

Mass Intentions for December 9th through December 17th, 2017

Sat. 5:00pm Mario R. Pasqua
 Sun. 8:00am Pietro and Louise Bassani
 11:00am Jeremiah McCarthy
 Mon. 7:30am Ann Lyons
 Tues. 7:30am Ruth Cristiano
 Wed. 7:30am Parishioners Living and Deceased
 Thurs. 7:30am NO Mass
 Fri. 7:30am Joan Keegan – 1st Anniversary
 Sat. 5:00pm Michael Martinich
 Sun. 8:00am Joseph Peloso, IV
 11:00am Virginia and John O'Brien

r/b Teresa DiCocco
 r/b the family
 r/b the Lyons family
 r/b Phil, Ann, Kate and Sara Adriani
 r/b Veronica Adriani

 r/b Elsie Nappi
 r/b Suzette, Mike and Amanda Pillig
 r/b the Kirk family
 r/b their daughter Virginia



Notre Dame's Weekly Collection:
Offertory Collection – December 2/3 - \$5,458.57

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ONLINE GIVING

Please consider Online Giving.

It is a simple, safe way to contribute to weekly offerings, as well as to pay for Religious Education tuition and other events within the parish.

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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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 a donation to the "Notre Dame Sanctuary Fund" in memory of the deceased and include this wish in the obituary notice.*



December 16th & 17th, 2017

Readers Eucharistic Ministers Altar Servers

Saturday
 5:00pm A. Fiyalka A. Fiyalka C. & G. T. Zuanelli
Sunday
 8:00am D. Valovcin D. Valovcin D. W. & E. Grob
Children's Liturgy
 11:00am Grade 3 L. Sheehan/ J. Mocco
 J. Pagliaro

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 Judith Christiansen
 Christopher Vitale Angela Doescher Diane DiNapoli
 Frank Lyons John Buckley Mary Biggins
 Siobhan Smith John Ilardo Marian Basso
 Joan McGrath Michael Glowacki
 Dr. and Mrs. Albert Burke

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.

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St. Theresa Choirs present
 Hanel's

Messiah



(part 1 and the Hallelujah Chorus) and
 Favorite Christmas Carols

Accompanied by Amymeric Dupre La Tour,
 organ – directed by Carolina Flores

Sunday, December 17th at 4:00pm
 St. Theresa Church – 5301 Main St. Trumbull
 Admission: Free will offering

Christmas Giving Tree...

LAST DAY

Our Parish Giving Tree benefits families in Bridgeport through the Caroline House and the St. Charles Outreach Center. Please take an ornament off the tree, purchase and wrap the gift listed and place the gift under the tree. It is very important to attach the original ornament gift tag to the gift. Its color and description tells us where to deliver the gift. Because these centers close for Christmas, please return all gifts by the weekend of December 9th and 10th.



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If you are in NYC during the Holiday Season
The Sisterhood of St. Elisabeth (Minsk, Belarus)

Would like to Welcome you to their

HOLIDAY MARKET BOOTH

At Columbus Circle- November 28 to December 24
Intersection of Columbus Circle, Central Park West
& Central Park, South, Manhattan, NYC.

They are offering handmade crafts, icons, Christmas gifts and ornaments, CDs and religious articles.

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“Speaking to Sparrows” Film Screening

Wednesday, January 10 or Thursday, January 18, 7:00-9:00 PM, St. Catherine of Siena Parish Hall, Trumbull. An evening of discussion following this documentary about women finding courage to confront the uncomfortable. The film brings to light issues facing women and creates space for difficult conversations that are a light in the darkness and can bring healing. Regardless of age, women struggle with the same issues and will benefit from this free event whether they are 16 or 60. For more information about the film, visit: www.speakingtosparrows.com

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Mass for Those Affected by Addiction

January 13, 2018 @ 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
St. Rose of Lima Church, 46 Church Hill Rd
Newtown, CT **CONTACT:** Lou P. 203-304-1471
Mass will be celebrated with those who are in Recovery and family/friends who have been impacted by Addiction. The Celebrant will generally be a priest in recovery.

Please join us for fellowship after Mass.

Ladies Council News!

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Blessed Sacrament food drive last weekend. For the January monthly collection which will take place on January 6th & 7th, the director, Ann LaStrange has asked for Tuna and Canned Hash.

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The Notre Dame of Easton Ladies Council invites you to a

Holy Holiday Excursion

Thursday, December 14, 2017

St. Mary's Church in New Haven

(tour and Mass)

Knights of Columbus Museum

(World War I and Crèches of the World Exhibit)

Departing from Sport Hill Road at 10:30 AM

Returning approximately 4:30 PM

(This trip includes a light breakfast and lunch)

Reservations and Advanced Payment Required

Please send checks payable to

Notre Dame of Easton Ladies Council

and put “Holiday Excursion” in the memo
(Please include your email or phone number with your payment to receive confirmation)

\$70 per person. For questions or more information contact Michelle Falcone 203-650-3959 or celebrateconnecticut@gmail.com

The Ladies Council will sponsor

Breakfast with Santa and

Mrs. Claus after the

11:00am Children's Liturgy

Mass next Sunday, December 17th

in the lower Church.

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The Time to settle down,
Take a deep breath and
concentrate on what's
important.

Religious Education News

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 10 am-4pm;

Other times by appointment (261-5596)

ndore@optonline.net

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

This month's Children's Liturgy will be celebrated by Fr. Charles Allen on Sunday, December 17th at the 11:00am Mass. The third graders will be the hosts.

Living Crèche

On Sunday, December 17, 2017, 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:

Monday, Dec. 11th: 4:00pm-6:00pm

Thursday, Dec 14th: 4:00pm-6:00pm

Second Grade Sacrament Dates:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturday, March 3rd, 2018 at 11:00am.

The schedule for the Enrollment Ceremonies and mandatory child/parent classes will be given out at class on Tuesday, December 5th.

Third Grade Sacrament Dates:

First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at 11:00am.

The schedule for the Enrollment ceremonies, mandatory child/parent classes, rehearsals and the family supper will be given out at class on Tuesday, December 5th.

NEW CELL PHONE INFORMATON:

We ask that you call our office (203) 261-5596 if your child will not be attending

Religious Ed on a particular Tuesday before 2:00pm.

After 2:00pm, the following cell phone numbers listed below can be used to contact us with an important message regarding your child.

These cell numbers allow us to receive your call after we have left the office for Religious Ed classes starting at 2:00pm on Tuesday afternoons.

(203) 751-7253 and (203) 837-0734

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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 Senior Center Holiday Boutique

The Easton Senior Center, 650 Morehouse Road, Easton, will be having their **annual Holiday Boutique November 6-December 21, 8am-3:00pm weekdays**. Brand new gifts, holiday décor, hand knitted gloves, hats, and scarves, kids' corner. Outstanding selection at a fraction of the retail cost. Please call 203-268-1145 for information.



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The Easton Senior Center will be holding their annual "12 Days of Christmas" raffle. Tickets are

available now through the 17TH of December for \$2.00. Each of 12 baskets containing a value of \$50 in certificates (such as services, restaurants, etc.) will be drawn on Dec. 18 at noon. The funds will be used to purchase a new large screen Samsung 88inch 9-series SUHD television

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The Knights of Columbus Museum, at 1 State Street in New Haven, has a new Christmas exhibit, *Peace on Earth: Crèches of the World*. The show includes more than 70 Nativity scenes from artists across the globe, including a large set from Mexico, hand-carved in cedar, as well as the museum's popular 120-square-foot Baroque Neapolitan (Italian) diorama. Open 10-5 daily.

Free admission & parking.

More at 203-865-0400 or kofcmuseum.org.

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

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Marriage – Weddings are generally celebrated on Friday evening or Saturday afternoon. They must be scheduled at least 8 months in advance.

Please do not make final arrangements for your reception prior to contacting the Parish Office.

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Parish Registration: Please stop by or call the Rectory office (203 268-5838) to officially register. Our hours are 9am to 3:30pm – Monday thru Friday.

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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.

*Accept what is,
let go of what was,
and have faith
in what will be.*