

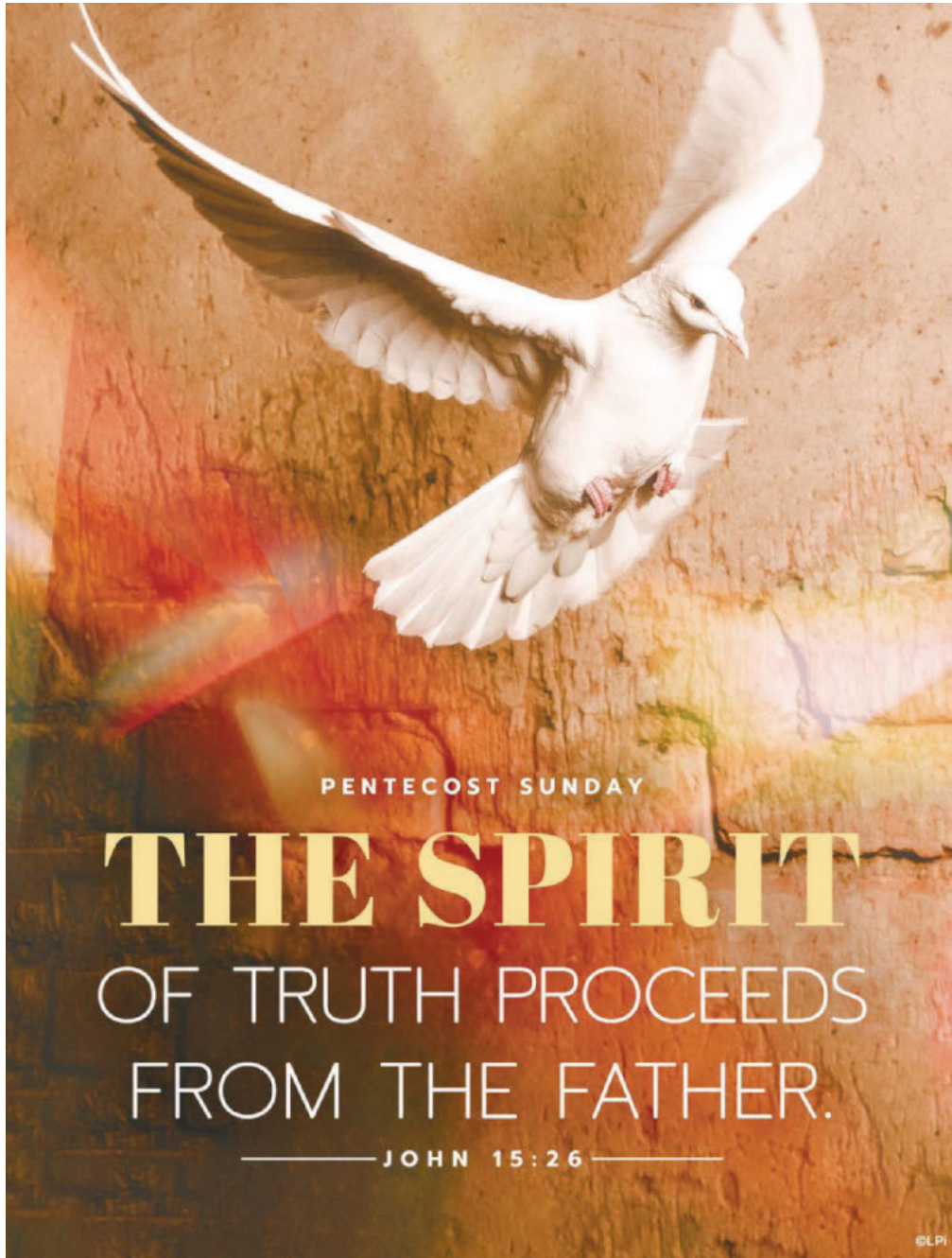


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May 19, 2024



PENTECOST SUNDAY

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— JOHN 15:26 —

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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, May 20

7:00 AM† Maria Concetta Trani
5:30 PM † Frank Bonnardio

Tuesday, May 21

7:00 AM† Antonio Rubbo, Maria Ciambrella, & Pasquale Rubbo
5:30 PM NO MASS

Wednesday, May 22

NO MASS

Thursday, May 23

5:30 PM† Robert Michek

Friday, May 24

7:00 AM† Roger Festa
5:30 PM† In Thanksgiving

Sunday Vigil, Saturday, May 25

5:15 PM† Margaret & Harold Trezzini

Sunday, May 26

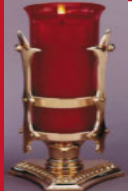
7:30 AM† Mark Cross
9:00 AM† For Our Parishioners, Living & Deceased
11:30 AM† John Just
5:00 PM † Harold J. Hughes, Jr.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP


	2024	2023
May 12		
Collection	\$4,560.00	\$4,717.00
On-Line	\$2,339.00	\$2,180.00
Diocesan Assessment	(\$1,506.00)	(\$1,567.00)
Net Retained	<u>\$5,393.00</u>	<u>\$5,330.00</u>
Votives	\$ 180.25	\$ 130.69
Catholic Communications		
Collection	\$1,024.00	\$ 802.00
On-Line	\$ 79.00	\$ 83.00
Total	<u>\$1,103.00</u>	<u>\$ 885.00</u>
Ascension of the Lord		
Collection	\$ 538.00	\$ 619.00
On-Line	\$ 151.00	\$ 155.00
Total	<u>\$ 689.00</u>	<u>\$ 774.00</u>

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 2024 fiscal year, the annual Cathedralicum Assessment is \$78,324. This equates to a weekly payment of \$1,506. This represents an annual decrease of \$3,148.00 from the prior year.



*The Sanctuary Candle burns
May 19th through May 25th in memory of
the Amato's: Arthur, Sr., Mary,
Sharon, & Arthur, Jr., & the Rolland Family.*



The 2025 MASS BOOK is now open without restrictions. You may call or email requests to the office.



*May is the month of Mary
Pray the Rosary in the Church
Monday - Friday: Before Any
Scheduled Morning Mass at 6:30am
Monday: 7:00pm Saturday: 4:45pm*

We welcome the newly Baptized into the Parish Family of St. Thomas the Apostle.
Wesley Thomas Hoerger
Congratulations to his parents, family, & friends!

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them, O Lord,
and let perpetual Light Shine Upon Them.
Please remember in your prayers:
Doris Malagise Anne Pazar Howell
Philomena David
We extend our sympathy to their families & friends.

PLEASE HELP LIGHTEN OUR LOAD!
Please use your parish offertory envelope or write your envelope # on any loose checks. This will greatly cut down on the entry time of the Parish Offertory every week. *If you don't know your number, please call the office (203) 866-3141.*

<p>Rectory: Rev. Ralph Segura Parochial Administrator (ext. 19)</p>	<p>Rectory Staff: Cathy Lauder Parish Secretary (ext. 10)</p>	<p>Religious Ed Office: (203) 866-1189 Patty Frattaroli, DRE stthomasreledoffice@gmail.com</p>	<p>Youth Ministry: stthomasyg1@gmail.com Elizabeth Squicciarino, Coordinator</p>
<p>Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 9 - 4 Closed Wednesday, Saturday, & Sunday</p>	<p>Finance Chair: Ulrike Schambeck (203) 434-6488</p>	<p>Parish Bookkeeper Monika Piascik</p>	<p>Website: www.stthomasnorwalk.org Like us on Facebook: St. Thomas Norwalk Instagram: StThomasNorwalk</p>
<p>stthomasnorwalk@gmail.com</p>		<p>(203) 866-3141 (203) 866-1219 Fax</p>	



2024 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

We have raised 106 gifts worth \$32,433 bringing our parish to 51.65% of its \$62,800 goal. Any and all gifts are greatly appreciated.

Thanks to all who have already given or pledged!

To make a gift, or for more information, please visit [2024 BishopsAppeal.org](http://2024BishopsAppeal.org), call (203) 416-1470, or scan with your phone.



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Just as there are some items that we are able to get free from different government sources or at a greatly reduced cost, there are some items we need to buy. This is how this list is generated. Of course, you can still give items that are not on the list. Please leave after hours **non-perishable** donations in the bin outside the pantry.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANY PERISHABLES IN THE DROP BOX.

- 9oz to 12oz box of cereal
- 14oz to 18oz peanut butter
- Shampoo
- Bar Soap
- Tooth Paste
- Toilet Paper
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- Facial Tissues

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CASH PRIZES!
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DO YOU LIKE TO KNIT OR CROCHET?
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We supply all the materials at our meetings and discuss if there have been any special requests made. **The next meeting is Thursday, May 23rd, at 7:00pm, in the Small Meeting Room.** Come meet our group and pick up your supplies!
Our shawls are free gifts meant to warm, comfort and embrace. *To request a shawl or if you would like more information about our ministry, please call Vicki Remson, (203) 847-8196 or the Rectory, (203) 866-3141 or go to our website & click on Parish Ministries.*

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NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC RENEWAL

As I mentioned this past weekend, we have the opportunity to participate in the National Eucharistic Revival which will be observed in our Diocese May 19th through May 22nd. The potential for us as a Parish community to experience a fresh or reinvigorated devotion to Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament which we receive at every Mass is both necessary and great.

This event is a very unique occurrence in our Diocese, and I encourage any and every parishioner to participate in at least one event in our immediate area, inclusive of Westport, Norwalk and Darien.

Now, I realize that more proximate events do in fact fall during the weekdays, and your personal schedules makes participation challenging. So, there are handouts which will be available at the entrances of the Church until Wednesday that detail the events and opportunities that are taking place while the Blessed Sacrament passes through the Diocese of Bridgeport. At the same time, however, I have indicated below the dates and locations of when and where you can give due reverence to the Blessed Sacrament in our immediate area:

MONDAY, MAY 20, 2024 (Westport | Norwalk)

- 7:00 pm Eucharistic Station (campus procession), Church of the Assumption, Westport
- 8:00 pm Holy Hour/Adoration: Scripture, Homily, Litany of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Benediction; Saint Mary, Norwalk
- 9:00 pm Procession: Saint Mary, Norwalk (procession through town)
- 9:30 pm All night Adoration: Saint Mary, Norwalk

TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2024 (Norwalk | Darien)

- 8:00 am Celebration of Mass: Saint Matthew, Norwalk
- 9:00 am Procession: Saint Matthew, Norwalk to Saint John Cemetery, Norwalk
- 9:30 am Eucharistic Station: Saint John Cemetery, Norwalk, with Rosary procession through the Cemetery.
- 11:00 am Procession: Saint John Cemetery to Saint Matthew, Norwalk
- 12:00 pm Holy Hour/Adoration/Campus Procession: Saint Thomas More, Darien

Father Ralph

PRAY For Our Men and Women Serving our Country

Theresa Cole, US Marine Corps
Mike Lupinacci, US Marine Corps
CW5 Sgt. Douglas Ortiz, Jr., US Army
Sfc. Ramil Penserga, US Army
LCDR Scott C. Pennoyer, US Navy
Tech Sgt. Daniel Scofield, US Air Force
UT2 PO2 Edward Skeen, US Navy
SSG Sgt. Jesse Skeen, US Army
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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 at least 5 girls in order to have girls at the meetings. We follow the school year calendar. For more information about Scout Troop 222, please go to our web page:
troop222.norwalk.scoutlander.com.

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HAVE YOU DROPPED YOUR LANDLINE FOR A CELL PHONE?
DID YOU ADD OR CHANGE AN EMAIL ADDRESS?

Please notify the Parish Office when you change your address, phone number, cell number &/or email address so that we can have the most up to date way to reach you should the need arise. Call us at (203) 866-3141 or send us an email with your current information.



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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:

Debbie Reddock	James Amrich	Theresa Buono	Linda Lima	Merina Deluc	George Travers
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Jack Cade	Constance Williams	Skip Bossone	Marie Silver	Grace DeMilo	Hamilton Family
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Julia Cade	Marianne Schambeck	Cathy Sinica	Richard Berg	Jeannetta Torres	Angela McCrae
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Michelle Vittorio	Elizabeth Malerba	Steve C.	Stefanie Sena	Jim Bogdany	Jeff Mallory
Vinnie McMahan	Carolyn Hill	Bob A.	MaryAnn P.	Andy Tao	



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.

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

**The Food Pantry is open
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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
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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.



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