PARISH MISSION STATEMENT
All Saints Parish in Somersville, Connecticut is committed as a faith-filled community to meet the spiritual and temporal needs of those we encounter in all ministries of our faith. Through prayer, sacramental life and works of charity, in love and obedience to God, the Lord of all life. All Saints stands ready to proclaim the Good News in word, sacrament, and service to all.

PARISH STAFF
Parish Priest: Father Gerry Kirby

New Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00-12:30

Please call the office at 860-749-8625, and feel free to leave a message if no one is available to take your call.

Parish Sexton: Kevin Riley

Director of Faith Formation: Nancy Rudek

office hours: Monday thru Wednesday 10:00—1:00

Phone: 860-763-0348
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May we continue to pray for one another and for the world throughout the week.

MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday Vigil: 4:30pm
Sunday: 9:15am
Monday: 9:00am
Wednesday: 9:00am

SACRAMENTS

Sacrament of Baptism
Please contact Father Gerry six months in advance to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays: 3:30pm and by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony
Please contact Father Gerry one year in advance to make arrangements.

Sacrament of the Sick
If you know of anyone who is hospitalized or homebound and would like to receive the Sacraments, please contact the rectory office.
THE NEED TO PROTECT EMPLOYMENT

131. Here I would recall the balanced position of Saint John Paul II, who stressed the benefits of scientific and technological progress as evidence of “the nobility of the human vocation to participate responsibly in God’s creative action,” while also noting that “we cannot interfere in one area of the ecosystem without paying due attention to the consequences of such interference in other areas.” (109) He made it clear that the Church values the benefits which result “from the study and applications of molecular biology, supplemented by other disciplines such as genetics, and its technological application in agriculture and industry,” (110) but he also pointed out that this should not lead to “indiscriminate genetic manipulation” (111) which ignores the negative effects of such interventions. Human creativity cannot be suppressed. If an artist cannot be stopped from using his or her creativity, neither should those who possess particular gifts for the advancement of science and technology be prevented from using their God given talents for the service of others. We need constantly to rethink the goals, effects, overall context and ethical limits of this human activity, which is a form of power involving considerable risks.

Our Annual Mission Co-op collection, which is noted below, is being taken up next weekend to assist the St. Elizabeth Mission Society. It will take place during the Offertory of the Mass. A basket will be placed in the front of the sanctuary. At the end of the Universal Prayer everyone will be invited to come forward to place their offering in the basket. Please be as generous as your means allow.

ANNUAL MISSION CO-OP APPEAL

Our Annual Co-op Collection will be taken up the weekend of July 24th and 25th for the Allegany Franciscans who were the first community of American Sisters to have foreign missions. They minister to those in need, especially those who are poor, hungry, outcasts and victims of injustice and violence. As a Congregation, our Sisters continue to respond to the overwhelming needs of our brothers and sisters through education, health care, and pastoral and social ministries in the United States, Jamaica, Brazil and Bolivia with a planned ministry in Mozambique, Africa.

Funds to support the missions where our Sisters minister are solicited through the efforts of the St. Elizabeth Mission Society. The Mission Society, a sponsored ministry of the Franciscan Sisters, provides financial support to our Sisters’ ministries in the U.S. and abroad. Each year, the Mission Society provides grant funding and monthly support to programs where the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany are actively serving. We are only able to do this through the generous support of our benefactors and the dioceses who include us in their Mission Co-operative Plans.

Please be as generous as possible.

“Laudito. Si, Mi’ Signore”
“Care for Our Common Home”

“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?” John 6:9

The miracle of the Loaves and Fishes carries two important messages. First, no matter how little we have, we always have enough to share. Second, Christ can take our humble gifts and do great things with them if we are just willing to let Him. Nothing is impossible with God. All of our gifts, big or small, were given to us for a reason. No gift is too small or insignificant!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE 11TH ANNUAL SOMERVILLE COMMUNITY:
ICE CREAM SOCIAL
On the Congregational Green
Saturday, July 31,
from 12-2pm. (raindate Aug. 7)
Hosted by the Congregational Church of Somerville
**Mass Intentions**

Saturday, July 24th: Vigil of 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 pm: † George Shaheen (1 yr anniv)
r/b His Niece

Sunday, July 25th—17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:15 am: † William David Munson
r/b Margaret Munson and Cesar Louange Bugingo

Monday, July 26th: Saints Joachim and Anne,
Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00 am: For the repose of the souls of the Salvon Family
r/b Anne Julian

Tuesday, July 27th: Weekday
NO MORNING MASS

Wednesday, July 28th: Weekday
9:00 am: † Norman and Maryann Burke
r/b John Hebert

Thursday, July 29th: Saint Martha
NO MORNING MASS

Friday, July 30th: Weekday
NO MORNING MASS

Saturday, July 31st: Vigil of 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 pm: † Doris Bresnahan
r/b John Hebert

Sunday, August 1st—18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:15 am: † Robert Picknally
r/b Mary Ann Julian

Get your friends together and join us Monday September 13, 2021

**Catholic Charities Golf Tournament**
Great Neck Country Club
28 Lamphere Road
Waterford, CT
Registration and BBQ lunch 11:00am, Shotgun Start 12:30pm.
Appetizers and awards to follow! For information, registration and sponsorships contact Sally Velcofsky at 203-556-0115 or email sallyvelcofsky@ccfsn.org.

**This week, the Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of**
Archbishop Serge Miot

**The monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass will take place at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Saturday, August 7 at 8:30 am. Join us in prayer even if you can't attend.**

**PARISH GIVING** July 19th, 2021
Envelopes and Cash: $ 1324.50
EFT & Online Giving: $ 749.96
Weekly Total: $ 2074.46
Minus Diocesan Tax: $ 207.45
Deposit for Parish: $ 1867.01

Thank you for your generosity and caring!

Registration forms will be available for all families later in the summer. If you are new to the parish, or know of a family who is, please give us the necessary contact information so they will be included on our list of registration form recipients. Please note that if your child was baptized or received First Eucharist in another parish, a copy of their certificates should be included with their registration form.

Please note that Mrs. Rudek will be out of the office from June 12th—August 16th.

**Connecticut Catholic Men’s Conference**
The 14th annual Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, September 25, 2021, at New Britain Veterans Memorial Park at Willow Brook Park, New Britain. Purchase tickets online at www.ctcatholicmen.org or at the door and arrive by 8:00 am to register. The ticket price is $45 and includes lunch. All day Adoration and Confession are available.