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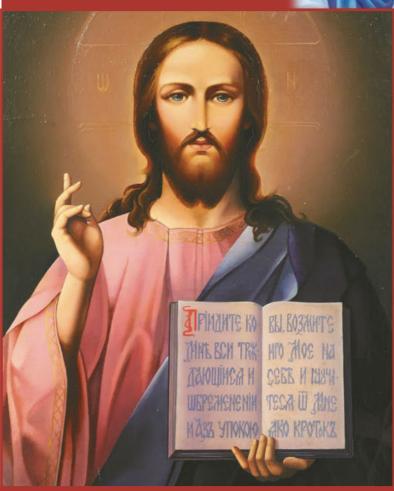
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5[™] SUNDAY OF EASTER

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[Jesus said,] "My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another." - Jn 13:33a, 34a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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MASS TIMES

Saturday Confessions & Vigil Mass (Notre Dame): Confessions: 3:00 PM • Mass: 4:00 PM

Sunday Mass: 8:00 AM (St. Colman) • 9:30 AM (St. Colman)

Daily Mass: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 1st Saturday 8:00 AM (Notre Dame)

Holy Rosary: Saturday 8:00 AM (Notre Dame) • Saturday 3:30 PM (Notre Dame)

PASTOR: Very Reverend Jan Swiderski • DEACON: Peter L. Gill

Mission Statement: The Parish, as part of the Mystical Body of Christ, should have Christ's vision of love & should invite & assist all people to respond to God's universal call to holiness by proclaiming the Word, building His community, celebrating His liturgy & serving His people.



For the Week of May 15, 2022—May 22, 2022

Saturday, May 14, 2022

Vigil of Fifth Sunday of Easter

4:00 PM Mass (Notre Dame) † Salvatore & Antoinetta Merenda by Patti & Sal Merenda; † William Bryant III (Grandson of Mary Ennis) by Jim & Elaine Norowski

Sunday, May 15, 2022

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM Mass (St. Colman) † Elizabeth "Betty" Arrigoni by Loving husband, Charles

9:30 AM Mass (St. Colman) † Joseph J. Devlin by Joseph R. Devlin

Monday, May 16, 2022

8:00 AM Mass (Notre Dame) † Joseph Romboli

7:00 PM



(Notre Dame) Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

8:00 AM Mass (Notre Dame) † Frederick H. Perkins Jr. (Father of Very Rev. Dennis M. Perkins)

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

8:00 AM Mass (Notre Dame) † Ellen Snigg Donovan (100th Birthday Remembrance) by the Curry family

Thursday, May 19, 2022

No Mass

Friday, May 20, 2022

8:00 AM Mass (Notre Dame) † Edward Matuszkiewicz

Saturday, May 21, 2022

Vigil of Sixth Sunday of Easter

4:00 PM Mass (Notre Dame) † Angelo & Carolina Greco by Patti & Sal Merenda:

Sunday, May 22, 2022

Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM Mass (St. Colman) †

9:30 AM Mass (St. Colman) † Gary Perruccio by Debbie & Sarah Spitzmacher; † Frederick H. Perkins Jr. by the Finance Committee







An Act of Consecration to the

Blessed Virgin Mary Holy Mary, Mother of God and Virgin, I choose thee this day for my queen, patron, and advocate, and firmly resolve and purpose never to abandon thee, never to say or do anything against

thee, nor to permit that aught be done by others to dishonor thee. Receive me, then, I conjure thee, as thy perpetual servant; assist me in all my actions, and do not abandon me at the hour of my death. Amen. — St. John Berchmans

All Daily Weekday Masses

ALL weekday Masses are being celebrated at 8:00 a.m. at Notre Dame Church on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays until further notice.

Saturday/Sunday Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil 4 PM, Notre Dame Church Sunday 8 AM and 9:30 AM are being celebrated at St. Colman Church until further notice. Confessions- Saturday 3:00pm, Notre Dame Church Masks are optional. Thank you!!

Saturday Vigil Mass (N.D) May 21, 2022 4:00 PM			
Lector	Eucharistic Minister		
Karen Whalen	Sal Merenda		
Sunday Mass (St. Colman) May 22, 2022 8:00 AM & 9:30 AM			
Lector	Eucharistic Minister		
8:00 AM (St. Colman)			
Maryann Boord	Paul Oville		
9:30 AM (St. Colman)			
Gail Mullaney	Joe Morin		



Wedding Bann Bill & Jen Murphy



Our Lady of Mercy Parish invites you to join our **Daily Virtual Rosary starting** Sunday, May 1st through Tuesday, May 31st.

Everyone is invited to pray the Rosary with us for the conversion of sinners, to bring peace to the world, and to bring an end to war. We welcome you to join us in this important time of prayer.

We will start at 7:00 PM each evening.

For copy of closing prayers please email scndchurches@comcast.net

May 1, 2022 until May 31, 2022, Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83728349071? pwd=ZytQNIZKbG4rN1dmZmRuU1hPODZWQT09

Meeting ID: 837 2834 9071

Passcode needed to enter meeting: 286004

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



2022-2023 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

Dear Parents and Guardians, Thank you to all of the parents who have already registered for 2022-2023 Faith Formation classes.

This is a reminder that if you have not yet registered for Faith Formation classes, it's not too late.

We need to have registration forms for all children wishing to be in the program asap in order to have the appropriate number of teachers, books and supplies for next year's classes. For further information, please contact the Faith Formation Office at 860-349-3059.

Dear Friends,

Amazing Grace Food Pantry, a ministry of St. Vincent DePaul Middletown, gratefully acknowledges your recent generous donation of 99 pounds of healthy food on 05/02/2022. Each month, more than 800 famílies 'shop' at our Amazing Grace food pantry, and over 24,000 food items are distributed free of charge to those famílies. Your generous contribution helps keep the pantry shelves stocked so that we are able to meet the needs of \bigcap families in our community. Whether you bring food to Amazing Grace once a year or every month, please know that your commitment to helping families in need is greatly appreciated. May God continue to bless 👖 you and your family this year. Sincerely, Kathleen Kelly Coordinator Amazing Grace Food Pantry

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View daily readings, Bulletins, Messages, Mass times & manage online giving! Stay connected! Eucharistic Adoration Monday Night Notre Dame Church 7:00—8:00 PM

Join Fr. Jan and others in prayer, meditation and personal time with our Lord! The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available.



ABC WOMEN'S BANQUET 2022

I would like to personally thank all of our supporters for making our 2022 Annual Banquet such a success. It was such a humbling experience to see and meet so many people that have supported us throughout the years, prayed for us, volunteered or been a part of our Board of Directors. Our goal for the night was \$60,000. We are excited to announce that we surpassed our goal for the Banquet for the first time in 3 years. Words cannot express how grateful I am to have such a community of God speaking out for the unborn. At the banquet I announced that the ABC Women's Center is opening a second location and launching a Men's Program, D.A.D. (Determined and Devoted). The new location is at 8 Concord Street in New Britain. With a new location and a new program, comes new challenges. Here is how you can help us:

We are seeking to hire a RDMS (sonographer)
We are also looking for Client Advocates to work in either the women's or men's programs.

If you or someone you know is interested in either one of these positions, please feel free to reach out God bless,

Anna Montalvo Executive Director

Craft Group

We will meet Every Wednesday at 9:00 AM at Notre Dame Church Hall, the following dates: May 18, 25; **Once a month** for the following: **June 8, July 13, August 10**



SAVE THE DATE

Tickets will be sold after all Masses, the weekends of May 22, 29 and June 5th. See you there!

EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL WITH BISHOP ROBERT BARRON

Join us to see Bishop Robert Barron as we kick off the Eucharistic Revival in the Diocese of Norwich.

Beginning in June, The USCCB will launch a multi-year Eucharistic revival which will culminate in a National Eucharistic Congress. Throughout the next three years, the Diocese of Norwich and its parishes will foster a deeper love for the Holy Eucharist among the faithful. To kick off the event, the Office of Faith Events is sponsoring a bus trip to Boston's Eucharistic Congress in Lowell, MA on June 18th. The trip will leave from the Cathedral of St. Patrick or St. Matthew, Tolland at 6am. The cost is \$93 which includes the conference fee, transportation and taxes. To register, go to https://bit.ly/2Laol7Y or contact Marianne Nicholas at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net or call (860)848-2237

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Additional Mother's Day Mass Intention :

Father Jan will remember in his prayers, throughout the month of May, the following dear women held close to your hearts:

+Mary Erazmus in honor of Clara Oblon by M/M Ron & Cynthia Oblon

+Diana D'Amours &+ Lorette Morin by M/M Joseph Morin

+The Mother's of M/M Seeley Kellogg Families

+The Mother's of Ms. Maria Rose Macri Families

+The Mother's of M/M Thomas Gwiazda

+Deceased Mom's & Grandmom's of M/M George Gorton

+Anna Archacki & +Anna Marie Nelson by Carol and John Nelson

+Betty Marden and +Irene Warzecka by M/M Doug Marden

+Maryanna Mrozowski and +Anna Satagaj by Ted and Ann Satagaj

DIOCESAN VIRTUAL SUMMER MISSION

Join us for the Diocesan Virtual Summer Mission on Wednesdays Evenings June- 1, 8, 15, and 22 from 7 -7:45pm.

The mission is called Go and Make Disciples: What the Bible Teaches Us about Evangelization.

Evangelization- just the thought of it can make us squirm. Really? Talking to people about Jesus? How can we do that naturally without everyone feeling awkward?

As Catholics, evangelization isn't optional- it is our calling. Thankfully, we have a guidebook that teaches us exactly how to do it- the Bible.

Our speaker, Emily Ricci will walk us through evangelization strategies found in the Old and New Testament. Emily Ricci is the owner of the Catholic Marketing Company Gloriam Marketing as well as New Testament Teacher at Mount Saint Mary College in Newburgh, NY. To join us, contact Marianne Nicholas at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net or call (860)8482237 ex. 305.

Crowning of the Blessed Mother

The month of May offers much to celebrate. We honor our heavenly mother, the Blessed Virgin Mary and *all our mothers*. Mary has a unique and privileged place in salvation history and in the Church. It is a tradition to honor Mary in a special way during the month of May, often through the crowning of the statue of the Blessed Mother, in recognition of her role as Queen of All Saints. We ask her to watch over all of our wonderful

mothers for guidance and strength who have given us life and love!







Our First Holy Communicants

Abigail Gold Notre Dame Church May 07, 2022 4:00 PM

St, Colman Church Middlefield May 08, 2022 9:30 AM

Our Lady of Mercy Congratulates Our First Holy Communicants May 8, 2022

Felicity Albrecht
Donald Biancardi
Leo Casillo
Charlotte Collin
Nicholas Gonthier
Kacey Kilroy
Brody McKenna
Cole Olszewski
Benjamin Oneto
Emilio Parente
William Piteo
Brayden Romano
Owen Ronan
Lucas St. John

Katharine Bazydola Mason Burke Preston Calhoun Abigail Gold Ella Griswold Lacee Lonergan Audrey Olszewski Cathleen O'Rourke Rylee Palo Campbell Rivera Colin Ronan Braden Stern Mia St. John Ainsley Ulstad





"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." — 18 12124-235

Readings for the week of May 15, 2022

Sundays: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/

Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16/Jn

14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab,

21/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Jn

15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10/Jn

15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12/Jn

15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-

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Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/

Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

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Our Lady of Mercy				
Weekly Collection 99 Envelopes	\$3,714.00			
Online Giving 52 Contributors	\$1,928.00			
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TOTAL WEEKLY	\$5,642.00	\$8,800.00	-\$3,158.00	
Monthly Collection	\$247.00			
Easter Collection	\$100.00			
St. John Paul School	\$25.00			
Mother's Day Intentions	\$98.00			
Sick/Infirmed Priests	\$50.00			
Ascension 5/26/22	\$50.00			
Seminary	\$622.00			
Wall Project	\$15.00			
Tag Sale	\$2,508.00			

Parish Collection: May 07 – May 08, 2022

St. Margaret of Cortona | May 16

Though St. Margaret of Cortona (1247 – 1297) is today known as being an incredibly pious Catholic, she didn't start out that way. Born into a farming family in Laviano, Tuscany, her mother died when St. Margaret was seven. Her father remarried, but life with her stepmother was so difficult that St. Margaret moved out of the home and instead chose to live with a man named Arsenio, though they weren't married. They had been living together for nine years when she gave birth to a son. Knowing in her heart that this wasn't the life that God intended for her to have, she prayed for purity. One day while waiting for Arsenio, his dog led her into the forest where she found Arsenio murdered. So shocked was St. Margaret that she fell into a life of penance. She and her son returned to Laviano, but still found her stepmother to be as unwelcoming as ever. They then went to Cortona, and eventually her son became a friar.

Three years after her conversion, St. Margaret followed in her son's footsteps and became a Franciscan tertiary. During her life, St. Margaret established a hospital and founded a congregation of tertiary sisters. She was canonized in 1728.

Please Pray for Our Sick and Homebound

PLEASE NOTE: the prayer list for those in our community who are ill or homebound will be published as space permits. Please check it over to see if there are names that may be removed/added. Please contact the Rectory (860-349-3058) with your corrections/additions.

Carol R., Fr. Dan Kelley, Sandy, Alyce Felt, Nancy Glenn, Paul Simpson, Ellen Kelley, Emma and Joseph Afflitto, Stuart Laribee, Denyse Earley, Scott Hurlburt, Maria Thody, Ronald Smith, Linda T., Mary Regan, Susan Hurlbert, Jack Grotti, S.W., B.M., Brent Manzara, Mark Folce, Kegan Marero, Karen Carbone, Anthony Bazydola, Sylvia Fazzino, Linda Roque, Marguerite Wilkins, Dolores Caturano, Shirley Bielefield, Gabby, Marie Kaczynski, Faith Y., Adam Verchinski, Beatrice Berretta, Joseph Graham, Christina Almeida, Phyllis Amoit, Rosemarie Naples, Rose Dunlop, Teresa Searcy, Matthew Cyrus, E. & D., Elaine & Henry Genga, Jim Potash, John, Mr. & Mrs. Rowsome, Mary Shannon Lombaro, Joseph Sullivan, Sr., Mike Paoletto, Sr., Carin Plante, Kim & Ethan Fountain, Mike D., Cheryl G., Ann Marie Uliano, Sharon Hines, Audrey Helen Pavlak, Anthony Ciccomascolo, Jr., Michael Bentz, Sandra Miller, Andrew Pavlak, Patty Van Dolson, Dorothy Wallett,

Betty Kindschi, Carol Wilkas, Joann Nothangle, Lynn Fiducia, Greyson & Chloe Aldinger, a beloved friend, Mark Pagnozzi, Marie Giordano, Joel Rivera, Ethan, Gloria Lake, Karen, William Mulvey, David Mastroianni, Christina Mastroianni, Melissa Rodgers and Steven Dinello, Keelin Simpson, Catherine Villwolch, Kailey, Stella Rudaitis, Pauline Duquette, Mary Ennis, Janet Gmyrek, Dave Marran, Pat Miederhauset, Laura Consiglio, Brenda Dion, Charlie Spinacci, and Enza Bombaci,

Jenna Mallico, Barbara Carangelo, Emily Annino., Ruth Bugai 6

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Eucharistic Ministers	Elaine Norowski	(508) 847-4390		
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Music	Renata Kwasnik			
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Pre-Cana Classes	Kum-Cha & Ron Soja	(860) 349-3059		
RCIA	Eileen Kukish	(860) 740-4951		
	Timi Eckhoff	(860) 214-0963		
Welcome Committee	Sylvia Fazzino	(860) 788-7338		

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*Please contact the Parish Office with all Baptism, Wedding, and Funeral inquiries





Knights of Columbus

WANTED!! Men the age of 18 and older to join the Notre Dame Council #12289 Knights of Columbus. As a Knight you have the opportunity to support our Parish

as well as giving back to your community and grow in your faith. For more information, please George Gorton, Grand Knight at (860) 930-7931. Thank you for your cooperation!



God Bless Our Military

Almighty God and Father, look with love upon our men and women in uniform and protect them in their time of need. Give them health and stability and allow them to return to their loved ones whole and unshaken. Be with their families and sustain them in these uncertain times. Grant strength and peace of mind to the Veterans who have given their best for the country they love. Support them in infirmity and in the fragility of old age.

Teach us to remember their sacrifices and to express our gratitude. Manifest your tender care to those in the Military Academies who prepare for future service and to those who serve our Nation far from home. Teach us to remember the sacrifices of those whose efforts contribute to ensuring our way of life. Hear us as we present our prayers to You through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Please pray for all of our members of the United States Armed Forces serving in our country and abroad including: Michael Molnar, USMC and Captain Andrew Krebs, USMC, Alec Surprenant, Army Staff Sgt., Travis Menard, John Menard, Domitilo Pastorin, US Navy, and LCdr. Sarah Zieminski, US Navy, Louis Menard, Coast Guard, Andrew S. DiSilvestro, Jr., William Malcolm, 1st Lt. George Planeta IV, USMC and his wife, Lt. JG Jillian Planeta, USN, 2nd Lt Jonathan Planeta, USAG, Lance Corporal James Planeta, USMC, Lt. Com. Brennan Dougherty, US Coast Guard, his wife, Lt. Com. Dana Tomc Dougherty, US Coast Guard, Sgt. Jeremy Cannon, US Navy and Captain Peter Woods, USMC, Lt. Michael P. Tewksbury, U.S.N., Lauren Melchionne 2nd Lt. USA, 101stAirborne Brigade Officer. Tyler Crisp, Air Force, Trevor Smith, Air Force

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