

ST. JOHN CHURCH, CROMWELL



"From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly." - Lk 1:48b-49, 52

Sunday, August 15, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 5:00 Vigil: Deceased members of the Majewicz family, r/b their family
7:30 Alice Heaphy, 2nd anniversary, r/b Ron & Pat Heaphy
9:30 All parishioners living and deceased
11:30 Ottavio Tata, r/b the Venziano & Calafiore families

*The Rosary is prayed before Mass daily at 8:35 a.m.
Perpetual Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Chapel of Divine Mercy (entrance from lower parking lot).*

Monday, August 16, St. Stephen of Hungary

9:00 Helen Sawicki

Tuesday, August 17

9:00 Albin Kocialski

Wednesday, August 18

9:00 A Special Intention

Thursday, August 19, St. John Eudes, priest

9:00 A Special Intention

Friday, August 20, St. Bernard, abbot & doctor of the Church

9:00 John Paul Ethier, r/b St. John Church Staff

Saturday, August 21, St. Pius, X

5:00 Nellie & Bob Ondrick, r/b their family

Sunday, August 22, Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 A Special Intention
9:30 All parishioners living and deceased
11:30 Kurt Grothman, r/b the Moore Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Shannon Cody, Benjamin Cantwell,
Ellie Frisk, Alice Young, Rose
Spagnulo, Michael Peck, Richard H.

Peck, Dominic Serlise, Charles V. Conte, Mary Kelly Brown, Josephine Reck, Caroll Nettis, Bridget Flanagan, Sarah Lorenzo, Rose Roberto, Donna Callahan, Kathy Rand, Armand Cook, Claudia Kondracky, Bill Connell, Robert Stetson, Florence McIntyre, Henrietta Bernal, Carolyn Record, Rosalie Pitruzzello, Peter Young, Janis Gianni, Karen Ireland, Phyllis Kelly, Josie Anderson, John Dooney, Howard Nielsen, Jr., Richard "Rick" Brown, Mary DeJohn, Kathleen Linehan, Margaret Ward, Jerilyn LaFargue, Carol Goulart, L. Johnson, Pasquale Fasciani, Christine Guerriero, Maureen Schappert, Michelle Delisle, Kelly Franklin, Francis Ethier, Mike Cosker, Dr. John Conroy, William White, Cameron Rahman, Katherine Sabb, Thomas Danaher, Marie Griffin, Linda Coons, Sylvia Costa, Lucille McCarthy, Dean Smith, Wyatt Creamans, Julia Supranovich, Joan Milardo, Nancy Magrogan, Louis Petrella, Maria Bordonaro, and Donald Carney.

O Lord, Jesus Christ, Divine Healer, grant me peace of mind and perfect trust in You in my time of distress. Give me control over my fears. Grant that I may be cooperative and patient with Your Will, trusting that You will restore me to full health. Amen.

Please call 635-5590 to add or remove names from the prayer list

Your Sacrificial Offering

Weekly \$5,527.00

Thank you for your sacrificial giving.

Welcome Fr. Mark!

We welcome our new pastor, Fr. Mark Leo Cureski to our congregation! We are blessed to have Fr. Mark here, and look forward to serving the Lord together!

FAREWELL RECEPTIONS FOR FR. RAYMOND

Everyone is invited to join us as we bid farewell and best wishes to Fr. Raymond on this weekend. We will be hosting receptions in the church hall following all Masses. Please join us in thanking Fr. Raymond for all he has done for our parish, as he leaves us and begins his new assignment in Kensington.

CALLED TO PROTECT TRAINING SESSION

On Tuesday September 7th at 6:30 p.m., and again on Saturday September 11th at 9:00 a.m. "Called to Protect" will be presented here at our Church. (you only need to attend one session) The workshop is a video-based educational program designed to keep children and families, ministers, employees, volunteers, parishes and diocese, and youth ministries safe from child sexual abuse. ***If you are in a ministry with direct contact to our children and have not attended a session as of yet, you are required to attend a 'Called to Protect' workshop.*** Families are also encouraged to attend a session. Please contact Barbara Bartalotta as soon as possible to register. You can reach her at 860-635-5870 or email her at bcbart@sbcglobal.net

Backpack and School Supply Collection

A Message from Community Outreach:

Community Outreach is collecting backpacks and school supplies for children in need. Please return the backpack with the tag attached to it and place on the Altar **this weekend, August 15-16**. If you have any questions please contact Jean Ryan at 635.6028 or ryanjeanc@aol.com.

Baptism Instruction Class will be held next Sunday, August 22nd at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Proper. Please call the Parish Office to register.



Faith Formation

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FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE 2010/2011

1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Grades

WIS School - Saturday morning 9:00 – 10:15AM

Begins on Saturday October 2, 2010

Grade 5

WIS Elementary – Monday – 3:30-4:45PM

Parents will pick their child up at 4:45PM.

Begins Monday October 4, 2010

Grade 6

St. John Church Hall - Tuesday – 3:00 - 4:30PM

Parents will pick their child up in the church hall at 4:30PM

Begins Tuesday October 5, 2010

Grade 7

St. John Church Hall - Tuesday – 6:30-7:45PM

Begins Tuesday October 5, 2010

Grade 8

St. John Church Hall – Monday – 6:30 - 7:45PM

Begins Monday October 4, 2010

Grade 9 – First Year Confirmation Preparation

Sunday - 5:00PM - 6:00PM – Church Hall

Mandatory Parent/Candidate Meeting

Sunday September 26, 2010

Grade 10 – Second Year Confirmation Preparation

Sunday - 6:30PM - 7:30PM Church Hall

Mandatory Parent/Candidate Meeting

Sunday September 26, 2010

CATECHISTS NEEDED FOR 2010-2011

Grade 1 2

Grade 3 1

Grade 5 2

Grade 6 2

Grade 7 5

Grade 8 2

Grade 9 1

Grade 10 3

Anyone interested please contact Dotty as soon as possible.

CATECHISTS

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Catechetical Sunday is on September 19th. All Catechists are requested to attend the 9:30 Mass that morning. A reception will follow in the church hall.

*Learning
with
Friendship*

St. John Women's Group

Circle the date:

Wednesday-September 29, 2010

Time: 7:00 - 9:00pm

Evening for Parish Music Ministers

Friday, September 24, 2010

7 PM to 9 PM

Cathedral of St. Patrick, Norwich

Cost: \$10 per person

To register for this event: E mail

worship@norwichdiocese.net

Or call 860-848-2237 x 203

The St. John Church Welcoming Committee will host a Welcoming Gathering/Registration Meeting for **New Parishioners** in the Church hall on Thursday August 19 at 7:00 p.m. All new parishioners and their families are required to attend a registration gathering. Please call the parish office to sign-up. (635-5590)

Are you silently grieving over a past abortion?

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT for Healing after Abortion. Most people are unaware of the emotional impact a past abortion can have on a person. If you or someone you know is grieving from a past abortion, then experience the healing love of Christ. Retreat combines discussions, spiritual exercises, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Memorial Service and Mass. Participation is confidential and offers an opportunity to experience God's love and forgiveness. All inquiries are kept in the strictest of confidence. For information or to register for the Sept. 17-19 Retreat in Fairfield, CT call 203-218-0291.

Rachel's Vineyard Website: www.rachelsvineyard.org

Engaged Couples - Marriage Preparation Class

"God's Plan for a Joy-filled Marriage" offered by the Office of Family Life. To register for the 9 hour class please call 860-889-8346 ext.283.

Dates: Friday, October 15, 22, 29 & November 5, 2010

Time: 7:00p.m. – 9:15p.m.

Location: St. John's, 22 Maple Ave., Uncasville, 06382

Cost: \$45.00 per couple for class materials

The next set of classes will be in January 2011.



Today is the day we say "farewell" to Fr. Raymond, who has been our pastor for 15 years. In that time we have grown very fond of him, and have appreciated his ministry very much. We will certainly miss him. Fr. Raymond has offered his gifts and has worked diligently for the building up of our Church. By the grace of God, he has served us well.

Fr. Raymond, on September 10, 1995, you were installed as Pastor of St. John Church to proclaim God's Word, to baptize new members into the Church, to announce God's forgiveness to our members, and to preside at celebrations of the Lord's Supper. With the Gospel you have comforted our members in times of sickness and trouble, and at the death of our loved ones. Sharing our joys and sorrows, you have been important to the Church of St. John and in our service to the communities around. On this day we celebrate you and your fifteen years of ministry and service. As you begin your new assignment in Kensington, though your role will change, we pray that you continue to receive and share God's wondrous gifts of grace.

May God's richest blessings be upon you.



Perpetual Adoration

"THE MASTER IS HERE AND IS ASKING FOR YOU."

John 11:28

OPEN ADORATION HOURS

Please fill shaded areas first:

Sunday:	5 a.m. – 6 a.m. 3 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Monday:	1 a.m. – 2 a.m. 2 a.m. – 3 a.m. 3 a.m. – 4 a.m. 9 a.m. – 10 a.m.
Tuesday:	1 a.m. – 2 a.m. 2 a.m. – 3 a.m. 3 a.m. – 4 a.m. 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Wednesday:	3 a.m. – 4 a.m.
Thursday:	1 a.m. – 2 a.m. 2 a.m. – 3 a.m. 4 a.m. – 5 a.m. 5 a.m. – 6 a.m.
Friday:	1 a.m. – 2 a.m. 2 a.m. – 3 a.m.
Saturday:	2 a.m. – 3 a.m. 3 a.m. – 4 a.m. 4 a.m. – 5 a.m. 10a.m. – 11 am. 5 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Call Roger at 635-1918

A COMMITTED ADORER IS ONE WHO PROMISES TO BE HERE ON A CERTAIN DAY AT A CERTAIN TIME FOR ONE HOUR.

Ordinary Time is anything *but* ordinary.

In the Church's liturgical calendar, ordinary simply means numbered; the Sundays of Ordinary Time are known by their numbers. What Ordinary Time celebrates is everything that happens between the birth of Jesus and the coming of the Holy Spirit, as well as all that has happened since.

As an important part of that annual cycle of celebration, the Church honors Jesus by honoring Mary, his Mother and the first disciple. In August, we remember Mary in a special way as we celebrate her **Assumption**.



August 15 is the day that Catholics have long celebrated what is called the Dormition (falling asleep) or **Assumption of the Virgin Mary**. The Feast of the Assumption celebrates both the happy departure of Mary from this life by her natural death, and her assumption bodily into heaven.

Now at the end of the summer season, the Church celebrates the most glorious "harvest festival" in the Communion of Saints -- Mary, the supremely blessed one among women, Mary, the most

precious fruit which has ripened in the fields of God's kingdom, is today taken into heaven.

"By contemplating Mary in heavenly glory, we understand that the earth is not the definitive homeland for us either, and that if we live with our gaze fixed on eternal goods we will one day share in this same glory and the earth will become more beautiful. Consequently, we must not lose our serenity and peace even amid the thousands of daily difficulties. The luminous sign of Our Lady taken up into Heaven shines out even more brightly when sad shadows of suffering and violence seem to loom on the horizon.

"We may be sure of it: from on high, Mary follows our footsteps with gentle concern, dispels the gloom in moments of darkness and distress, reassures us with her motherly hand. Supported by awareness of this, let us continue confidently on our path of Christian commitment wherever Providence may lead us. Let us forge ahead in our lives under Mary's guidance".

— Pope Benedict XVI, General Audience at Castel Gandolfo Aug. 16, 2006

ST. JOHN CHURCH PARISH POLICIES

BAPTISMS: Baptisms are generally not ministered during the Lenten Season. Parents planning to have their baby baptized must receive instruction prior to Baptism. The next instruction *Class will be held on, August 22nd, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.* Please meet in the Church. You must first register with Fr. Raymond (635-5590).

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES: A person wishing to be a sponsor for the Sacraments of Baptism or Confirmation must be a registered member in good standing with our Church.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements for weddings need to be made in person by the parties of the proposed marriage at least one year in advance and prior to setting any date. **PLEASE TAKE NOTE:**

Norms for Marriage in the Diocese of Norwich require that those planning marriages should contact the priest one year prior to the marriage.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING is given to those who are seriously ill or about to undergo surgery. Please call the parish office, 635-5590.

COMMUNION TO THOSE WHO ARE HOMEBOUND: Special ministers of the Eucharist may bring Communion to the home of those who are homebound. The priests will visit once a month.

Silver and Gold Jubilee Anniversary Mass

Sunday, October 10, 2010 ~ 2:00p.m.

Inviting all couples married 25 & 50 years, also those celebrating any anniversary year, to participate in and renew your wedding vows in a Pontifical Mass which will be celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Norwich. Light refreshments will be provided in the Cathedral Hall following the Mass. Please call your Rectory/Parish office to register for this beautiful Jubilee Anniversary Celebration. For information call Susan Williams at 860-889-8346 ext. 283

TWENTIETH ANNUAL BLUE MASS FOR ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Sunday, September 26, 2010, at 10:15 a.m.

All law enforcement officers (federal, state, and municipal, active and retired) and their families are invited to the Nineteenth Annual Blue Mass and Reception, Sunday, September 26, 2010, in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick, 10:15 a.m. Bishop Cote, the Bishop of Norwich, will celebrate the Mass and Monsignor Robert L. Brown, Diocesan Chancellor, will be the Homilist. Connecticut State Police Trooper First Class Victor E. Lenda, Jr., (Ret.), and Norwich Police Chief Louis J. Fusaro, Sr., are the Blue Mass Co-Chairs. For more information, please call TFC Lenda, Chief Fusaro, or Monsignor Brown at 860-887-9294, ext. 232.

Readings for the Week of August 15, 2010

Sunday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Monday: Ez 24:15-23/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Ez 28:1-10/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ez 34:1-11/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Ez 36:23-28/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ez 37:1-14/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ez 43:1-7b/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 66:18-21/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30