

NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



APRIL 28, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Easter

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Michael P. Lyons, *Pastor*
Deacon John DiTaranto, *Temporary Parochial Administrator*
Dr. Gerald F. Sabol, *Deacon*

RECTORY OFFICE

640 Morehouse Road
Phone: 203-268-5838 Fax: 203-459-4940
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 and Wednesday: 7:30 am (*Temporary*)
No Mass on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
(*Temporary*)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:15 - 4:45 pm

Barbara Kozlowski, *Office Staff*
Sikna Tito

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

(*in the church*)

Deacon John DiTaranto, *Director of Religious Ed.*
203-416-1650 / dnditaranto@diobpt.org

Deacon John DiTaranto, *Safe Environment Coord.*
dnditaranto@diobpt.org

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Council Chairperson
Mrs. Diane Baker

Finance Council Chairman

Lay Members of the Parish
Corporation
Charles E. Welch
Carl Zuanelli

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.

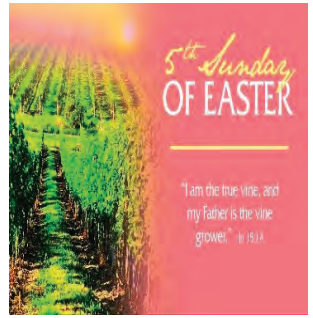


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Mass Intentions for April 27th through May 5th, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sat.	5:00pm Liam Baker	r/b the Family
Sun.	8 :00am Nicola Vaccaro	r/b the Family
	11:00am Maria Civita Signore	r/b the Family
Mon.	7:30am Derek Buckley	r/b Jeanine & Frank Pagliaro
*Tues.	7:30am <u>NO MASS</u>	
Wed.	7:30am Parishioners Living and Deceased of Notre Dame	
*Thurs.	7:30am <u>NO MASS</u>	
Fri.	7:30am <u>NO MASS</u>	
Sat.	5:00pm Marie Liuzzo and Rose Matri	r/b the Malinowski Family
Sun.	8:00am Richard Naylor-2 nd Anniversary	r/b the Family
	11:00am Maddalena Panniccia	r/b the Family



*** Masses not offered in Church will be said privately by Father Lyons.**

Notre Dame's Weekly Collections for:

April 20 and April 21, 2024

Saturday 5:00pm	\$ 850.00
Sunday 8:00am	\$ 835.00
11:00am	\$1,071.00
Total Mass Collection	\$2,756.00
Other Offertory	\$ 490.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 40.00
Online Giving	\$1,315.00

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.

Thank You!

Requests 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:



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| Susan Williams | Alison Raver | Leah Ambrose |
| Christopher Vitale | Eleanor Baldyga | Sal DiNardo |
| Siobhan Smith | Alice Martinich | Pat Perrotta |
| Elizabeth Morgan | George Adams | Vincent Esposito |
| Corrine Marsicano | Gina LaPan | Douglas Fedorko |
| Jonathan Webster | Sean Finan | Maryanne Krzewicki |

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.

Rectory Office Hours

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

**When attending Mass
MASKS ARE OPTIONAL**

Parish Registration

We welcome you to Notre Dame Parish. Please stop by, or call the Rectory office, (203 268-5838), to officially register. Our office hours are 9am to 3:30pm Monday thru Thursday. The office is closed on Fridays.



Religious Education

Dear Parishioners,

Our Faith Formation programs continue to move forward to bring our children to a closer relationship with Christ.

Please continue to pray for the children in our Notre Dame Parish family who have been preparing to receive their **First Holy Communion**. They received the Blessed Sacrament for the first time this Saturday, **April 27th** at 11:00am Mass. On Sunday, **May 5th** at the 11:00am Mass, we will have the **May Crowning of Mary**. All children who have received their First Holy Communion this year have been invited to attend this Mass and participate in the crowing of the statue of our Blessed Mother.

On Saturday, **June 1st** at the 5:00pm Vigil Mass, Bishop Caggiano will be returning to our parish to confirm the 21 young people of our parish who have been preparing for the **Sacrament of Confirmation**. Please continue to pray for those children as they complete their initiation into their Catholic faith.

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Office Hours by appointment: (203) 416-1650

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Blessed Sacrament Church



Food Collection

Help nourish our neighbors.....

Blessed Sacrament is the **ONLY** food pantry on the East Side of Bridgeport and they serve approximately 500 families each week!

There is an ongoing, urgent need for **PROTEIN** based food items like **canned tuna, salmon, cans of Spam, Vienna Sausages, canned beef ravioli, small jars of peanut butter and all varieties of canned beans.**

(No green beans please.)

Non-perishable needs include **ALL** toiletry items, including **travel sizes: 2in1 shampoo/conditioner combo, bar soap, toothpaste, deodorant, and especially toilet paper, diapers and baby wipes.**

Please bring your donations to the kitchen in the lower church hall. **Please do not leave your donations outside of church.**

All donations are welcomed and appreciated!!!!!!

Thank you for all you do!



Low Gluten Eucharist Hosts are available at all Masses



Please see the Priest or Deacon before Mass to let them know you would like a low gluten Communion host.



Donut & Coffee Sunday

Please join us next Sunday, **May 5, 2024**

after the 8:00 & 11:00am Masses
 lower Church hall

for coffee, donuts, tea, juice and visiting with old friends and making new ones!



The mission of the Bishop's Lecture Series is to provide opportunities for compelling adult faith formation regarding catechetical, theological or pastoral issues of contemporary importance. Each year four such lectures will be given in various regions of the Diocese.

Light refreshments will be available prior to the start of the program.

After an initial period of prayer, the lecturer will present the talk that will be 45 minutes in length. After a short break, there will be a 30 minute period of conversation and dialogue with participants.



Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano to deliver the second Bishop's Lecture

Date | Wednesday, May 15, 2024
 Time | 7 pm
 Location | Greenwich Catholic School
 Lecturer | Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano
 Bishop of Bridgeport
 Topic | Come let us Worship

As the work of our diocesan renewal deepens, we are called to remember and celebrate the great Mystery of the Eucharist, in which we have the most sublime encounter with Christ and accompany each other as disciples and members of His Mystical Body. All our efforts to foster moments of encounter with Christ and to transform our communities of faith into families of disciples are designed to bring every Catholic believer to the celebration of Sunday Mass each week.

My reflections will explore the nature of Christian worship, the mystery of the Lord's Sacrifice at Mass and our response in faith. It will also serve as the official opening of our Diocesan Eucharistic Renewal.

I invite you to come and rediscover the truth, beauty and grace that is offered us in the Eucharistic Lord at Mass.

The BISHOP'S LECTURE SERIES 2024

To RSVP to a Bishop's Lecture event, please visit:
www.bridgeportdiocese.org/bls
 or email: bishopslecture@diobpt.org

The ONE

Easton and Its Churches
History Talk by Frank Pagliaro

All parishioners (age 10 and up) are invited to hear about Easton's history on

Wednesday, May 1st ~ 7:00 – 9:00pm

Notre Dame Parish Hall

General stores, one-room schoolhouses, shoe shops, sawmills, grist mills, tanneries, blacksmiths, taverns, farms the Weston Meteorite, and all of Easton's churches!

Local historian and parishioner Frank Pagliaro will take us on a virtual journey through our town of Easton.

The talk is FREE, but, please RSVP to Jeanine or Frank Pagliaro for planning purposes:

203 259-5916, or

fpagliaro01@optonline.net

Please Join Us!

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 9:26-31

Paul the Apostle came to Jerusalem, where the other disciples were afraid of him. Then they learned that the Lord had spoken to Paul and he had preached openly in Damascus. When they learned that someone wanted to kill him, they protected him because they fully believed he had converted.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:18-24

John clearly states that we must love one another. All people who believe in Jesus Christ can show their faith only through their actions. If people believe in Jesus and love one another as he commanded us, they prove that they are true believers in Christ.

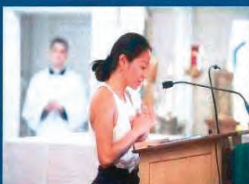
Gospel: John 15:1-8

Jesus compares himself to a vine, and compares his father to the vine-grower. He explains how God prunes the barren branches so that the rest might yield more fruit. He reminds them that apart from himself, his followers could not bear fruit.

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ONE in Christ
 2024 Bishop's Appeal
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 - Lilliana Delmonico



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Calendar of Events

- Wednesday, May 1st:**
Easton & Its Churches Talk, 7-9pm
- Sunday, May 5th:**
May Crowning of Mary - 11am Mass
Coffee & Donuts after 8 & 11am Masses
- Sunday, June 1st:**
Sacrament of Confirmation - 5:00pm Mass
- Wednesday, June 12th:**
Spring Dinner - Boca Grille in Fairfield

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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 1st 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:
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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: /safe-environments/incident-report-of-an-allegation-of-abuse-or-misconduct).

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