to the voice of God. It constitutes a sanctuary wherein the two-fold truth—that well-rounded education requires the development of moral character and morality, in turn, must be based on religion—is recognized not only in theory but also in practice.

The Catholic school is a spacious tabernacle where Christ lives and reigns, and where the priceless truths of the Christian faith permeate the whole atmosphere with a sweet and lovely fragrance. It is a nursery of holiness where the tendrils of youthful hearts are twined around the ideals of God and country and the twin virtues of patriotism and religion are daily inculcated. The Catholic school is a bulwark of America, a mighty fortress against the forces of communism, fascism, and irreligion; a citadel where the young are taught to love their neighbor, their country, and their God.

Religion integrates all the subjects of the curriculum into a unified whole. God, Christ, and His truths are its center, Just as Christ reached out and embraced all the little children thronging around Him, and pressed them to His bosom, so Christ reaches out from the center of the curriculum in the Catholic school and pervades every branch with His divine presence.

In the Catholic school, Christ is no exile, no outcast. He occupies the throne of honor and His teachings constitute her code of ethics. The Catholic school system stretching from kindergarten to the university and educating nearly three million children, erected and maintained without a penny of state aid by people who love it, is the greatest moral fact in America.

The Rev. John A. O'Brien, PHD
University of Notre Dame



No Bingo on Thursday August 10th,

Congratulations
to members of
Boy Scout Troop 41
who have achieved
the rank of Eagle Scout.



Matthew Buonomo
Michael Vasquez