

# NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



FEBRUARY 5, 2023

*Fifth 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

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## 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 February 4<sup>th</sup> through February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Sat. 5:00pm John Raymond Morgan, II  
 Sun. 8:00am Angelina Signore  
 11:00am Louis Nardo  
 Mon. 7:30am Marie Greco  
 Tues. 7:30am Tony and Irene Testani  
 Wed. 7:30am Mary Sekelsky  
 Thurs. 7:30am Parishioners Living and Deceased  
 Fri. 7:30am NO MASS  
 Sat. 5:00pm Debbie Roche  
 Sun. 8:00am Richard Naylor  
 11:00am Filippo Pugliese

r/b Mr. & Mrs. Robert Graze  
 r/b the family  
 r/b the family  
 r/b Sal and Marie Gilbertie  
 r/b Yolanda Liburdi  
 r/b The Toner Family  
  
 r/b the family  
 r/b the family  
 r/b the Signore family



**Notre Dame's Weekly Collections for:**

**January 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

Saturday 5:00pm \$1,125.00  
 Sunday 8:00am \$ 703.00  
 11:00am \$1,113.00  
 Total Mass Collection \$2,941.00  
 Other Offertory \$ 180.00  
 Capital Improvements \$ 20.00  
 Church in Latin America \$ 25.00  
 Online Giving \$ 755.00

**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!**

**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 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	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 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 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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**\$ 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 were mailed out on January 18<sup>th</sup>.

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


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*Please pray for the repose of the soul of:*

**Concetta Fabrizio**  
*May she rest in peace.*





**Study the Bible 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**. We will begin our first meeting of the new year on **January 24<sup>th</sup>** with *John Chapter 5*. Subsequent meetings will be:

- February 7<sup>th</sup>
- February 21<sup>st</sup>
- March 7<sup>th</sup>
- March 21<sup>st</sup>
- April 4<sup>th</sup>
- April 18<sup>th</sup>

No experience is necessary. Just bring an open heart. Come read, share, ask questions, and pray.


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**Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes**  
**and**  
**World Day of Prayer for the Sick**

**Saturday, February 11, 2023**  
 All, especially the sick, the frail and the handicapped are invited to celebrate the



*Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick.*

Mass will be celebrated and the \*Sacrament of the Sick will be offered.

- \* Refreshments will follow
- \* Welcome begins at 1:30pm
- \* Mass is celebrated at 2:00pm

**St. Aloysius Church**  
**Cherry Street, New Canaan, CT**

Info. or questions: Hope Carter 203 918-1018



**Donut & Coffee Sunday**  
 Please join us this Sunday, **February 5<sup>th</sup>** after the 8:00am Mass, lower Church hall for coffee, donuts, tea, juice, and visiting with old friends and making new ones. *The donuts are delicious and the company is priceless!*

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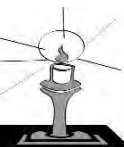
**Sponsor Certificates:** We **CANNOT** give  
you a *Sponsor Eligibility Certificate* unless  
you are a **registered member of the parish**  
for at least **6 months** and attend Mass  
regularly.

**Office of Safe Environments:**

**DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT**

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:  
(/safe-environments/incident-report-of-an-allegation-of-  
abuse-or-misconduct).

**Do not light a lamp  
and hide it.  
Set it on a stand  
where it gives light.**





This season, sponsor a veterans' wreath at a cemetery near you.



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