

Mass Intentions for December 1st through December 9th, 2018



Sat. 5:00pm Jay Gilmore r/b the family
 Sun. 8:00am James Conley r/b Gene and Fran Radomski
 11:00am Henry E. Austin r/b Diane and Bill Baker
 Mon. 7:30am Carlo Minasi r/b the family
 Tues. 7:30am Anna Andras r/b Florence Andras
 Wed. 7:30am Michael Andras r/b his wife, Florence
 Thurs. 7:30am NO Mass
 Fri. 7:30pm Henry and Doris Sikorski r/b Tom and Pat Fischer
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary – a Holy Day of Obligation
 Sat. 7:30am Kevin Visokay r/b the family
 12:00noon Special Intention of Joan Visokay r/b the family

Sat. 5:00pm Special Intention of Sara Marie Adriani r/b Veronica Adriani
 Sun. 8:00am Edward Fitzgerald r/b Sal and Marie Gilberti
 11:00am William Hunter r/b Annette Massachio

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection:

November 18th/19th - \$8,590.50
 Campaign for Human Development - \$405.00
 November 24th/25th - \$5,026.00

ONLINE GIVING

Please consider Online Giving.
 It is a simple, safe way to contribute to weekly offerings. In order to register:

- log on to our parish website;
www.notredameofeaston.com
- click the Online Giving logo on the homepage
- fill out the registration form.

If you have any questions please call
 (800) 348-2886.

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.

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.

December 8th & 9th, 2018

Readers Eucharistic Ministers Altar Servers

Saturday

5:00pm G. O'Brien D. Baker -----

Sunday

8:00am C. Welch P. Altieri D. W. & E., Grob
 11:00am H. Egan M. Geary N. Bass

The Liturgy Schedule is on our website:

www.notredameofeaston.com

Please Pray for the Sick

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

Walter Finick	Susan Williams	Judi Christiansen
Christopher Vitale	Angela Doescher	Frank Lyons
John Buckley	Siobhan Smith	Marian Basso
Joan McGrath	Diane DiNapoli	Rick Coons
Michael Glowacki	Matthew Cargill	Heather Sellers
Lavon Robinson	Georgia Egan	Mary Socci
Priscilla Thompson-Flynn	Tony & Alice Martinich	
Larry Baldyga	Mildred Negri	

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.



We welcome through Baptism-
 Isabella Olga Gomez
 daughter of Nicholas and Melissa



First Friday
 Eucharistic Adoration
 Friday – December 7
 8:00am – 9:00am





Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary
 (A Holy Day of Obligation)
Saturday – December 8th
Mass Times
7:30am and 12:00noon

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HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

WHEN: Weekdays, through December 19th, 8am-3pm and December 20th from 8am-12pm.

WHERE: Easton Senior Center: Function Room
WHAT: * Brand New Gifts Galore* *Christmas Decor * Knitwear (all ages) * **KIDS' CORNER**

FREE GIFT WRAPPING AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASED GIFTS

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Handel's Messiah: Part I & Hallelujah Chorus:

Saturday, December 8th, 2018 at 8PM
Basilica of St. John's the Evangelist
279 Atlantic Street - Stamford

Directed by New York's Famed Ted Sperling and the Stamford Symphony with the Master Voices in this Special Holiday Performance: For tickets: call today 203-325-4466 or go to www.stamfordsymphony.org. Parking is easily available at the Bell Street Garage, entrance on Bell Street (\$3) and Bell Street Parking Lot.

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Gift Tags are available on our parish tree, which benefits Caroline House and the families

of St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Bridgeport. Please (1) take a tag off the tree, (2) buy and wrap the specific item listed on the tag (new items only), (3) **attach the original tag** to the gift, and (4) return the gift to Notre Dame under the tree. **All gifts are due back to Notre Dame by Wednesday, December 12.** Thank you for your support, generosity, and the quick turn around time.

Be the person that makes others feel *special*.
 Be known for your *kindness* and *grace*.

The Women of Notre Dame News!

Save the Date.

The Women of Notre Dame's Annual Christmas Dinner will be held on



Tuesday, December 11th at the Spinning Wheel Restaurant in Redding. Please read the flyer in this weekend's bulletin.

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Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry Collection

We are collecting donations each weekend of Advent for the Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry in Bridgeport. All donated items should be new, unopened, in original sealed packaging, and not expired.

December 1 and 2: the First Weekend of Advent: boxes of cereal and canned fruit.

December 8 and 9: the Second Weekend of Advent: canned soup.

December 15 and 16: the Third Weekend of Advent: toilet paper and toiletries (toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, shampoo, disposable razors, shaving cream).

December 22 and 23: the Fourth Weekend of Advent: disposable diapers (any size) and baby wipes.

In January, the monthly collection resumes; thank you for your continued support!

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Membership – Don't forget to send in your membership dues envelope!

Dues: \$20 Seniors 60+: \$10

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Congratulations to

Ann Fiyalka

on receiving the

St. Augustine Medal of Service

from Bishop Caggiano

on Saturday- November 17th



The bishop thanked the recipients "I am very grateful, in light of that day to come, for each and every one of you who are the honorees. Thank you for your witness, generosity, faith, courage and what you do to make God's will real in the world."

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

Living Crèche

On Sunday, December 16th, 2018,
the Living Crèche will be presented
by our third graders during the 11:00am
Mass.

We are seeking 12 third graders enrolled
in our Religious Ed program who wish to
participate.

Please contact Mrs. Rosemary Collins at
(203)913-6098 or e-mail her at
roco76@aol.com if your child is
interested.

Rehearsals are held in the Church
after school on the following dates and
times:

Wednesday, December 12th: 4- 6:00pm
Thursday, December 13th: 4- 6:00pm

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Children's Liturgy

This month's Children's Liturgy will be
celebrated on Sunday, December 16th,
2018 by Fr. Allen at the 11:00am Mass in
the Upper Church.

Our third graders will be the hosts.

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Second Grade Sacrament Dates:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation
will be celebrated on Saturday,
March 9th, 2019 at 11:00am.

Please check your email for the
mandatory Child/Parent classes.

Third Grade Sacrament Dates:

First Holy Communion will be
celebrated on Saturday, May 4th, 2019 at
11:00am. Please check your email for the
mandatory Child/Parent classes,
Rehearsals and the Family
Supper .

Leave Sparkles ✨
wherever you go ✨

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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EASTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
STUFF-A-CRUISER
to benefit



(Please bring NEW – UNwrapped toys)

Sunday, December 9th

8am – 2pm - Easton Library

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Diocese of Bridgeport Choir 4 Youth
Annual Arise & Shine Christmas Concert

All are invited to join Bishop Frank
Caggiano for the fourth annual C4Y

Arise & Shine Christmas Concert on Friday, December 21st
at 7:30pm at the Klein Auditorium in Bridgeport.

Celebrate the season of Advent and prepare your hearts
for Christmas by listening and joining in song with over
100 young people from throughout the Diocese who
share their gifts and talents so beautifully in both classic
and new Christmas pieces. Purchase your tickets online
today at <https://www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation/home/>

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From Amy Palmer in behalf of the
Adrian Dominican Sisters:

On behalf of all the Adrian Dominican Sisters, I wish to
express my thanks for your gift of \$2,945 which was
received on November 12 in response to our Sisters' 2018
Mission Appeals. As designated, your gift will be used for
the work of the Dominican Sisters in the Dominican
Republic and the Philippines.

We are extremely grateful for the generosity and
faithfulness of the parishioners of Notre Dame of Easton.
Your gift not only allows us to continue our ministries of
education, healthcare and social service, but also provides
critical resources for us to work among the poor and
most vulnerable members of the overseas communities in
which our Sisters serve.

Thank you again, Fr. Lyons for you
thoughtfulness and generosity. Please know we are
keeping you and your parish in our daily prayers.



Bringing HEART to Home Care and Hospice

On December 6th, the Visiting Nurse Services of Connecticut will host the Annual *Tree of Light* ceremonies at the Firehouse Green – Center Road, one of eleven ceremonies which will be held throughout Fairfield County on that date.

The *Tree of Light* is an opportunity for residents to gather in the warmth of friendship and community to **celebrate the life and honor the memory** of departed family members and friends. Each *Tree of Light* ceremony includes a memorial roll of the names of the departed, an inspirational reading and musical selection, and a tree lighting ceremony followed by an informal and welcoming reception. **Many families** commemorate the occasion by contributing a memorial light for the tree to honor the memory of their departed. **These contributions help VNS provide compassionate care and comfort for families in need as they face their final journey.**

On behalf of the volunteer committee organizing the *Easton Tree of Light*, we would like to **invite Notre Dame of Easton and your members to attend our December 6th tree lighting.** Anyone wishing to have a memorial name read or to contribute a memorial light for the Tree can contact me.

***Tree of Light* is non- denominational and open to the public.**

Tree of Light Contact information: Bernie Lynch at 203-366-3821 Ext 1098 or by email at blynch@vnsct.org