

# NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



JANUARY 15, 2023

*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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## PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Michael P. Lyons, *Pastor*

Dr. Gerald F. Sabol, *Deacon*

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## RECTORY OFFICE

640 Morehouse Road

Phone: 203-268-5838 Fax: 203-459-4940

Email: churchladies@optonline.net

Office hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

The Rectory Office is closed on Friday.

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## 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

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Barbara Kozlowski, *Office Staff*

Robert Gilmore, *Director of Music*  
203-268-5838

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## 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, Jr.

### Lay Members of the Parish Corporation

Philip Adriani, Jr.,  
Charles E. Welch &  
Mary L. Welch

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### 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.

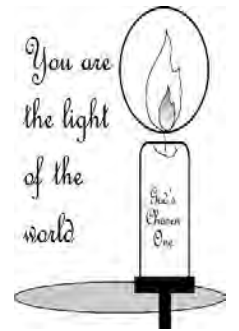


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# Mass Intentions for January 14<sup>th</sup> through January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

Sat. 5:00pm All Souls Day Intentions  
 Sun. 9:00am Sandra MacMillan  
 11:00am Cesare & Palmira Savone,  
 and Gaetano Liburdi  
 Mon. 7:30am Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI  
 Tues. 7:30am Albert Gilbertie  
 Wed. 7:30am Parishioners Living and Deceased  
 Thurs. 7:30am Msgr. Thomas Driscoll  
 Fri. 7:30am NO MASS  
 Sat. 5:00pm Eugene E. Graze  
 Sun. 8:00am William McGrath  
 11:00am Monica DiNardo

r/b Phil and Ann Adriani  
 r/b Yolanda Liburdi and Family  
  
 r/b Sal and Marie Gilbertie  
  
 r/b Mr. & Mrs. Robert Graze  
 r/b Bill and Cheryl Constand  
 r/b the family



## Notre Dame's Weekly Collections for:

January 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Saturday 5:00pm	\$1,620.50
Sunday 8:00am	\$ 727.00
11:00am	\$1,159.00
<b>Total Mass Collection</b>	<b>\$3,506.50</b>
Other Offertory	\$ 390.00
Votive	\$ 115.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 195.00
Sanctuary Fund	\$ 150.00
Online Giving	\$ 940.00

**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.

**Thank You!**

**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	Alice Martinich
Pat Perrotta	Elizabeth Morgan	Georgia Egan
Alfred Fressola	Gabrella Reitmeyer	George Adams
Corrine Marsicano	Anne Fiyalka	A Friend
Jennifer Durgin	Gina LaPan	Patricia Murray
Sal DiNardo	Shirley Russo	Carmen Cavanagh
Eleanor Baldyga	Stuart Rudnick	Laura Banke
Richard Hudson		

If you would like to place someone on the prayer list, please email [churchladies@optonline.net](mailto:churchladies@optonline.net), or call the Rectory office at 203-268-5838 during business hours.



### Rectory Office Hours

The Rectory Office hours are:  
 Monday through Thursday  
 9:00am to 3:30pm.  
 The Office is closed on Fridays.

When attending Mass  
MASKS ARE OPTIONAL

### Parish Registration

We welcome you to Notre Dame Parish. Please stop by, or call the Rectory office, (203 268-5838), to officially register. Our office hours are 9am to 3:30pm Monday thru Thursday. The office is closed on Fridays.

# Religious Education

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

## PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:

Religious Ed classes began Monday evening, October 3<sup>rd</sup> for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> for our students at SSES and HKMS.

## EIGHTH GRADE PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:

Eighth Grade Religious Ed classes are held in the Church on Monday evenings from 6:45pm-8:00pm.

## 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.

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Our **2023 Mass Book** is now open. Please call the Rectory office to schedule your Masses for the year, and as needed.

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**!!!! SAVE THE DATE !!!!**

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The Second Annual  
**CONNECTICUT**  
MARCH FOR LIFE

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

12:00pm – Rally at Capitol  
1:00pm – March for Life around  
Bushnell Park

Visit [CTMarchforlife.org](http://CTMarchforlife.org) for up-to-date information and to register.



# Blessed Sacrament Church Food Collection



**Thank you for all you do!**

We are always a need for toilet paper and paper towels (any kind) and toiletries i.e.: 2/1 Shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, bars of soap, etc.

## SPECIAL REQUEST

**They have asked for travel size toiletries so that the volunteers can make up bags for the clients!**

## Food suggestions: Chef Boyardee

canned pasta or the store brand is fine. Spaghetti sauce in preferably plastic jars or cans. Cereal is always needed, but **NOT the Giant Boxes** please. Rice is always needed, but please. **NOT the 20lb. bags.** It is hard for them to separate Giant or huge size items.

The Pantry can always use:

- Beans (no green *beans please*)
- Peanut Butter, Jelly, Mac and Cheese, Pasta, Tuna, and diapers.

Kitchen in the lower church hall.

**Blessed Sacrament Church is the only food pantry on the East side of Bridgeport.**

As you know the cost of food has risen so much. Anything you can do is **GREATLY** appreciated!

## \$ Contribution Statements 2022 \$

Parishioners, contributors, and visitors who have made a total donation of \$250.00 or more during 2022 will receive a statement for their taxes. Statements will be mailed out by the end of the month.

**Thank you for your contributions, donations, and support!**

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**Please pray for the repose of the soul of: Tom Chrzanowski**  
May he rest in peace.







"I have seen and I testify that this is God's Chosen One."

JOHN 1:34

**BIBLE WORD SEARCH**

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.

John	N	D	R	B	R	L	H	F	R	O	M	J	A
Baptist	J	O	H	N	R	A	V	S	E	N	T	C	Y
Testimony	S	V	L	T	E	S	T	I	M	O	N	Y	B
Behold	L	E	S	G	V	B	L	T	A	K	E	S	S
Jesus	W	N	N	J	E	S	U	S	I	G	N	C	P
Revealed	A	O	A	T	A	G	L	T	N	J	O	H	I
Lamb	H	I	R	W	L	H	S	T	W	A	T	E	R
God	E	H	A	L	E	N	G	A	Y	R	N	Z	I
Holy	R	Y	C	A	D	L	O	H	E	B	R	I	T
Spirit	I	L	V	N	T	Y	D	D	L	M	O	T	S
From	Y	E	A	H	L	N	O	Y	R	A	V	P	P
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**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**First Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6**

This reading is a short passage from the second song of the Servant of the Lord. The Lord will show his glory through His servant whose mission is to restore Israel and bring salvation "to the ends of the earth."

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3**

Paul sends greetings to the people of Corinth, who have been called to be holy and consecrated in Christ.

**Gospel: John 1:29-34**

When Jesus visits John, John recognizes Jesus as the "Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world." John further indicates that Jesus is truly the Messiah and "God's chosen One."

**BROTHER JUNIPER**



A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS

**HIS WORD TODAY**

by Rev. William J. Reilly

Most Holy Name Catholic Church, Garfield, NJ

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"John testified further, saying, 'I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God.'"

We are well aware of Pentecost and the event which gave life to the church. The event at the Jordan speaks of the same Holy Spirit, present at Jesus' baptism. Think about the words in John's gospel. The Spirit was visible like the wind, noise and fire at Pentecost. It descended upon Jesus and remained, leading the gospel writer to write 'He is the Son of God.' Later the centurion would echo this same profound statement.

At our confirmation the same Spirit came, and remains, but we are slow to make that special presence and power visible. John said he didn't know Him. Do we? He made us to know, love and serve Him. We are sent to make Him known, loved and served.

Prayer  
 is the road  
 to Heaven  
 but Faith opens  
 the DOOR

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A Pre-Baptism class is required for both parents prior to the Baptism of their 1<sup>st</sup> child.

**Please take note:** It is a requirement for at least 1 Godparent to be able to get a sponsor certificate from the Church that they are registered in. A Sponsor Certificate is a letter/form from their church stating that they are a parishioner in good standing.

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**Sponsor Certificates:** We CANNOT give you a *Sponsor Eligibility Certificate* unless you are a registered member of the parish for at least 6 months and attend Mass regularly.

**Office of Safe Environments:**

**DIocese OF BRIDGEPORT**

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