

# NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



JANUARY 17, 2021

*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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Pat Fischer & 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

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## PARISH INFORMATION

### Parish Council Chairperson

Mrs. Diane Baker

### Finance Council Chairman

Philip Adriani

### Lay Members of the Parish Corporation

Mrs. Diane Baker &  
Salvatore Gilbertie

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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 16<sup>th</sup> through January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021



Sat. 5:00pm	John and Ann Lyons	r/b their children
Sun. 8:00am	Nicola Vaccaro	r/b the family
	11:00am Pietro and Giuseppina Zello	r/b the family
Mon. 7:30am	Audrey Jack	r/b Uma Minbaeva and family
Tues. 7:30am	Nora Ghanuly	r/b Tom and Pat Fischer
Wed. 7:30am	Ann Lyons	r/b the family
Thurs. 7:30am	Anna Liscio	r/b the family
Fri. 7:30am	No Mass	
Sat. 5:00pm	Eugene Graze, Jr.	r/b Mr. and Mrs. Robert Graze
Sun. 8:00am	Philip Adriani, Sr.	r/b the family
	11:00am Monica Dinardo – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary	r/b the family

## Notre Dame's Weekly Collection

January 9<sup>th</sup> & 10, 2021 - breakdown of collection

Saturday 5:00pm	\$ 302.50
Sunday 8:00am	\$ 582.00
11:00am	\$ 291.00
<b>Total Mass Collection:</b>	<b>\$1,175.50</b>
Other Offertory:	\$3,100.00
Christmas Offertory:	\$ 575.00
Capital Improvement:	\$ 300.00
Solemnity of Mary:	\$ 120.00
Online Weekly Giving:	\$ 895.00

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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.

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## Requests 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



## 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	
A Friend	Alice Martinich	Pat Perrotta
Mildred Negri	Elizabeth Morgan	Georgia Egan
Deacon Vincent Heidenrieck	Gabrella Reitmeyer	
Anthony Racca		

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.

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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. Please email your information to: [churchladies@optonline.net](mailto:churchladies@optonline.net) – call: 203-268-5838 or fax to: 203-459-4940.



## Rectory Office Hours

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

If you are coming to the office, we ask that you please wear a mask.



## Religious Education

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

### 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. **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** to receive First Holy Communion are reception of 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.

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**Baptism** – Please call the Rectory office to set up a Baptism – 203-268-5838, Monday thru Thursdays – 9:00am to 3:30pm.

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

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**Parish Registration:** We welcome you to Notre Dame Parish. Please stop by or call the Rectory office (203 268-5838) to **officially register**.

Our hours are 9am to 3:30pm – Monday thru Friday.

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**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.



## Women of Notre Dame News:

### 2020–2021 Membership

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### Notre Dame of Easton Bible Study

We are happy to report the Bible Study will resume on Tuesday – January 19<sup>th</sup>

10:00-11:30am

The next dates will be February 2<sup>nd</sup> and February 16<sup>th</sup>

- \* No food is permitted.
- \* We must each sign in and provide contact information at every gathering.
- \* Masks are required, along with social distancing.
- \* Chairs must be sanitized after each event.
- \* Rest room must be cleaned after each use.

### Blessed Sacrament Collection

Thank you to everyone for bringing weekly donations for the Blessed Sacrament food pantry.

#### If You Can Help -

Please bring your donations to the Kitchen in the lower Church.

Blessed Sacrament has an *Online Giving* page that has a way to direct a donation to the Food Pantry - good for those limiting trips to the grocery store - or going out of the house.

<https://osvhub.com/blessedsacramentbpt/funds>



## Veritas Catholic Network

Veritas Catholic Network is working to help you bring Jesus Christ to your parishioners. We broadcast faithful Catholic programming, 24 hours a day on the radio at 1350AM and on your mobile phone.

Bishop Caggiano's weekly show is also on Veritas. *Let Me Be Frank* has been on the air for about ten months now, airing live at 12:00 noon on Wednesdays, and available as a podcast..

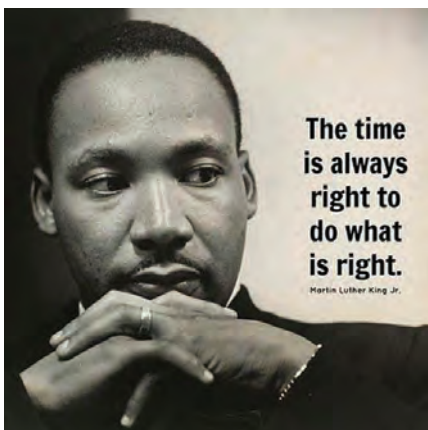
Here's just part of our schedule:

### Monday - Friday

- 8:00am: Daily Mass** - live from the EWTN Chapel
- 9:00am: Catholic Connection** - Teresa Tomeo discusses current events
- 10:00am: More 2 Life** – Dr. Greg & Lisa Popcak offer family counseling to callers
- 11:00am: Women of Grace** - Johnette Williams discusses the spiritual life with callers
- 12:00pm: Let Me Be Frank** - Wednesdays with Bishop Frank Caggiano
- 12:00pm: Take 2** - Jerry Usher & Debbie Georgianni speak with callers
- 1:00pm: The Doctor Is In** - Dr Ray Guarendi counsels callers with advice and humor
- 2:00pm: Called to Communion** - Dr David Anders answers calls from non-Catholics
- 3:00pm: EWTN Open Line** - a rotating cast of Catholic experts take on all calls
- 4:00pm: Kresta in the Afternoon** - Al Kresta talks about current events & important issues
- 6:00pm: Catholic Answers Live** - Cy Kellett & team answer callers' apologetics questions

You can tune in to 1350AM on the radio, or go to [www.veritascatholic.com](http://www.veritascatholic.com) to listen live, see the schedule, sign up for the mailing list (definitely sign up for the mailing list!), and download the Veritas app for easy access on mobile phones

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**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**  
**January 18, 2021**



## Sunday Family Rosary



Looking for a way to grow in faith as a family for 2021? Join with hundreds of other families from around the diocese every Sunday at 7:30pm for the Sunday Family rosary. Visit either the diocesan website ([bridgeportdiocese.org](http://bridgeportdiocese.org)) or the site for the The Leadership Institute ([formationreimagined.org](http://formationreimagined.org)) and look for the praying hands at the top of the home page. If you and your family would like to volunteer to lead, follow the prompts to sign up for any Sunday you choose.

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### Fresh Perspective on the Sunday Readings

**His Word Today** - by Rev. William J. Reilly  
Most Holy Name Catholic Church - Garfield, NJ

John was standing with two of his disciples and as he watched Jesus walk by he said, 'Behold the Lamb of God.' The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus. Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, 'Rabbi, which translated means, 'Teacher', where are you staying? He said to them, 'Come and you will see.'



The first encounter of Andrew and his unnamed companion, led them to tell Simon Peter and everything changed. In these few verses we find so many names to describe the Messiah, Christ, Teacher, Rabbi. All reveal something special of Jesus' role.

As we meet Him today as Teacher, Messiah, Christ. He asks us the same question: 'What are you looking for?' Our answer might be different, but Jesus' invitation is the same, 'Come and you will see.' If everything changed for Andrew, Simon Peter or Cephas, so will it for us. Like Andrew may I bring someone to Jesus. My meeting Jesus today in His Word is not mere chance, but God's plan.

## Annie C Courtney Foundation

In CT, there is an ongoing need for families for the more than 4000 children in foster care, especially older children, as either foster or adoptive resources. We ask that you remember these children in your prayers in the hopes that they will find the love and support they need in foster, kinship and adoptive homes. Please also pray for the generous families who come forward to parent the children that they are blessed with the grace of God and receive the love and support from their communities necessary to successfully care for the children in their homes.

Annie C Courtney Foundation conducts information meeting for adults on how you can help by becoming a foster or adoptive parent or mentor. Meetings are held virtually all month long. Reservations are available upon request. To reserve a "seat" at a virtual meeting or to find out more information about becoming a foster or adoptive parent check out our website at: [www.AnnieC.org](http://www.AnnieC.org) or call Celeste Burnett at 203-439-1733.



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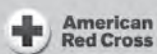
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### Attend Daily Mass

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
7:30am

See want a difference a few minutes a day can make.

"Very truly I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

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



### Resumption of Masses

**Masses are held in the lower Church Hall.**  
Masses will be offered with the following schedule:

**Monday-Thursday at 7:30 AM**  
**(No Mass on Friday).**

**(NOTE – change in schedule)**

**\*\*All upcoming Friday intentions will be honored at the Thursday morning Mass.**

Saturdays at 5:00 PM and Sundays at 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM.

**The limit for Mass attendance is 50 people.**

Bishop Caggiano has continued to dispense the obligation to attend Sunday Mass through the summer.

Please read "Guidelines" on our website: [www.notredameofeaston.org](http://www.notredameofeaston.org) for all of the rules and regulations.

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