

NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



FEBRUARY 21, 2021

First Sunday of Lent

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Michael P. Lyons, *Pastor*

Dr. Gerald F. Sabol, *Deacon*

RECTORY OFFICE

640 Morehouse Road

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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

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 20th through February 28th, 2021

Sat. 5:00pm Ceil and Frank Zukowski
 Sun. 8:00am Jean O'Grady Sheehan
 11:00am William Heino
 Mon. 7:30am Richard Rossi
 Tues. 7:30am Michael Andras
 Wed. 7:30am Fannie Donofrio
 Thurs. 7:30am Kevin Visokay
 Fri. 7:30am No Mass
 Sat. 5:00pm Philip James Liuzzo
 Sun. 8:00am Veronica Adriani
 11:00am Lori Rubino



r/b Prudence McCafferty
 r/b Sal and Marie Gilbertie
 r/b his wife, Florence
 r/b the Women of Notre Dame
 r/b the family

r/b the Malinowski family
 r/b Ron and Carole Smith
 r/b the Kolenberg family

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection

February 13 & 14, 2021 - breakdown of collection

Saturday 5:00pm \$ 420.50
 Sunday 8:00am \$ 500.00
 11:00am \$ 250.00
Total Mass Collection: \$1,170.50
Other Offertory: \$1,805.00
Capital Improvement: \$ 30.00
Church in latin America \$ 25.00
Online Weekly Giving: \$1,065.00
Online Capital Improvemnet: \$ 10.00

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.

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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.

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, or call the Rectory office at 203-268-5838 during business hours.

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Please remember in your prayers:

Mildred Negri
 mother of Carol Hartten

Francesco Paniccia
 brother of Anna DelCegno

Helen Maloney

Deborah Roche
 wife of Ed
 and

Mary Ohradan
 May they rest in peace.

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

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 2nd
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>

Someday everything
will make perfect
sense. So for now,
laugh at the confusion,
smile through the tears
and keep reminding
yourself that
everything happens for
a reason.



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:
February 19th, March 5th, March 19th & April 2nd

Stations will be held on Fridays at 12noon on:
February 26th, March 12th & March 26th

Confessions are held on Saturdays from 4:15 to
4:45pm – lower Church Hall

Our Lenten Sacrifices

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

Days of Fast: for all who have reached their 18th
birthday and have not as yet reached their 60th
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.

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)



Religious Education

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 10am-4pm
Other times by appointment: (203)261-5596
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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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The Lord bless you
and keep you;
the Lord make His face
shine on you and
be gracious to you;
the Lord turn His face
toward you and
give you peace.

A Fresh Perspective of Sunday Readings

First Sunday of Lent
February 21, 2021



“Christ suffered for sins once, the righteous for the sake of the unrighteous, that he might lead you to God. Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit... It is not a removal of dirt from the body but an appeal to God for a clear conscience...”

We are so familiar with St. Peter – chosen by Jesus, leader of the apostles, sometimes speaking out of turn, human, repentant not unlike ourselves.

Yet, are we familiar with the two letters he wrote, which are part of the bible? Some say they were his teaching for the new Christians, like the homily we hear at mass.

How simply, yet beautifully, he reminds us today that the suffering and death of Jesus was for me, the unrighteous. the unjust person.

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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 1st child

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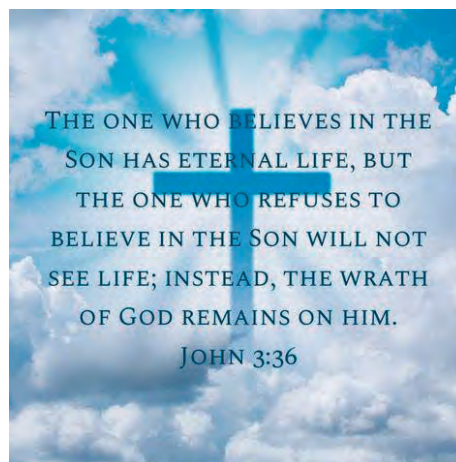
Parish Registration: We welcome you to Notre Dame Parish. Please stop by or call the Rectory office (203 268-5838) to **officially register**.

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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God's Top Ten

1. Put God First
2. Worship Him Only
3. No Bad Words
4. Work 6 Rest 1
5. Obey Your Parents
6. Harm No One
7. Don't Cheat
8. If It's Not Yours,
Don't Take It
9. Tell the Truth
10. Don't Be Jealous of
Other People's Stuff

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.

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