We are pleased and honored To welcome you to St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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Rev. Mark Masnicki, Pastor

Rev. Benjamin Soosaimanickam, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Michael Puscas



Saturday June 20, 2015 Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00 PM Confession

5:00 PM All fathers living & deceased

Sunday, June 21, 2015 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Father's Day

8:00 AM All fathers living & deceased 10:30 AM All fathers living & deceased

Monday June 22, 2015 Weekday St. Paulinus of Nola, bishop;

Sts. John Fisher, bishop & Thomas More martyrs

NO MASS

Tuesday June 23, 2015 Weekday

NO MASS

Wednesday June 24, 2015 Nativity of John the Baptist 9:00 AM Jennifer Chesters reg. by Becca Chesters

Thursday June 25, 2015 Weekday

NO MASS

Friday June 26, 2015 Weekday

9:00 AM Colin Shaughnessy req. by his family

Saturday June 27, 2015 Blessed Virgin Mary; St. Cyril of

Alexandria, bishop & doctor of the Church

4:00 PM Confession

5:00 PM Constance Aiken req. by a friend

Sunday, June 28, 2015 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Living members of the Clinch & Kuzel families req. by Norm & Ella Mae Kuzel

10:30 AM

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Offertory: \$ 2,273.05

Diocesan Mission Co-Op: \$ 579.25

Today's Second Collection: building maintenance.

Next weekend's second collection is the Combined Collection for

World Charities.

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

St. Andrew Church – Colchester on Thursdays ~ Adoration at 8:30 ~ Rosary at 6:00pm...Benediction at 7:00pm.

Weekend of June 27 & 28

5:00pm Lector: Dick Lataille

Eucharistic Minister: Carole Briggs

Altar Servers: Ariana Savluk, Grace Gardella

8:00am Lector: Ella Mae Kuzel

Eucharistic Minister: Norm Kuzel Altar Servers: Sam & Jack Terwilliger

10:30am Lector: Angela Corentin

Eucharistic Minister: Pat Dubiel

Altar Servers: Nicholas Barrett, Wayne Woodward

Confirmation Recipients: If you have not picked up your gift from the Ladies Guild, please stop by the office.

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
Pvt. First Class Jordan Anderson U.S. Army

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 FOR PRIESTS

This week, June 21 – June 27 — Let us pray for our priests —. Rev. John Antonelle, Rev. Kevin Reilly, Rev. Joseph Whalen MS, Msgr. Kevin Randall, Rev. P. Grzegorz Jednaki, Rev. Thomas Angelo, Our Holy Father, Rev. Robert Buongirno, Rev. Daniel Cronin (deceased), Rev. Joseph Ashe, Rev. Peter Liszewski, Rev. John Ashe, Rev. David Kashen OFM Cv. Heavenly Father, the responsibility of Your priests is great. May the love of our Blessed Savior abound in their hearts. (Mother Catherine Aurelia, foundress)

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

CCD REGISTRATIONS FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR WERE DUE BY JUNE 1ST. Forms available in the Church and Office.

Be a Donation Angel: New Window Grids for the Church Only 4 more to go



Thank you to those who have responded to our need for new window grids for the Church...Peggy & Glenn Stygar, Richard & Emily Kubena, Christine & John Bendoraitis, Joseph & Maureen Polana, Janice Palmer,

Sandra Grillo, Wally Gagnon, Joseph & Karen DiFrancesca, Cheryl Wheaton, and Fr. Mark. We now have a commitment for 18 grids. We need a total of 22 new grids. The cost is \$65.00 each. If you would like to help us reach our goal, please contact Cheryl in the parish office.

The **Combined Collection for World Charities** will be held next weekend. Your contribution will provide assistance to the Catholic Relief Services Collection, the Campaign for Human Development, Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and The Holy Land. Shortly you will receive information in the mail about this collection. Please read this material and bring your contribution envelope to Liturgy next week, June 27th and 28th. Envelopes will also be available at church. Your support and generosity are essential to these programs of the Universal Church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ THE DIOCESE OF NORWICH

- June is "Leave a Legacy" month in the Diocese of Norwich. It is a wonderful time to remind parishioners in the Diocese about the value of charitable estate planning. Some people choose to mark their legacy by requesting gifts made in memoriam to their parish, school, ministry or the Diocese in lieu of flowers upon their passing. Others include a bequest in their Will to their favorite Catholic organization. If you are interested in learning more about how you can leave your legacy and support all of the good works that the Church is involved in, please contact Mary Ellen Mahoney, Development Manager, at (860) 886-1928 or memahoney@norwichdiocese.net.
- Secretary Needed: Position open at Spiritual Renewal Services, 6 Bath Street, Norwich, CT - 19 hours per week – Please Call Judith Hughes 860-887-0702 for information.
- Healing Masses: Monday June 22 at 2:00PM, Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath St, Norwich, CT, Masses held on first floor – handicap accessible. Fr. Ray, Celebrant & Judith Hughes Healing Prayer
- Unbound Prayer Ministry (Freedom): Saturday, June 27, 10:00 am-3:00 pm @ Spiritual Renewal Center, 6 Bath St., Norwich. Please call the Center for an appointment (860)887-0702. Fr. Ray Introvigne, Mrs. Judith Hughes and team.
- Diocesan Pro-Life Mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Saturday, July 4th ~ 8:30 a.m. Please join us and our celebrant Rev. Ray Introvigne at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for the healing for those who have had an abortion. Following the Mass, the Rosary will be prayed both at the Cathedral and Planned Parenthood. A brunch in the Cathedral Hall will follow the Rosary this month.
- Marriage Preparation Classes for Engaged Couple "God's Plan for a Joy-filled Marriage" Fri. July 10, 17 & 24, 2015 6:30pm-9:00pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Gales Ferry. To register for the 3 session class call: The Family Life Office at: 860-889-8346 ext. 283.
- Loved the Wedding! Invite Me to the Marriage...God. Natural Family Planning ~ For Married and Engaged Couples. NFP is loving, scientific, safe, helps with fertility problems and 98-99% effective for conceiving or responsibly postponing a baby. Plan your family naturally with God. NFP has none of the dangerous hormonal side effects of contraception or birth control. Classes are ongoing in the Diocese. For information call the Collisons at 860-399-8265 or go to www.ccli.org. Virtual Online and Home Study Course in English and Spanish also available.

- RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKENDS

 "I did not think the sorrow and wounds from my abortion, could be healed". Healing and forgiveness can begin with a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat. A Retreat July 17-19 in Stockbridge, MA call 413-452-0661. rachelsvineyard.org

 "PROJECT RACHEL" is our Diocesan ministry for anyone seeking healing and forgiveness. Priests in Project Rachel ministry are there for you with God's Grace and Mercy. Call 860-889-8346 ext.283. All inquiries are confidential.
- 11 Day Europe Pilgrimage: Lisbon, Fatima, Santiago de Compostela, Salamanca, Avila, Madrid & Lourdes. Hosted by Fr. Ray Introvigne & Mrs. Judith Hughes. Oct. 6-16, 2015. \$3,199 per person from New York. Includes round trip flight, tours and most meals. Call Spiritual Renewal Center for brochure and reservations. 860-887-0702
- DIOCESE OF NORWICH PILGRIMAGE TO THE **CZECH REPUBLIC AUSTRIA, AND HUNGARY Most** Rev. Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich, will lead an eleven day pilgrimage to many holy sites in the Czech Republic, Austria, and Hungary. Some stops include: In the Czech Republic the pilgrimage will visit the statue of the Infant Jesus of Prague, as well as enjoy a boat ride on Europe's largest subterranean lake. In Austria we will visit St. Stephen's Cathedral, the State Opera House, and while in Hungary, the largest indoor market in Europe. Price includes motor coach to/from JFK departure lunch, all tips, daily Mass, breakfast and dinner daily, departure tax and fuel surcharge. Reservations must be made by July 20, 2015. Cost of Tour: \$3,350.00 per person double occupancy \$ 300.00 deposit required \$ 562.00 single supplement (limited number) Travel insurance available through George's International Tours.
- Has Your Family Been Touched By Adoption? If so, please join Catholic Charities Adoption Program on August 2, 2015 from noon until 4:00 pm for a pool party and picnic celebrating adoptive families. The day will include swimming, games, food and an opportunity to meet other adoptive families. Please RSVP Susan Sedensky, Director of Adoption Programs at (860) 889-8346 ext. 282 if you plan to attend.

"Attention, single Catholic men 18-30: The Knights of the Holy Eucharist, a community of consecrated brothers dedicated to fostering reverent devotion to Our Eucharistic Lord, invite you to discern your vocation at their House of Formation, located at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament in Hanceville, Alabama. Learn more: knights.org."

Also, the Knights (who have members from around the country) offer hospitality to priests. Any priest who would like to make a no-charge private retreat at the Shrine can visit <u>priestretreat.com</u> for more information or to make reservations.

29th Annual Rummage Sale

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church at 70 West Main Street in Baltic is seeking donations for its annual rummage sale. Donations of furniture, household items, clothing etc. will be gratefully accepted through July 27th. Please call St. Mary Rectory at (860) 822-6378 to arrange for pick-up of larger items.

Holy Family Summer Mini-Camp

Holy Family Mini-Camp an overnight Summer Camp will be held from July 31– August 2 at Holy Family Mother House in Baltic, Connecticut. This 12th annual summer camp run by the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady Mother of the Church is open to girls 11-15. The theme for this year's Camp is Christ Our Light. Activities include Saturday and Sunday Mass spiritual talks and prayer as well as crafts, games, swimming and various physical activities. There is a \$50.00 dollar registration fee and a \$100.00 dollar camping fee. For more information please call:

Sister Mary De Paul at (860) 822-8241 or e-mail sistermarydepaul@yahoo.com

Or e-mail Mother Christina at

principal@sacredhearttaftville.org

Please reply as soon as possible — by June 30 at the latest

We look forward to seeing you at Summer Camp! Thank you!

ANNUAL RETREAT DAY FOR SECRETARIES AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS

On Wednesday, July 8, 2015, Immaculata Retreat House in Willimantic, CT, will host its annual retreat day for secretaries and administrative assistants. It will begin at 10:00 a.m. and finish with the celebration of the Eucharist at 2:30 p.m. Lunch is included. A \$20 donation is asked. It is a chance for people with similar experiences of parish service to gather, reflect, pray, share in order to become more conscious of the spirituality of service for people in these positions. Our grounds are wonderful; our food is great. Last year's gathering was highly appreciated by those who attended. We are located at 289 Windham Road in Willimantic. If you plan to attend please give us a call at 860 423 8484. We are looking forward to being with you in prayer and sharing.

Defending Our Religious Liberty June. 21, 2015

The United States Conference for Catholic Bishops has announced the observance of the fourth annual Fortnight for Freedom: Freedom to Bear Witness from June 21 to July 4, 2015. It is a time when our liturgical calendar celebrates a series of great martyrs who remained faithful in the face of persecution by political power—St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher, St. John the Baptist, SS. Peter and Paul, and the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome. The theme of this year's Fortnight will focus on the "freedom to bear witness" to the truth of the Gospel. Visit www.fortnight4freedom.org for more information.

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.

Part-time position (25 hours) for a youth minister in the Office of Faith Events, Diocese of Norwich. Major responsibilities include coordinating youth events and assisting in other events of the office.

Email faithevents@dioceseofnorwich.net for complete job description and qualifications.

Parish Giving

Did you know that you can have your weekly offering automatically sent to the parish with online banking automatic bill pay through your bank?

Some parishioners have requested this and we would like to offer this convenience to you.

No need to find your check book and write out a check.

No need to stop by the ATM.

No need to remember your weekly envelope.

You can choose how much and how often to give.

Your contributions would still be recorded for tax purposes.

BENEFITS FOR SAINT FRANCIS

Offertory becomes more stable.

No more missed offertory due to sickness, weather, vacation.

Expense for offertory envelope packets for those using online banking bill pay would be eliminated.

All you would need to do would be to contact your bank and ask to set up online banking and automatic bill pay.

Questions: Please contact Cheryl in the parish office at 860.642.6711

August brings with it the Lebanon Fair

The St. Francis Ladies Guild needs volunteers to work the Lebanon Fair Soda

Booth on August 7th, 8th and 9th. Sign-up sheets will be located at the side entrance of the Church. All new volunteers **must** complete background paperwork and an on-line training module. Please see Cheryl during office hours for forms and / or training information.

Any questions contact Estelle Elliott at home 860-429-1685 or my cell 860-420-7221 Thank You

FATHER'S DAY REMBRANCES

Living:

Skip Kuzel Randy Smith Glen Coutu Shane Kuzel Robert Stander Gerald Cavanna Stuart Lamson Kieran Flannery Michael Garrahy Kenneth Boudreau David Wheaton Gerald Cavanna Jr.

Deceased Fathers

Frank Germano
James Mackey Sr.
Roger Therrien
John Clinch
David Perotti
Tom Meegan

Jim Mackey Stanley Krawiec Emil Kuzel Robert Wheaton Robert Chesters John Cavanna





LEBANON VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Coolest VBS on Earth

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Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power

When: July 20 – 24, 2015 from 9am – 12 noon

Where: Lebanon First
Congregational Church

Who: Children Pre-K thru 6th Grade

Ecumenical Church Sponsors:

St. Francis of Assisi Church Lebanon Baptist Church First Congregational Church

Registration forms available at Church Entrances

SEE YOU THERE!!!