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June 19, 2022

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Happy Father's Day

Our Dad

By Anonymous

God took the strength of a mountain,
The majesty of a tree,
The warmth of a summer sun,
The calm of a quiet sea,
The generous soul of nature,
The comforting arm of night,
The wisdom of the ages,
The power of the eagle's flight,
The joy of a morning in spring,
The faith of a mustard seed,
The patience of eternity,
The depth of a family need,
Then God combined these qualities,
When there was nothing more to add,
He knew his masterpiece was complete,
And so, he called it Dad.

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Rev. Miroslaw Stachurski, Pastor

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Family Mass Every Sunday at 9:00AM.
Adoration Every Monday 6:00PM - 8:00PM

Daily Mass

Monday, June 20

7:00 AM† Salvatore Santella
5:30 PM† Joseph Kovacs

Tuesday, June 21

7:00 AM † William Cerutti
5:30 PM † Christine Verda

Wednesday, June 22

7:00 AM † Joseph Annase
5:30 PM † Janina Stachurska

Thursday, June 23

7:00 AM † Rev. Edward A. Colohan
5:30 PM † Fred & Evelyn Chomanski

Friday, June 24

7:00 AM † Louise Scianna
5:30 PM Special Living Intention

Sunday Vigil, Saturday, June 25

5:15 PM † Theresa Cefola

Sunday, June 26

7:30 AM † For Our Parishioners, Living & Deceased
9:00 AM † Antonio Cappuccia
11:30 AM † Virginia Sweeney
5:00 PM † Robert Pote

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

	2022	2021
June 12		
Collection	\$3,436.00	\$3,560.00
On-Line	\$2,345.00	\$2,593.00
Diocesan Assessment	<u>(\$1,636.00)</u>	<u>(\$1,869.00)</u>
Net Retained	<u>\$4,145.00</u>	<u>\$4,284.00</u>
Votives	\$ 162.90	\$ 124.00

Diocesan Assessment

The assessment is used to cover the cost of Diocesan operations and schools. The formula is based on all gross receipts. For our 2022 fiscal year, the annual Cathedralricum Assessment is \$85,072. This equates to a weekly payment of \$1,636. This represents an annual decrease of \$4,633.00 from the prior year.

Juneteenth Holiday

The offices will be closed on Monday, June 20th, in celebration of the Juneteenth holiday. We will have the regular Mass & Adoration schedule.



Pray the Rosary in the Church
Monday - Friday: 6:30am
Monday: 7:00pm
Saturday: 4:45pm



The Sanctuary Candle burns
June 19th through June 25th
for Joseph Festa & James Verda.



ADORATION
MONDAY NIGHT
6PM - -8PM

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord, and
Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.

Please remember in your prayers:

Rachael Graham *Margaret Hughes*

We extend our sympathy to their families & friends.

DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUR WEBSITE FREQUENTLY

We update our website as things change in our parish & diocese. There are many useful links on our "Senior Info" & "Useful Links" pages. We have an interactive Google Calendar where you can add to your personal calendar with a simple click on the item. Most questions can be answered by visiting the website. The main menu is located by clicking the 3 bars located on the homepage in the upper right-hand corner of the page. We have also added buttons for pages at the top of the homepage. **If you know of any organization that may be useful to our community, please contact the office so we may add it to our website upon approval.**

www.stthomasnorwalk.org

Rectory:

Rev. Miroslaw Stachurski
Pastor

Rev. Ralph Segura
Parochial Vicar

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Appointments 10-3 Monday through
Thursday & Friday 10-12
Closed Saturday & Sunday

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Cathy Lauder
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ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS ENTERING 6th, 7th, & 8th GRADES THIS FALL
 Friends,
 This summer you will hear from us about a NEW PROGRAM sponsored by 4 Norwalk Parishes: St. Thomas, St. Philip, St. Jerome, and St. Matthew, that will begin this Fall. It will be a Co-Op to gather together our Junior High School (grades 6, 7 and 8) students at our own All Saints School on Sunday afternoons or possibly evenings to form a follow up of Post-Confirmation activities, education, prayer, and fun for our students of both Catholic Schools and Religious Education Programs. After many fruitful sessions with the Bishop and his office staff, the four local Norwalk pastors got together and formed a plan that, hopefully, will be attractive to your children and to you as parents. We hope you see the validity and importance of encouraging your children to be a part of this new program. I am so looking forward to our first meeting in the fall, and until then, please check our social media and our parish bulletin for more details about it.



St. Thomas the Apostle
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Do you know a Catholic child entering kindergarten or 1st grade?
 Is your family new to the parish?
 Our parish Religious Formation is now accepting registrations for the 2022 - 2023 Religious classes. Sign up today by going to our website home page or email Mary at stthomasreledoffice@gmail.com or call (203) 866-1189.

Saint Thomas the Apostle Parish, Norwalk	
We Stand With Christ Campaign Redemption	
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Total Collected (As of 6/3/22):	\$335,457 (67%)
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2022 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL
 We have raised 146 gifts worth \$38,614 bringing our parish to 61.49% of its \$62,800 goal. Any and all gifts are greatly appreciated. **Thanks to all who gave or pledged!**

St. Jerome Norwalk CASH RAFFLE

St. Jerome R. C. Church Annual Raffle
 A TOTAL OF EIGHT PRIZES TO BE AWARDED

1st Prize: \$10,000
 2nd Prize: \$2,000
 3rd Prize: \$500 4th Prize: \$500
 5th Prize: \$500 6th Prize: \$500
 7th Prize: \$500 8th Prize: \$500

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SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is also known as the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, which translates from Latin to "Body of Christ." This feast originated in France in the midthirteenth century and was extended to the whole Church by Pope Urban IV in 1264. This feast is celebrated on the Thursday following the Trinity Sunday or, as in the USA, on the Sunday following that feast.

This feast calls us to focus on two manifestations of the Body of Christ, the Holy Eucharist and the Church. The primary purpose of this feast is to focus our attention on the Eucharist. The opening prayer at Mass calls our attention to Jesus' suffering and death and our worship of Him, especially in the Eucharist.

At every Mass our attention is called to the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in it. The secondary focus of this feast is upon the Body of Christ as it is present in the Church. The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion which Jesus shares with his disciples. He expresses this in the gospels by using the metaphor of a body in which He is the head. This image helps keep in focus both the unity and the diversity of the Church.

The Feast of Corpus Christi is commonly used as an opportunity for public Eucharistic processions, which serves as a sign of common faith and adoration. Our worship of Jesus in His Body and Blood calls us to offer to God our Father a pledge of undivided love and an offering of ourselves to the service of others.
www.catholicnewsagency.com/saint/solemnity-of-the-most-holy-body-and-blood-of-christ-270

Fatherhood Laughs
"Fatherhood is great because you can ruin someone from scratch." - Jon Stewart
"Father's Day is important because, besides being the day on which we honor Dad, it's the one day of the year that Brookstone does any business." - Jimmy Fallon
"Remember: What Dad really wants is a nap. Really." - Dave Barry
"A father carries pictures where his money used to be." - Steve Martin
"By the time a man realizes that maybe his father was right, he usually has a son who thinks he's wrong." - Charles Wadsworth
"Dad taught me everything I know. Unfortunately, he didn't teach me everything he knows." - Al Unser
"I gave my father \$100 and said, 'Buy yourself something that will make your life easier.' So, he went out and bought a present for my mother." - Rita Rudner

The third quarter parish financial statement is currently available on our website Financial Reporting page. If you would like a hard copy, please call the office during regular business hours.

Confessions in Church
Every Saturday
4:00pm until 4:30pm
Social Distancing will be maintained.
Masks must be worn.



JOIN THE SCOUTS!
SCOUT TROOP 222
We welcome new members age 11 -17.
Meetings are Thursdays, 7pm - 8:30pm, in the Parish Center gym. We need a minimum of 5 girls in order to have girls at the meetings. For more information about Scout Troop 222, please go to their web page:
troop222norwalk.scoutlander.com.



Birthright

Birthright is in need of gently worn *baby and maternity clothing*. Please call to arrange for a drop off. They also need volunteers (especially Spanish speaking). Opportunities include friendship counseling, clerical, and clothing work. Training is provided. Please call the Norwalk Chapter for more information:
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**Birthright of
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**Catholic
 Charities:**
 (203) 416-1307

SACRAMENTS

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Thursday: 10:00am to 3:00pm Friday: 10:00am to 12 Noon

Prayer Requests!

Please contact the St. Thomas Prayer Ministry. Call Sue Wegiel at (203) 838-4088 with your prayer request or email her at wegiesj@hotmail.com. If you cannot reach Sue, please call the office at (203) 866-3141.

New Procedure for Baptisms & Weddings

Please go to the homepage of our website, click on Parish Registration and Sacramental Requests. Choose the fillable form that you need and follow the instructions at the top of the webpage. **To reserve the church for your desired wedding date, please contact the parish office at least 9 months to 1 year in advance.**

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Rectory anytime.

Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4:00 - 4:30 PM Weekdays: By appointment



DID YOU KNOW ...you must complete your Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, & Confirmation) in order to be a sponsor for Baptism & Confirmation? Do you, or someone you know, want to join the Catholic church? Then the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program is for you! Just call the Faith Formation Office at (203) 866-1189 for more information.

PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS IN NEED OF PRAYER

If you would like to be added to or removed from this prayer list, please email or call the office.

Please pray for the sick of our parish that may be restored to health and that all who ASSIST and CARE for them will be given the strength to continue their Christian service. Please remember the following in your prayers:

Carm Pagliano	Jim Sweet	Debbie Reddock	James Amrich	Theresa Buono	Walter Cortese
Pearl Futo	Robert Parmalee	Jill Bowman	Emily Calabeese	Anne Edwards	Linda Lima
Mike	Constance Williams	Mike Torres	Marie Silver	Grace DeMilo	Merina Deluc
Gary Livia	Peggy McDonald	Skip Bossone	Jeanette Ralston	Pam Simso	George Travers
Julia Cade	Marianne Schambeck	Kimberly Fratoloni	Rick Azillo	Jeannetta Torres	Phil Tavella
Jeannie Maxwell	Michele Mola-Gulemi	Michael Walsh	Richard Berg	Diane Turek	Hamilton Family
Vicki	Betty Lou Heffernan	Richard Barton	Antonio Vescio	Jackie Hamilton	Anthony Bruno
Kathleen Dominick	Cathy Sinica	Kathleen Ford	Chuck Scott	John Lima	Angela McCrae
Greg N.	Joe M.	Joan Kennedy	Joanna Marvin	Ken Schulman	Kathy D
Jack Cade	Jackie Capobianco	Nancy G.	Vinny Massaro	Alessandro Fornara	Jim Charest
Dawn Grover	1 st Sgt. Joe Toscano (Ret.)	Debbie Poruban	Denise Cassin	Holly Sanders	Stefanie Sena

**The Food Pantry is open
Tuesdays & Saturdays
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Donations are now being accepted during regular hours or leave **NON-PERISHABLE** items in the bin at the food pantry entrance.

Questions? Call them at
(203) 866-1644



The Connecticut Hospice, Inc., Homecare Volunteers Needed

The Connecticut Hospice, Inc. is accepting applications for new volunteers! Our patients and families are in need of your care and support. If you have an interest in companionship, light housekeeping or making meals, please contact Joan Cullen, Director of Volunteers at (203) 315-7510.



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