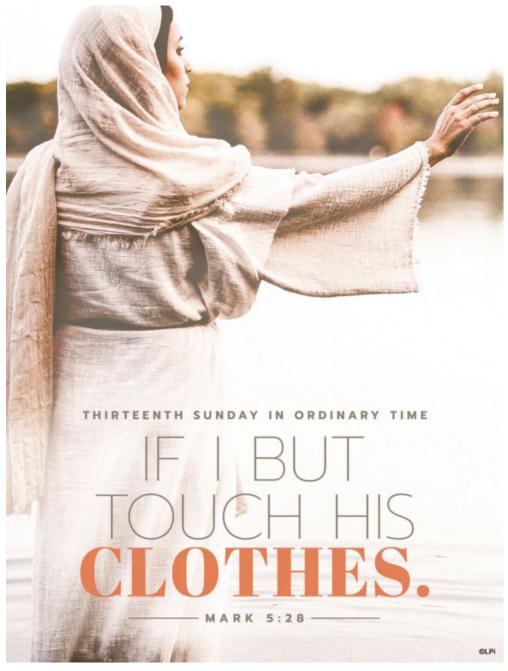


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June 30, 2024



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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, July 1

7:00 AM**†** Mary Ellen O'Hara 5:30 PM **†** Robert Michek

Tuesday, July 2

7:00 AM Intentions of Mary Scott Grimaldi

5:30 PM NO MASS

Wednesday, July3

NO MASS

Independence Day, Thursday, July 4 9:00 AM For Our Country

Friday, July 5

7:00 AM Intentions of Mary Scott Grimaldi

5:30 PM+ Mass of Remembrance

Sunday Vigil, Saturday, July 6

For Our Parishioners, Living & Deceased 5:15 PM**+**

Sunday, July 7

7:30 AM**†** Robert Michek 9:00 AM**†** Carmella Pagliano

11:30 AM**†** James & Shirley Muro & Dr. Jayme Rolls

5:00 PM **†** Theresa M. Napoletano



The Sanctuary Candle burns June 30th through July 6th in memory of Mary Ellen & Ray O'Hara.

Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them. O Lord. and Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them. Please remember in your prayers:

Patricia Muro Rev. Jose Luis Mejea Bridget O'Dwyer

We extend our sympathy to their families & friends.

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

Leia Milan Guzman Camila Jolie Soto Charlotte Noelle Kuzmich

Congratulations to their parents, families, & friends!

Rectory:

Rev. Ralph Segura Parochial Administrator (ext. 19)

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 9 - 4 Closed Wednesday, Saturday, & Sunday Rectory Staff:

Cathy Lauder Parish Secretary (ext. 10)

Finance Chair:

Ulrike Schambeck (203) 434-6488

Religious Ed Office: (203) 866-1189

Patty Frattaroli, DRE stthomasreledoffice@gmail.com

Parish Bookkeeper Monika Piascik

Facilities: Tito (Jose) Rivera

Youth Ministry: stthomasyg1@gmail.com Elizabeth Squicciarino, Coordinator Website:

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FIRST FRIDAY **ADORATION** July 5th 7:30am to 5:00pm

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

2024

\$3,494.13 \$2,427.00

(\$1,506.00)

\$4,41<u>5.1</u>3

\$ 149.13

\$4,107.00

\$2,462.00

(\$1,506.00)

\$5,063.00

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 2024 fiscal year, the annual Cathedraticum

Assessment is \$78,324. This equates to a weekly payment of

\$1,506. This represents an annual decrease of \$3,148.00 from

—MASS OF REMEMBRANCE—

There will be a special mass for all deceased parishioners on Friday, July 5, at

5:30 p.m. in the church. Family members

and friends are encouraged to attend. If you would like information about the

ministry, please contact Jane Eichwald at

(203) 838~4590.

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105.00

June 16

Collection

Net Retained

Diocesan Assessment

Diocesan Assessment

On-Line

Votives

June 23

Collection

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the prior year.

On-Line

Votives

2023

\$3,765.00 \$2,546.00

(\$1,567.00)

\$4,744.00

190.00

\$4,116.00 \$2,320.00

(\$1,567.00)

\$4,869.00

152.00

stthomasnorwalk@gmail.com

Saturday Volunteer Needed

The Food Pantry needs a volunteer for Saturday mornings from 9:30am to 12 Noon to help bag & distribute food to the needy in our community. If you can give us some time please call the Food Pantry (203) 866-1644 or the office.



Can you: Fold a shirt?
Wash a glass?
Unpack a box?

If yes, then we could use your help with our Annual GIANT Tag Sale! Drop-Offs begin August 5th.

Check the bulletin for the drop-off dates...we could use your help on any day.

Our Annual Parish Tag Sale is the largest fundraiser of the year. These funds are critical to cover our operating costs.

Please contact the Parish Office by phone or by email to let us know your availability or if you would like more information!

Our Giant Tag Sale will be the weekend of September 14th & 15th

WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP!!





Our Tag Sale Co-Chairs, Lauren Stoops & Pat Hill, are asking for a 3rd person to join them with the behind the scenes setup that makes all of their magic happen on the big weekend. For more information or to volunteer, please call the office and you will be put in contact with Pat & Lauren.

FIGHT HUNGER WITH US! We will receive a \$1 donation for every \$10.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet with the red circle sticker sold at our selected Stop & Shop in our selected month. Benefiting Organization: St. Thomas St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry Selected Month: Selected Stop & Shop: July 380 Main Avenue Norwalk

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SUNDAY JULY 7TH 1:00PM TO 4:00PM PARISH PARKING LOT



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Sign up for on-line giving and you don't have to worry about remembering to maintain your financial support of our parish. Our expenses continue every month even when classes are over & families are on the move. Sign up for on-line giving on our website, www.stthomasnorwalk.org, or scan the OR code.

Birthright is in need of gently worn *baby & maternity clothing*. Please call to arrange a drop off. They also need volunteers (especially Spanish speaking). Opportunities include friendship counseling, clerical, & clothing work. Training is provided. Please call for more information: (203) 853-4872.

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UPCOMING EVENTS IN OUR DIOCESE



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- 2 HEARING GOD'S VOICE & THE PROPHETIC GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT









on Saturday, October 26, 2024

are invited to gather at Saint Augustine Cathedral, Bridgeport

at 1:30 pm for a Mass celebrated by Bishop Caggiano Space is limited to four guests

To register, contact Patricia Hansen at phansen@diobpt.org or 203.416.1342

The mission of the Bishop's Lecture Series is to provide opportunitie for compelling adult faith formation regarding catechetical, theological or pastoral issues of contemporary importance. Each year four lectures will be given in various regions of the Diocese.

Light refreshments will be available prior to the start of the program.

After an initial period of prayer, the lecturer will present the talk that will be 45 minutes in length. After a short break, there will be a 30 minute period of conversation and dialogue with participants.

Dr. Shannen Williams to deliver the third Bishop's Lecture



Date Thursday, September 26, 2024 Time 7 pm

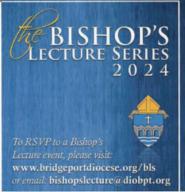
Location Edgerton Center for the Performing Arts ow Sacred Heart University's Campus Lecturer Dr. Shannen Williams

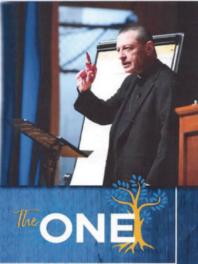
Topic In the Shadow of the Cross: Black Women and the Making of American Catholicism

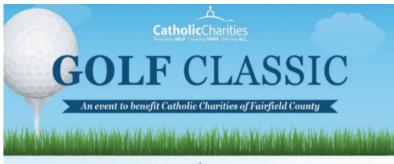
Black women, religious and lay, are overlooked prophets of American Catholicism, especially the traditions fine from the meat destructive appears of white supremacy. This talk will chart the epic journey of Black women in the American Catholic Church, psying particular attention to the Afoo-fourisine foundations of American Catholicism, the momentum barriers broken by Black Catholic women and girk in secular and spiritual arexa, and the transformative promises of Black Catholic women's blacty.

De Shammen Dee Williams is Associate Professor of History at the University of Dayton. She is the author of <u>Subvertive Hoists</u>: Black Catholic Vines in the Long African American Freedom Straegle (Dabe University Press, 2022), which was named a up five book published in religion by Publishers' Weekly in 2022. Subversive Habits also received the 2022 Lettita Woods Brown Award for Best Book in African American Women's History from the Association of Black Women Historians and the 2023 Wesley-Logan Prize for Cutstanding Book in African Disapone History from the American Hatorical Association and the Association for the Study of African American Life and History.

A Distinguished Lecturer for the Organization of American Historians, Dr. Williams authored the award-wirming column, "The Griot's Cross," published by the Catholic News Service from 2020 to 2022.







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MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2024

Golf Registration & Lunch 10:30 AM - 12 PM
Shotgun Start at 12:30 PM SHARP
Tennis Registration 2 PM
Tournament 2:15 - 4:45 PM
Cocktails & Buffet Dinner 5 - 7 PM (Post-golf)



Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference 2024



Join us on Saturday, September 21st, at Northwest Catholic High School for a day that deepens and enriches your faith journey, where each year attendees' spiritual growth is magnified. The theme, "The Four Last Things: Death, Judgment, Heaven, Hell," will be explored by dynamic speakers. The event includes a special procession of over 24 Saint reliquaries, Eucharistic Adoration, Exhibitors, Confession, and closes with Mass celebrated by Archbishop Christopher J. Coyne. Doors open at 7:30am, event begins at 8:30am, concluding with the Vigil Mass. Tickets are \$45 for adults and \$30 for Teen Ticket (13 to 19 yrs old).

Visit www.ctcatholicmen.org for tickets and details.

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
Spc. Daniel Gonzales, US Army
MIDN 4/C Tatiana V. Arias, US Navy
Sgt. Matthew Montanez, US Army
CPL Larry Joyce, US Marine Corps

IT'S TIME TO REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS ED!

If you are entering kindergarten through 6th grade in September and have not received an email from Rel. Ed, please go to our website homepage and click the link to the Religious Ed Registration page. Kindergarten is not mandatory and is free for all who attend. Please sign up ASAP so we can plan our class sizes and teacher needs.

If you are entering a Catholic school Second Grade, you also need to sign up for First Communion through the St. Thomas program.

The children's bulletin is now available online on our website bulletin page. It is a downloadable PDF and may be printed at home for your children to participate in the readings with word games and coloring. We hope you find this a useful tool.



2024 ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL
We have raised 126 gifts worth \$36,413 bringing our parish to 57.98% 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 Bishops Appeal.org, call (203) 416-1470, or scan with your phone.





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:

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Room To Grow Preschool: (203) 831-8200 Nancy Cook-Owens, *Director*

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Saturdays

The Second Chance Thrift Shop (203) 318-9817 HOURS 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM Tuesdays & Thursdays 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM Wednesdays 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry: (203) 866-1644 HOURS 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM Tuesdays & Saturdays Only

Birthright of Norwalk:

(203) 853-4872

Catholic Charities: (203) 416-1307

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.

14oz to 19oz jelly

9oz to 12oz box of cereal

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Thursday, July 4th, the parish offices are closed. There is one mass at 9am. The Food Pantry is closed Tuesday, July 2nd, & Saturday, July 6th. The Thrift Store is closed Wednesday, July 3rd, & Thursday, July 4th, Have a fun, safe holiday!



Enter Parish Center driveway from Promitt Street Entrance is first red door on the right

(203) 318-9817

PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS IN NEED OF PRAYER.

If you would like to add or removed a name 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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Debbie Reddock	James Amrich	Theresa Buono	Linda Lima	Merina Deluc	George Travers
Pearl Futo	Robert Parmalee	Mike Torres	Emily Calabrese	Anne Edwards	Phil Tavella
Jack Cade	Constance Williams	Skip Bossone	Marie Silver	Grace DeMilo	Hamilton Family
Gary Livia	Peggy McDonald	Kimberly Frataloni	Jeanette Ralston	Pam Simso	Anthony Bruno
Julia Cade	Marianne Schambeck	Cathy Sinica	Richard Berg	Jeannetta Torres	Angela McCrae
Jeannie Maxwell	Michele Mola-Gulemi	Richard Barton	Antonio Vescio	Diane Turek	Debbie Poruban
Vicki	Betty Lou Heffernan	Joan Kennedy	Chuck Scott	Jackie Hamilton	Denise Cassin
Ginny DeMarco	1 st Sgt. Joe Toscano (Ret.)	Alessandro Fornara	David R.	John Lima	Paul Rohan
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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

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.

The Food Pantry is open Tuesdays & Saturdays 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. 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









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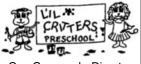
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