Mass Intentions for February 24th through March 4th, 2018

Sat. Sun.	5:00pm 8:00am 11:00am	Phillip James Liuzzo Madeline Tramontano Michael Martinich	r/b the Malinowski family r/b Barbara and Bob Berry r/b Suzette, Mike and Amada Pillig
Mon.	7:30am	Regina Giganti	r/b Veronica Adriani
Tues.	7:30am	Malcolm Eble	r/b the Roman family
Wed.	7:30am	Nathaniel Pease	r/b his wife, Ellen
Thurs.	7:30am	NO Mass	
Fri.	7:30am	Richard O'Brien	r/b Veronica Adriani
Sat.	5:00pm	For the Intentions of Veronica Adriani	r/b Pat Fischer
Sun.	8:00am	Richard O'Brien	r/b the DeVoto family
	11:00am	Denis Fortin	r/b Joe and Dorinda Pizone

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection:

February 17 & 18, 2018 - \$4512.75

Ash Wednesday - \$892.00

ONLINE GIVING

Please consider Online Giving. It is a simple, safe way to contribute to weekly offerings, as well as to pay for Religious Education tuition and other events within the parish. In order to register:

- log on to our parish website; www.notredameofeaston.com
- 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.

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.

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<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.

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

March 3rd & 4th, 2018

Readers Eucharistic Ministers Altar Servers

Saturday

5:00pm G. O'Brien D. Baker N. Bass

Sunday

8:00am B. Constand/ C. Constand D. W. & E. Grob

C. Constand

11:00am J. Pagliaro J. Pagliaro G. Blawie

The Liturgy Schedule is on our website: www.notredameofeaston.com

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Readers - Eucharistic Ministers - Altar Servers

We are working on the new schedule beginning with March 10th and going through June 3rd. It will include the Holy Days - Holy Thursday/March 29th, Good Friday/March 30th, Holy Saturday/March 31st, and Easter Sunday/April 1st. Please let us know by FEBRUARY 28TH. 203-268-5838 or email:

churchladies@optonline.net or fax: 203-459-4940.

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Please Pray for the Sick

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

Walter Finick Susan Williams Judith Christiansen
Christopher Vitale Angela Doescher Diane DiNapoli
Frank Lyons John Buckley Mary Biggins
Siobhan Smith John Ilardo Marian Basso
Joan McGrath Michael Glowacki Matthew Cargill
Tony and Alice Martinich William Metzger

Richard Schwartz, Sr.

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.



<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



Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will alternate between 7:00pm and 12:00noon.

Stations of the Cross for Friday March 3rd will be held at 7pm.

<u>Confessions</u> are held on Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:45pm

Msgr. Shea will be here on Saturday March 3rd & March 10th to hear Confessions

Lenten Regulations 2018

Fast & Abstinence during Lent:

Abstinence: All Fridays during Lent are Days of Abstinence. Catholics from the age of 14 and above are asked to abstain from meat on all the Fridays during Lent.

Loaves & Fishes Spare Change Collection

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 drop your spare change into the Loaves & Fishes collection jars in the vestibule of the church. 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 in a check payable to Notre Dame of Easton with "Loaves & Fishes" in the memo.

Come join other men and women for a mini Lenten "Walk through the Bible"

New "Bible Readers" or long-time students, we look forward to sharing with you.

Friday, March 16 -12:00noon to 1:30pm in our lower level Church hall. Session includes "Reflective Reading" and Discussion.

Beverage and snacks provided.

The Women of Notre Dame News!

(Formerly the Ladies Council)

Yoga & Christian Meditation

When? Sunday, March 4th – 1:30 – 3pm Where? Notre Dame Parish Hall See the flyer in the bulletin for details.

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The Women of Notre Dame will hold their Annual Free Lenten Luncheon on Wednesday, March 14
See the flyer in the bulletin for details.

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The Blessed Sacrament Food collection will be held on March 3rd and 4th. For this collection they are asking for "Chef Boyardee" dinners and boxes of Instant Oatmeal.



The Women of Notre Dame (formerly the Notre Dame of Easton Ladies Council) announces the Liam A. Baker Memorial Scholarship for 2018

A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to the son or daughter (or grandson or granddaughter) of a *Notre Dame Parishioner and Women of Notre Dame Member*. This merit-based scholarship is for a graduating high school senior who will be a full-time student at an accredited institution of higher learning (college, university, vocational school, or community college) in September 2018. If there are no applicants from Notre Dame of Easton parish, the scholarship will be open to a student from the Blessed Sacrament parish in Bridgeport.

Applications may be obtained at The Notre Dame Rectory office or by emailing Jeanine Pagliaro at jpagliaro01@optonline.net beginning on February 19, 2018.

Completed applications must be submitted by April 8, 2018 to the address listed on the application.



Religious Education News

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday - 10 am-4pm; Other times by appointment (261-5596) ndore@optonline.net After 2:00pm Tuesday afternoons: (203)751-7253 or (203)837-0734

Second Grade Sacrament Dates:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturday, March 3, 2018 at 11:00am.

Third Grade Sacrament Dates:

First Holy Communion Class:

Saturday, March 17, 2018 from 2:30pm until 4:45pm followed by the First Holy Communion Enrollment Ceremony at the 5:00pm Mass.

Both child and parent are required to attend.

Family Supper:

Friday evening, April 20th, 2018, 6:30pm until 8:00pm.

We will meet in the Upper Church. Rehearsal: Thursday, April 26th, 2018, 6:30 pm until 8:00pm in the Upper Church. At least one parent must accompany their child.

<u>First Holy Communion will be</u> <u>celebrated on Saturday,</u> <u>April 28, 2018 at 11:00am.</u>

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.

Tickets for the

14th Annual Boy Scout Gourmet Breakfast

will be on sale here after all Masses on February 24th & 25 and March 3rd & 4th. Funds raised will be used for the Scouts' education and activities. The Gourmet Breakfast will be held on Saturday, March 10th at the Easton Community Center.



<u>First Friday</u> <u>Eucharistic Adoration</u> Friday – March 2nd 8:00am to 10:00am

Parish Nurse

Blood Pressure Screening
March 3rd & 4th after all Masses
in the Religious Education office.



Coffee and Donuts Sunday after the 8am Mass March 4th

Spring Soiree

Join us on March 24 at the newly re-opened Redding Roadhouse! Tickets are \$70 per person for apps, dinner, and dessert (cash bar) to raise money for Easton ACTS

Notre Dame is providing beds and bedroom furniture for an IRIS-approved family. Mail checks payable to Notre Dame of Easton with "Spring Soiree" in the memo. If you cannot attend but would like to donate, please make checks payable to Notre Dame of Easton put "Easton ACTS" in the memo. Questions? Contact Michelle Falcone michfalcone@optonline.net or 203 650-3959

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Convivio – March 2, 3, 4

at Sacred Heart University, Fairfield.

A weekend high school conference where students from grades 9-12 come together to reflect upon contemporary society to share their experiences, thoughts, interests, and to propose explanations and answers to the problems and their experience in today's world. For more information/register visit www.convivio-us.org

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Where: Holy Innocents Faith Formation Center

St. Rose Parish, Newtown

When: Saturday, March 10th - Time: 8am - 4:00pm (concludes with Mass at 4:00pm)

Call St. Rose Faith Formation (203) 429-2333 ext. 1
Registration includes Continental Breakfast, and Lunch: \$25 (more if you can and less if you cannot)
Registration Form can be mailed or delivered to: St. Rose Faith Formation, 38 Church Hill, Newtown, CT 06470.
Checks made payable to St. Rose Church

St. Anthony Parish

149 South Pine Creek Rd - Fairfield stanthonyffld.org

Fridays in Lent are about to get a lot

brighter...Join us for this hour of meditative prayer which gathers us in the presence of Christ through uncomplicated, repetitive song, allowing the mystery of God to become tangible through the beauty of simplicity.

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Fridays in lent beginning February 16 – 7:30pm.

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WHITE MASS

For Health Care Professionals and All Who
Serve the Sick
Sunday, March 18, 2018 • 8:30 a.m.
St. Aloysius Church
21 Cherry St, New Canaan, CT 06840
followed by
Brunch at Woodway Country Club
540 Hoyt St, Darien, CT 06820
Celebrant & Homlist – Bishop Caggiano
Speaker -Joseph Dutkowsky, MD, KM
Associate Clinical Professor at Columbia University
College of Physicians - Past President of American
Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental
Medicine and, author of the book Perfectly Human.