Mass Intentions for March 23rd through March 31st, 2019

Sat.	5:00pm	Nicholas Soares, Sr.
Sun.	8:00am	Charles Schaaf
	11:00am	Janet McNeil
Mon.	7:30am	Kevin Visokay
Tues.	7:30am	Marta and Istvan Takacs

/:30am Marta and Istvan Takacs Wed. 7:30am Irene and Melvin Somma

7:30am NO Mass Thurs.

Fri. 7:30am Adolf Chrzanowski 5:00pm Dr. Edward Luchansky Sat. 8:00am Mario and Maria Cortina Sun.

11:00am Joan Papa

r/b Barbara Bozzi and family

r/b Phil & Ann Adriani & family

r/b Tom and Brian Chrzanowski

r/b Jane Mary and Richard Link

r/b the Adamovich family

r/b Nancy Bassani

r/b Veronica Adriani

r/b the family r/b Dori Wollen

r/b the family

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection:

Collection for 3/16 & 17 - \$5,260.00

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 homepage

3. fill out the registration form.

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

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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.

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>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

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March 30 & 31, 2019

Readers Eucharistic Ministers Altar Servers

Saturday

5:00pm G. O'Brien D. Baker P. Martinich Sunday

8:00am C. & M. Welch P. Altieri L. Pulie C. Hommel G. Blawie 11:00am B. Hommel

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

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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 Muriel Meier** Christopher Vitale Angela Doescher Frank Lyons **Marian Basso** John Buckley Siobhan Smith Joan McGrath Rick Coons **Dennis Gallagher** Michael Glowacki Larry Baldyga **Alice Martinich** Mildred Negri Georgia Egan **Mary Socci** 

Deanne Cingari Herlihy

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 a name on our sick list to be prayed for, we would appreciate it if you would call or email us to let us know if you still want them to be on the list.

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UPDATE: As time goes on, we are finding that some parishioners have retired their "land lines" (home telephones) for cell phones only. We would appreciate it if you can let us know so we can correct our files. Email to: churchladies@optonline.net - call 203-268-5838 or fax to 203-459-4940.

Please pray for the soul of: Robert Sabo Husband of Carol





YOU ARE INVITED



The members of our parish monthly Bible Study extend a warm invitation to all parish men and women who are free during the lunch-time hour to join us in our lower-level Church hall for:

<u>A SPECIAL LENTEN SERIES IS BEING</u> <u>HELD ON TUESDAYS: MARCH 26 &</u> APRIL 9 * - 12:00 NOON TO 1:30 PM

*Light lunch provided

Through selected Gospel readings on the life of Jesus, participants and <u>guest presenters</u> will reflect on creative ways in which we can nurture our relationship with God through our Lenten practices of PRAYER, FASTING and ALMSGIVING.

Starry Night A Roaring *20s Soiree

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Friday, April 5, 2019 ~ 6:30–11:00pm Please join the friends of Caroline House for an evening of cocktail, dinner, live & silent auctions, music a & dancing honoring

The Hon. Dan Caruso (posthumously) and The Staples Service League of Boys, S.L.O.B.S.

To Register, donate, sponsor or for more information, please visit our website <a href="www.thecarolinehouse.org">www.thecarolinehouse.org</a> contact Christine Paine at <a href="mailto:cpaine@thecarolinehouse.org">cpaine@thecarolinehouse.org</a>

Caroline House is a sponsored ministry of The School Sisters of Notre Dame  $\sim \sim \sim + \sim \sim$ 

# White Mass

White Mass for Healthcare Professionals and All Who Serve the Sick Celebrated by

Most Reverand Frank J. Caggiano 9:30am – April 7<sup>th</sup>

St. Augustine Cathedral, Bridgeport Followed by

Brunch at Brooklawn Country Club, Fairfield James J. O'Connell, MD

Will address "Lessons Learned Caring for Boston's Rough Sleepers"

\$ponsors \$100 (includes 2 tickets)
Individuals \$35 – Table for 8 - \$250
Information – Elizabethe Auda 203-416-1636

eauda@diopt.org



The Girl Scouts will be selling "Cookies" this weekend on March 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> after all Masses!

# The Women of Notre Dame News!

**Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry Collection** 

The next collection for the Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry is being held on the weekend of April 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> after each Mass. Their requests this time is toothpaste and cereal.

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**Attention High School Seniors!** 

The 2019 application for the Liam A. Baker Memorial Scholarship will be available soon; check the bulletin in the coming weeks for details.

**Good Works for Lent** 

Loaves and Fishes Spare Change Collection

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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!

Exposition of Sacred Relics – Treasures of the Church

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Held in Church on

Wednesday April 10 at 7:00pm St. Theresa Church 5301 Main St. Trumbull 203-261-3676

St. Theresa Church welcomes you to a teaching and exposition of over 150 Sacred Relics. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Theresa of Avila, St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux (the "little Flower"), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. In Addition, there will also be present a piece of a veil which belonged tour Lady and one the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world.

Presented by Father Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross.



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

Third Grade Sacrament Dates:
First Holy Communion Class:
Saturday, March 30th, 2019 from 2:30pm
until 4:45pm. Both child and parent are
required to attend.

Family Supper:

Friday evening, April 26th, 2019, 6:30pm until 8:30pm. We will meet in the Upper Church.

Rehearsal for First Holy Communion: Thursday, May 2nd, 2019, 6:30 pm until 8:00pm in the Upper Church. At least one parent must accompany their child.

<u>First Holy Communion</u> will be celebrated on Saturday, May 4th, 2019 at 11:00am.

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.

<u>Parish Registration:</u> We welcome you to Notre Dame Parish. 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.

Let all that you do

Be done in love

1corinthians 16:11



Stations of the Cross

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

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Stations will be held on Fridays at 7pm on: 3/8, 22 & 4/5, 4/19

Stations will be held on Fridays at 12noon on: 3/15, 29, & 4/12,

Confessions are held on Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:45pm
Our Lenten Sacrifices

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

<u>*Weekdays of Lent:</u> No Obligation to fast, however, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

<u>*Easter Duty Obligation:</u> 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 may be taken at any time.

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Protecting Yourself From Medicare Scams Tuesday March 26th 11-12 Easton Senior Center

Lisa Alhabal from SWCAA will present on the Medicare Savings Plan. The MSP is an income based program that can help seniors save on their out of pocket Medicare costs. The MSP does not look at vour assets.

Lisa will also tell us how we can *protect* ourselves *from Medicare scams*.

Reserve your spot by 3/21 with Eileen 203-268-1137 or Senior Center 203-268-1145

St. Anthony of Padua Parish – invites you to An Evening of Reflection and Music with Gregory Norbet. Sunday, March 24th at 6:30pm in the Church. Gregory is a renowned musician and the composer of such contemorary relgious favorites as Hosea, All I ask of You, In Manus Tuas and his latest, Into the Arms of God. He is married to the artist Kathryn Carrington, whose icons will add to the peaceful atmosphere in the church. Gregory will be joined by the St. Anthony Adult Choir and instrruments. The evening is free of charge, thanks to a generous donation. St. Anthony of Padua Parish, 149 South Pine Creek Rd. Fairfield 203-259-0358 www.stanthonyffld.org

Shop 'til you Drop "Easton Exchange"

January 14 through April, 8:00am-3:00pm Monday thru Friday at the *Easton Senior Center*. Browse and shop at your leisure for some new or slightly used items at great bargain prices. Hopefully, during these long winter months, this will be a worthwhile fundraising venture for us and a convenience, for you, as well.

Our regular tag sale will return in May.



May flowers always line your path and sunshine light your day.

May songbirds serenade you every step along the way.

May a rainbow run beside you in a sky that's always blue.

And may happiness fill your heart each day your whole life through.
- Irish Blessing