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## THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

June 23, 2024

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— MARK 4:41 —

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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**Rev. Ralph Segura, Parochial Administrator**  
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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 24

7:00 AM† Ellen Morrone  
5:30 PM Personal & Family Health & Welfare

**No Adoration**

#### Tuesday, June 25

7:00 AM Intentions of Mary Scott Grimaldi  
5:30 PM NO MASS

#### Wednesday, June 26

NO MASS

#### Thursday, June 27

5:30 PM† Peggy Barrella (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)

#### Friday, June 28

7:00 AM† Sivagami Sarathy  
5:30 PM† Vance Willis

#### Sunday Vigil, Saturday, June 29

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

#### Sunday, June 30

7:30 AM Intentions of Mary Scott Grimaldi  
9:00 AM† Robert LeBlanc  
11:30 AM† Judith Patla  
5:00 PM† Harold J. Hughes, Jr.

## PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Due to personnel vacation time, we do not have the complete collection figures in time for publication of the bulletin. We will report the collection in next week's issue.

### 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 BACK!

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.

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



*The Sanctuary Candle burns June 23<sup>rd</sup> through June 29<sup>th</sup> in memory of Rafael Segura.*

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

**Deleze Sweet Montanaro Jane Howley  
Robert Allen Ainley Richard Heath**

We extend our sympathy to their families & friends.

The June 24<sup>th</sup>, Monday Night Adoration is cancelled. It will be back the following week.

#### Rectory:

Rev. Ralph Segura  
Parochial Administrator (ext. 19)

#### Rectory Staff:

Cathy Lauder  
Parish Secretary (ext. 10)

#### Religious Ed Office:

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Patty Frattaroli, DRE  
stthomasreledoffice@gmail.com

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Elizabeth Squicciarino, Coordinator

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Ulrike Schambeck  
(203) 434-6488

#### Parish Bookkeeper

Monika Piascik

#### Facilities:

Tito (Jose) Rivera

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

[stthomasnorwalk@gmail.com](mailto:stthomasnorwalk@gmail.com)

(203) 866-3141

(203) 866-1219 Fax

## OUR FOOD PANTRY NEEDS A VOLUNTEER

We are in need of a volunteer on Friday mornings from 8:00am to 10:00am to help with deliveries. If you can give us some time please call the Food Pantry (203) 866-1644 or the office.

DO YOU LIKE TO KNIT OR CROCHET?  
JOIN THE PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

We supply all the materials at our meetings and discuss if there have been any special requests made. **The next meeting is Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 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.*

## 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

Shampoo  
Bar Soap

Tooth Paste  
Toilet Paper

Paper Towel  
Facial Tissues

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE ANSWERED OUR REQUESTS! YOU HAVE REALLY HELPED THE NEEDY IN OUR COMMUNITY.**

## VOLUNTEER

All that's missing is **U!**  
Can you: **Fold a shirt?**

**Wash a glass?**

**Unpack a box?**

If yes, then we could use your help with our Annual Tag Sale! Drop-Offs begin August 5<sup>th</sup>. 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 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>**

**WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP!!**



### 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.*

**REMINDER:** No priest will ever send you an email asking for a purchase of gift cards or anything else. These are scam emails & should be moved to your spam folder. Please do not respond to these emails. **If you are ever unsure of anything please do not hesitate to call the office or ask Fr. Ralph after mass.**

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

## SECOND CHANCE

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*INFORMATION FROM FR. RALPH*

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO BRING UP THE GIFTS  
AT MASS FOR A FAMILY MEMBER OR  
FRIEND?**



**PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT  
203-866-3141 SO THAT WE CAN MAKE  
ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE USHERS  
WHEN YOU COME TO MASS PLEASE INFORM THE  
PRIEST FOR INSTRUCTIONS ON  
BRINGING UP THE GIFTS.**



Our Tag Sale Co-Chairs, Lauren Stoops & Pat Hill, are asking for a 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

**VACATION TIME IS HERE!  
HELP US MAINTAIN OUR WEEKLY  
LEVELS OF OFFERTORY!!**

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](http://www.stthomasnorwalk.org), or scan the QR code.



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



### 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](http://troop222.norwalk.scoutlander.com).

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John Stoops

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Director

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We have raised 114 gifts worth \$36,213 bringing our parish to 57.66% of its \$62,800 goal. Any and all gifts are greatly appreciated.  
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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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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:

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 Fratloni	Jeanette Ralston	Pam Simso	Anthony Bruno
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Vicki	Betty Lou Heffernan	Joan Kennedy	Chuck Scott	Jackie Hamilton	Denise Cassin
Ginny DeMarco	1 <sup>st</sup> Sgt. Joe Toscano (Ret.)	Alessandro Fornara	David R.	John Lima	Patricia M.
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Michelle Vittorio	Carolyn Hill	Steve C.	Stefanie Sena	MaryAnn P.	Jeff Mallory
Vinnie McMahon	Andy Tao	Heather Ribellino	Liz Fox		



**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](mailto:wegiesj@hotmail.com). If you cannot reach Sue, please call the office at (203) 866-3141.



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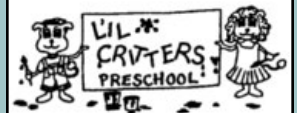
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