Mass Intentions for March 30th through April 7th, 2019



Sat.	5:00pm	Dr. Edward Luchansky		
Sun.	8:00am	Mario and Maria Cortina		
	11:00am	Joan Papa		
Mon.	7:30am	John P. Lyons		
Tues.	7:30am	Pamela Dukas		
Wed.	7:30am	John P. Lyons		
Thurs.	7:30am	NO Mass		
Fri.	7:30am	Special Intentions of Mary King		
Sat.	5:00pm	The Prezioso family		
Sun.	8:00am	Pietro and Louisa Bassani		
	11:00am	Michael Conway		
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Notre Dame's Weekly Collection:

Collection for 3/24th & 25th - \$5,770.50

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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; 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.

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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.

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<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



r/b Jane Mary and Richard Link r/b the family r/b Barbara Bozzi and family r/b John and Nancy Gavigan r/b Bill and Diane Baker r/b Barbara and Hobie Summers

r/b Veronica Adriani r/b Connie Sedor r/b the family r/b his wife, Lorraine

# <u>April 6th & 7th, 2019</u>

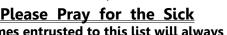
**Readers** Eucharistic Ministers Altar Servers Saturday

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<u>Sunday</u>				
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8:00am D. Valovcin D. Valovcin Zuanellis Children's Liturgy

11:00am Grade 1 L. Sheehan/D. Baker J. Mocco The Liturgy Schedule is on our website: www.notredameofeaston.com

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

Walter Finick Christopher Vitale Angela Doescher John Buckley Joan McGrath Michael Glowacki Larry Baldyga Mildred Negri **Deanne Cingari Herlihy** 

Susan Williams Siobhan Smith **Rick Coons** Georgia Egan



**Muriel Meier** Frank Lyons Marian Basso **Dennis Gallagher** Alice Martinich Mary Socci

If you would like to place someone on the prayer list, please email <u>churchladies@optonline.net</u>, 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.

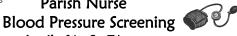
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UPDATE: As time goes on, we are finding that some parishioners have retired their "land lines" (home telephones) for cell phones only. We would appreciate it if you can let us know so we can correct our files. Email to: churchladies@optonline.net -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

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First Friday **Eucharistic Adoration** Friday – April 5th 8:00 am to 9:00am ~ ~ + ~ ~

Parish Nurse



April 6th & 7th after all Masses in the Religious Education office ~ ~ + ~ ~

Coffee and Donuts Sunday – April 7th after the 8:00am Mass ~ ~ + ~ ~

**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:

THE LAST SESSION OF THE SPECIAL LENTEN SERIES IS BEING HELD ON **TUESDAY APRIL 9 *** 

12:00 NOON TO 1:30 PM *Light lunch provided

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

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## White Mass

White Mass for Healthcare Professionals and All Who Serve the Sick Celebrated by- Most Reverand Frank J. Caggiano 9:30am – April 7th at 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" Sponsors \$100 (includes 2 tickets) Individuals \$35 – Table for 8 - \$250 Information - Elizabethe Auda 203-416-1636 eauda@diopt.org ~ ~ ~ + ~ ~ ~

### Think about it

If u really want to be like Jesus: be the one who stays, when everyone else walks away. Be the one who forgives, even when it's undeserved. Be the one to show grace when everyone else is casting stones. Be the one to show love, even when they betray u. Cuz that's who Jesus is.

# 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 6th & 7th after each Mass. Their requests this time is toothpaste and cereal.

Women of Notre Dame – monthly meeting Will take place on Tuesday, April 9th at 7:00pm in the lower Church. All members are welcome to attend.

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Attention High School Seniors — Liam A. Baker Memorial Scholarship Application Available April 1

The 2019 application for the Liam A. Baker Memorial Scholarship will be available April 1. The scholarship is open to high school seniors who are pursuing higher education after high school and are children or grandchildren of a Women of Notre Dame member. Requirements are outlined in the application. To obtain an application, e-mail Jeanine Pagliaro at jpagliaro01@optonline.net or stop by the rectory office during office hours. Completed applications must be submitted by April 15.

> ~ ~ ~ + ~ ~ ~ **Good Works for Lent**

Loaves and 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 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! ~ ~ ~ + ~ ~ ~

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School choir and 8th grade class will portray the *Passion of Christ* through the Living Stations of the Cross. You can make it part of your own prayer and reflection by attending this very moving presentation on Wednesday, April 10that 1 pm or 7:30 pm at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Fairfield. We hope to see you there.

# **Religious Education**

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 10am-4pm Other times by appointment: (203)261-5596 <u>ndore@optonline.net</u> <u>After 2:00pm</u> Tuesday afternoons during the school year: (203)751-7253 or (203)837-0734

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

April's Children's Liturgy will be celebrated on Sunday, April 7th, at the 11:00am Mass in the Upper Church. Fr. Charles Allen will be the celebrant and our first graders will be the hosts.

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

### Family Supper:

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

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

*First Holy Communion 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.

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At <u>St. Emery Church</u> on 839 Kings Highway East in Fairfield on <u>Sunday April 7th at 4:30 p.m.</u>, Dr. Thomas Hicks will narrate a <u>Lenten reflection</u> with original music sung by the <u>Cantiamo Choir</u> and followed by a short video "<u>The Greatest Gift".</u>



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

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,

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

<u>*Days of Abstinence</u>: 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.

<u>*Eucharistic Fast:</u> 1 hour from foods and liquids. Water and medicine may be taken at any time.

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## Starry Night A Roaring *20s Soiree

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 www.thecarolinehouse.org contact Christine Paine at <u>cpaine@thecarolinehouse.org</u> Caroline House is a sponsored ministry of

The School Sisters of Notre Dame  $\sim \sim \sim + \sim \sim \sim$ 

# 2019 Wedding Jubilee Mass and Concert

On Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 3:00pm at St, Theresa Parish in Trumbull, Bishop Caggiano will be celebrating the 2019 Wedding Jubilee Mass. This Mass is for couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50+ year wedding anniversaries. As a special gift to those celebrating anniversaries, the Mass will be immediately followed by a concert by the Diocesan Choir 4 Youth. To register, please contact the parish office or go to: <u>https://www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation</u> to register directly. There is no cost to attend. Space is limited, please RSVP by April 25, 2019.

### Exposition of Sacred Relics - Treasures of the Church

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.

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.

<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.

<u>Sponsor Certificates</u>: We <u>cannot</u> give you a sponsor certificate unless you are a <u>registered member of the</u> <u>parish for at least 6 months</u> 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.