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.

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.

May we continue to pray for one another and for the world throughout the week.
THE NEED TO PROTECT EMPLOYMENT

134. Although no conclusive proof exists that genetically modified cereals may be harmful to human beings, and in some regions their use has brought about economic growth which has helped to resolve problems, there remain a number of significant difficulties which should not be underestimated. In many places, following the introduction of these crops, productive land is concentrated in the hands of a few owners due to “the progressive disappearance of small producers, who, as a consequence of the loss of the exploited lands, are obliged to withdraw from direct production.” The most vulnerable of these become temporary laborers, and many rural workers end up moving to poverty stricken urban areas. The expansion of these crops has the effect of destroying the complex network of ecosystems, diminishing the diversity of production and affecting regional economies, now and in the future. In various countries, we see an expansion of oligopolies for the production of cereals and other products needed for their cultivation. This dependency would be aggravated were the production of infertile seeds to be considered; the effect would be to force farmers to purchase them from larger producers.

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.

We are in the process of purchasing new, permanent music books for the parish. Unlike the missalettes which we used in the past, these hard covered hymnals will only have to be purchased once and will last for many years to come. If you would like to purchase a hymnal (or hymnals) for the parish in memory of or in honor of someone you love, the cost is $25.00 per hymnal. Please place your donation in an envelope with the person’s name written inside along with your check, or you may mail it or drop it off at the rectory. Feel free to let others who may be interested know about this opportunity. A plaque with the person’s name inscribed will be placed inside each hymnal.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Christopher Drolet and Melissa Brown will be married here at All Saints Church on August 28, 2021 at 11:30 am.

“And Mary said, “My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.” Luke 1:46

After Jesus, we look to Mary as our model of stewardship. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God’s will. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we too are called to reflect Christ to the world. We do this by living grateful and generous lives. We do this by putting other’s needs before our wants.

As we move into the month of September, we will resume our offertory procession during Mass in a slightly different way. The offertory basket will be placed in the center of the sanctuary (as on Holy Days and for the Mission COOP collection), and after the Universal Prayer everyone will be invited to come forward to place their offering in the basket. You also may place a piece of paper with any prayer intentions you wish to offer during Mass. This will restore the offertory to it’s proper place in the Mass and provide for fuller participation of all present. We will begin this practice the first weekend of September.
Mass Intentions

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

Monday, August 16th: Weekday
9:00 am

Tuesday, August 17th: Weekday
NO MORNING MASS

Wednesday, August 18th: Weekday
9:00 am: † Paul and Anna Hebert
r/b John Hebert

Thursday, August 19th: Weekday
NO MORNING MASS

Friday, August 20th: Weekday
NO MORNING MASS

Saturday, August 21st: Vigil of the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:30 pm: † Peter Ciriello
r/b His family

Sunday, August 22nd: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:15 am: † Roger and Christine Stiso
r/b Elise and Gary Bibeault

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 11:00 am, Shotgun Start 12:30 pm.
Appetizers and awards to follow! For information, registration
and sponsorships contact Sally Velcofsky at 203-556-0115 or
e-mail sallyvelcofsky@ccfsn.org.

This week, the Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of
Deacon John Abdalla

“Be sure that you first preach by the way you live. If you do not, people will notice that you say one thing, but live otherwise, and your words will bring only cynical laughter and a derisive shake of the head.”
St. Charles Borromeo

PARISH GIVING August 1st, 2021

Envelopes and Cash: $2156.00
EFT & Online Giving: $1295.36
Monthly Offering: $1332.00
Weekly Total: $4783.36
Minus Diocesan Tax: $478.33
Deposit for Parish: $4305.03

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.