

# NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



FEBRUARY 28, 2021  
*Second Sunday of Lent*

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## PASTORAL STAFF

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

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## RECTORY OFFICE

640 Morehouse Road

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Email: [churchladies@optonline.net](mailto:churchladies@optonline.net)

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

The Rectory Office is closed on Friday.

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## 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

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Pat Fischer & Barbara Kozlowski, *Office Staff*

Robert Gilmore, *Director of Music*  
203-268-5838

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

(in the church)

Mrs. Patricia Steccato, *Director of Religious Ed.*  
203-261-5596 / [ndore@optonline.net](mailto:ndore@optonline.net)

Mrs. Ellen Pease, *Safe Environment Coordinator*  
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## PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Council Chairperson  
Mrs. Diane Baker

Finance Council Chairman  
Philip Adriani

Lay Members of the Parish  
Corporation  
Mrs. Diane Baker &  
Salvatore Gilbertie

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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 February 27<sup>th</sup> through March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Sat. 5:00pm Philip James Liuzzo  
 Sun. 8:00am Veronica Adriani  
 11:00am Lori Rubino  
 Mon. 7:30am Nathaniel Pease  
 Tues. 7:30am William Scheler  
 Wed. 7:30am Veronica Adriani  
 Thurs. 7:30am Joan Benedetto  
 Fri. 7:30am No Mass  
 Sat. 5:00pm Rosemarie Brunetti  
 Sun. 8:00am David Riordan  
 11:00am Anna and Nicolas Mazzonna

r/b the Malinowski family  
 r/b Ron and Carole Smith  
 r/b the Kolenberg family  
 r/b his wife, Ellen  
 r/b Erin Baker  
 r/b the family



r/b Sal and Marie Gilbertie  
 r/b the family

### Notre Dame's Weekly Collection

February 20 & 21 2021 - breakdown of collection

Saturday 5:00pm	\$ 350.50
Sunday 8:00am	\$ 805.00
11:00am	\$ 375.00
<b>Total Mass Collection:</b>	<b>\$1,505.50</b>
<b>Other Offertory:</b>	<b>\$1,806.00</b>
<b>Capital Improvement:</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>
<b>Online Weekly Giving:</b>	<b>\$1,505.00</b>

**THANK YOU!**

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### 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.

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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

*"NotreDame Sanctuary Fund"*

in memory of the deceased & include this wish in the obituary notice.

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### 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	Anthony Racca
A Friend	Alice Martinich	Pat Perrotta
Elizabeth Morgan	Georgia Egan	
Gabrella Reitmeyer	Deacon Vincent Heidenriech	
Carmine Donofrio	George Adams	

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.

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### Rectory Office Hours

The Rectory office hours are:  
 Monday through Thursday  
 9:00am to 3:30pm.  
 The office is closed on Friday.

If you are coming to the office,  
 you must wear a mask.



# Women of Notre Dame News:

2020-2021 Membership



## Notre Dame of Easton Bible Study

We are happy to report the  
Bible Study will resume on

**Tuesday – March 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**10:00-11:30am**

\* No food is permitted.

\* We must each sign in and provide contact  
information at every gathering.

\* Masks are required, along with social  
distancing.

\* Chairs must be sanitized after each event.

\* Rest room must be cleaned after each use.

## 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. We ask that you continue  
with the "usual items" please, ex: cereal, canned  
beans, Chef Boyardee pasta's, toiletries, such as  
toilet paper, etc. They have specifically asked  
for peanut butter and canned tuna.

**DUE TO THE PANDEMIC – BLESSED SACRAMENT  
CAN NOT ACCEPT CLOTHING AT THIS TIME.**

**Please DO NOT bring clothing to Church**  
Your generosity has been wonderful through  
the pandemic – We thank you all very much.

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>



## Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will alternate  
between 7:00pm and 12:00noon.  
in the church.



**MASKS REQUIRED – SOCIAL DISTANCING  
REQUIRED**

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**Stations will be held on Fridays at 7pm on:**  
**March 5<sup>th</sup>, March 19<sup>th</sup> & April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Stations will be held on Fridays at 12noon on:**  
**February 26<sup>th</sup>, March 12<sup>th</sup> & March 26<sup>th</sup>**

**Confessions** are held on Saturdays from 4:15 to  
4:45pm

## Our Lenten Sacrifices

**Days of Abstinence:** all Fridays in Lent, for all who  
have reached their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday, no meat can be  
taken.

**Days of Fast:** for all who have reached their 18<sup>th</sup>  
birthday and have not as yet reached their 60<sup>th</sup>  
birthday, a limit of one full meatless meal.

**Weekdays of Lent:** No Obligation to fast, however,  
voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

**Easter Duty Obligation:** Must be made from the  
First Sunday in Lent through Trinity Sunday.

**Self Denial:** is encouraged on a voluntary basis.

Acts may include daily Mass, spiritual study, Lenten  
Devotions, the Rosary, Stations of the Cross and deeds of  
mercy and kindness.

**Eucharistic Fast:** 1 hour from foods and liquids.

Water and medicine never break the fast.

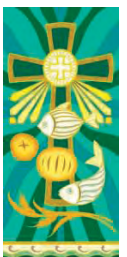
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## Loaves and Fishes Collection Through Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>

Fasting during the Lenten season is one of several  
penitential practices that is part of our Catholic  
tradition. Voluntary fasting from food creates in  
us a greater openness to God's spirit and deepens  
our compassion for others. As you fast during

Lent, please consider dropping your spare change  
into the Loaves and Fishes collection jars located  
in the vestibule of the church if you are coming  
to the stations or coming into the Church to pray,  
and near the elevator if you are coming to Mass.

Together we can enhance our Lenten fasting practice by  
giving up meals and donating the cost of those meals. If  
you prefer, you can drop a check into the jar or mail it to  
the Rectory; please make checks payable to Notre Dame  
of Easton with "Loaves and Fishes" in the memo.





# Religious Education

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

## 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.

**The Sacrament of Confirmation** is celebrated in 9th grade. The Diocesan **requirement** is completion of 7th and 8th grade Religious Education.

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**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 to the Baptism of their 1<sup>st</sup> child

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**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 Friday.

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

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**HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly  
Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ



**Second Sunday of Lent**  
**February 28, 2021**

“If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him... Christ Jesus it is who died, or rather was raised, who also is at the right hand of God who indeed intercedes for us.”

A persistent danger for us during our Lenten observance and practices is to focus only on the events of Calvary and the paschal mystery which occurred. We may know details of the passion, death and resurrection, and recall and remember. Something else ought to happen.

The passion of Jesus continues today in the suffering of disciples throughout the world. Religious persecution continues, and because it occurs in distant places in the world it is real and affects the entire church, the entire body of Christ.

Thus Paul reminds us that it is the Risen Christ interceding for all of us today. May we join Peter, James and John with Christ on the mountain and hear echo, ‘This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him.’ May we pray to and for the suffering Christ today.



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### Attend Daily Mass

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
7:30am**

**See want a difference a few minutes  
a day can make.**

"Very truly I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

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



### 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).**

**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 until it is safe  
to attend. Please read "Guidelines" on our  
website: [www.notredameofeaston.org](http://www.notredameofeaston.org), for all of  
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