### Mass Intentions for December 15<sup>th</sup> through December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

Sat. Sun.	•	LaRue Ambrose Parishioners Living and Deceased	r/b the Link family
		Marian Kiernan- 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary	r/b the Kozlowski family Third Sunday
Mon.		Nicola Vaccaro – 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary	r/b the family of Advent
Tues.	7:30am	<b>Special Intentions of Colleen Kearney</b>	r/b Veronica Adriani
Wed.	7:30am	Joseph Peloso, IV	r/b the family
Thurs.	7:30am	NO Mass	
Fri.	7:30pm	Kevin Visokay	r/b the family
Sat.	5:00pm	Helen and Adolph Chrzanowski	r/b Tom and Brian Chrzanowski
Sun.	8:00am	Mark Roman, Jr.	r/b the family
	11:00am	Salvatore and Marie Liuzzo	r/b the Malinowski family

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection: December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> - \$ 5,419.25

Immaculate Conception (Holy Day) - \$1,028.00

### **ONLINE GIVING**

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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;

### www.notredameofeaston.com

2. click the Online Giving logo on the homepage3. fill out the registration form.

If you have any questions please call (800) 348-2886.

### 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.

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 a donation to the "Notre Dame Sanctuary Fund" in memory of the deceased and include this wish in the obituary notice.



<u>December 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018</u> <u>Readers Eucharistic Ministers Altar Servers</u>

**Saturday** 

8:00am D. Valovcin D. Valovcin D. W. & E. Grob
11:00am H. Egan B. Marzik J. & K. Burris
The Liturgy Schedule is on our website:

www.notredameofeaston.com

### Please Pray for the Sick

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

Walter Finick
Christopher Vitale
John Buckley
Joan McGrath
Kick Coons
Michael Glowacki
Lavon Robinson
Mildred Negri
Susan Williams
Judi Christiansen
Frank Lyons
Marian Basso
Marian Basso
Rick Coons
Matthew Cargill
Heather Sellers
Georgia Egan
Mary Socci
Mildred Negri
Tony & Alice Martinich

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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.

### The Sounds of Christmas

The music program of Notre Dame will present

The Sounds of Christmas Prelude before the Masses on Christmas Eve in the Main Church.

The preludes will begin

at 3:40pm and 5:40pm respectfully. We hope you will arrive early to enjoy this beautiful reflection of the season.





Monday – December 24 (No 7:30am Mass)

> Vigil Mass 3:40 pm music prelude

4:00pm Mass -upstairs 4:00pm Mass- downstairs

5:40pm music prelude 6:00pm Mass

Tuesday – December 25
The Nativity of the Lord

9:00am 11:00am



<u>Parish Registration:</u> Please stop by or call the Rectory office (203 268-5838) to <u>officially register</u>. Our hours are 9am to 3:30pm – Monday thru Friday.

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. If Father does not know you personally or by sight, the only other way of knowing you are a practicing Catholic is by tracking your contributions by check or envelope.

Attitude is a choice,
Happiness is a choice
Optimism is a choice
Kindness is a choice
Giving is a choice
Respect is a choice



Whatever choice you make, Choose wisely

## The Women of Notre Dame News!



## **Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry Collection**



We are collecting donations <u>each weekend</u> <u>of Advent</u> for the Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry in Bridgeport. All donated items should be new, unopened, in original sealed packaging, and not expired.

<u>December 15 and 16</u>: the Third Weekend of Advent: toilet paper and toiletries (toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo, disposable razors, shaving cream).

<u>December 22 and 23</u>: the Fourth Weekend of Advent: disposable diapers (any size) and baby wipes.

In January, the monthly collection resumes; thank you for your continued support!

<u>Membership</u> – Don't forget to send in your membership dues envelope!

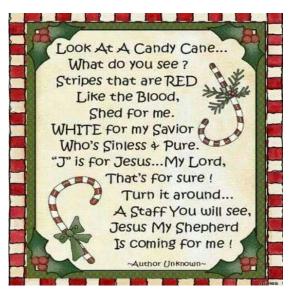
Dues: \$20 Seniors 60+: \$10



### A Visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus



Everyone is invited to a Visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus on **December 16**<sup>th</sup> in the church hall, during coffee and donuts after the 11:00 Children's Liturgy Mass and the Living Creche.



### **Religious Education**

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

After 2:00pm Tuesday afternoons during the school year: (203)751-7253 or (203)837-0734

Teacher's Holiday Party
Save the date!
Our "After the Holiday" dinner will
be Thursday evening January 17th,
2019 at 7:00pm in the Church Hall.
Please call or email our office to
RSVP by January 11th, 2018.

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Second Grade Sacrament Dates:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturday, March 9th, 2019 at 11:00am. Please check your email for the mandatory Child/Parent classes.

Third Grade Sacrament Dates:
First Holy Communion will be
celebrated on Saturday, May 4th,
2019 at 11:00am. Please check your
email for the mandatory Child/Parent
classes, Rehearsals and the Family
Supper.

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#### **IMPORTANT REMINDER:**

If Religious Education classes are to be cancelled due to weather conditions, please refer to Channel 8 or 12. We will follow the lead of the Easton Public School District. If schools are closed, there will be NO Religious Ed classes.



St. Margaret Shrine – 2523 Park Ave. Bridgeport, CT

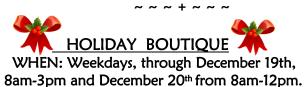
IL PRESEPIO Visit "The Nativity" for the Holiday Season. A beautiful time of year to visit this spiritual setting. Open Monday-Friday 11-3, Saturday 3-6, Sunday 9-12:30



## Diocese of Bridgeport Choir 4 Youth Annual Arise & Shine Christmas Concert

All are invited to join

Bishop Frank Caggiano for the fourth annual C4Y
Arise & Shine Christmas Concert on Friday, December 21st at 7:30pm at the Klein Auditorium in Bridgeport.
Celebrate the season of Advent and prepare your hearts for Christmas by listening and joining in song with over 100 young people from throughout the Diocese who share their gifts and talents so beautifully in both classic and new Christmas pieces. Purchase your tickets online today at <a href="https://www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation/home/">https://www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation/home/</a>



WHERE: Easton Senior Center: Function Room
WHAT: \* Brand New Gifts Galore\* \*Christmas
Decor \* Knitwear (all ages) \* KIDS' CORNER
FREE GIFT WRAPPING AVAILABLE
FOR PURCHASED GIFTS

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### Mercy Learning Center Seeks Volunteers!

"Educate a Woman...Educate a Family"

The Center is seeking volunteers to teach English
Language Learners as well as basic adult reading and
math in its small group tutoring program.

The commitment is twice per week for two hours.

No experience necessary.

Training and materials are provided.

New Tutor Training Dates Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup> Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup> 9:00am to 3:00pm (lunch provided)

Please contact Lynn Gabriel or Luisa Rodriguez
To register for a training session. 203-334-6699

lynn.gabriel@mercylearningcenter.org

luisa.rodriguez@mercylearningcenter.org

Mercy Learning Center, 637 Park Ave. Bpt, CT 06604



# Bus Pilgrimage to Washington, DC for the March for Life

Friday, January 18, 2019 Schedule:

5:00am Depart the Cathedral Parish, Bridgeport 5:30am Pick up at St. Thomas Apostle, Norwalk 6:00am Pick up at Basilica of St. John the Evangelist, Stamford

11:30am – Arrive at March for Life 4:00pm – Depart for Connecticut Register at

www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation

by January 11, 2019 \$75.00 per person You are welcome to bring your own food and drink on the bus. For more information, email officeoffaithformation@diobpt.org

Or call 203 -416-1670

<u>Baptism</u> – The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sundays at 12 noon. A Pre-Baptism class is required for both parents prior in the Baptism of their 1st child. Register by calling the Parish Office:

203-268-5838