## NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



MARCH 14, 2021 Fourth Sunday of Lent

#### PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Michael P. Lyons, *Pastor* 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 - 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

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.



## Mass Intentions for March 13th through March 21st, 2021

Sat. 5:00pm Richard and Sally Holmes

8:00am Raymond Gaydos Sun.

11:00am Benedetto Morlando

Mon. 7:30am William Scheler

7:30am Mario and Maria Cortina Tues.

Wed. 7:30am Carole Ann Morgan

Thurs. 7:30am Michael Andras

Fri. 7:30am No Mass

Sat. 5:00pm Katherine and Antoinette Ferrante

Sun. 8:00am Al and Gil Martini

> 11:00am William Heino r/b Pat Fischer

**Please Pray for the Sick** 

## Notre Dame's Weekly Collection

March 6 & 7, 2021 - breakdown of collection

Saturday 5:00pm \$1,408.50 Sunday 8:00am 11:00am \$ 498.00 \$ 525.00 \$2,431.50 **Total Mass Collection:** Other Offertory: \$2,165.00 Capital Improvement: \$ 330.00 \$ 100.00 Easter Flowers

**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

"Notre Dame Sanctuary Fund"

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



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

r/b the Martin family

r/b his wife. Florence

r/b the family

r/b Bill and Diane Baker

r/b Richard and Elsie Naylor

r/b Gene and Fran Radomski

r/b the Malinowski family

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 **Alfred Fressola** Gabrella Reitmeyer Deacon Vincent Heidenriech

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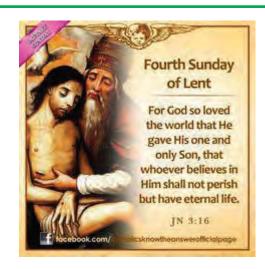
If you would like to place someone on the prayer list, please email <a href="mailto:churchladies@optonline.net">churchladies@optonline.net</a>, or call the Rectory office at 203-268-5838 during business hours.

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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 2020–2021 Membership

Notre Dame of Easton
Bible Study
We are happy to report the
Bible Study will resume on
Tuesday – March 16<sup>th</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.

<u>DUE TO THE PANDEMIC</u> – BLESSED SACRAMENT <u>CAN NOT ACCEPT</u> 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. <a href="https://osvhub.com/blessedsacramentbpt/funds">https://osvhub.com/blessedsacramentbpt/funds</a>





## **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 19<sup>th</sup> & April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Stations will be held on Fridays at 12noon on:

March 26th

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

## **Our Lenten Sacrifices**

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

<u>Days of Fast:</u> 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.

<u>Easter Duty Obligation:</u> Must be made from the First Sunday in Lent through Trinity Sunday.

<u>Self Denial</u>: 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.

<u>Eucharistic Fast:</u> 1 hour from foods and liquids. Water and medicine never break the fast.

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Through Sunday, April 4th

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
<a href="mailto:net">ndore@optonline.net</a>

#### **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.

**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 1st child

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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<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.



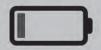




Feast Day of St. Joseph March 19<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph- Pray for us







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## **Attend Daily Mass**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 7:30am

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"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:

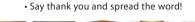
> Monday-Thursday at 7:30 AM (No Mass on Friday).

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, for all of the rules and regulations.

## **SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BUSINESSES**

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