

SAINT MARTHA PARISH

214 Brainard Road - Enfield, Connecticut 06082 - Founded 1963

Phone: 860-745-5616 Fax: 860-741-6731

E-mail: businessoffice@stmartha.necoxmail.com

September 19, 2021

The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rev. Robert Villa, Pastor

Rev. Anthony J. Bruno, Weekend Assistant

Deacon Michael Torres Lori Kedzior, Business Administrator

E-mail: businessoffice@stmartha.necoxmail.com

Website www.saintmarthaparish.org

The parish of Saint Martha aspires to be an inviting community, welcoming people from all walks of life. Holding to the call of Jesus to repentance and to believe in the Gospel, our community seeks to offer everyone that comes through our opened doors the tools and support needed to achieve this call to holiness, by sound Catholic teaching, beautiful liturgies, cross generational faith formation and serving those in need. Our ultimate goal is to become vivid images of Jesus Christ in the world, so that we share in the salvation of the world.

Confession:

Saturday – 2:30 PM

Baptisms:

Saturdays at 12:00 PM by appointment only –
Please contact the rectory at least one month in advance.

Marriages:

Contact the rectory at least six months in advance.

Weekday – 8:30AM (Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs.)

Saturday 9:00AM English (1st Saturday TLM only)

Religious Education Program:

Sunday mornings during school year – Grades 1 – 8
Brian LeMay, D.R.E. – (860) 749-8457

Confirmation Program:

Lori Kedzior – (860) 745-5616



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

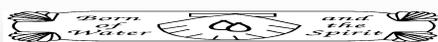
“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me.” - Mk 9:35b-37a

 Mass Intentions		
September 18th / September 19th		
SAT/SUN	4:00 PM	r/s Joan Payne, r/b Barbara Dunne
Spanish	5:30 PM	Parish Intention
	9:00 AM	r/s Angela Salvati, r/b The Family
TLM	11:00 AM	Intentions of Rachel & Jared Perry, Marriage Blessings, r/b Linda & Greg Bailey
MONDAY:	8:30 AM	Special Intentions
TUESDAY:	8:30 AM	Intentions of Anaritha Gonzalez Birthday Blessing, r/b her parents
WED.:	8:30 AM	
TLM :	7:00 PM	Intentions of Rachel & Jared Perry, Marriage Blessings, r/b The Family
THURSDAY:	8:30 AM	In honor Saint Padre Pio
SATURDAY:	9:00 AM	r/s Heath Herrington, r/b his parents
MASSES SCHEDULED FOR: Sept. 25th/ Sept. 26th		
	4:00 PM	r/s Living & deceased members of the Ayotte & Guillerault Families
	5:30 PM	Parish Intention
	9:00AM	r/s John Paul Eckel
	11:00 AM	Intentions of George Tyszka Birthday

SANCTUARY LAMP
Special Intentions



CHAPEL LAMP



"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these."
 Matthew 19:14



 The Collection from September 5th was \$ 5403.
 The Haiti Earthquake Emergency Relief collection was \$ 526.
 Today's Second Collection is the Utility Collection
 Online Giving for August was \$1368.
 The Online Giving fees were \$53.78
 This weekend's second collection is the Utility Collection
 Next weekend's second collection is the Catholic Elementary School Collection

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy. ©LPi

For the Repose of the Soul of :



Concetta Melo
Keisnedora "Kei" Radkevicz Thermer
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.
 Amen.


Confirmation NEWS

We are now accepting Confirmation Registration for 2021 - 2022 session. Classes will start in October. Please contact Lori Kedzior our Confirmation Director for more information @ 860-745-5616 or businessoffice@stmartha.necoxmail.com The registration form can be found on website www.saintmarthaparish.org or at our Parish Office.

****We also need people to teach one or two classes during the year. If you would like more information please call Lori Kedzior @ 860-745-5616. Your help will be very appreciated.****

St. Martha Parish
Faith Formation Program News

Faith Formation Classes are held on Sunday mornings from 10:00 – 11:00 for grades kindergarten thru eighth grade. The cost per student will be \$25.00, a family of three or more \$60.00. Classes are held here at St. Martha Parish using the classrooms which have been thoroughly cleaned and will have weekly cleaning. The first day of Faith Formation will be Sunday, September 19th. I am looking for volunteer Catechists for the new school year, so if you are interested and have the desire to help our children, please contact me as soon as possible so you can review the material before the first day of class; training will be provided. With the electronic world we live in now, communication could not be easier. St. Martha Church has a Facebook account which is St. Martha Parish, to view the bulletin use the link Parishes online and enter St. Martha Church. I will use both mediums to communicate concerning the Faith Formation program. I can also be reached several ways; briandre@sbcglobal.net BrianFaithFormation@gmail.com the Faith Formation office 860-745-5616 when prompted press 7 and leave a message, or home 860-749-8457. I look forward to reuniting with the returning students and meeting our new students. Registration forms can be found on our website www.saintmarthaparish.org or at the Parish Office.

God bless,
Brian LeMay, Director of Religious Education

Lector Needed

We are looking for an additional lector for the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday's, scheduling would be every third Sunday. A lector workbook is provided in helping of pronunciation and a brief explanation of the Scripture to help proclaim the Word of God. This is a very important ministry of the Church, please give it serious consideration. If you are interested proclaiming the Word of God or have any questions, please contact me as soon as possible. I can be reached at 860-749-8457 or email brian759@sbcglobal.net.

God bless,
Brian LeMay



The Prayer Shawl Ministry will begin again starting on Monday, September 20th at 6:30 p.m. We make prayer shawls for special occasions, illnesses, and for anyone in need of prayers. We meet in Goulet Hall on the third (3rd) Monday of every month from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Anyone interested in learning to knit or crochet please come to that meeting and we will teach you.

Chapel News



The Sacred Heart chapel is in need for committed adorers for the following hours :

Wednesday: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Wednesday : 9:00 pm – 10:00 pm

For more information concerning the chapel call: Flo Radziewicz@860-745-1871 or 860-216-7471.



Mt Carmel Society
Christmas in Outdoor
Craft & Vendor Fair
Saturday, Oct 23, 2021
10am-3pm
Rain or Shine
The Italian Festival Grounds
93 Park Ave, Enfield, CT

Contact: Debbie Lynch 20616332@gmail.com

Our Lady of Mt Carmel Women's Auxiliary is dedicated to serving local community programs and national, state, and local charities through donations made to our organization.

Thank you for your support of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

The Twenty– Fifth Sunday in Ordinary

St. Martha Rectory

Phone: (860) 745-5616 • Fax (860) 741-6731

E-mail: businessoffice@stmartha.necoxmail.com

Office hours: Monday – Friday: 9:30 AM – 12 N
1:30 PM – 4:30 PM

Devotions:

Rosary –8:00AM before the daily Mass: Mon., Tues.,
Wed., Thurs, Sat. (not First Saturday)

Tuesday Devotion to St. Joseph, after 8:30 AM Mass

**Sacred Heart Eucharistic Adoration Chapel— Monday
& Wednesday 9:00 AM —10:00 PM**

For Questions please call: Flo Radziewicz (860)-216-7471

Communion to Homebound: Call the Rectory

Parish Home Visitation – Legion of Mary:
Meets every Monday at 2:30 PM

Prayer Line: 860-745-5616 The Rectory Office

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Charismatic Prayer Group
Tuesday: 6:00 - 8:00 PM - Peg Connor (860)745-9861

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Every 3rd Monday of the Month
at 6:30 PM Contact: Betty Joaquim – (860)745-2667

Bereavement Group: Susann Douglas - (413)-454-8702



K of C Rev. John B. O'Connell Council
14600

Grand Knight—Raymond Bishop - 860-763-3076
Financial Secretary Joseph Pandolfi - 860-763-2449
E-mail - kofc14600@att.net

The K of C meet the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 PM



Lay Carmelite Community of Little Therese - #702
Director: Annedda Stiller - 860-416-9600

Live Stream Sunday Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass Saturdays 4:00 pm

Join us for *Mass!*^{ESTPCC}
Let us gather and celebrate
the Mass. Visit our parish
Facebook® page!



September 19, 2021



K of C Council #14600



9th Annual Car Show

**St. Martha Church
214 Brainard Rd., Enfield, CT**

**Saturday, September 25th 2021
9:00 AM – 2:00 PM**

**Registration 9:00 – 11:00 AM
Rain Date September 26th**

\$20 per vehicle to benefit St. Martha Parish

**Best of Show
Father's Choice
People's Choice**

**Trophies & Door Prizes!!
Gift bags available for the first 100 participants
Hamburgers & Hot Dogs**

For more information contact:

**Mike Dumont: 860-741-2363
John Plonski: 860-916-1683**

O.L.H.S. Prayer Group - New Time



Beginning on Tuesday, September 21st our prayer meeting will start an hour earlier at 6pm and end at 8 pm. For those of you who previously wanted to attend the meeting but desired to get home sooner, here is your opportunity. Please enter the school using the door across from the rectory, and follow the signs to the former kindergarten classroom. We will gather there just before 6pm and begin the meeting with opening prayers in the new chapel across the hall. We look forward to welcoming new people to join us as we offer praise and worship to our God.

Any questions may be directed to Peggi Connor @ (860) 745-9861.

IN HONOR OF
FATHER McELHERON'S
LATIN MASS

Browne Memorial Funeral Chapels, Cremation Services, & Funeral Services

OUR FAMILY SERVING YOUR FAMILY

43 Shaker Road, Enfield, CT 06082

860-745-3115

www.brownefuneralhome.com



TAYLOR RENTAL

Taylor Rental of Enfield, CT
860-741-5999

**20 LB PROPANE TANK
ONLY \$15! (SAVE \$2)**

Must present coupon at time of purchase.
Not valid with any other discounts or sales.

Expires: June 1st, 2021

Only Redeemable at
Taylor Rental

150 Enfield St., Enfield, CT 06082

Ask us about the Catholic Funeral Plan



700 MIDDLETOWN AVENUE, NORTH HAVEN

203-239-2557 • CCACEM.ORG

ROGERS MEMORIAL STUDIO



Over 90 Years Of Service

John F. D'Aleo, Prop.
Rock of Ages Monuments
Cemetery Lettering & Cleaning

724 Enfield Street, Enfield, CT Tel. 860-745-2464

D&F Power Equipment

QUALITY EQUIPMENT FOR ALL SEASONS

Serving Your Community Since 1981

Rt. 159, 1106 E. St., Suffield

SALES • SERVICE • PARTS

DEENA & JACK ROLLET

860-627-5085

**SUPPORT YOUR
LOCAL PARISH.**

LPi Buy a bulletin ad space today!

Pre-planning? — At Need? — Burial? — Cremation?

LEETE-STEVENSON ENFIELD CHAPELS



Four Generations and over 100 Years of Family Service in the Catholic Community 860-749-2244

Conveniently Located • Crematory on Premises

Cemetery Assistance • Medicaid/Title 19 Funeral Trusts

61 South Rd.
Enfield, CT

The most trusted and chosen funeral home in the Enfield Community

SI #0302317 H.O.D. #115
PI #0302118
FAMILY OWNED & OPERATED SINCE 1934



- Automatic Oil Delivery
 - Boiler/AC Service
 - Oil/Service Contracts
 - 24 Hour Emergency Service
- 860.745.0321
777 ENFIELD ST. • ENFIELD, CT

Preparing to Downsize?



**IF YOU'RE REMODELING OR
MOVING, WE'RE YOUR GUYS!**

FREE ESTIMATES Family Owned and Operated
Over 30 Years Serving the Community
380 Union Street - Suite 1 - West Springfield, MA
(413) 736-4440 www.A-ZMOVERS.net

**AVAILABLE FOR
A LIMITED TIME!
ADVERTISE HERE NOW!**

Contact **Mary Hoffman** to place an ad
today! mhoffman@4LPi.com
or (800) 477-4574 x6340



AnnKera Jones Carlander,
Class of 1989 - owner
Monday - Friday 10AM - 2:30PM
Open for Catering Anytime!

860-292-6833

33A East Main Street
East Windsor, CT

www.picklejardeli.com

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!



Ad info. 1-800-477-4574 • Publication Support 1-800-477-4574 • www.4lp.com

St. Martha, Enfield, CT

03-0969