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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
Parish Secretary: Joan Nielsen

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
Email: alstchurchfformation@yahoo.com

May we continue to pray for one another and for the world throughout the week.

August 8, 2021 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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
133. It is difficult to make a general judgement about genetic modification, whether vegetable or animal, medical or agricultural, since these vary greatly among themselves and call for specific considerations. The risks involved are not always due to the techniques used, but rather to their improper or excessive application. Genetic mutations, in fact, have often been, and continue to be, caused by nature itself. Nor are mutations caused by human intervention a modern phenomenon. The domestication of animals, the crossbreeding of species and other older and universally accepted practices can be mentioned as examples. We need but recall that scientific developments in genetically modified cereals began with the observation of natural bacteria which spontaneously modified plant genomes. In nature, however, this process is slow and cannot be compared to the fast pace induced by contemporary technological advances, even when the latter build upon several centuries of scientific progress.

**Anniversary Mass**
On Sunday, **October 3, 2021, at 2 P.M.**, all couples are invited to renew your commitment to live your marriage in holiness in a Pontifical Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote. Each couple who registers will receive a signed certificate from the Bishop. Register by sending the following information: **husband and wife’s name, address, telephone number, wedding date, anniversary being celebrated and parish** to: Mary-Jo McLaughlin, Catholic Family Services Coordinator, 199 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360, call 860-848-2237, Ext 312, or email at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net. **Friday, September 10. This is a firm date, so please register early.**

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**
(2)
Christopher Drolet and Melissa Brown will be married here at All Saints Church on August 28, 2021 at 11:30 am.

**Virtual Vacation Bible Camp Comes to the Diocese**
The Office of Faith Event’s Virtual Vacation Bible School (VBS) is a 4-day summer program providing fun and faith about the working of God for children through music, games and fun bible lessons. This year the VBS program will be called “Thankful” and will dive into the Old Testament by studying the prophet named Joseph. VBS will run Monday through Thursday, August 9-12 from 9:00 to 10:00 am online. The cost is $5.00 for one child or $10.00 per family. The camp is most suited for Grades 1-5 but we welcome all children to join us. To register please contact Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or call 860-848-2237 ex.305

“Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you!”
God knows that committing to a stewardship lifestyle is difficult. However, we were not designed to do it on our own, we need His help. Fortunately, God gave us the greatest gift of all, His son, Jesus. Through the gift of the Eucharist we join our sacrifice with the sacrifice of the Holy Mass and receive the strength and courage to be His joyful disciples.

As we say “au revoire” to Diane Farnham and thank her for the wonderful service she offered to us as parish secretary, we are very pleased to welcome Joan Nielsen to this position. Joan has been training with Diane for the past few weeks and now is ready to step out on her own.

**Thank you Diane and welcome Joan!!**
Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 7: Vigil of 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 pm: † Paul DesRoaches
r/b K of C (Council 4303)

Sunday, August 8th—19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:15 am: † Benjamin Paterwic, Sr.
(19 year anniversary of his death)
r/b The Paterwic family

Monday, August 9th: Weekday
9:00 am

Tuesday, August 10th: St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
NO MORNING MASS

Wednesday, August 11th: St. Clare, Virgin
9:00 am

Thursday, August 12th: Weekday
NO MORNING MASS

Friday, August 13th: Weekday
NO MORNING MASS

Saturday, August 14th: Vigil of 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 pm: † Joe Pongonis
r/b Kathy Moulton

Sunday, August 15th—The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:15 am: For the needs and intentions of the B. Julian Family
r/b Anne Julian

This week, the Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of Michael LaRosa

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 August 1st, 2021

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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.

Catholic Charities Golf Tournament

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

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.
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