

Mass Intentions for February 29th through March 8th, 2020



Sat. 5:00pm Dr. Philip Falcone
 Sun. 8:00am Nathaniel Pease
 11:00am Kyle Savard
 Mon. 7:30am Liam Baker
 Tues. 7:30am Veronica Adriani
 Wed. 7:30am Michael Andras
 Thurs. 7:30am No Mass
 Fri. 7:30am Dr. Philip Falcone
 Sat. 5:00pm Nicholas Soares
 Sun. 8:00am Veronica Adriani
 11:00am Dr. Philip Falcone

r/b the Zuanelli family
 r/b his wife, Ellen
 r/b Notre Dame Bible Study
 r/b the Nizlek family
 r/b Pat Fischer
 r/b his wife, Florence

r/b Ronald Sullivan
 r/b Jerry and Arlene Millbauer
 r/b Ron and Carole Smith
 r/b Carole and Frank Lisi

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection

February 22nd & 23rd, 2020 – breakdown of collection

Mass Saturday – 5:00pm - \$2,167.50
 Mass Sunday - 8:00am - \$1,179.00
 Mass Sunday - 11:00am - \$1,760.00
 Other offertory-loose checks & cash: \$855.00
 Total Mass Collection: \$5,961.95

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March 8th & 9th, 2020

| Readers | Eucharistic Ministers | Altar Servers |
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| Saturday | | |
| 5:00pm K. Champagne | T. Vitale | ----- |
| Sunday | | |
| 8:00am D. Valovcin | D. Valovcin | ----- |
| Children's Liturgy | | |
| 11:00am Grade 4 | L. Sheehan/D. Baker | Zuanellis |

The schedule is on our parish website:
www.notredameofeaston.com

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Readers, Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers

The next schedule is in the mail! It is also online.

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Please Pray for the Sick

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

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| Susan Williams | Muriel Meier | Alison Raver |
| Christopher Vitale | Angela Doescher | Frank Lyons |
| John Buckley | Siobhan Smith | Andrew Burke |
| Joan McGrath | Dennis Gallagher | Cece H. |
| Michael Glowacki | Alice Martinich | Kaia Lauro |
| Mildred Negri | Georgia Egan | Mary Socci |
| Deanne Cingari Herlihy | Deacon Vincent Heidenrieck | |
| Eleanor Baldyga | Leah Ambrose | A Friend |
| Gabrella Reitmeyer | Elizabeth Morganti | Bart Natoli |
| Vicki Brideau | | |

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.

* We will begin to remove names from our Prayer List next week. 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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Attend Daily Mass

7:30am

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

See what a difference a one half hour can make

Add daily Mass during Lent.

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

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;
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, option #2.

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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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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 & include this wish in the obituary notice.





First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

Friday – March 6th
8:00 – 9:00am

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Parish Nurse
Blood Pressure Screening
After all Masses – March 7th & 8th in the
Religious Education Office



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Coffee and Donuts
Sunday – March 8th
after the 8:00am Mass

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LENT

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will be held on
Friday's during Lent. They will alternate
between 7:00pm and 12:00noon.

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Stations will be held on Fridays at 7pm on:
2/28, 3/13, 3/27 & 4/10

Stations will be held on Fridays at 12noon on:
3/6, 3/20, & 4/3



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

Loaves and Fishes Lenten 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 consider
dropping your spare change into the Loaves and
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 and Fishes" in the memo.**

Thank you for your support!

Women of Notre Dame News:

March – Blessed Sacrament Collection

will take place on the weekend March 7th
and 8th. For the next collection, the request is
for sweetened cereal and jarred pasta sauce,
please.

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The Women of Notre Dame will hold their
monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 3rd at
7:00pm. Any member is welcome to join in.



Shamrock Bingo Returns! Saturday, March 7th

After the 5:00pm Mass.

6:00pm – FREE Catered Dinner

6:30 – BINGO!!!

The dinner is **FREE**, but you **must RSVP**
Bingo cards are \$1 each **ALL children MUST be
accompanied by adults (NO DROP OFFS)**

****Please bring packages of Hanes or Fruit of the
Loom men's underwear. (t-shirts, briefs) or men's
socks that we will donate to the Merton Center.*

RSVP for the Dinner by **March 1st** to
Cheryl Constand at 203-374-5696 or
constand@sbcglobal.net.

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**Women of Notre Dame
Lenten Luncheon
Wednesday, March 18th
Details forthcoming!**

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St. Stephen Bereavement Support Group:

Have you suffered the loss of a special person in
your life? Their Bereavement Ministry can offer
hope of coping with your grief. It is opened to
anyone you may know who needs help. The 10 week
course with experienced counselors will begin on
Thursday, March 19th, from 4:00 - 5:30 pm.

Please call St. Stephen's rectory at 203-268-6217.
A call will be returned to you by one of the two
bereavement facilitators.

St. Stephen's Church - 6948 Main St., Trumbull

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Just be who God 
Made you to be!

Religious Education

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

Children's Liturgy

This month's Children's Liturgy will be celebrated on Sunday, March 8th, at the 11:00am Mass in the Upper Church.

Fr. Charles Allen will be the celebrant and our fourth graders will be the hosts.

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Second Grade Sacrament Dates:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturday, March 14th, 2020 at 11:00am.

A schedule of all important dates was sent home November 27th, 2019.

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Third Grade Sacramental Dates:

Family Supper:

Friday evening, March 27th, 2020, 6:30pm - 8:30pm

We will meet in the Upper Church.

Rehearsal: *Thursday evening, April 23rd, 2020, 6:30 pm - 8:00pm in the Upper Church*

At least one parent must accompany their child.

First Holy Communion *will be celebrated on Saturday, April 25th, 2020 at 11:00am. A schedule of all important dates was sent home January 15th, 2020 regarding the Family Supper and Rehearsals.*

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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.

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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 in-class 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 for receiving First Holy Communion are receiving 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 in class.

Home schooling is not available.

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Our Lenten Sacrifices

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

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.

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Notre Dame of Easton Bible Study

Join fellow parishioners once a month for a Walk through the Bible.

The next meeting will be Tuesday – March 10th at 12:00-1:30 in the church hall.

A light lunch will be provided.

Healing Mass

St. Luke's Church

49 Turkey Hill Road North - Westport

March 11th at 7:00pm

There will be a Healing Mass at St. Luke's Church, Westport at 7pm on Wednesday, March 11th with Fr. Larry Carew.

Snow date is Wednesday, March 18th at 7pm.

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The Easton Senior Center

650 Morehouse Rd. Easton, CT

**is holding a Progressive Tag Sale
from NOW until April 1, 2020!**



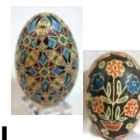
**New items and used items, along with
gently used clothing.**

New items placed weekly. 8am to 3pm daily.

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Ukrainian Eggs - Pysanky

Father Paul Luniw, a Ukrainian Catholic priest and egg artist extraordinaire, will present a free public lecture on the history and practice of Pysanky, at the Knights of Columbus Museum (1 State Street, New Haven) Sunday, March 15, 2020, at 2 p.m.



Ukrainian eggs, colorfully and ornately decorated are called Pysanky, from the term "to write." The custom of painted eggs dates to pre-Christian times but has a solid place in religious observance today. Father Paul will explain the history and significance of this development, describe the precise and time-intensive process of designing and coloring the eggs and share examples of his artwork in many sizes.

The talk is free and open to the public. Parking is also free in the museum's underground lot. More information: 203-865-0400 or kofcmuseum.org.