# NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



**NOVEMBER 8, 2020** 

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

PASTORAL STAFF

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

**RECTORY OFFICE** 

640 Morehouse Road

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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.



### Mass Intentions for November 7th through November 15th, 2020

Sat. 5:00pm Brendan Kelly r/b the family
Sun. 8:00am Mary Ellen Bolton r/b Sal and Marie Gilbertie Believe in Jesus
11:00am Daniel McPadden r/b his wife, Grace

Mon. 7:30am Special Intentions of Philip Adriani, Jr. r/b Veronica Adriani

Tues. 7:30am Helen Francischello
Wed. 7:30am Caryl G. Morgan r/b Mr & Mrs Robert Graze
Thurs. 7:30am Michael Pasqualini r/b Richard and Elsie Naylor

Fri. 7:30am NO MASS

Sat. 5:00pm Frank and Terry Nobile
Sun. 8:00am Francis Rocco Prestia r/b Joe Calzone
11:00am Mary Carolan r/b the family

Any Mass intentions scheduled for a Friday will be honored on Thursday.

### **Notre Dame's Weekly Collection**

October 31 & November 1, 2020

breakdown of collection

Many of our parishioners have been mailing in their offertory envelopes – it is greatly

appreciated. THANK YOU!

5:00pm Mass	\$ 327.50
8:00am Mass	\$ 55.00
11:00am Mass	\$ 368.00
<b>Total Mass Collection:</b>	\$1,450.00
Other Offertory:	\$ 267.00
Capital Improvement:	\$ 265.00
All Souls Day Intentions	\$ 225.00
All Saints Day	\$ 167.50
Online Giving:	\$1,210.00
Online giving for October	\$4,975.00

### **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.

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

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

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

<u>Suggestion:</u> 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.



### **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.

# Women of Notre Dame News:

### 2020-2021 membership

All the women of the parish are welcome to join! The membership envelope is included the most recent pack of envelopes you received in the mail. Annual dues are \$20 per year and \$10 for seniors. If you are attending Mass, please drop in the basket. If you are not back to attending Mass in person, you can send it to the parish office in the mail – please make checks out to "Notre Dame of Easton" and put "Women of ND dues" in the check memo. So why join? The 2019–2020 year came to an abrupt end because of the pandemic issues, but we continued to support some of our local charitable organizations. Hopefully soon, this year will be somewhat back to normal and we will be able to have our programs and events in our own parish.



We are happy to report the Bible Study is back!

It will begin on Tuesday, November 10 from 10:00-11:30am.

- \* If all goes well for the remainder of the year, we will meet on November 24, December 8 and December 22 from 10-11:30 (please mark your calendars).
- \* We can use the chairs that are set up for Mass, and can turn them so we're in a circle, but we can't move them from their spots.
- \* 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.

Chris Linley and Mary Welch will take on the first class which will be the Gospel according to Matthew. Please begin reading prior to the first meeting. We will have a signup sheet for the remainder of the year for anyone who would like to present going forward

# NOTRE DAME HIGH SCHOOL – FAIRFIELD VISITS AND ENTRANCE EXAM

On **Saturday, November 14** at 8:00 a.m. Notre Dame's entrance exam will be given. All eighth grade applicants must take an entrance exam at one of the four Diocesan high schools. All applicants must complete an on-line application. Complete information on registering for either can be found on the school's web site, www.notredame.org

Families interested in taking a tour of ND or reserving a seat at one of our Virtual Information Sessions please contact Karen Guastelle at 203-372-6521 or kguastelle@notredame.org.

Notre Dame is a co-ed high school located in Fairfield that has been educating students since 1956. The student body of 500 students represents 38 area cities and towns.

Every time we try to eat healthy, along comes Christmas, Easter, summer, Friday, or Tuesday and ruins it for us.

# Blessed Sacrament Collection If You Can Help -

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

The need of cereal, tuna, pasta sauce, peanut butter, canned vegetables, beans, (black, kidney, etc., mac and cheese – also toilet paper and soap is ongoing.

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

Throughout everything that has been going on, you have been dedicated to the needs of others and never missed a beat!!! Thank you to all!

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

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"Let Me Be Frank" is a podcast / radio show from the Roman Catholic Diocese of Bridgeport and Veritas Catholic Radio featuring the Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano, Bishop of Bridgeport. Each weekly episode features Bishop Frank's honest opinions about recent Catholic news, reflections on Sunday's Gospel, questions from diocesan faithful, and frank discussion of topics of faith and Catholicism.

The live version of the radio show broadcasts Wednesdays at noon on WNLK-AM 1350 radio. The podcast is posted shortly after the program concludes. Read more about the broadcast here.

1 didn't get everything done in one day either. -God

# Easton Senior Center Thanksgiving Food Drive

We are calling upon all Easton churches to contact their members, via email, Face book, or at Mass, to donate foodstuffs to the ESC on or before Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> so we can distribute 100 Turkey dinners.

We will accept Grocery Gift certificates, cash, or checks to purchase turkeys. We will also accept these good items: Cranberry sauce, canned vegetables, gravy mix or canned gravy, instant or canned potatoes or sweet potatoes, stuffing mix, pumpkin pie mix or filling, piecrust, evaporated milk, brownie or cake mix, or cornbread mix.

If you have any questions, call the ESC at 203-268-1145. The ESC is located at 650 Morehouse Road, Easton. Any help you can provide will be greatly appreciated. Thank you and God bless

### 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.

<u>Baptism</u> – 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

If you see me talking to myself this week, mind your business.

I'm having a parent-teacher conference.





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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: <a href="https://www.notredameofeaston.org">www.notredameofeaston.org</a>, for all of the rules and regulations.

### **Attend Daily Mass**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 7:30am

See want a difference a few minutes a day can make

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



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