



SATURDAY VIGIL, January 30, 2016

4:00 PM

For all Parishioners

Sunday, January 31, 2016

7:30 AM

+Henry Thomas Wedding Anniversary
r/b Jane

10:30 AM

For the success of our Parish Mission

6:00 PM

For Father Thomas Sullivan

MONDAY, February 1, 2016

8:00 AM

+Timothy Lally r/b Michael Yarnot

TUESDAY, February 2, 2016

8:00 AM

For victims of violence

WEDNESDAY, February 3, 2016

8:00 AM

For all who need God's Mercy

7:00 PM

In Thanksgiving for our Parish Mission

THURSDAY, February 4, 2016

8:00 AM

+Mac Maldonado r/b Rick/ Rose Meyer

FRIDAY, February 5, 2016

8:00 AM - For the Church

SATURDAY, February 6, 2016

4:00 PM - +George & Mary Martocchio
r.b Anna & Rosemary

SUNDAY, February 7, 2016

7:30 AM

For all our Teachers & Aides

10:30 AM

For all our Grade 2 Students

10:30 AM

For elderly parents

PARISH SUPPORT

January 24 Regular

\$3,608

ADORATION



EVERY TUESDAY 8:30 – 9:30 AM



“Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous.” 1 Corinthians 13:4

Do you get jealous? Do you focus more on the things that other people have than on the gifts that God has given to you? Are you pompous? Do you acquire more possessions to impress others? At times we are all guilty of

these things. Pray for more humility. Pray to become less self-centered and more God-centered.

READINGS AND WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

First Reading Jeremiah 1:4-5,17-19

God tells Jeremiah that he was chosen to be a prophet to the nations before he had even been born. He also promises him strength and protection, providing Jeremiah does as God asks.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:31

13-13

Paul discusses the importance of love and claims that one who possesses any gift, but lacks love, has nothing. He explains that true love never fails, although knowledge or other talents can fail to endure in the same manner. Paul says that three things last: "faith, hope and love, the greatest of these being love."

Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

Jesus spoke in the synagogue at Nazareth, at first appealing to all who were present. But he knew that they would be expecting him to do the things he had already done in other towns. He reminded them of other prophets who had preached and gained acceptance in foreign places instead of their home towns. This angered the people, who expelled him from the town.

FAITH FORMATION

Office Hours: Sunday 8-10:30 am, Monday and Tuesday 2-8:30 pm, Thursday 10-3 or by appointment. Hours are subject to change so please call ahead. We can be reached at 860-875-4951 or stlukere@gmail.com.

We are looking forward to a Faith filled year with our students. We encourage you to ask your child what they learned each week.

Classes: Sunday January 31, February 7, 21 and 28 – 9:15-10:15 Grades Kindergarten through 5th Grade.

Monday, February 1, 8, 22 & 29 – 6:45 – 8 pm Grades 6-9

Tuesday, February 2, 9, 23 – 4:30-5:45 Grades 3-4-5; Grades 6-9 7-8:15 pm

Grade 2 Family Candle Mass – Sunday February 7 – 10:30 Mass

First Communion – Saturday, May 7 – 11:00 AM

Grade 9 Confirmation:

Interview – Contact the Faith Formation office to schedule.

Reconciliation – During last class on March 28/29.

Rehearsal: Thursday March 31 – 6:30 pm for Candidate and Sponsor (or parent stand-in.)

Confirmation Mass: Sunday, April 3 – 1 PM – Candidates & Sponsor arrive at 12:30.

Children's Liturgy of the Word –

All children age 4 through the 5th Grade are invited to attend the Children's Liturgy of the Word on Sunday mornings during the 10:30 Mass. CLW is held Sunday February 7, 21 & 28th.

Remember in Prayer Those Who Are Sick

Lord, our God, you sent your Son into the world to bear our infirmities and to endure our sufferings. For your servants who are sick, especially from our Parish family, we ask that your blessing will give them strength to overcome their weakness through the power of patience and the comfort of hope and that with your aid they will soon be restored to health. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Please pray for Father Bill Olesik, Laura Behrendt, Eugene Caramante, Judy Cardoni, Julie Chartier, Fern Chmielecki, Connor Dabate, Deacon Rod Gayner, Harry Grospitch, Ronald Guay, Raymond Hanson, Raymond Hayes, Rita Kane, Kathy Larew, Rocco Montano, Alice Ogden, Ted Okolo, Beth Ann Phillips, Ann Pienkowski, Troy Russell, Brian Scavone, Jim Smith, Susan Spellacy, Rowan Mae Sullivan, Wendy Tarbox, Dan Tarbox, Joseph Teixeira, James Walton, Morris Webber, Jean Wood, Richard Wood and Kathy White.

++PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED++

God of loving kindness and mercy we pray for those who have been called from this life, and for the consolation of their loved ones especially: Alda DeBortoli, Robert Gibbs, Wanda Parent, Ann L. Riley, Elizabeth Setzer and Barbara Sullivan.

World Message of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Message of January 25, 2016

“Dear Children! Also today I am calling all of you to prayer. You cannot live without prayer, because prayer is a chain which brings you closer to God. Therefore, little children, in humility of heart return to God and to His commandments so that with all of your heart you are able to say: as it is in heaven so may it be on earth. You, little children, are free to be in freedom decide for God or against Him. See where Satan wants to pull you into sin and slavery. Therefore, little children, return to my heart so that I can lead you to my Son Jesus who is the Way, the Truth and the life. Thank you for having responded to my call.”

THE CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

The Corporal Works of Mercy are found in the “teachings of Jesus” and give us a model for how we should treat all others, as if they were Christ in disguise. They “are charitable actions by which we help our neighbors in their

bodily needs” (USCCA). They respond to the basic needs of humanity as we journey together through this life. The Corporal Works of Mercy are: Feed the Hungry; Give drink to the Thirsty; Clothe the Naked; Shelter the Homeless; Visit the Sick; Comfort the Imprisoned; Bury the Dead.

SOUP AND SANDWICH SUPPER!

During Lent we will be having a “Soup and Sandwich Supper” before the Stations of the Cross. The supper will be from 4:30-6:30 in the church hall. Takeout will be available 1 Quart \$5.00. The price is \$6.00 per person. Dates are:

February 12; February 19; February 26;
March 4; March 11; March 18; March 25

IRISH NIGHT – MARCH 12

AFTER THE 4:00 MASS Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner.

Tickets go on sale starting Next Weekend, February 6/7; Tickets are \$16 p/p. No BYOB! Beer and Wine will be available; Don’t be left out! No Tickets will be sold at the door. Entertainment will be “Irish to the Last Drop” and Irish Step Dancers.

Raffle: We are looking for any gifts or baskets for our Raffle Table. Contact Jane at the Rectory if you can help out.

Pilgrimage to Italy – May 15-26, 2016. Visiting Rome and

Florence's best Basilicas and Religious Art Museums. Daily Mass in the Holiest of Holies, Papal Audience with Pope Francis, Pass thru the Holy Door at St. Peter's, One Day at Padre Pio's too! Contact Fr. Brian Maxwell at 860-267-6644 or fr.brianst.pats@gmail.com.

Mass at a Haitian church. Room, Board and Airfare is in the \$1,000 to \$1,300 range (depending on the airfare you get). The dates being booked now are April 5-12, April 26 – May 3, or May 9-16. Contact Outreach at info@outreachtohaiti.org or call 860-887-1019 x 817.

East Catholic High School Make-up entrance exam – Tuesday, February 16 at 9 a.m. to all eighth graders who were unable to take the preceding exams. A non-refundable fee of \$25 is required. ECHS continues to accept transfer students from other high schools. Admissions Office 860-649-5336 x 6238.

Diocesan Pro-Life Mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Norwich, Saturday, February 6 at 8:30 a.m.

Marriage Preparation Classes for Engaged Couples – “God’s Plan for a Joy-filled Marriage offered by the Office of Family Life. To register for the three-sessions please call 860-848-2237 ext. 306 – Dates are February 5, 12 & 19; 6:30 – 9 PM – Our Lady of Lourdes Church Hall, route 12, Gales Ferry - \$60 per couple.

Healing Mass: February 8 and 22 at 2:00 PM – Spiritual Renewal Center, 11 Bath Street, Norwich.

Irish Adventure: The Little Sisters of the Poor are sponsoring a custom designed trip to Ireland September 30-October 9, 2016. The cost is \$2,863 p/p sharing includes land, air (to/from Hartford to Dublin via Air Lingus), taxes, surcharges, travel insurance, daily breakfast including day of arrival, 6 dinners including farewell dinner and Irish Night and admission to listed attractions. Space is limited to 42 people. For details and reservations contact their trip coordinator Jim Dooley of JAM Travel Planners L.L.C. at 860-202-1664 or email him at jim@jamtravelplanners.com

Enders Island Ash Wednesday, Day of Recollection with Sr. Eugenia Brady, SJC – Two conferences, Mass, confessions, time to explore the Island, and a hot served lunch. \$50 per person. Pre-register 860-536-0565.

Trip to Haiti: The Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti is organizing one or more immersion trips to Haiti. Typical places you would visit are schools, clinics, neighborhoods, the national museum, Sunday