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SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

PASTORAL STAFF

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RECTORY OFFICE

640 Morehouse Road

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Email: churchladies@optonline.net

Office hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass) Sunday: 8:00 am & 11:00 am

Monday - Wednesday & Friday: 7:30 am

No Mass on Thursday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:15 - 4:45 pm

Pat Fischer & Barbara Kozlowski, Office Staff

Robert Gilmore, Director of Music 203-268-5838

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

(in the church)

Mrs. Patricia Steccato, *Director of Religious Ed.* 203-261-5596 / ndore@optonline.net

Mrs. Ellen Pease, Safe Environment Coordinator churchladies@optonline.net

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Council Chairperson Mrs. Diane Baker

Finance Council Chairman Philip Adriani

Lay Members of the Parish Corporation

Mrs. Diane Baker & Salvatore Gilbertie

Eucharistic Adoration

First Fridays after the 7:30 am Mass until 9:00 am

Parish Nurse Program / Blood Pressure Screening

First weekend of the month after all Masses in the Religious Education office.

First Friday Communion Calls or Anointing of the Sick Please call the Rectory office.

Pre-Baptismal Classes

Please call the Rectory office to schedule a class.

Baptisms

Please call the Rectory office to arrange Baptisms.

Weddings

Please call the Rectory office at least one year in advance to arrange a wedding.

Hospital Visits

Please notify the Rectory office concerning family members who are hospitalized.

Parish Registration

Please call the Rectory office to register.



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Mass Intentions for September 5th through September 13th, 2020

5:00pm Grace McPadden Sat. r/b the family 8:00am Maria LoVerme Sun. 11:00am Daniel McPadden r/b his wife, Grace 7:30am Tami Lynn Fischer Mon. r/b the family Tues. 7:30am Mario and Maria Cortina r/b the family 7:30am Michael Andras r/b his wife, Florence Wed.

Gather in my name

Thurs. 7:30am Special Day of Rememberence - 19th Anniversay

7:30am NO MASS Fri. 5:00pm Elsie Listorti Sat.

r/b Gary, Debbie and Erica Meno

8:00am Bob and Mary Biggins Sun. 11:00am Michael C. Pallante

r/b Thomas and Suzanne McCauley

All Mass intentions scheduled for Fridays will be honored on Thursdays.

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection

August 29th & 30th, 2020 - breakdown of collection Many of our parishioners have been mailing in their offertory envelopes – it is greatly appreciated. THANK YOU!

5:00pm Mass \$1,580.25 8:00am Mass \$1,570.00 11:00am Mass \$ 230.00 **Total Mass Collection:** \$3,380.25 Other Offertory: \$1,485.00 **Capital Improvement:** 70.00 **Assumption** 30.00 **Online Collection:** \$1,730.00 **Online Collection for August:** \$6,165.00

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ONLINE GIVING

We realize these are uncertain times, if you could keep up your offertory to the church, we would greatly appreciate it.

Our Online Giving company, OSV, has installed a dedicated phone line for parishioners for setup and other issues.

It is Our Sunday Visitor (OSV) 260-2243, jthinnes@osv.com

Please consider Online Giving. It is a simple, safe way to contribute to weekly offerings. In order to register:

- 1. log on to our parish website;
- 2. click the Online Giving logo on the homepage

3. fill out the registration form.

If you have any questions please call: (800) 348-2886, option #2.



Please Pray for the Sick

The names entrusted to this list will always be included in our prayers:



If you would like to place someone on the prayer list, please email churchladies@optonline.net, or call the Rectory office at 203-268-5838 during business hours.

* If you have placed someone's name on the Prayer List, please let us know if they need to remain on it.

Bequests to Notre Dame of Easton are Strongly Encouraged and Gratefully Accepted

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Suggestion: When a loved one dies, please advise friends and relatives to make a donation to the "Notre Dame Sanctuary Fund" in memory of the deceased & include this wish in the obituary notice.

Rectory Office Hours

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The Rectory office hours are Monday through Thursdays 9:00am to 3:30pm.

The office is closed on Fridays. If you come to the office, we ask that you please wear a mask.

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We have Masses available for 2020. Please call the Rectory office: 203 - 268 - 5838, if you would like to reserve one.

Religious Education

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 10am-4pm
Other times by appointment: (203)261-5596
ndore@optonline.net

Congratulations!

Last Tuesday, September 1st, 2020, 22 candidates from Notre Dame were confirmed by Bishop Frank Caggiano. Congratulations to our students, their families and sponsors.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our Confirmation Coordinators, Mrs. Rosemary Bilash and Mrs. Alyssa Mocco for helping us make this such a memorable occasion.

A special thank you to our eighth grade teachers:

Mrs. Tricia Schuldt, Mr. Rob Gilmore and Mr. Rob LaBarbera for their help in preparing our candidates for this important Sacrament. Thank you all for helping to make our Confirmation a special celebration!

REGISTRATION FORMS DUE: 2020-2021 REGISTRATION

Registration forms for the 2020-2021 Religious Education Program were mailed Friday, May 15th, 2020 to all families currently registered in our Religious Education Program for 2019-2020.

If you did not receive forms for your children, or if your child will be new to the program, blank registration forms are available in the Religious Ed Office and in the Rectory.

Please Note:

If your child misses a year of Religious Ed, that year will need to made up when your child rejoins the Program.

Completed Registration Forms were due July 1st, 2020. The grace period was extended from the original due date until JULY 15th, 2020

LATE FEES WILL NOW APPLY!

Women of Notre Dame News:

Blessed Sacrament Collection

Thank you to everyone for bringing weekly donations for the Blessed Sacrament food pantry.

If You Can Help -

Please bring your donations to the Kitchen in the lower Church.

Fr. Skip is sending a plea for help!

Whatever help you can give us at this time. We are seeing 250 plus people weekly who come to our pantry.

They are desperately in need of cereal,

tuna, pasta sauce, peanut butter, canned vegetables, beans, (black, kidney, etc., mac and cheese – also toilet paper and soap.

As an afterthought - Diapers (can be open boxes - left over from your children), baby wipes are always needed.

Blessed Sacrament has an *Online Giving* page that has a way to direct a donation to the Food Pantry - good for those limiting trips to the grocery store - or going out of the house. https://osvhub.com/blessedsacramentbpt/funds

Parish Registration: We welcome you to Notre Dame Parish. Please stop by or call the Rectory office (203 268-5838) to officially register.

Our hours are 9am to 3:30pm – Monday thru Thursday.

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<u>Sponsor Certificates</u>: We <u>cannot</u> give you a sponsor certificate unless you are a <u>registered</u> <u>member of the parish for at least 6 months</u> and attend Mass regularly.

Baptism – Please call the rectory office to set up a Baptism – 203-268-5838 Monday thru Thursdays – 9:00am to 3:30pm. A Pre-Baptism class is required for both parents prior in the Baptism of their 1st child.

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We welcome through Baptism:
Rocco John Kelly
son of
Christopher and Jolene
BAPTIZED
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At the request of Pope Francis the 2020 Pontifical Good Friday Collection will be taken up on September 13, 2020. There is an envelope for this collection in your latest packet

Ministry to the Homebound

Anyone who is seriously ill, having surgery, or homebound, may call the Rectory office and one of our Lay Caring Ministers will bring Holy Communion or just pay a visit. They visit parishioners in Nursing Homes as well.

- * For anointing of the sick please call the office so Father Lyons can visit.
- * At this time we are not visiting homebound parishioners we will resume when conditions permit.

Feast of St. Dominic

Our Lady of Fatima Affiliation
Are you being called to a deeper understanding of Faith and Truth? Come follow in us in the footsteps of St. Dominic through prayer, study, community and apostolate, Our Lady of Fatima Affiliate at St. Theresa Church is growing!
Please join us for an Informal Inquiry Meeting on Thursday, September 24th at 7pm; St. Theresa School, 55 Rosemond Terrace, Trumbull in the school gym. For more information, call, text or email: Michelle Rowe:

orapronobis20@gmail.com-203-218-6882 or Michael Miller: Michaelmiller910@hotmail.com -203-526-7655

News from the Easton Senior Center:

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The Easton Senior center will be providing shots this fall. Anyone interested please call 203-268-1145 or email eseniorc@optonline.net

Regina Caeli Academy

>Regina Caeli in Wilton is hiring tutors and accepting enrollments for students!

>Regina Caeli Academy, a classical homeschool resource center in the Catholic tradition, seeks tutors and childcare staff for the 2020-21 academic year (starting in OCTOBER). The preferred candidate will possess an excitement for learning and student formation, a love of the Catholic faith, and mastery of the subject matter.

>Regina Caeli meets at <u>254 Danbury Rd</u>. in Wilton on Mondays and Thursdays only from 8:45am - 3:00pm. >To apply, fill out our online application:

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enrollment for PK3-12th grades! Apply today at
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HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

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"Jesus said to his disciples, 'If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen take one or two others along with you, so that every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses... Amen I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three..."

Which seems better, that everyone know about a disagreement with you, or discreetly find a way to address it, with no one else being aware of it? Certainly, there is faster healing resulting in peace and contentment.

One of the greatest powers we possess, is the power to forgive. Unfortunately, it is a power we seem to hold in reserve and often refuse to use.

How often we have heard the phrase 'forgive and forget', but an unfair accusation or allegation cannot be easily forgotten. A wise, holy monk taught me to respond to a hurt with 'forgive and remember without bitterness.' Try it, it works.







Labor Day is a federal holiday in the United States celebrated on the first Monday in September to honor and recognize the American labor movement and the works and contributions of laborers to the development and achievements of the United States.





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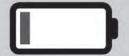
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Resumption of Masses

Masses are held in the lower Church Hall.

☐ Masses will be offered with the following schedule:

Monday-Thursday at 7:30 AM (No Mass on Friday).

(NOTE – change in schedule)

**All upcoming Friday intentions will be honored at the Thursday morning Mass.

Saturdays at 5:00 PM and Sundays at 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM.

The limit for Mass attendance is 50 people.

Bishop Caggiano has continued to dispense the obligation to attend Sunday Mass through the summer.

Please read "Guidelines" on our website: www.notredameofeaston.org, for all of the rules and regulations.

Attend Daily Mass

7:30am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

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"I Am The Living Bread" Jesus (JN 6:47-57)

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