

Mass Intentions for March 7th through March 15th, 2020



Sat. 5:00pm Nicholas Soares
 Sun. 8:00am Veronica Adriani
 11:00am Dr. Philip Falcone
 Mon. 7:30am Helen Miller
 Tues. 7:30am C. J. O'Connor
 Wed. 7:30am Kay Smith
 Thurs. 7:30am No Mass
 Fri. 7:30am Holly Hodges
 Sat. 5:00pm Alfred Lenoci, Sr.
 Sun. 8:00am Richard LePere
 11:00am Daniel McPadden

r/b Jerry and Arlene Millbauer
 r/b Ron and Carole Smith
 r/b Carole and Frank Lisi
 r/b Sal and Marie Gilbertie
 r/b Dylan Rooney
 r/b Brigid Smith

 r/b A Friend
 r/b Sal and Christine Dinardo
 r/b the Zuanelli's
 r/b his wife, Grace

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection

February 29th & March 1st, 2020 -
 breakdown of collection

Mass Saturday - 5:00pm - \$1,728.50
 Mass Sunday - 8:00am - \$2,159.00
 Mass Sunday - 11:00am - \$1,550.00
Other offertory-loose checks & cash: \$80.00
Total Mass Collection: \$5,517.50
Ash Wednesday collection - \$1,728.00
Online giving for February - \$2,655.00

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, option #2.

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 & include this wish in the obituary notice.



March 14th & 15th, 2020

Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday		
5:00pm G. O'Brien	D. Baker	P. Martinich
Sunday		
8:00am P. Adriani	A. Adriani	L. Pulie
11:00am H. Egan	T. Vitale	-----

The schedule is on our parish website:
www.notredameofeaston.com

Please Pray for the Sick

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

Susan Williams	Alison Raver	
Christopher Vitale	Angela Doescher	John Buckley
Siobhan Smith	Andrew Burke	Joan McGrath
Dennis Gallagher	Cece H.	Bart Natoli
Michael Glowacki	Alice Martinich	Kaia Lauro
Mildred Negri	Georgia Egan	Mary Socci
Deanne Cingari Herlihy	Deacon Vincent Heidenriech	
Leah Ambrose	A Friend	Elizabeth Morganti
Gabrella Reitmeyer		

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 will begin to remove names from our Prayer List next week. If you have placed someone's name on the Prayer List, please let us know if they need to remain on it.

Attend Daily Mass

7:30am

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
 See what a difference a one half hour can make
 Add daily Mass during Lent.

"I Am The Living Bread"

Jesus (JN 6:47-57).





Notre Dame of Easton Bible Study

Join fellow parishioners once a month for a Walk through the Bible.

The next meeting will be **Tuesday – March 10th** at **12:00-1:30** in the church hall.

A light lunch will be provided.

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LENT

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday's during Lent. They will alternate between 7:00pm and 12:00noon.

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Stations will be held on Fridays at 7pm on: 3/13, 3/27 & 4/10

Stations will be held on Fridays at 12noon on: 3/6, 3/20, & 4/3

Confessions are held on Saturdays from 4:15 to 4:45pm

Loaves and Fishes Lenten 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 for your support!

Ten Things God wants you to remember

I will give you rest.
I will answer you.
I will bless you.
I will not fail you.
I will be with you.

I will strengthen you.
I believe in you.
I am for you.
I will provide for you.
I love you.

Women of Notre Dame News:

March – Blessed Sacrament Collection will take place this weekend March 7th and 8th.

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FREE Lenten Luncheon Wednesday, March 18

All members of the parish are invited to the annual FREE Lenten Luncheon hosted by the Women of Notre Dame on Wednesday, March 18, at 11:30 a.m. in the church hall. Our speaker is Betsy Redgate from St. James Parish in Stratford. **See the flyer for details.**

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St. Stephen Bereavement Support Group:

Have you suffered the loss of a special person in your life? Their Bereavement Ministry can offer hope of coping with your grief. It is opened to anyone you may know who needs help. The 10 week course with experienced counselors will begin on Thursday, March 19th, from 4:00 - 5:30 pm.

Please call St. Stephen's rectory at 203-268-6217. A call will be returned to you by one of the two bereavement facilitators.

St. Stephen's Church - 6948 Main St., Trumbull

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Healing and Anointing Mass

Mass celebrated by Most. Rev. Frank J. Caggiano

Saturday – March 21st – 1:00pm

St. Augustine Cathedral

399 Washington Ave. – Bpt.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick offered for Catholics who are experiencing physical ailments of a serious nature. Questions? Diocese of Bridgeport – Special Events Office: 203-416-1670-
specialeventsofc@diobpt.org

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The Easton Senior Center

650 Morehouse Rd. Easton, CT

is holding a **Progressive Tag Sale** from NOW until April 1, 2020!



New items and used items, along with gently used clothing.

New items placed weekly. 8am to 3pm daily.

Religious Education

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

Second Grade Sacrament Dates:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturday, March 14th, 2020 at 11:00am.

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Third Grade Sacramental Dates:

Family Supper:

Friday evening, March 27th, 2020, 6:30pm - 8:30pm

We will meet in the Upper Church.

Rehearsal: Thursday evening,

April 23rd, 2020, 6:30 pm - 8:00pm in the Upper Church

At least one parent must accompany their child.

First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Saturday,

April 25th, 2020 at 11:00am.

A schedule of all important dates was sent home January 15th, 2020 regarding the Family Supper and Rehearsals.

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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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PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS

The Diocesan requirement to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion is two years of in-class preparation, beginning in first grade.

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation is celebrated in the 2nd grade. The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated in the 3rd grade.

The requirement to receive First Reconciliation is completion of first and second grade Religious Education. The requirements for receiving First Holy

Communion are receiving First Reconciliation and completion of second and third grade Religious Education.

The Sacrament of Confirmation is celebrated in 9th grade. The Diocesan requirement is completion of 7th and 8th grade Religious Education in class.

Home schooling is not available.

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Our Lenten Sacrifices

Days of Abstinence: Ash Wednesday, 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 never break the fast.

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Easton Boy Scout Troop 66



14th Annual Gourmet Breakfast

March 28th – 8am to Noon

Easton Community Center * 364 Sport Hill Rd.

The Scouts will be here on Saturday, March 14th and Sunday, March 15th as well as Saturday, March 21st and Sunday March 22nd after all Masses to sell tickets. Ticket: \$12 Adults-\$10 children(10 & under) or Seniors (65 & up) Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at the ECC, Easton Library, Town Hall (Clerk's office) By emailing Troop66Breakfast@gmail.com.

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Women's Lenten Retreat

Saturday- March 28th



8am to 4pm (4pm Mass) – Holy Innocents Faith Formation Center – St. Rose of Lima Church – 38 Church Hill Rd. – Newtown – questions? Contact Cate Gosselin, 203-426-2333 ext 1 or

dre@strosechurch.com

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PRAY is love for God ~ FAST is love for yourself
GIVE is love for others

"Girl Scout Sunday"

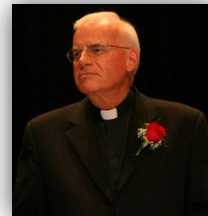
MARCH 15TH

"Girl Scout Sunday" kicks off Girl Scout week.

During the week we celebrate the founding of Girl scouts, World Thinking Day where we celebrate our international friendships and honor our sisters in other countries and Girl Scout Sunday which gives girls an opportunity to attend their place of worship and be recognized as a Girl Scout."

The Girl Scouts will be here to on Sunday, March 15th to participate in the 11:00am Mass and to sell Girl Scout Cookies.

**All Parishioners of Notre Dame are invited to
A Murphy Center for Ignatian Spirituality
Benefit Dinner**



Honoring Rev. Charles H. Allen, S.J.
with the *Rev. James M. Bowler Award*
on April 25, 2020, 6:00PM

**For table sponsorships or ticket information,
contact Colleen Gilbertson at 203-254-4000, ext.
3468 or cgilbertson@fairfield.edu**

Dinner Committee Chairs - *Jen and Pete Harding*