

NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



DECEMBER 19, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Advent

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Michael P. Lyons, *Pastor*
Dr. Gerald F. Sabol, *Deacon*

RECTORY OFFICE

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Email: churchladies@optonline.net

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

The Rectory Office is closed on Friday.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm (*Vigil Mass*)

Sunday: 8:00 am & 11:00 am

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 am

No Mass on Friday

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
Temporarily Suspended

Parish Nurse Program /
Blood Pressure Screening
Temporarily Suspended

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 December 18th through December 26th, 2021

Sat. 5:00pm Salvatore and Marie Liuzzo
 Sun. 8:00am Nick Vaccaro
 11:00am Lorenzo & Lucia, & the Liburdi family
 Mon. 7:30am Frank Costello
 Tues. 7:30am Kevin Visokay
 Wed. 7:30am Joseph Peloso, IV
 Thurs. 7:30am Parishioners Living and Deceased

r/b the Malinowski family
 r/b the family
 r/b the Liburdi family
 r/b Pat and Tom Fischer
 r/b the family
 r/b the family



Christmas Eve

Fri. 4:00pm Parishioners Living and Deceased
 6:00pm Parishioners Living and Deceased

Christmas Day- the Nativity of the Lord

Sat. 9:00am Parishioners Living and Deceased
 Sun. 9:00am Joseph Zarornacky

r/r the Pulie family

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection December 11th & 12th, 2021

Saturday 5:00pm	\$1,899.50
Sunday 8:00am	\$1,019.00
11:00am	\$1,629.00
Total Mass Collection:	\$4,547.50
Other Offertory:	\$ 640.00
Capital Improvements	\$2,555.00
Immaculate Conception	\$ 643.00
Christmas Offering	\$1,200.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 135.00
Online Giving	\$1,105.00
Online Giving-Christmas Flowers	\$ 20.00

Thank You!

ONLINE GIVING

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.

Thank You!

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

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

## Please Pray for the Sick

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

|                    |                    |                 |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Susan Williams     | Alison Raver       | Leah Ambrose    |
| Christopher Vitale | Angela Doescher    | Ed Kovac        |
| Siobhan Smith      | Joan McGrath       | Alice Martinich |
| Pat Perrotta       | Elizabeth Morgan   | Georgia Egan    |
| Alfred Fressola    | Gabrella Reitmeyer | George Adams    |
| Corrine Marsicano  | Anne Fiyalka       | A Friend        |
| Jennifer Durgin    |                    |                 |

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



### Rectory Office Hours

The Rectory Office hours are:

Monday through Thursday

9:00am to 3:30pm.

Please wear a Mask.

The Office is closed on Fridays.

When attending Mass

**MASKS ARE REQUIRED**

### 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.

The office is closed on Fridays.

## Religious Education

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



**Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup>:**

Children's Liturgy and Living Crèche  
11:00am Mass.

NO visit from Santa this year!  
We are giving out goodie bags  
that kids can just take home.



**SECOND GRADE PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:**  
Important Sacramental Dates for First Penance

First Penance Workshop-Saturday, February  
26<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 9:00am to 11:00am  
"Snow Date" for above workshop Saturday,  
March 19<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 10:00am

Sacrament of First Penance – Saturday,  
March 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am

"Snow Date" for First Penance – Wednesday  
evening, March 23, 2022 at 7:30pm

**THIRD GRADE PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:**  
Important Sacramental dates for First Holy  
Communion

Sacramental Workshop – Saturday, March  
26<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from 9:00am – 11:00am  
"Snow Date" for above workshop-Saturday,  
April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 from 9:00am-11:00am

Rehearsal for First Holy Communion –  
Thursday evening, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022 from  
6:30 – 8:00pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Saturday, April  
30, 2022 at 11:00am

**SUBSTITUTES ARE STILL NEEDED AT SSES  
AND HKMS!!**

If you would like to help out but can't commit to  
every week, we could really use you as a substitute.  
Please contact the Religious Ed office if you are  
interested.



## PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS

The Diocesan requirement to receive the  
**Sacraments of First Reconciliation and  
First Holy Communion** is two years of  
preparation, beginning in first grade.  
The Sacrament of First Reconciliation  
is celebrated in the 2nd grade.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion  
will be celebrated in the 3rd grade.

The **requirement** to receive First  
Reconciliation is completion of first and  
second grade Religious Education.

The **requirements** to receive First Holy  
Communion are reception of First  
Reconciliation and completion of second and  
third grade Religious Education.

## Notre Dame of Easton Bible Study



*Bible Study  
will resume in 2022.*

Merry Christmas  
and Happy New Year  
From the Bible Study Group.

**Blessed Michael McGivney Pilgrimage Center**  
(formerly the Knights of Columbus Museum)

The Blessed Michael McGivney Pilgrimage Center  
has opened its Christmas 2021 exhibit, "The  
Nativity Story: Art of the Crèche."

Admission and parking are free and the Center  
will be open Wednesdays through Sundays, from  
10 am to 4 pm. Please go to  
[michaelmcgivneycenter.org](http://michaelmcgivneycenter.org) or call 203-865-  
0400 in advance to obtain with timed-entry  
tickets.



Please pray for the repose of the soul:  
Florence Veronsi Testani  
May she rest in peace.





## Christmas Mass Schedule

**Christmas Eve**

**Friday – December 24<sup>th</sup>**  
**4:00pm & 6:00pm**



**Christmas Day**  
**Saturday – December 25<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:00am**

**No vigil Mass – No confession**

**Mass**  
**Sunday - December 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**9:00am**



**Solemnity of Mary**  
**January 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Not a Holy Day**

**Saturday - January 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Confession as Usual**  
**4:15pm-4:45pm**  
**Vigil Mass – 5:pm**  
**Sunday – January 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**8:00am & 11:00am**



## BLESSED SACRAMENT FOOD COLLECTION

**Thank you** to all of you for bringing weekly donations for the Blessed Sacrament food pantry.

**If You Can Help -**

**Right now** priorities are:

**Toiletries** - such as toothpaste & toothbrushes, soap, shampoo & conditioner, toilet paper, cotton balls, Q-tips, etc, etc! Please put donations on the counter in the Church kitchen.

**Those with children in diapers transitioning to the "next size", please bring "the leftovers" to pass along to Blessed Sacrament.**

**NO CLOTHING PLEASE** for Blessed Sacrament

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 – <https://osvhub.com/blessedsacramentbpt/funds>

**December 19**

Be on guard.  
Stand firm in the faith.  
Be courageous.  
Be strong.  
1 Corinthians 16:13



Dear Lord, My faith is in you. I am holding onto your promises. Thank you for working on my behalf.  
Thank you for protecting me and my loved ones.



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**Baptism:** Please call the Rectory office  
to arrange for a Baptism – 203-268-5838,  
Monday thru Thursdays – 9:00am to 3:30pm.

A Pre-Baptism class is required for both  
parents prior to the Baptism of their 1<sup>st</sup> child.

**Please take note:** It is a requirement for  
at least 1 Godparent to be able to get a  
sponsor certificate from the Church that they  
are registered in. A Sponsor Certificate is a  
letter/form from their church stating that  
they are a parishioner in good standing.

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**Sponsor Certificates:** We cannot give  
you a *Sponsor Eligibility Certificate* unless  
you are a registered member of the parish  
for at least 6 months and attend Mass  
regularly.

### **Office of Safe Environments: DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT**

ALL VOLUNTEERS in the Diocese of Bridgeport are  
required to comply with the Diocesan Safe  
Environment Policy. Part of this policy is attending  
the program, Protecting God's Children/Virtus and  
also keeping up with all RE-certifications and the  
new Safe Environment 2020 Handbook. If you wish  
to help in any way within the parish or Diocese,  
please call the Parish office at (203)268-5838 or  
email [churchladies@optonline.net](mailto:churchladies@optonline.net). Thank You.

The Safe Environments Office is dedicated to  
ensuring the safety of all children in our Diocese.  
To report an incident of abuse or misconduct go to:  
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of-abuse-or-misconduct)

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