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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 18, 2021



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THE APOSTLES REPORTED ALL THEY HAD
DONE AND TAUGHT. JESUS SAID TO THEM,

**“Come away by yourselves to a
deserted place and rest a while.”**

MARK 6:30, 31

Rev. Mirosław Stachurski, Pastor
(203) 866-3141

203 East Avenue
Norwalk, CT 06855

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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

Daily Mass

Monday, July 19

7:00 AM† Susan J. Buckley
5:30 PM† Peter Goldner, Jr.

Tuesday, July 20

7:00 AM Special Intention
5:30 PM† Elisabetta Valiante

Wednesday, July 21

7:00 AM† Gene Wrinn
5:30 PM† Joseph Kovacs

Thursday, July 22

7:00 AM Intentions of Audrey Demetris & Family
5:30 PM Intentions of Fr. Greg Markey

Friday, July 23

7:00 AM Intentions of Mary & Joseph Remlin
5:30 PM† Joseph Adams

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil, July 24

5:15 PM† For Our Parishioners, Living
& Deceased

Celebrant
Fr. Mirek

Sunday, July 25

7:30 AM†	Ferdinando Valle	Fr. Mirek
9:00 AM†	Jeffrey Cutuli	Fr. Mirek
11:30 AM†	Gene Wrinn	Fr. Mirek
5:00 PM†	Nancy Lenihan	Fr. Mirek

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

2021

2020

July 11

Collection	\$4,102.00	\$4,660.00
On-Line	\$2,408.00	\$2,576.00
Diocesan Assessment	(\$1,636.00)	(\$1,869.00)
Net Retained	\$4,874.00	\$5,367.00

Votives

\$ 114.00 \$ 73.00

Diocesan Assessment

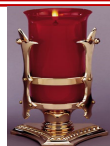
The assessment is used to cover the cost of Diocesan operations and schools. The formula is based on all gross receipts. For our 2022 fiscal year, the annual Cathedralricum Assessment is \$85,072. This equates to a weekly payment of \$1,636. This represents an annual decrease of \$4,633.00 from the prior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



The 2022 MASS BOOK is now open. Only 2 Saturday Vigil/Sunday weekend masses may be booked and no more than 4 Sanctuary Candles until September 1, 2021. Phone or email requests may also be made.

Confessions in Church
Every Saturday
4:00pm until 4:30pm

Social Distancing will be maintained.
Masks must be worn.



*The Sanctuary Candle burns
July 18th through July 24th
for Fran & John Tierney.*

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

Please remember in your prayers:

Antonietta DiMeglio Carol Wilson

We extend our sympathy to their families & friends.

We welcome the newly Baptized into the
Parish Family of St. Thomas the Apostle.

Margaret Lynn Pennoyer

Congratulations to her parents, family & friends!



We still have Masses & Candles
available for 2021. Please call or
email the office to reserve your
masses and candles.

Rectory:

Rev. Miroslaw Stachurski
Pastor

Rev. Ralph Segura
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Office Hours:

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

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We have raised 147 gifts worth \$39,812 bringing our parish to 63.39% of its \$62,800 goal. Any and all gifts are greatly appreciated. Thanks to all who have already given or pledged!



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

**The Food Pantry is open
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SAINT MARY MAGDALENE'S STORY

Except for the mother of Jesus, few women are more honored in the Bible than Mary Magdalene. Yet she could well be the patron of the slandered, since there has been a persistent legend in the Church that she is the unnamed sinful woman who anointed the feet of Jesus in Luke 7:36-50.

Most Scripture scholars today point out that there is no scriptural basis for confusing the two women. Mary Magdalene, that is, "of Magdala," was the one from whom Christ cast out "seven demons" (Luke 8:2)—an indication at the worst, of extreme demonic possession or possibly, severe illness.

Writing in the New Catholic Commentary, Father Wilfrid J. Harrington, O.P., says that "seven demons" "does not mean that Mary had lived an immoral life—a conclusion reached only by means of a mistaken identification with the anonymous woman of Luke 7:36." In the Jerome Biblical Commentary, Father Edward Mally, S.J., agrees that she "is not...the same as the sinner of Luke 7:37, despite the later Western romantic tradition about her."

Mary Magdalene was one of the many "who were assisting them [Jesus and the Twelve] out of their means." She was one of those who stood by the cross of Jesus with his mother. And, of all the "official" witnesses who might have been chosen for the first awareness of the Resurrection, she was the one to whom that privilege was given. She is known as the "Apostle to the Apostles."

Mary Magdalene has been a victim of mistaken identity for almost 20 centuries. Yet she would no doubt insist that it makes no difference. We are all sinners in need of the saving power of God, whether our sins have been lurid or not. More importantly, we are all "unofficial" witnesses of the Resurrection.

In June of 2016, Pope Francis raised the celebration of the memorial of St. Mary Magdalene to the dignity of a liturgical Feast, the same grade of feast given to the celebration of the Apostles.

Until now, St. Mary Magdalene has been a memorial; the status of a feast is higher than a memorial, but below a solemnity which is the highest rank in the liturgical calendar of the Roman Rite, celebrating a mystery of faith such as the Holy Trinity or Corpus Christi. www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-mary-magdalene



ANNUAL ST. ANN FEAST DAY MASS

Saturday, July 24 ~ 10:00am

The Procession will leave St. Ann's Club, 16 Hendricks Avenue, at 9:30am. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please call the St. Ann Club at (203) 853-3603.

MEMORIAL MASS OR FUNERAL

We are scheduling Memorial Masses for those who died during the virus period. Anyone who wishes to arrange for a Memorial Mass is asked to call the office in order to plan the mass. If you would like a full funeral mass, please let your funeral home know your wishes so they can contact us to schedule. We will continue to have graveside only service as an option.



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July 21st, 5:30 pm - 7 pm

July 25th, 11 am - 1 pm

Please RSVP by sending an email to Kathleen at krowland@maltahouse.org
We are also in great need of volunteers in the Nursery, Cooking, and our Community outreach. Please go to our website for more information: www.maltahouse.org/volunteer.

PRAY For Our Men and Women Serving our Country

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Theresa Cole, US Marine Corps
Mike Lupinacci, US Marine Corps
LCDR James Lyons, US Navy
CW5 Sgt. Douglas Ortiz, Jr., US Army
Sfc. Ramil Penserga, US Army
LCDR Scott C. Pennoyer, US Navy
Pfc. Connor Reinsch, US Marine Corps
Tech Sgt. Daniel Scofield, US Air Force
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St. Thomas the Apostle
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Registration for the 2021-2022 school year is now open!!

An email link was sent to all previously enrolled students by Religious Formation. Please fill in one form for each child to be enrolled as soon as possible so that we can plan our classroom & catechist needs. *If you are new to the parish or have a child entering the 1st grade, please email Michelle or Mary at stthomasreledoffice@gmail.com. Payment is due in full by September 30th through the online giving link provided.*

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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.

Baptisms or Weddings

Please call the Rectory during regular weekday business hours for more information or to make arrangements. 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:

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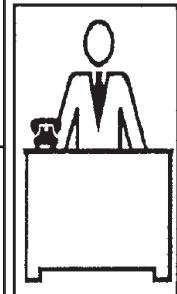
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