

NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



APRIL 9, 2023

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

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

Barbara Kozlowski, *Office Staff*
Sikna Tito

Robert Gilmore, *Director of Music*
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*
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

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 April 8th through April 16th, 2023

Sat.	8:00pm	Parishioners Living and Deceased	
Sun.	9:00am	Parishioners Living and Deceased	
	11:00am	Parishioners Living and Deceased	
Mon.	7:30am	NO MASS	
Tues.	7:30am	Mary Lou Bassani	r/b the family
Wed.	7:30am	Richard, Joan, and Kevin Visokay	r/b the family
Thurs.	7:30am	Liam Baker	r/b the Nizlek Family
Fri.	7:30am	NO MASS	
Sat.	5:00pm	Ernie, Martha, and Linda Meerbach	r/b Kathleen O'Connor
Sun.	8:00am	Richard Naylor	r/b the family
	11:00am	Maddalena and Enrico Paniccia	r/b the Signore Family



Notre Dame's Weekly Collections for:

April 1st and 2nd, 2023

Saturday 5:00pm	\$4,599.00
Sunday 8:00am	\$1,576.00
11:00am	\$1,729.00
Total Mass Collection	\$7,904.00
Other Offertory	\$ 370.00
Capital Improvements	\$ 309.00
Online Giving	\$ 515.00
Easter Flower s	\$ 221.00

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



Happy Easter

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	Laura Banke	
Richard Hudson		

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.

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

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:

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

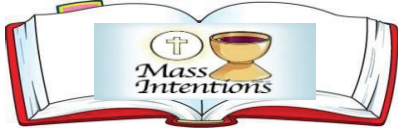
EIGHTH GRADE PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:

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 open.

Please call the Rectory office to schedule your Masses for the year, and as needed.

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Adore 365

Perpetual Adoration at St. Pius X

St. Pius X Parish is preparing to launch perpetual Eucharistic Adoration.

With our Adore 365 effort we are searching for people who are willing to commit to giving our Lord one hour each week. If you would like to participate in Perpetual Adoration or receive more information about this effort, please email

saintpiusxadoration@gmail.com.

Include your full name and phone #.

Join us in adoring Jesus, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament.

St Pius X

834 Brookside Drive, Fairfield, CT



Blessed Sacrament Church Food Collection



Feeding the Community

Thank you for all you do!

We are always in 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!

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 Please pray for the repose of the soul of

Natalie Mocarski,  
 sister-in-law of Joseph  
 May she rest in peace.

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**< KID'S >**  
**KORNER**

Year A

**Gospel Today** Jesus has risen!  
 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord | John 20:1-9  
 On Easter morning Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and found it empty. She hurried to get Peter and John. Peter entered first, and when John entered he "saw and believed."  
 He is alive!

## Believe... Alleluia, Alleluia!

Choose a date and an Alpha and Omega... color the flame and choose a cross to color. Cut and glue all to the candle.

### The Paschal or Easter Candle

Each year at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday, a new fire is built and blessed. From this fire, a new Paschal Candle is lit for the first time and will be used for one year. Candle designs vary, but they are always white, the largest in the worship space and contain certain symbols: a cross, the Alpha and Omega and the date. Let's design our own candle by choosing, coloring and gluing on the designs you like. Do you see the Paschal Candle in your church?

- (1) **THE CROSS** - Always the central symbol
- (2) **THE ALPHA AND OMEGA** - Tells us God is the beginning and the end
- (3) **THE CURRENT YEAR** - Says God is with us here and now
- (4) **THE FLAME** - Reminds us Jesus is the light of the World
- (5) Use **RED** to make 5 points on the cross to represent the 5 wounds of Jesus

HAPPY &  
 BLESSED  
 EASTER  
 TO ALL!



Pick one design from each group

(3)  
2023  
2023  
2023

(2a) ANEW CANDLE, A NEW LIFE

(2b) A Ω

(4) (4)

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**REJOICE,  
 CHRIST IS ALIVE**



Study <sup>the Bible</sup>  
with us



## Notre Dame of Easton's Bible Study

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join our group as we read and discuss the *Gospel according to John*. We meet in the lower Church Hall every other Tuesday from 11am until 12:30pm.

### Meetings will be:

April 18<sup>th</sup>

No experience is necessary.

Just bring an open heart.

Come read, share, ask questions, and pray.

## CHRIST IS RISEN



*Holy Saturday April 8 12:00 noon Blessing  
of the Easter Food*

*Easter Vigil Mass April 8 8:00pm*

*Easter Sunday April 9 9:00am Mass  
11:00am Mass*

*Easter Monday April 10 No Morning Mass*



## Foundations in Education 2023 Annual Gala ~ April 27, 2023

Foundations in Education invites you to its Annual Gala on Thursday, April 27, 2023. Join Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano to celebrate our honorees – Cindy and Ned Lautenbach & The Lautenbach Family Foundation and Helen Burland, Executive Director of St Catherine's Center for Special Needs. Join us in celebration and support of Catholic education! Proceeds support Foundations in Education, whose mission is to provide tuition assistance to children from low- and middle-income families so they may experience the benefits of a quality education focused on Christian values and character formation. To purchase tables, tickets and sponsorships or for more information, please call 203-416-1671 or visit [www.foundationsineducation.org](http://www.foundationsineducation.org)



### Loaves & Fishes Collection:

#### Ash Wednesday – Easter Sunday

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 change into the *Loaves and Fishes* collection jars located in the vestibule of the church and near the elevator.** Together we can enhance our Lenten fasting practice by giving up meals and Donating the cost of those meals. If you prefer, you may drop a check into the jar or mail it to the Rectory. Please make checks payable to "Notre Dame of Easton" with "Loaves and Fishes" in the memo.

**Thank you!**



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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:**

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the safety of all children in our Diocese. To report an  
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/safe-environments/incident-report-of-an-allegation-of-  
abuse-or-misconduct).



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IT'S  
ABOUT  
the  
**Lamb**





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