

# NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

655 MOREHOUSE ROAD - EASTON, CONNECTICUT 06612



OCTOBER 11, 2020

*Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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## PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Michael P. Lyons, *Pastor*

Dr. Gerald F. Sabol, *Deacon*

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## RECTORY OFFICE

640 Morehouse Road

Phone: 203-268-5838 Fax: 203-459-4940

Email: churchladies@optonline.net

Office hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

The Rectory Office is closed on Friday.

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm (*Vigil Mass*)

Sunday: 8:00 am & 11:00 am

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 am

*No Mass on Friday*

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:15 - 4:45 pm

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Pat Fischer & Barbara Kozlowski, *Office Staff*

Robert Gilmore, *Director of Music*  
203-268-5838

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

*(in the church)*

Mrs. Patricia Steccato, *Director of Religious Ed.*  
203-261-5596 / ndore@optonline.net

Mrs. Ellen Pease, *Safe Environment Coordinator*  
churchladies@optonline.net

## PARISH INFORMATION

### Parish Council Chairperson

Mrs. Diane Baker

### Finance Council Chairman

Philip Adriani

### Lay Members of the Parish Corporation

Mrs. Diane Baker &  
Salvatore Gilbertie

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### Eucharistic Adoration

Temporarily Suspended

### Parish Nurse Program / Blood Pressure Screening

Temporarily Suspended

### First Friday Communion Calls or Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Rectory office.

### Pre-Baptismal Classes

Please call the Rectory office to schedule a class.

### Baptisms

Please call the Rectory office to arrange Baptisms.

### Weddings

Please call the Rectory office at least one year in advance to arrange a wedding.

### Hospital Visits

Please notify the Rectory office concerning family members who are hospitalized.

### Parish Registration

Please call the Rectory office to register.



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# Mass Intentions for October 10<sup>th</sup> through October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020



Sat. 5:00pm Frank and Ceil Zukowski  
 Sun. 8:00am Jackie Musante  
 11:00am Helen and John Forte  
 Mon. 7:30am NO MASS  
 Tues. 7:30am NO MASS  
 Wed. 7:30am NO MASS  
 Thurs. 7:30am NO MASS  
 Fri. 7:30am NO MASS  
 Sat. 5:00pm Nathaniel Pease  
 Sun. 8:00am Rose Mastri  
 11:00am Joseph Peloso

r/b Richard and Elsie Naylor  
 r/b the Falcone family

r/b his wife, Ellen  
 r/b the Malinowski family  
 r/b the family

**Any Mass intentions scheduled for a Friday will be honored on Thursday.**

## Notre Dame's Weekly Collection

October 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 – breakdown of collection

Many of our parishioners have been mailing in their offertory envelopes – it is greatly appreciated. THANK YOU!

5:00pm Mass	\$ 477.93
8:00am Mass	\$1,365.00
11:00am Mass	\$ 385.00
Total Mass Collection:	\$2,177.93
Other Offertory:	\$ 1,180.00
Capital Improvement:	\$ 310.69
Women of ND Membership:	\$ 30.00
Online Giving:	\$ 1,220.00
Online giving for Septembe:	\$ 5,325.00

## ONLINE GIVING

We realize these are uncertain times, if you could keep up your offertory to the church, we would greatly appreciate it.

Our Online Giving company, OSV, has installed a dedicated phone line for parishioners for set-up and other issues.

It is Our Sunday Visitor (OSV) 260-2243, jthinnes@osv.com

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;
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.



## Please Pray for the Sick



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

Susan Williams	Alison Raver	Leah Ambrose
Christopher Vitale	Angela Doescher	Ann Allison
Siobhan Smith	Joan McGrath	Mary Socci
A Friend	Alice Martinich	Pat Perrotta
Mildred Negri	Elizabeth Morgan	Georgia Egan
Deacon Vincent Heidenriech	Gabrella Reitmeyer	

If you would like to place someone on the prayer list, please email [churchladies@optonline.net](mailto:churchladies@optonline.net), or call the Rectory office at 203-268-5838 during business hours.

\* If you have placed someone's name on the *Prayer List*, please let us know if they need to remain on it.

## 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.

## Rectory Office Hours

The Rectory office hours are Monday through Thursdays 9:00am to 3:30pm.

The office is closed on Fridays.

If you come to the office, we ask that you please wear a mask.

We welcome through Baptism:  
**Drake Edward Sternberg**  
 son of Steven and Diana



# Religious Education

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

## Religious Education - 2020-2021

This year we are starting our classes with families, at home, and we are HOPING to return to in-person classes with any guidelines and procedures necessary.

## Religious Ed Textbooks

Religious Ed textbooks are now available for pickup. All textbooks are downstairs in the Church Hall arranged alphabetically by family.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturday, November 7th, 2020. Group A, 10:00am  
Group B, 12:00pm

## PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:

The Religious Ed Office will be closed from Tuesday, October 20th through Friday, October 23rd, 2020.

## PREPARATION FOR SACRAMENTS

The Diocesan requirement to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion is two years of 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** to receive First Holy Communion are reception of 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.

# Women of Notre Dame News:

## Our 2020–2021 membership year is underway!

All the women of the parish are welcome to join! The membership envelope is included the most recent pack of envelopes you received in the mail. Annual dues are \$20 per year and \$10 for seniors. If you are attending Mass, please drop in the basket. If you are not back to attending Mass in person, you can send it to the parish office in the mail – please make checks out to “Notre Dame of Easton” and put “Women of ND dues” in the check memo. So why join? The 2019–2020 year came to an abrupt end because of the pandemic issues, but we continued to support some of our local charitable organizations. Hopefully soon, this year will be somewhat back to normal and we will be able to have our programs and events in our own parish.

## Blessed Sacrament Collection If You Can Help -

Please bring your donations to the Kitchen in the lower Church.

**The need of cereal, tuna, pasta sauce, peanut butter, canned vegetables, beans, (black, kidney, etc., mac and cheese – also toilet paper and soap is ongoing.**

**As an afterthought - Diapers (can be open boxes – left over from your children), baby wipes are always needed.**

Throughout everything that has been going on, you have been dedicated to the needs of others and never missed a beat!!! Thank you to all !

Blessed Sacrament has an *Online Giving* page that has a way to direct a donation to the Food Pantry - good for those limiting trips to the grocery store - or going out of the house.  
<https://osvhub.com/blessedsacramentbpt/funds>

“Social Distancing”  
is boring.

“Exiled for the good  
of the realm”  
sounds much more  
interesting.



**News from the Easton Senior Center:**  
 The Easton Senior center will be please call 203-268-1145 or email [eseniorc@optonline.net](mailto:eseniorc@optonline.net)

**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.

\* At this time we are not visiting homebound parishioners - we will resume when conditions permit.

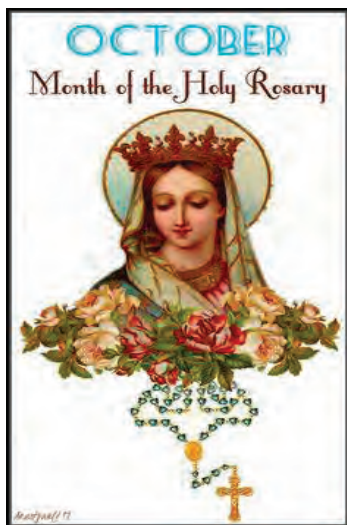
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**Sponsor Certificates:** We cannot give you a sponsor certificate unless you are a registered member of the parish for at least 6 months and attend Mass regularly.

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**Baptism** – Please call the rectory office to set up a Baptism – 203-268-5838 Monday thru Thursdays – 9:00am to 3:30pm. A Pre-Baptism class is required for both parents prior in the Baptism of their 1<sup>st</sup> child

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I told my suitcases that there will be no vacation this year. Now I'm dealing with emotional baggage.

**HIS WORD TODAY** by Rev. William J. Reilly

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"I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance... I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me. Still, it was kind of you to share in my distress. My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus."

Paul's description of himself and his life is quite clear. His journeys, imprisonments, shipwrecks and encounters with Christ are well known. May we fast forward and look at the church of today.

The face of Christ is painted in so many ways. We share a close relationship with Christ Jesus. We are blessed, some with abundance, who find Christ in the poor. We find people living in fear of sickness, homelessness, legal status, who are the same brothers and sisters for whom Paul dedicated his life. What can I do to reflect the face of Christ to others? What do I ask for to recognize the face of Christ in those most in need?

My mantra this week: 'I can do all things in Him who strengthens me.'

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Dear God,  
 When I stand at the beginning of a new day,  
 Bless me with the vision to see  
 The best of things to come...  
 Wisdom to make good decisions and most of all  
 Faith that You are walking beside me every step of the way. Amen



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Be joyful always,  
 Pray continually,  
 Give thanks in all  
 circumstances for  
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 you in Christ Jesus.  
*1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18*

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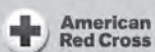
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## Resumption of Masses

**Masses are held in the lower Church Hall.**

☐ Masses will be offered with the following schedule:

**Monday-Thursday at 7:30 AM**  
**(No Mass on Friday).**

**(NOTE – change in schedule)**

**\*\*All upcoming Friday intentions will be honored at the Thursday morning Mass.**

Saturdays at 5:00 PM and Sundays at 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM.

The limit for Mass attendance is **50 people.**

Bishop Caggiano has continued to dispense the obligation to attend Sunday Mass through the summer.

Please read "Guidelines" on our website:

[www.notredameofeaston.org](http://www.notredameofeaston.org), for all of the rules and regulations.

## Attend Daily Mass

7:30am

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

See want a difference a few minutes a day can make



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