**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**

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**September 26, 2021 - 26th Sunday in Ordinary**

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

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
This week, the Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of
Gloria Safner

Our new parish hymnals have been ordered. The publishing company is in the process of publishing a new edition of the hymnal in October and our order will be shipped once the new edition is prepared. 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. Donations can be made even after the books have been delivered. 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.

For the Love of a Child—Raffle
Sponsored by Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti
To benefit our ministry in Haiti
Drawing to be held Friday, November 5, 2021 at 12 noon at Outreach to Haiti Offices, 815 Boswell Ave. Norwich, CT. One prize to be awarded: 1st PRIZE $10,000.00!
Maximum 400 tickets to be sold. Winner need not be present. **Price per ticket:** $100.00 (available in the parish office)

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Stewardship

“Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them and they all drank from it.”

Jesus, the perfect steward, gave thanks, just before He gave himself up for us completely, for our salvation. He offers us the same chance to drink from His cup. In the bread and wine, we meet Christ personally, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. If we follow Him, drinking from His cup means our own self sacrifice, using all of our gifts for the benefit of others and to do His work on earth.

CHAPTER FOUR: INTEGRAL ECOLOGY

(140 Continued) Although we are often not aware of it, we depend on these larger systems for our own existence. We need only recall how ecosystems interact in dispersing carbon dioxide, purifying water, controlling illnesses and epidemics, forming soil, breaking down waste, and in many other ways which we overlook or simply do now know about. Once they become conscious of this, many people realize that we live and act on the basis of a reality which has previously been given to us, which precedes our existence and our abilities. So, when we speak of “sustainable use,” consideration must always be given to each ecosystem’s regenerative ability.

ALL SAINTS PARISH TAG SALE
DATE: October 2, 2021
FROM: 9:00 am-1:00 pm
WHERE: The Parish Center

Help us get ready! We will start collecting your gently used, clean items, brought in boxes (no electronics or bulky items) from 10:00 am-12:00 pm and from 4:00 pm-6:00 pm on the following days:
- Monday, September 27th
- Tuesday, September 28th
- Wednesday September 29th

Please drop your items off at the front door of the Parish Center ONLY!

On Thursday September 30th from 10:00am-12:00PM and from 4:00 PM-6:00 PM we need volunteers to set up and price items. Confirmation students can use time for service hours. Thank you for your support!

To help in your preparation for next Sunday’s liturgy, below are the readings which will be proclaimed to us, for you to reflect on throughout the week.

- Genesis 2:18-24
- Hebrews 2:9-11
- Mark 10:2-16

Daily Mass Readings may be found at: usccb.org

Encyclical
“Laudato, Si, Mi’ Signore”
“Care for Our Common Home”

Our program will begin in October. Currently, only Grades 2, 9 and 10 will have in person classes in the church hall. All remaining grades will start the year with home classes. A parent meeting will be scheduled at the end of September to provide education materials.

Grade 11 students: Confirmation 2021 will meet on Sunday September 26th at 6:00 pm in the church. We will continue to meet every Sunday from 6:00 - 7:00 pm in the church.

You will be notified of any changes as regards in person classes. Let us all pray for a successful and fruitful year!