October 25, 2020

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Eucharist:

Mass:

M-F New Time: 8AM Sat. Vigil: 5:00PM Sunday: 8:00AM & 10:30AM

Adoration: M-F: 6:30-7:30AM

Reconciliation: (Confession)

Saturday: 4:00pm - 4:30pm and *anytime* by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick:

(& Ministry to the Sick)

Call the rectory anytime a person is sick and would like anointing or a visit

Baptism:

Please call our parish office to arrange pre-Baptismal instruction and the time of the ceremony.

Holy Orders:

Contact Fr. Joe Ashe or Fr. Walter Nagle, 860 434 1660, if you want to learn more about becoming a priest or deacon, or, contact Fr. Greg Galvin, Vocations Office: 860 887 9294.

Matrimony:

Preparation for marriage must begin at least six months before actual ceremony. Please call our parish office.

Confirmation:

Confirmation preparation begins in the 9th grade and the sacrament is received in the 10th grade. Adults can join the RCIA.

Holy Days of Obligation:

8:00am & 6:30pm (No evening Mass the day before the Holy Day.)

Sexual Misconduct Services: 800-624-7407

Faith Formation (K-8): Sundays @ 9:15am Forms are available in the narthex, office & online.



30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." - Mt 22:37

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sat. Oct. 24 St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

5:00pm Ciro Carlo Carboni

Lawrence & Veronica Keating r/b their family Anthony & Katherine Joyce r/b their family

SUNDAY Oct. 25 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Priesthood Sunday

8:00am Anne Desnoyers r/b her husband Roger 10:30am Ralph & Elizabeth Sturges r/b their family Robert MacDonald r/b his wife Kathy Alice McCarthy Oliva r/b The Mount Friends

Mon. Oct 26

8:00am The Parishioners of Christ the King

Tues. Oct. 27

8:00am Healing for Michael Hannigan r/b Joan Moylan

Wed. Oct. 28 Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

8:00am Sr. Sarah Ryan r/b The McNamara Family

Thur. Oct. 29

8:00am Siro & Ellen Toffolon

Fri. Oct 30

8:00am Healing for Michael Hannigan r/b Joan Moylan

Sat. Oct. 31 All Hallow's Eve

5:00pm Lynn Smith r/b Norman & Delcia Fournier Jephson O'Connell Rob Coogan r/b family

SUNDAY Nov. 1 31st SUNDAY in Ordinary Time; All Saints Day; Daylight Saving Time Ends National Vocations Awareness Week

8:00am Mary Perricone r/b Kevin Hogan

10:30am Deceased members of the Sullivan & Tuohy Families

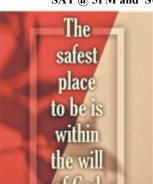
Betty Ann Sullivan and Dorothy Tuohy r/b the Family Phil Knauff r/b Bill and Carol Ridgeway

The Sanctuary Lamp this week will be lit for the First Communicants.

WELCOME BACK TO CHURCH!

COME TO SUNDAY or SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

(Public WEEKEND Masses began on July 4 & 5) SAT @ 5PM and SUN @ 8AM and 10:30AM



...OR WEEKDAY MASS (began June 8th) M-F NEW time: 8AM

The Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich, has dispensed of the Sunday Mass obligation.

As of Oct. 8, limitations on religious worship are now 50% building capacity or 200 people as amended by CT Executive Order 9F.

We comply with state orders

by social distancing, every other pew is taped and unused; masks are to be worn by attendees and hand sanitizer used at the entrance. See <u>norwichdiocese.org</u> for details.

COMMUNION

All this month our parish is celebrating First Holy Communion

As a parish family, please join with Fr. Joe, Fr. Walter, our Faith



Formation Director
Louise Young, and
the 2nd gr. teacher
Doug McAdams,
praying for all of our
children receiving
the Most Holy
Sacrament of the
Eucharist this month.



Sisters of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament visited Christ the King Oct. 12-16th.

Gospel Meditation Matthew 22:34-40

For some reason, it is easier to genuflect in reverence to the presence of Christ in the tabernacle of a church, than to genuflect in reverence to the same presence of Christ in another person's soul. We wrongly believe that God divides himself, placing himself in one place in preference to another. It doesn't work that way. Love of God and love of neighbor are intimately and inseparably connected because the essence and spark of God's very presence is in all creation. God's presence is just as real in the one who is good, as in the one who is bad, the one who is born as in the one who is unborn, and the one who is just, as in the one who is unjust.

Our brains get in the way of truly contemplating the awesomeness of this truth. We like to separate things into boxes, the sheep from the goats and the deserving from the undeserving. Our human classifications, subdivisions, and definitions have no weight in God's eyes. Sadly, we relate to God and to each other as if they do.

We have it all reversed. We know that we do because when Jesus speaks about such things and the words of the Old Testament prophets ring out again, we start to feel uncomfortable and anxious. What we do, directly or by omission, to one of the least of these little ones we do to God. It is quite possible, some of what we are doing personally, economically, politically, even religiously is doing more harm than good. Let's ponder that a bit.

Confirmation Class Service Project:

Holy Family Beautification and Bench

Below are a few photos from Saturday, a great work day with our Confirmation students. Please enjoy this beautiful place for quiet prayer and reflection.

The Confirmation class also prayed for all who will enjoy the area around the Holy Family and the new bench.



Family Bible Challenge

The **United States Conference of Catholic Bishops** is pleased to share a special invitation from Bishop Frank Caggiano of the Diocese of Bridgeport to participate in the (free!) <u>Family Bible Challenge!</u>

Visit **familybiblechallenge.org** to sign up.

- * Sundays: families receive an email with a chosen passage and reflection questions to consider together.
- * Wednesdays: families receive an email with a quiz and questions about the week's passage and general Catholic knowledge.

SIGN UP TODAY!

October 31: A day that will make CT history!

In less than two weeks, Father McGivney, CT priest and founder of the Knights of Columbus will be beatified Prior to the event, join us in praying a <u>novena in his honor</u>, starting this Thursday, Oct. 22. You can also sign up to receive an email on each of the nine days of the novena. Details: kofc.org/en/events/father-mcgivney-beatification/toolkit



Beatification Mass

Saturday, October 31 at 11:00 am at Saint Joseph's Cathedral in Hartford, CT.

Due to Covid restrictions, this is not open to the public. Follow the hashtag #FrMcGivney, watch live-streamed events at **kofc.org/beatification**, or tune into EWTN and other major Catholic networks. Find resources designed to help you celebrate the historic occasion.

FREE online membership: To honor Father McGivney's dream of growing the Knights of Columbus, they're offering FREE online membership now through the end of the year. Share promo code MCGIVNEY2020 with interested Catholic men. Online membership is only the first step in becoming a Knight. To welcome men more deeply into the life of the Order, they're hosting an Orderwide Exemplification Day on Sunday, Nov. 1.

Men's Club

FOOD DRIVE – Thank you everyone for contributing to the success of the Food Drive. We surpassed our goal of collecting 1,000 pounds of food with a total in-



take of more than 1,500 pounds. In addition, our generous supporters donated close to \$700 of gift cards and cash. Thank you to the Men's Club members, confirmation candidates and all those who help spread the word about the drive.

Christ The King Men's Club is pleased to announce that we are hosting a speaker from Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services (IRIS) to be held on Thursday, **November 5, 2020 at 6 PM**, in the Parish Hall. Pizza will be served and **ALL** parishioners and friends are invited to attend this wonderful opportunity to learn about a terrific organization. Please call or e-mail Bob Brinkerhoff if you are planing to attend so we can plan food and seating - 860-748-9378 or

rnbrink@comcast.net.

First Holy Communion



On October 3rd, the first group of children received First Holy Communion.
This Saturday,
October 24, another group of our parish children receive the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time

Welcome to the table of the Lord!

Prayer Campaign Continues!

Sept. 23 - Nov. 1

Please pray in Norwich for every human life to be valued.

40daysforlife.com

This year, The 40 Days for Life Campaign runs from Sept. 23rd through Nov.1st. Please sign up to *Peacefully Pray* OUTSIDE the



"Planned Parenthood" Abortion Facility at 12 Case St., Norwich. Sign up for any day of the prayer vigil at 40days for life.com



Morning Eucharistic Adoration

M - F 6:30 - 7:30 am

before the 8:00am Mass ... a great way to start your day.



Prayer Line

Intentions are shared via first name only, but can be completely anonymous. To request prayers for any intention, need, or in thanksgiving, call Michele, 860-434-8529.

A SQUARE AND A PRAYER MINISTRY

Now available from the Diocesan Square and Prayer Ministry: Individually wrapped, knitted "prayer squares" with prayer cards - for distribution to conva-



lescent homes, hospitals, etc. "Prayer squares" are free of charge and on a first come first serve basis.

If you are interested in distributing squares or volunteering your crocheting/ knitting skills, contact Marianne, Office of Faith Events: 860-848-2237 ext. 304 or manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

HOPE & FAITH

Let the Office of Faith Events brighten your Wednesday mornings by signing up for the weekly **Hope and Faith video series**.



Throughout the year be inspired with varied reflections on the Saints, Gratitude, Advent, Lent, and much MORE!

There are two easy ways to receive our weekly video.

Simply send your e-mail to manicholas@norwichdiocese.net
Or have the videos sent right to your cell phone by texting @lentvid to #81010

Walking With Purpose

Grow in your faith through fellowship with other women and learn how scripture applies to your everyday life. Join Walking With Purpose – a 22-week women's bible study (2 sessions: Wed. - OR - Sat. mornings 9:30-11AM)

Questions & registration, please contact
Renee (949) 337-3426 or Suzanne (860) 759-6769



Diocesan Pro-Life Mass

Please attend the monthly
Diocesan Pro-Life Mass at the Cathedral
of St. Patrick in Norwich on:
Saturday, November 7 at 8:30 A.M.

Readings for the week of October 25, 2020

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/1

Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

Monday: Eph 4:32—5:8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4

and 6 [cf. Eph 5:1]/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

[1a]/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Lk 6:12-16 Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 [1b]/Lk 13:31-

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Friday: Phil 1:1-11/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 14:1-6
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-11
Next Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1

Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

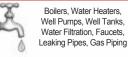


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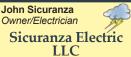
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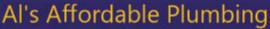
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