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22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited.” - Lk 14:8bc

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August 28, 2022

Diocese of Norwich

National Combined Collection
201 Broadway
Norwich, Connecticut 06360

August, 2022

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

I hope this letter finds you and your family healthy and happy as we continue through the summer months. Today, I write to ask you to consider making a gift to the National Combined Collection. The National Combined Collection contributes to the Retirement Fund for Religious, Catholic University of America, Catholic Communications Campaign, and Peter's Pence and will take place in our parishes the weekend of **September 3 & 4, 2022**. While speaking to the Ephesian Elders, St. Paul had this message to convey: "In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" (Acts 20:35).

The **Catholic Communications Campaign (CCC)** allows the Church to support communication projects here in the U.S and throughout the world that enable more people to hear that Gospel and become in closer relationship with one another. *Fifty percent of the funds collected stay here in the Diocese of Norwich to help fund communication initiatives such as the Four County Catholic.* CCC allows more people to strengthen their faith and experience more opportunities to worship and witness.

Another vital collection is the **Retirement Fund for Religious** which benefits more than 26,000 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests. Through their sacrifice and for little to no pay, our senior religious made major contributions to the establishment of our Catholic schools, hospitals, and ministries. Many still serve in volunteer ministry while others are frail and in need of assistance. Today, many religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for these elder members. Your gift for retired religious provides vital funding for medications, nursing care, and more.

The Catholic University of America, the nation's only higher education institution established by the U.S. Bishops and chartered by the Vatican, receives support from this collection. Your gift ensures that countless clergy, religious, and young lay men and women from all over the United States experience an education grounded in Catholic tradition.

The Peter's Pence segment of the National Combined Collection is our donation, as a Diocese, to assist the Holy Father in his spiritual and charitable works to assist the victims of wars, oppression, and natural disasters throughout the world. Pope Francis spoke of our responsibility before the world and creation. "There is much that we can do to benefit the poor, the needy, and those who suffer; to favor justice, promote reconciliation, and build peace."

Please do your best to continue to support your parish and if possible, these additional necessary National Collections. You remain in my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, D.D.
Bishop of Norwich



St. Mary 150th Anniversary Celebration

*Sunday, October 16, 2022, 1:00pm
French Club*

Pot Luck Luncheon, details to follow.



Saint Catherine Car Cruise

*Wednesday, September 7, 2022
5:00 pm—7:30 pm*

*St. Catherine Church, 243 Route 164, Preston, CT
Sponsored by Holy Spirit Catholic Community*

We need volunteers to help. If you can help us out with this, please contact Deacon Bryan Jones or the parish offices, 860-376-2044.

St. Mary



Religious Education and Faith formation

Classes will begin on September 18th and registration is now open for St. Mary's Religious Education. I have mailed out forms to our returning families and blank registration forms are available in the entrance to the Church. Returning registration forms are to be mailed to St. Mary's Rectory, 34 Main St, Jewett City CT 06351 Attn: Cheryl Morin, CRE or placed in the offertory basket in an envelope. Please mark the envelope Attn: Cheryl Morin, along with the registration fee if possible.

In addition, we are forever in search of dedicated persons who are willing to share their unique talents. We can always make use of the skills of those who are willing to serve as catechists and teachers' aides. For information and answers to your questions please call the parish office at **860-376-2044 and leave your name & number.**

I will contact you.

Thank you,

Cheryl Morin, DRE



St. Mary Food Pantry currently needs the following items:

- canned, boxed
- peanut butter
- corn muffin mix

canned carrots Potatoes boxed or canned

Donated items can be left Monday—Thursday from 9am—1pm or they can be left in the donation bins in the rear of St. Mary church, or on the table in front of the Rectory. Thank you!

MASSES & MASS INTENTIONS

SAINTS THOMAS & ANNE

Saturday, August 27th

5:45pm *The People of Holy Spirit Catholic Community
and their intentions*

Sunday, August 28th

8:30 am Reconciliation

9:00 am *Jordan Robillard
Req. by Joyce & Mike Gresh*

Monday, August 29th

8:00 am Mass

Tuesday, August 30th

7:00 pm *For first responders and
health care personnel*

Friday, September 2nd

8:00 am Mass

Saturday, September 3rd

5:45 pm Mass

Sunday, September 4th

8:30 am Reconciliation

9:00 am *Joseph Landry
Req. by Paula Landry & Family*

There is no second collection this week.
The second collection next week is the
National Combined Collection.

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA

Saturday, August 27th

3:30 pm Reconciliation

4:30 pm *Charles Baker 4 year anniversary
Req. by his Family*

Sunday, August 28th

10:00 am Mass

Thursday, September 1st

10:00 am *Diocese of Norwich, it's People,
Priests and Bishop*

Saturday, September 3rd

3:30 pm Reconciliation

4:30 pm *Deceased members of the
St. Catherine Ladies Guild*

Sunday, September 4th

10:00 am *The people of Holy Spirit Catholic Community
and their Intentions*

There is no second collection this week.
The second collection next week is the
National Combined Collection.

SAINT MARY

Saturday, August 27th

3:00 pm Reconciliation

4:00pm *Richard Gernhard 7 year anniversary
Req. by his wife Lucille*

Sunday, August 28th

8:00 am *Irene Bouley*

Req. by Laurie, Larry and Karen

11:00 am *Stanislaw & Ewa Potocki*

Req. by Jane Yonta

Monday, August 29th

8:00 am **Mass @ Ss. Thomas & Anne**

Tuesday, August 30th

8:00 am Mass

Wednesday, August 31st

8:00 am *For all Veterans*

Thursday, September 1st

8:00 am Mass

Saturday, September 3rd

3:00 pm Reconciliation

4:00 pm *Irene Bouley
Req. by Laurie, Larry and Karen*

Sunday, September 4th

8:00 am Mass

11:00 am *William & Claire Maynard Sr.
Req. by Family*

The second collection this week is for
Debt Reduction.
The second collection next week is the
National Combined Collection.

All weekday Masses are in the
Chapel in the Parish Center



*Christopher Hart, Hunter Picco, James Gauthier,
Damaris, Cherrill Gemeasky, David Gemeasky,
Margaret Labriola, Sister Charles Marie, Mike &
Jan Clancy, Grady Sadosky, Dolores Davidsson,
Kevin Luty, Gina, Carol Dugas, Sandra Violette,
Molly McLean, John Delamater Sr., Tamara
Brennan, Samuel and Mr. Zuppe.*

SAINT CATHERINE PARISH

Total 2021-2022 Budget—\$141,015.00
Divided by 52 weeks equals a weekly budget of
\$ 2,711.83

August 21st Income:

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Offertory | \$ 1,671.00 |
| Maintenance | \$ 54.00 |
| Assumption | \$ 85.00 |
| <u>Electronic Giving</u> | <u>\$ 80.00</u> |
| Total Income August 21st | \$ 1,890.00 |
| Deficit | \$- 821.83 |

Please mail your donations to:
St. Catherine of Siena Parish,
C/O34 North Main Street, Jewett City, CT 06351



SAINT MARY PARISH

Total 2021-2022 Budget—\$305,101.00
Divided by 52 weeks equals a weekly budget of
\$ 5,867.33

August 21st Income:

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|--------------------------|------------------|
| Offertory | \$ 1,995.12 |
| Parish Center | \$ 451.00 |
| Assumption | \$ 106.00 |
| <u>Electronic Giving</u> | <u>\$ 813.47</u> |
| Total Income August 21st | \$ 3,365.59 |
| Deficit | \$-2,501.74 |

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SAINTS THOMAS & ANNE PARISH

Total 2021-2022 Budget—\$124,534.80
Divided by 52 weeks equals a weekly budget of
\$ 2,394.90

August 21st Income:

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Offertory | \$ 1,003.00 |
| Assumption | \$ 179.00 |
| <u>Fuel & Utilities</u> | <u>\$ 274.00</u> |
| Income August 21st | \$ 1,456.00 |
| Deficit | \$ - 938.90 |

Please mail your donations to:
Ss. Thomas & Anne Parish,
C/O 34 North Main Street, Jewett City, CT 06351

“Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will be because of their inability to repay you.”
(LUKE 14:13-14)

One of the main principles of living a stewardship lifestyle is to give without expecting anything in return. This is difficult for some to comprehend in our “consumerist” culture that we live in. This is even difficult for many parish communities that have become heavily dependent on parish fundraising events to support the mission and ministry of their local parish. Generally speaking, at a parish fundraiser, you pay money and receive something in return, it’s just a financial transaction. This is opposed to our parish offertory at Holy Mass, where you unite your sacrifice with Jesus’, renewing our covenant relationship with Him.

Next weekend, our parishes will conduct the National Combined Collection encompassing: The Catholic communication Campaign, The Annual Appeal for the Holy Father (Peter’s Pence). The Retirement fund for Religious, and Catholic University of America. Please bring your gift envelope to Mass next weekend, or if you are unable to attend Mass, please mail your envelope to the Parish office by the end of September. Your support of these needs of the Universal Church will truly make a difference.

ANNIVERSARY MASS REGISTRATION –All couples married 25 & 50 years or celebrating any significant anniversary are invited to attend the 2022 Silver and Golden Jubilee Anniversary Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael R. Cote at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Sunday, **October 16, 2022, at 2 P.M.** Registration is required. To do so, send 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. The deadline for registering is **September 19. This is a firm date, so please register early.** Couples may also email a **recent digital photo** of themselves in a **jpeg format** to the email address to be included in a gallery of pictures on the Diocesan Website.



Ss. Thomas & Anne
50/50 Raffle

100 tickets to be sold at \$100 each
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Winner to be announced Saturday, Sept. 10, 2022 7:00 pm

- ◆ Prize and Parish benefit based on the sale of ALL 100 available tickets.



We have 31 tickets for sale. ONLY 2 WEEKS LEFT!!

Questions? Purchases can be made after weekend Masses at St. Thomas Church or by contacting Jaymie or Sheila at our offices
Mon—Thurs, 9:00am-1:00pm



The **Columbiettes** are currently accepting donations of mens, womens, and childrens socks / regular size toothpaste / wash cloths and hand towels / 2in1 shampoo/conditioner / mens and womens deodorant / pocket packages of tissues. Donations can be placed in the gray cloth bags on the bottom shelf of the wooden cart in the center entryway of St. Mary’s Church.

Catholic Charities is holding a School Supply drive to help struggling families as they prepare to send their children back to school. You can help by picking up extra items as you shop, and bringing them to any of our four locations in Norwich, New London, Willimantic, and Middletown. Or you can make an online donation by visiting ccfsn.org/Donate/Donate-Now By working together, we can help those most vulnerable in our community.

On behalf of those we serve, Thank you!



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