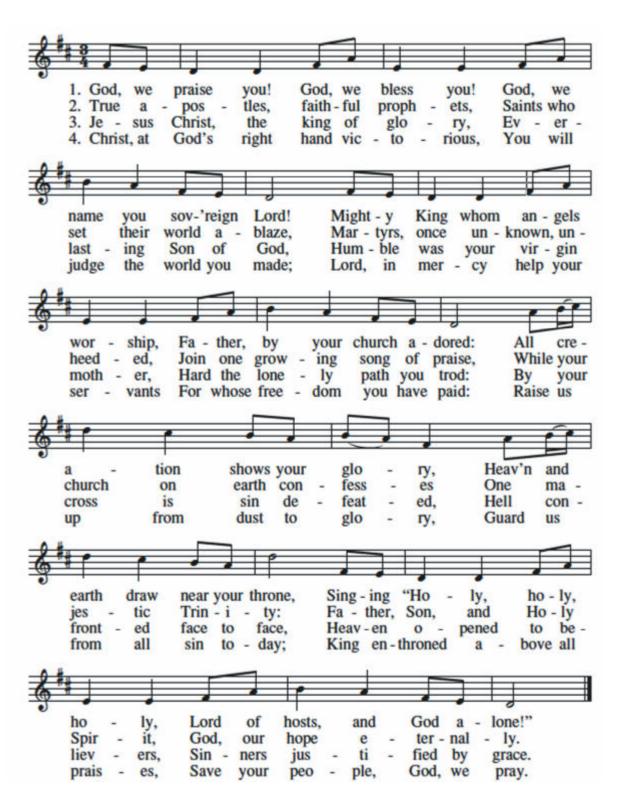


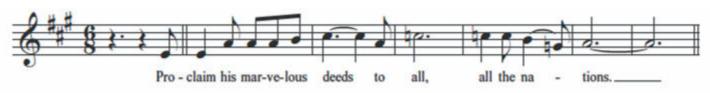
### OPENING HYMN: GOD WE PRAISE YOU



### A READING FROM THE BOOK OF THE PROPHET ISAIAH

For Zion's sake I will not be silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her vindication shines forth like the dawn and her victory like a burning torch. Nations shall behold your vindication, and all the kings your glory; you shall be called by a new name pronounced by the mouth of the LORD. You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the LORD, a royal diadem held by your God. No more shall people call you "Forsaken, " or your land "Desolate, " but you shall be called "My Delight, " and your land "Espoused." For the LORD delights in you and makes your land his spouse. As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you. THE WORD OF THE LORD.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 



#### A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF ST. PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS

Brothers and sisters: There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone.

To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom; to another, the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit; to another, faith by the same Spirit; to another, gifts of healing by the one Spirit; to another, mighty deeds; to another, prophecy; to another, discernment of spirits; to another, varieties of tongues; to another, interpretation of tongues.

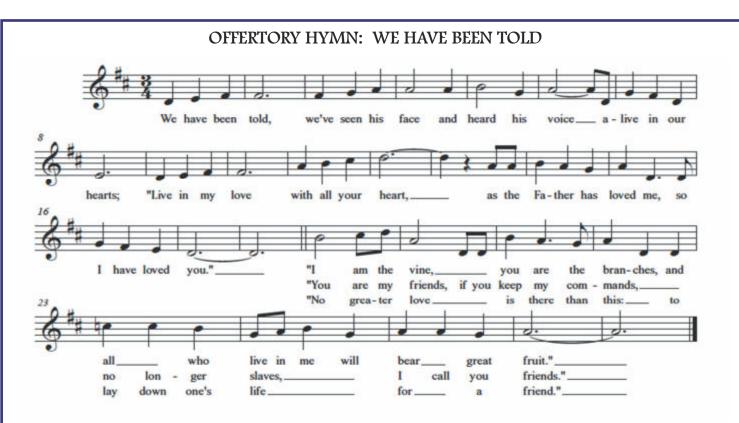
But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes. THE WORD OF THE LORD.

#### A READING FROM THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

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." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you."

Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from — although the servers who had drawn the water knew —, the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now."

Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him. THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD.



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus, hear me. Within your wounds hide me. Permit me not to be separated from you. From the wicked foe, defend me. At the hour of my death, call me and bid me come to you That with your saints I may praise you for ever and ever. Amen.

#### PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection 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, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



#### CLOSING HYMN: GO OUT, GO OUT

SATURDAY, January 15 Vigil, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 P.M. People of the Parish

SUNDAY, January 16 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. Open for Mass Intention 9:30 A.M. In Thanksgiving to an Anonymous Organ Donor (John & Linda Reilly) 11:30 A.M. +Robert Walther (Family)

MONDAY, January 17 St. Anthony, Abbot 9:00 A.M. Open for Mass Intention

*TUESDAY*, January 18 Weekday 9:00 A.M. Open for Mass Intention

WEDNESDAY, January 19 Weekday 9:00 A.M. Birthday Remembrance Elizabeth Vincent

THURSDAY, January 20 St. Fabian, Pope, Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr No Mass

FRIDAY, January 21 St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr 9:00 A.M. +Robert Perrotti (Carol Perrotti)

SATURDAY, January 22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn 8:30 A.M Open for Mass Intention

SATURDAY, January 22 Vigil, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 P.M. Open for Mass Intention

SUNDAY, January 23, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 A.M. People of the Parish 9:30 A.M. +Patrick Kennedy (Zollo Family) 11:30 A.M. +Nancy Ferrante Kezel (Ferrante/ Fernandes Family)



The Sanctuary Lamp burns at the Mother church in memory of Fabiano & Rose Valeriano requested by their grandchildren. It burns at the Center Road church in memory of Dorothy Martino requested by Anne & Frank Balzano.

> Parish Giving: January 9, 2022 Weekly: \$6,171.00 Monthly: \$2,132.00

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MASS SCHEDULE WEEKDAYS: 9:00 A.M. At the Mother Church (1700 Litchfield Tpke, Rt. 69, Woodbridge) (NO MASS ON THURSDAYS)

SATURDAY: 8:30 A.M. (Center Road) WEEKEND MASSES: SAT. VIGIL 5:00 P.M., 8:00 A.M. 9:30 A.M. 11:30 A.M (Center Road) CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 4:00 TO 4:45 P.M OR BY APPOINTMENT



Dear parishioners,

My favorite passage from the Sacred Scriptures is from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans 12:12 – "Rejoice in hope, be patient under trial, and persevere in prayer." I remember encountering these words at the very start of my time as a seminarian, as I was learning how to pray the Liturgy of the Hours. These words have been a steady source of inspiration for me throughout the many and varied experiences of my years of priestly formation and ministry. I turn to them now in my own meditation, especially

during times of challenge, and I invite you to do the same.

Even when we have setbacks, we are lifted up by God's grace. His love for us endures all things, and brings us to new life. It is the ongoing and everyday relationship that we have with Our Lord Jesus, made manifest by the Gospel and through the sacraments, and sustained by honest prayer. The struggles certainly come, big ones and small ones, as they are part of our humanity. We know that well. What we also know -- as we have celebrated at Christmas -- Our Lord Jesus takes on our humanity so that we too can be holy.

Last weekend, I began my pastoral ministry on the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord Jesus. I realized that this great moment of salvation history marked the beginning of the public ministry of Our Savior. That type of connection certainly helps me to stay in a feeling of joy and hopefulness. Thank you to everyone for their kind welcome and encouragement. We are never alone on the journey of faith.

All the way -- to God's embrace. Sincerely, Father Lavorgna

FRIDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB... beginning Friday, January 21 and for the following five weeks, we will gather in the Rectory Meeting Room from 10:00 – 11:15 A.M. to



Room from 10:00 – 11:15 A.M. to share and discuss Fr. Michael Buckley, S.J.'s book, *What Do You Seek.* In his book, Buckley meditates on fourteen key personal questions that Jesus asks in the Gospel of John—such questions as, "What do you seek?", "Do you know

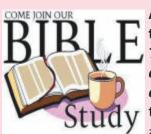
what I have done to you?", "Do you take offense at this?", "Do you love Me?".

These questions challenge and unsettle; they cut to the heart of human experience. Like a plow plunging into hard soil, they split life open!

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS TUESDAY, JAN-UARY 18TH**; the book is \$18 and are available at the Rectory Office. Be the catalyst in starting this New Year of Grace—2022-- off to a good start! For more information, contact Sr. Carolyn at:

carsev2000@yahoo.com or at 203-387-7119

### COME JOIN US FOR.....



A five-week series with scripture: A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS – Understanding What We Say and Do in The Liturgy. From the moment of our creation and throughout biblical histo-

ry, God has desired to enter into an intimate communion with humanity. Because His love for us is beyond comprehension, God has chosen to give us His very Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity in the Eucharist. The Catholic Mass is the most amazing event on earth! Sessions begin on Monday, January 31<sup>st</sup> and will continue for four more weeks from 6:00 – 7:30 pm. <u>Needed</u>: Text: A Biblical Walk Through the Mass (text & workbook) by Edward Sri, \$20 and available at the Parish Office, and a Bible. Registrations closes Monday, January 24<sup>th</sup>

To register, contact Sr. Carolyn at 203-387-7119 or at <a href="mailto:carsev2000@yahoo.com">carsev2000@yahoo.com</a>

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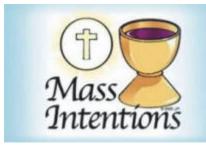
If you have any questions or concerns about the program or would like help setting up your account, please call our parish office at 203-387-7119.

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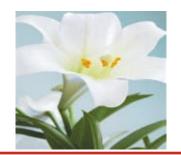


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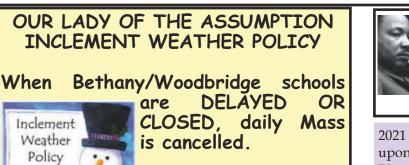
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The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 17th in o bservance of the Martin Luther King holiday.

2021 Financial Contribution statements will be mailed upon request beginning the week of January 24th. Please call the Parish office or email: parishsecretaryoloa@gmail.com to request your statement.

## FROM THE OFFICE OF FAITH FORMATION



**GRADE 3** Reconciliation Workshop is Jan. 29th from 9am-12pm!

> AT-HOME BOOKS ARE DUE AT THIS TIME.

Confirmation

CONFIRMATION WILL BE MARCH 26TH

11AM AT CATHEDRAL OF ST.

JOSEPH, HARTFORD

**10TH GRADE MEETS** 9TH GRADE MEETS

**SUNDAY, 1/30** 

**SUNDAY, 1/23** 

YOUTH GROUP Discontinued

Due to several factors, our youth group will be discontinued for the foreseeable future. We hope to have it start back up again in the fall!

# IMPORTANT

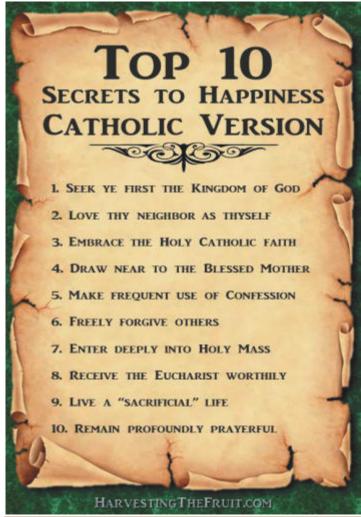
We will not be serving meals at class anymore so as to limit our chances for possible COVID exposure. We will have desserts provided still. No evening Mass before class. Please come from 6:30-8:30pm in the hall.

Thank you!

God is calling men to the priesthood. Are you one of them? The noise and distractions of our culture can cause a spiritual deafness. The Office of Seminarians and Vocations would like to help you hear God's voice and discern His will for your life. If you think God is calling you the time to act is now!

> Office of Seminarians and Vocations 467 Bloomfield Avenue Bloomfield, CT 06002-2999 860-761-7456 Fax: 860-243-0661 vocations@aohct.org

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seph Moore Sr., Jo seph Moore Jr. and Jim Puleo. Please contact the Parish Office to add or remove names from the prayer list.

Please Pray for those serving in the Military: Pvt Nicholas



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Han sen, Major Daniel Morrissey, (Air Force) Lieutenant Colonel Seth Krummrich (Army), Captain Samuel Hurchala, Lieutenant Sean Leary, Kevin Murphy, Danny Murphy, Pfc. J. Adams, Emily O'Hara, Jona than Sanchez, Alice Mary, Eric Trivette, Meara O' Hara, Zachary Simpson, Jon Farwell, Sergeant Brian Streit, Ryan Rausch ,Mary O'Connell, Andrew Gnidula, and LCPL Glenn Warner.



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