

NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



JANUARY 24, 2021

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Michael P. Lyons, *Pastor*

Dr. Gerald F. Sabol, *Deacon*

RECTORY OFFICE

640 Morehouse Road

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Email: churchladies@optonline.net

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

The Rectory Office is closed on Friday.

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

Pat Fischer & Barbara Kozlowski, *Office Staff*

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203-268-5838

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*
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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

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 23rd through January 31st, 2021



Sat. 5:00pm Eugene Graze, Jr.
 Sun. 8:00am Philip Adriani, Sr.
 11:00am Monica DiNardo – 2nd Anniversary
 Mon. 7:30am Kevin Visokay
 Tues. 7:30am Michael Andras
 Wed. 7:30am Margaret Zelisko
 Thurs. 7:30am Philip and Veronica Adriani
 Fri. 7:30am No Mass
 Sat. 5:00pm John Raymond Morgan, II
 Sun. 8:00am Bill Lane
 11:00am William Heino

r/b Mr. and Mrs. Robert Graze
 r/b the family
 r/b the family
 r/b the family
 r/b his wife, Florence
 r/b her daughter, Lauren
 r/b the family

 r/b Mr. and Mrs. Robert Graze

 r/b Frank and Jeanine Pagliaro

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection

January 16th & 17th, 2021 - breakdown of collection

Saturday 5:00pm	\$ 275.50
Sunday 8:00am	\$ 270.00
11:00am	\$ 496.00
Total Mass Collection:	\$ 1,041.50
Other Offertory:	\$ 1,720.00
Capital Improvement:	\$ 95.00
Solemnity of Mary:	\$ 25.00
Online Weekly Giving:	\$ 1,205.00

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.

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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



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 Heidenriech	Gabrella Reitmeyer	
Anthony Racca		

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.

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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 – 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,
 you must wear a mask.

*To one who has faith
 No explanation is necessary
 To one without faith
 No explanation is possible*

St. Thomas Aquinas

Religious Education

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 10am-4pm
Other times by appointment: (203)261-5596
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 1st 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 – February 2nd 10:00-11:30am

The next dates will be February 16th

- * 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>

World Day of Prayer for the Sick

Thursday, February 11, 2021
7pm on Zoom

All, especially the sick, the handicapped, and the frail are to a virtual celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick.

This evening will include Mass and the spiritual blessing of the sick, followed by a recitation of the Rosary.

Register at

<https://forms.gle/Ynrzmdmohblmnhpi7> or focus your cell phone camera on the QR code



Hosted by the Order of Malta CT Area
Questions: cecedonoghue416@gmail.com



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 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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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) or the site for the The Leadership Institute (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.



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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“Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: ‘This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and believe in the gospel.’”

The theme for what will follow is quite clear.

Following this introductory note, Jesus summons the two sets of brothers who abandon their fishing profession and begin their life as disciples. Mark's opening verses reveal that there must have been something really attractive about this meeting, the call and response.

As we settle into a new year, with countless challenges, problems and difficulties, may we seriously respond to the call, first not of discipleship, but to repentance and a newly fired belief. As I change, others will change, and the world will become better – less hate, division, fear. What is Jesus calling you to?

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• <https://www.seniorhousingnet.com/seniors/senior-livingus/> Connecticut

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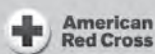
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Attend Daily Mass

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).

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 for all of the rules and regulations.

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