

Mass Intentions for April 6th through April 14th, 2019



Sat. 5:00pm The Prezioso family
 Sun. 8:00am Pietro and Louisa Bassani
 11:00am Michael Conway
 Mon. 7:30am Ralph Altieri
 Tues. 7:30am John P. Lyons
 Wed. 7:30am Michael Andras
 Thurs. 7:30am NO Mass
 Fri. 7:30am Monica DiNardo
 Sat. 5:00pm Deacon Hal Lynch – 3rd Anniversary
 Sun. 8:00am Msgr. Thomas Driscoll
 11:00am Robert Romano

r/b Connie Sedor
 r/b the family
 r/b his wife, Lorraine
 r/b Veronica Adriani
 r/b the Baker family
 r/b his wife, Florence

r/b Phil, Ann, Kate, and Sara Adriani
 r/b the Lyons family
 r/b the Parish
 r/b Anna and Ronald DelCegno

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection:

Collection for 3/30th & 31st - \$5,720.50
 Online Giving for March- \$3,115.00

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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;
www.notredameofeaston.com
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.

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Ministry to the Homebound

Anyone who is seriously ill, having surgery, or homebound, may call the Rectory office and one of our Lay Caring Ministers will bring Holy Communion or just pay a visit.

They visit parishioners in Nursing Homes as well.

* For anointing of the sick please call the office so Father Lyons can visit.

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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 and include this wish in the obituary notice.*

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Baptism – The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sundays at 12 noon. A Pre-Baptism class is required for both parents prior in the Baptism of their 1st child. Register by calling the Parish Office: 203-268-5838

April 13 & 14, 2019

Readers Eucharistic Ministers Altar Servers

Saturday

5:00pm K. Champagne T. Vitale P. Martinich

Sunday

8:00am C. & M. Welch P. Altieri Grobs
 11:00am H. Egan B. Marzik G. Blawie

The Liturgy Schedule is on our website:

www.notredameofeaston.com

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Please Pray for the Sick

The names entrusted to this list will always be included in our prayers.

Walter Finick	Susan Williams	Muriel Meier
Christopher Vitale	Angela Doescher	Frank Lyons
John Buckley	Siobhan Smith	Marian Basso
Joan McGrath	Rick Coons	Dennis Gallagher
Michael Glowacki	Larry Baldyga	Alice Martinich
Mildred Negri	Georgia Egan	Mary Socci



Deanne Cingari Herlihy
 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.


***If you have placed a name on our sick list to be prayed for, we would appreciate it if you would call or email us to let us know if you still want them to be on the list.

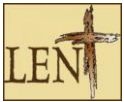
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UPDATE: As time goes on, we are finding that some parishioners have retired their "land lines" (home telephones) for cell phones only. We would appreciate it if you can let us know so we can correct our files. Email to: churchladies@optonline.net – call 203-268-5838 or fax to 203-459-4940.

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Parish Nurse

Blood Pressure Screening 
 this weekend - April 6th & 7th
 after all Masses in the Religious Education office



YOU ARE INVITED



The members of our parish monthly Bible Study extend a warm invitation to all parish men and women who are free during the lunch-time hour to join us in our lower-level Church hall for:

THE LAST SESSION OF THE SPECIAL LENTEN SERIES IS BEING HELD ON

TUESDAY APRIL 9*

12:00 NOON TO 1:30 PM

***Light lunch provided**

Through selected Gospel readings on the life of Jesus, participants and **guest presenters** will reflect on creative ways in which we can nurture our relationship with God through our Lenten practices of **PRAYER, FASTING and ALMSGIVING.**

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St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School choir and 8th grade class will portray the *Passion of Christ through the Living Stations of the Cross.* You can make it part of your own prayer and reflection by attending this very moving presentation on Wednesday, April 10th at 1 pm or 7:30 pm at St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Fairfield.

They hope to see you there.

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Enders Island

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Spring Day of Recollection

How to Grow Spiritually

WITH FR. DEMETRI BELSITO

Wednesday, April 10, 2019; 9:00am - 3:30pm

Also with Fr. Demetri:

Bereavement Retreat

Sunday, May 19, 2019: 9:00am – 3:30pm


Our Contact Information

Enders Island - 1 Enders Island - PO Box 399

Mystic, CT 06355

(860) 536-0565 - www.endersisland.com

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Trust in the Lord 
with all your heart

Proverbs 3:5

The Women of Notre Dame News!

Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry Collection

The next collection for the Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry is being held THIS weekend of April 6th & 7th after each Mass. Their requests this time is toothpaste and cereal.

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Women of Notre Dame – monthly meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 9th at 7:00pm in the lower Church.

All members are welcome to attend.

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Attention High School Seniors —

Liam A. Baker Memorial Scholarship Application Available April 1

The 2019 application for the Liam A. Baker Memorial Scholarship will be available April 1. The scholarship is open to high school seniors who are pursuing higher education after high school and are children or grandchildren of a Women of Notre Dame member. Requirements are outlined in the application. To obtain an application, e-mail Jeanine Pagliaro at jpagliari01@optonline.net or stop by the rectory office during office hours. Completed applications must be submitted by April 15.

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To the Women of Notre Dame for the donations of Men's under garment and socks collected at the Shamrock Bingo for the Merton Center. We wish you God's peace for your generosity.
Dr. Brian Jenkins and Staff

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Good Works for Lent

Loaves and Fishes Spare Change Collection

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 spare change into the Loaves and Fishes collection jars in the vestibule of the church.

Together we can enhance our Lenten fasting practice by giving up meals and donating the cost of those meals.

If you prefer, you can drop in a check payable to Notre Dame of Easton with "Loaves and Fishes" in the memo. Thank you!

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Religious Education

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

After 2:00pm Tuesday afternoons
during the school year:
(203)751-7253 or (203)837-0734

REMINDER FOR EIGHTH GRADERS AND THEIR PARENTS:
On Monday evening, April 8th, Mary Ronan, RN, will conduct a workshop for our 8th grade students from 7:00pm-8:30pm. The topic will be "The Fruits of the Holy Spirit". Attendance is required at this workshop and each student must be accompanied by at least one parent.

Third Grade Sacrament Dates:
First Holy Communion Class:
Saturday, March 30th, 2019 from 2:30pm until 4:45pm. Both child and parent are required to attend.

Family Supper:
Friday evening, April 26th, 2019, 6:30pm until 8:30pm. We will meet in the Upper Church.

Rehearsal for First Holy Communion:
Thursday, May 2nd, 2019, 6:30 pm until 8:00pm in the Upper Church. At least one parent must accompany their child.

First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Saturday, May 4th, 2019 at 11:00am.

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

If Religious Education classes are to be cancelled due to weather conditions, please refer to Channel 8 or 12. We will follow the lead of the Easton Public School District. If schools are closed, there will be NO Religious Ed classes.

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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. If Father does not know you personally or by sight, the only other way of knowing you are a practicing Catholic is by tracking your contributions by check or envelope.



LENT

The Stations of the Cross will alternate between 7:00pm and 12:00noon.

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Stations will be held on Fridays at 7pm on:
3/8, 22 & 4/5, 4/19

Stations will be held on Fridays at 12noon on:
3/15, 29, & 4/12,

Confessions are held on Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:45pm

Our Lenten Sacrifices

***Days of Abstinence:** All Fridays in Lent, and Good Friday for all who have reached their 14th birthday, no meat can be taken.

***Weekdays of Lent:** No Obligation to fast, however, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

***Easter Duty Obligation:** Must be made from the First Sunday in Lent through Trinity Sunday

***Self Denial:** is encouraged on a voluntary basis. Acts may include daily Mass, spiritual study, Lenten Devotions, the Rosary, Stations of the Cross and deeds of mercy and kindness.

***Eucharistic Fast:** 1 hour from foods and liquids.

Water and medicine may be taken at any time.

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2019 Wedding Jubilee Mass and Concert

On Sunday, May 5, 2019 at 3:00pm at St. Theresa Parish in Trumbull, Bishop Caggiano will be celebrating the 2019 Wedding Jubilee Mass. This Mass is for couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50+ year wedding anniversaries. As a special gift to those celebrating anniversaries, the Mass will be immediately followed by a concert by the Diocesan Choir 4 Youth.

To register, please contact the parish office or go to: <https://www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation> to register directly. There is no cost to attend.

Space is limited, please RSVP by April 25, 2019.

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Exposition of Sacred Relics – Treasures of the Church

Held in Church on

Wednesday April 10 at 7:00pm
St. Theresa Church 5301 Main St. Trumbull
203-261-3676



St. Theresa Church welcomes you to a teaching and exposition of over 150 Sacred Relics. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Theresa of Avila, St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux (the "little Flower"), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. In Addition, there will also be present a piece of a veil which belonged our Lady and one the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. Presented by Father Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross.



**From the office of
Bishop Frank J. Caggiano**

As a part of **Retired Superior Court Judge Holzberg's** investigation into clergy sexual abuse of minors and the Diocesan response to that abuse, a hotline has been established for those who wish to communicate with the Judge and his team. Survivors or any others affected by abuse are encouraged to contact the hotline to discuss past incidents of abuse or their experience with the Diocese in regards to such abuse. The hotline can be reached as follows:

ONLINE: www.lighthouse-services.com/diobpt

TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE:

English speaking USA and Canada: 833-990-0004

Spanish speaking USA and Canada: 800-216-1288

E-MAIL: reports@lighthouse-services.com *(must include company name with report)*

When contacting the hotline, an individual may or may not choose to identify him or herself.

REPORTS OF SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES CARE LINE AT 1-800-842-2288 OR TO YOUR LOCAL POLICE. IN ADDITION, THE DIOCESAN SAFE ENVIRONMENT OFFICE ENCOURAGES SURVIVORS WHO HAVE NOT REPORTED ABUSE TO CALL 203-650-3265 OR 203-241-0987

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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.