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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

GATHERING SONG

ALL ARE WELCOME

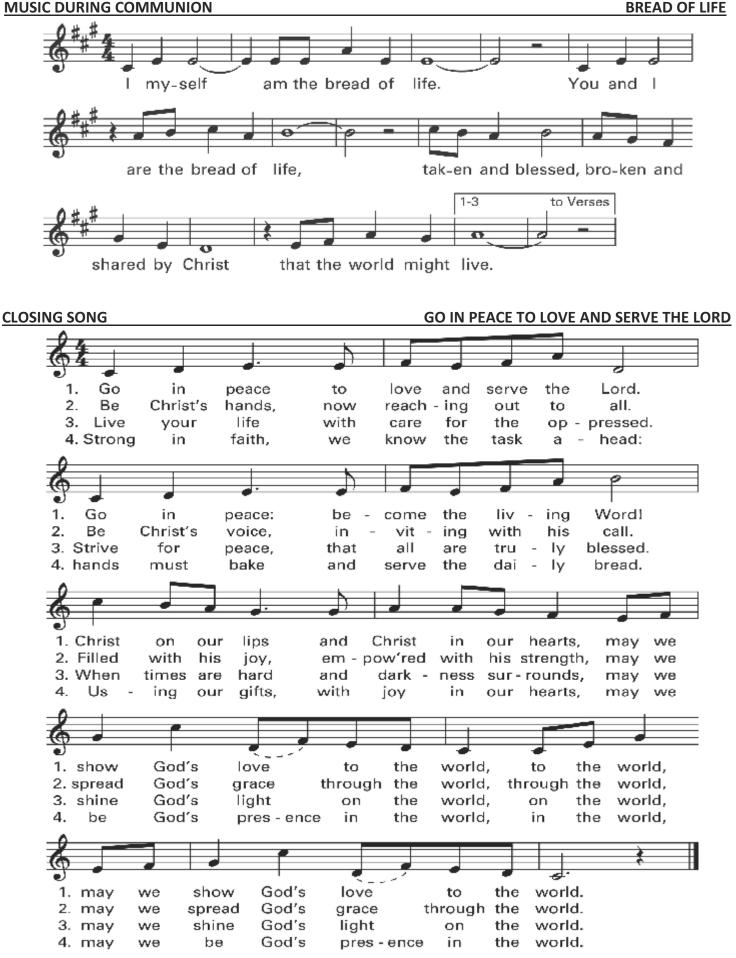
 Let us build a house where love can dwell And all can safely live,
 A place where saints and children tell How hearts learn to forgive.
 Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
 Rock of faith and vault of grace;
 Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

All are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

- Let us build a house where prophets speak, And words are strong and true, Where all God's children dare to seek To dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness And as symbol of God's grace; Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
- Let us build a house where love is found In water, wine and wheat:
 A banquet hall on holy ground, Where peace and justice meet.
 Here the love of God, through Jesus, Is revealed in time and space;
 As we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 16, 2022 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.





Faith Formation Schedule

The Faith Formation class times have been adjusted to allow students to attend the 9:30am Mass with their families. We wish to remind parents that Mass is the best class, which teaches our children the true meaning of faith formation. The Eucharist is the Center of our Faith, which helps us grow in grace as members of the Family of God!

Session A: 8:30 - 9:25 (Before the 9:30am Mass) Grades 1 & 2: Students meet Sunday, Feb. 6 Grades 3 & 9: Students meet Sunday, Jan. 23

Session B: 10:35 - 11:30am (After 9:30am Mass) Grade 4: Students meet Sunday, Jan. 23 Grades 5 & 6: Students meet Sunday, Feb. 13 Grades 7 & 8: Students meet Sunday, Feb. 13

St. Basil the Great Super Stewards!



Special Thanks to our Families who faithfully worship God at Mass each week. Our Parish is blessed by the Gifts of Love listed on the Children's Offertory Envelopes:

Did chores around the house; Set table; Did garbage; Dried a lot of dishes; Put out the garbage for neighbors; Helped my brother; Cleaned up; I shared with my brother; Prayed at Mass; Made Christmas cards for family and friends; I made my brother happy; Cooking with family; Learning my prayers; Picked up my toys; Did arts and crafts with my family; Decorated the tree; Spent time with Mom; Helped my friend; Vacuumed the den; Baked for Christmas; Made my bed; Wrapped presents; Made blankets for people; I cleaned my room entirely without having my Mom double check!



Armor Dei Council #3961 Knights of Columbus will be having a Business Meeting January 18 at 6:30 p.m. at FSH



Next Weekend January 22nd. and 23rd.

The Catholic High School Collection, occurring in all parishes of the Archdiocese on the weekend of January 22/23, supports the outstanding EDUCA-TIONOFFERED AT OUR Catholic secondary schools by providing funds for tuition assistance, technology enhancements, curricular improvements, and marketing, all of which are so critical during this ongoing pandemic. Please consider investing the exceptional academics, solid faith formation, and spirit of service at our high schools by making a gift to this year's Catholic High School Collection.

"The ABCs of Annulment" Sponsored by the Metropolitan Tribunal, Bloomfield

Father Philip Schulze, Pastor of Saint Margaret Parish, **24 Academy Street, Madison, Connecticut** in collaboration with father George Mukuka, the Judicial Vicar of the Metropolitan Tribunal in Bloomfield, Connecticut, will host "The ABC's of Annulment" on **Saturday of January 22nd, 2022, from 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., in the Church Hall at the address above**.

Updates of the process initiated by Pope Francis as well as those made in the Archdiocese of Hartford will be presented by Br. Larry Lussier CSC, and Jim Totttenham.

Follow-up Annulment Workshops to help participants write their applications will be held at the **same address on Saturday January 29th, February 12th and 19th, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** Br. Larry, Jim Tottenham, and other members of the Annulment Team, will be present for the Workshops.

The "ABC's of Annulment" event is open to all at no cost. Participants will receive a folder with the required printed materials. No registration is required. For further information call Br. Larry at 475-221-8464, or email him at brolarus300@gmail.com



Prayers and all best wishes to Larry & Karen McNamara who celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary and will be renewing their wedding vows at the 9:30 a.m. Mass on January 16th. Larry and Karen were married on January 14, 1972, at St. John the Evangelist Church in Agawam, MA. They are the proud parents of two wonderful sons, two beautiful daughter-in-laws, and 6 amazing grandchildren. We extend our congratulations and offer them our prayers as they celebrate this happy occasion.



For the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Hartford to be vibrant, our parishes must be vibrant. The **Forward with Faith** Campaign places great emphasis on securing the resources to ensure that our parishes will be pre-

pared to nurture the next generation of Catholics. Now is a pivotal moment for us and for our generation to build and invest for the future, to better serve Catholic parishes, schools and ministries in the Archdiocese of Hartford. **Forward with Faith** is an historic undertaking for the Archdiocese of Hartford as the first archdiocesan-wide capital campaign in our 175 year history. Please consider a donation to this once in a lifetime campaign. The new sound system which provides a live stream of St. Basil the Great parish Masses is one of the many benefits that came from this campaign.

January 22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

God invites us into a relationship with Him that is both personal and communal. He speaks to us through His Son, Jesus Christ, the Word-made-flesh. Prayer is our response to God who is already speaking or, better yet, revealing Himself to us. Therefore, prayer is not merely an exchange of words, but it engages the whole person in a relationship with God the Father, through the Son, and in the Holy Spirit.



Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and

do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 16, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Jan 17	8:00 am	Mary Ana Pokuah
Tue	Jan 18	8:00 am	Bob & Georgette Ouellete Request of SBG Choir
Sat	Jan 22	4 pm	Roger Descoteaux Request of Norman Descoteaux
Sun	Jan 23	9:30 am	Phyllis Dance Request of Dance Family



We keep in our prayers the following parishioners, as well as those who are homebound, in the hospital and care facilities. May God bless them with His equests love and keep them safe in His care.

Marcel Beaudoin Louise Capobianco Cathy Girouard **Eleanor Hart** Heather Hogaboom Luca Johnson Janet Lawlor Joan O'Brien

Mark Pavao Therese Pineault Mary Ellen Perrilli Jeffrey Roche Loretta Rosa Sister Ann Stango Paul Theroux John Varanelli

MON Jan 17 Rosary after 8 a.m. Mass

TUE Jan 18 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after 8 a.m. Mass

TUE Jan 18 RCIA meets at 7pm in the Hall.

ANOINTING of THE SICK Call the Parish Office 203.879.2544

January 9 Weekly \$5,370.50 2,038.00 Monthly \$7,408.50

Total



Thank you for your generous support to our Parish!

For storm closings watch on Channels WFSB 3, WTNH 8 or FOX 61, and their websites.

Stella Lockert Sally Haddad Lucie E Roger



We offer our prayers for the recently deceased Members of our Parish

NEW MASS SCHEDULE

St. Basil the Great Church, Wolcott Confessions 3:00 – 3:30 PM 4:00 PM Vigil Mass – Saturday 9:30 AM Mass - Sunday 8:00 AM – Monday & Tuesday

St. Leo the Great Church, Waterbury Confessions 3:00 – 3:30 PM **4:00 PM** Vigil Mass – Saturday 11:00 AM Mass – Sunday 8:00 AM - Wednesday and Thursday

SS. Peter & Paul Church, Waterbury 8:00 AM Mass - Sunday

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