

Mass Intentions for May 4th through May 12th, 2019



Sat. 5:00pm Robert Sabo
 Sun. 8:00am John and Ann Lyons
 11:00am Monica DiNardo
 Mon. 7:30am Barbara Broderick
 Tues. 7:30am John P. Lyons
 Wed. 7:30am Michael Andras
 Thurs. 7:30am NO Mass
 Fri. 7:30am John P. Lyons
 Sat. 5:00pm Marie Liuzzo and Rose Matri
 Sun. 8:00am Helen Packer and Anna Andras
 11:00am For Mothers Living and Deceased

r/b the Pizone family
 r/b the Albertelli family
 r/b Bill and Judy Palmer
 r/b Lisa Reilly
 r/b Elsie and Richard Naylor
 r/b his wife, Florence

r/b Lawrence and Brenda Adriani
 r/b the Malinowski family
 r/b Florence Andras

Notre Dame's Weekly Collection:

Regular Collection - \$5,476.50
 Online Giving for April - \$2,545.00

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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, option #2.

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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.*

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May 11th & 12th, 2019

Readers Eucharistic Ministers Altar Servers

Saturday

5:00pm G. O'Brien J. Pagliaro P. Martinich

Sunday

8:00am P. Adriani A. Adriani Zuanellis

Children's liturgy

11:00am Grade 3 L. Sheehan/ J. Mocco
 J. Pagliaro

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Readers – Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers:

This schedule will end on June 2nd. The next one will begin on June 8th and end on September 15th. Please get your requests as soon as you can. We know it isn't always easy to plan that far in advance. You can email: churchladies@optonline.net
 Call 203-268-5838 or fax 203-459-4940.

Thank you

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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	Cece H.	Kaia Lauro

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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Mothers Day Mass Cards

As we have done for the past 2 years, we will have Mothers Day Mass Cards available as gifts for living Mothers and special envelopes for deceased Mothers on the table in the Church. Free-will donation envelopes with your Mothers' names will be placed on the altar for the entire month of May.

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May is the month of the Blessed Mother.



*Hail Mary, full of Grace,
the Lord is with thee,
Blessed are thou among women
and blessed is the fruit
of thy womb Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour
of our death.
Amen.*



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Bereavement Support Group for the Loss of a Spouse

Fairfield County House (FCH) is a non-profit residence in Stamford that allows those on a hospice benefit to receive care from their qualified hospice provider, with support from our in-house care team. We are hosting a **Bereavement Support Group for the Loss of a Spouse over a series of eight sessions beginning Monday, May 6, 2019.** The program will be conducted by Reverend Karen Judd, LCSW, an ordained interfaith minister, clinical social worker and a licensed practitioner of religious science who works with the Visiting Nurse and Hospice of Fairfield County.

The program is free of charge, but registration is required by contacting execdtr.fchh@gmail.com

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There will be an information evening and **Open House at Cardinal Kung Academy** on **Wednesday, May 15th, 7-9 pm**, 278 Strawberry Hill Ave., Stamford (in the school building of St. Bridget of Ireland Church.) **Cardinal Kung Academy** is a division of Trinity Catholic High School which opened in September 2018 and is the **only Catholic classical high school in the diocese.** Come meet the teachers, hear about the curriculum and classical education, and tour the facility. Still accepting applications for 9th, 10th, and 11th grades. For more information, contact (203) 918-0992, CardinalKungAcademy@gmail.com or visit www.cardinalkungacademy.org.

The Women of Notre Dame News!

Dr. Eleanor Sauers to Speak on Tuesday, May 7, in the Church Hall

On Tuesday, May 7, at 7:00 p.m., the Women of Notre Dame and the Lay Caring Ministry will welcome Dr. Eleanor Sauers as guest speaker. In February 2019, Dr. Sauers was installed as Parish Life Coordinator of St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Fairfield by Bishop Caggiano.

All Notre Dame parishioners and their guests are welcome to attend.

Light refreshments will be provided.

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The Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry Collection will take place next weekend – May 4th & 5th. For this collection they are asking for Soap (not ivory, please) - Pasta Sauce and Peanut Butter.

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Roses After the Masses on Mother's Day



Roses will be available on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12, after the Masses. When you donate to Caroline House, you receive a rose. Caroline House in Bridgeport is an education center for women and children run by the School Sisters of Notre Dame. Women become empowered through the knowledge, skills, and support they receive at Caroline House. In the past 20 years, over 1,000 women have graduated from Caroline House, and 500 children have been through the preschool program. Caroline House is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization; all donations are tax deductible. Thank you for your support!

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Loaves and Fishes

Thank you for dropping your spare change into the Loaves and Fishes collection jars in the vestibule of the church during Lent. Together we enhanced our Lenten fasting practice and gave up meals and donated the cost of those meals; we collected \$455 for Catholic Charities.

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Save the Date:

**Women of Notre Dame Annual Spring Dinner
Wednesday, June 5th at
the Gaelic American Club**

Religious Education

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



Congratulations

to our 25 third graders who received their First Holy Communion on May 4th, 2019!

We would like to extend a warm "thank you" to our Communion Coordinators Mrs. Diane Baker and Mrs. Dina Rojas who helped make it such a special day!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Our last Children's Liturgy for this year will be celebrated on Sunday, May 12th, at the 11:00am Mass in the Upper Church.

Fr. Charles Allen will be the celebrant and our third graders will be the hosts.

TEACHERS END-OF-YEAR PARTY

Our end-of-year party will be on Thursday evening, May 23rd at 7:00pm. Please RSVP by May 17th. We hope you can join us!

WITH MANY THANKS...

We wish to say a special thank you to our volunteer teachers for their dedication and commitment to bringing the Catholic faith to our children. You are the heart of the program. Also, to our 8th grade aides who helped with the SSES students each week—you were all awesome!

HOME-SCHOOLED STUDENTS

Completed home school materials were due April 30, 2019.

Malta House

Please join us in  celebrating mothers and their beautiful babies at the Malta House Gala on Saturday, May 11 at 6:30pm at the Country Club of Darien. 203-857-0088 www.maltahouse.org/events

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The Thomas Merton Center 25th Annual Celebrity Breakfast

Located in a former church on Madison Avenue in Bridgeport, just a few blocks from St. Augustine Cathedral, you will find a fully functioning soup kitchen that has been feeding the hungry and the homeless Monday through Saturday for the past 45 years. On May 22, 2019, The Thomas Merton Center will host its 25th Annual Celebrity Breakfast at the Holiday Inn in Bridgeport. This event has been a longtime staple to the program Anticipating the excitement surrounding the Silver Anniversary of the event, the Thomas Merton Center Board decided to feature two guest speakers this year—Jim Koplik and Howard Saffan.

Jim Koplik is currently the President of Live Nation Connecticut and a concert promoter who produces over 150 shows a year.

Howard Saffan is a developer and CEO of Amphitheater, LLC. Saffan is a co-owner of Sports Center of Connecticut and The Rinks at Shelton in Shelton, CT The Thomas Merton Center's mission is to provide a loving, safe and hope-filled community atmosphere, which responds to the needs of its guests. The Thomas Merton Center helps those who cannot help themselves. Guests come to the program because of their invisibility to other social services. In addition to its soup kitchen which provides both breakfast and lunch to approximately 350 people per day, the services provided by The Thomas Merton Center include: a food pantry, support groups, case management, educational assistance, a shower program, health services, and a mail program. According to Al Barber, President of Catholic Charities, "Thomas Merton said it best, 'We do not exist for ourselves.' Those words reflect the efforts, energy and contributions that support The Thomas Merton Center. The 25th Annual Celebrity Breakfast significantly supports the programs annual budget to provide meals and services to the most vulnerable population in Bridgeport." To register for the event or sponsor a table, please visit the event webpage at www.themertoncenter.org/events. For more information, contact Sabine Kuczo at skuczo@ccfc-ct.org or 203.367.9036, ext. 15.

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**When you Pray - God Listens
When you Listen - God Talks
When you Believe - God Works**





Retreat Day for the Busy Woman
- "Angels of the Lord!"



Time to pause from our busy routines and collect ourselves in Body, Mind and Spirit. We will reflect upon Angels in Scripture, Tradition, and in the writings of the Saints as well as their presence among us. ***"For he commands his angels with regard to you, to guard you wherever you go. With their hands they shall support you, lest you strike your foot against a stone."*** Psalm 91:11

When: **Saturday, JUNE 1, 2019**
 Registrations due w/payment May 15th.

9:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Where: **Convent of St. Birgitta**
 4 Runkenhage Rd, Darien, CT

Cost: **\$60.00/per person**
Limited to 45 ladies

Includes a delicious hot lunch cooked and served by the Bridgettine Sisters

Director: **Fran Karpiej, OFS**
 Director of Sharing Christ Ministry

For registration form, contact Fran, Email: paxjc@aol.com, or phone 203-452-7040



DON'T FORGET.....

Most important in life - God

Most beautiful attire - Smile

Greatest asset - Faith

Most powerful force - Love

Greatest weapon - Prayer

