NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



MARCH 24, 2024

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Michael P. Lyons, Pastor

Deacon John DiTaranto, Temporary Parochial Administrator

Dr. Gerald F. Sabol, Deacon

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.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass) Sunday: 8:00 am & 11:00 am

Monday and Wednesday: 7:30 am (Temporary)

No Mass on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

(Temporary)

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)

Deacon John DiTaranto, Director of Religious Ed. 203-416-1650 / ndore@optonline.net

Deacon John DiTaranto, Safe Environment Coord. ndore@optonline.net

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Council Chairperson Mrs. Diane Baker

Finance Council Chairman

Lay Members of the Parish Corporation

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.



Handicapped Accessible Elevator

Mass Intentions for March 23rd through March 31st, 2024

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Sat. 5:00pm Deacon Vincent Heidenreich-3rd Anniversary r/b the Family

Sun. 8:00pm Katherine and Antoinette Ferrante r/b the Malinowski Family

11:00am Dominick Festa

Mon. 7:30am Kevin Visokay *Tues. 7:30am NO MASS

Wed. 7:30am NO MASS

*Thurs. 7:00pm Holy Thursday - Parishioners Living and Deceased

Fri. 3:00pm Passion of the Lord Liturgy

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Sat. 12:00noon Blessing of the Easter Food

8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass – Parishioners Living and Deceased

Sun. 9:00am Parishioners Living and Deceased of Notre Dame

11:00am Parishioners Living and Deceased of Notre Dame
* Masses not offered in Church will be said privately by Father Lyons.





Notre Dame's Weekly Collections for:

March 16 & March 17, 2024

 Saturday
 5:00pm
 \$1,214.00

 Sunday
 8:00am
 \$ 640.00

11:00am \$1,280.00 ass Collection \$3.134.00

Total Mass Collection \$3,134.00
Other Offertory \$510.00
Online Giving \$1,760.00
Capital Improvements \$95.00
Easter Flowers \$430.00
Sanctuary Fund \$1,100.00

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!

<u>Bequests to Notre Dame of Easton are Strongly Encouraged and Gratefully Accepted</u>

<u>Suggestion:</u> 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.

Blessed is Jesus who comes in God's name

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 Eleanor Baldyga Sal DiNardo
Siobhan Smith Alice Martinich Pat Perrotta
Elizabeth Morgan George Adams Vincent Esposito
Corrine Marsicano Gina LaPan Douglas Fedorko
Jonathan Webster Sean Finan

r/b Andrew & Angela Toner

r/b the Visokay Family

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

Dear Parishioners,

Mrs. Patty Steccato has decided to end her time with us here at the parish as Director of Religious Education effective February 10, 2024. We offer our sincere thanks for her many years of service and wish her well on her future endeavors.

Our Faith Formation programs continue to move forward to bring our children to a closer relationship with Christ.

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Office Hours by appointment: (203) 416-1650
Deacon John DiTaranto
ndore@optonline.net

<u>Loaves and Fishes Collection</u> Ash Wednesday – Easter Sunday, March 31st

Fasting during *Lent* 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 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.

You may also drop a check into the jar, or mail it to the Rectory; please make the checks payable to *Notre Dame of Easton* with "Loaves and Fishes" in the memo.



Thank You!



Bishop's Appeal Goal:	\$54,100
Total Pledged:	\$13,000 (24%)
Donors to Date:	34 Donors
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Blessed Sacrament Church



Food Collection

Help nourish our neighbors.....

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(No green beans please.)

Non-perishable needs include ALL toiletry items, including <u>travel sizes</u>: 2in1 shampoo/conditioner combo, bar soap, toothpaste, deodorant, and especially toilet paper, diapers and baby wipes.

Please bring your donations to the kitchen in the lower church hall. <u>Please</u> do not leave your donations outside of church.

All donations are welcomed and appreciated!!!!!!

Thank you for all you do!



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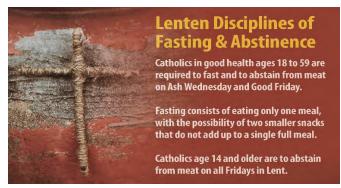












One Parish, One Book

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All adult parishioners are invited to read and participate in a guided discussion of Christ in Concrete, by Pietro di Donato on Wednesday, April 3rd, 7:00-9:00pm in the Church Hall. Drop-in, no RSVP needed. Please attend regardless of weather you have started, finished, or even obtained the book – everyone brings something to the discussion. Please join us!







Foundations in Education is Gaia April 25, 2024

Foundations in Education invites you to join in celebration of Catholic education on Thursday, April 25, 2024. Join Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano and celebrate our honorees – Michael Shea and M&T Bank. Proceeds support Foundations in Education's mission to strengthen and transform the mission of Catholic education in the Diocese of Bridgeport by providing tuition assistance to families in need, supporting innovation in academic programs, and fostering opportunities for the professional development of school leaders. To purchase tables, tickets and sponsorships or for more information, please call 203-416-1671 or visit www.foundationsineducation.org







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Calendar of Events

- Sunday, March 31st: Easter
- Loaves and Fishes collection ends
- Wednesday, April 3rd
- One Parish, One Book: 7 9pm, church hall
- Sunday, April 7th
- Coffee & Donuts after *:00 & 11:00 Masses
- Wednesday, June 12th:
- Spring Dinner Boca in Fairfield

Baptism: Please call the Rectory office. to arrange for 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.

<u>Please take note</u>: 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.

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 Safe Environments Office is dedicated to ensuring the safety of all children in our Diocese. To report an incident of abuse or misconduct go to:

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