

# SAINT MARTHA PARISH

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January 30, 2022

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Rev. Robert Villa, Pastor*

*Rev. Anthony J. Bruno, Weekend Assistant*

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*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)

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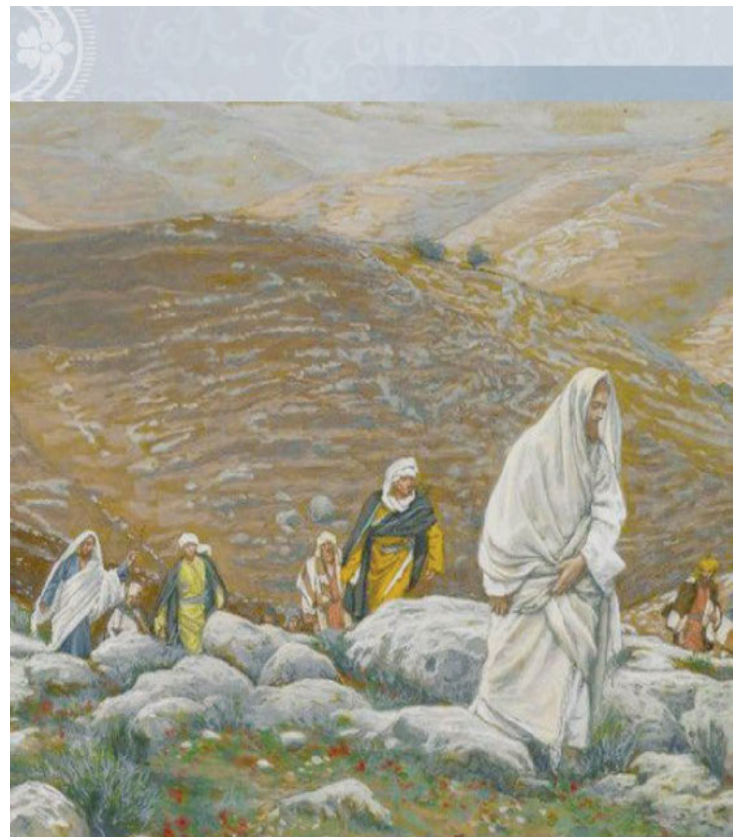
## **Religious Education Program:**

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

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## **Confirmation Program:**

Lori Kedzior – (860) 745-5616



*4th Sunday*  
IN ORDINARY TIME

When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away. - Lk 4:28, 30



*Mass Intentions*

**January 29th/30th**

**SAT/SUN** 4:00 PM r/s Richard Welch Jr., r/b The Mastella Family

**Spanish** 5:30 PM Parish Intentions

9:00 AM r/s Anna Rice, r/b Kathleen Thomson

**TLM** 11:00 AM In Thanksgiving, r/b The Minor Family

**MONDAY: 8:30 AM** r/s Anna Rice Birthday Remembrance, r/b her daughter Lori Kedzior

**TUESDAY: 8:30 AM** Holy Souls in Purgatory

**WED.: 8:30 AM** r/s Makayla Giorgio, r/b Barbara Imperatrice

**7:00 PM TLM** r/s Jessica Dana, r/b Troy Henke

**THURSDAY: 8:30 AM** Intentions of Diane Plourde, r/b Flo Radziewicz

**SATURDAY: 9:00AM TLM** r/s Rosemary Hetzer, Rory Rosencrans


**MASSES SCHEDULED FOR: February 5th/6th**

4:00 PM r/s Eileen Russel

5:30 PM Parish Intentions

9:00AM r/s Anne-Marie Wellspeak

11:00 AM r/s Peter Gillen

*Thank you* 

The Collection from January 23rd was \$ 3725.19  
 The Catholic High School Collection was \$ 395.00  
 December's Online Giving was \$3610.00  
 The Online Giving fees were \$110.00


**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

St. Oscar Romero (1917-1980) was a “Salvadoran Roman Catholic archbishop who was a vocal critic of the violent activities of government armed forces, right-wing groups, and leftist guerrillas involved in El Salvador’s civil conflict (Encyclopedia Britannica).” As a voice of the voiceless, he was an outspoken champion of the poor who were the ones most affected by the civil unrest and violence. His advocacy provoked several attempts on his life. Nonetheless, St. Oscar Romero was convinced that before all else his faith in the resurrected Christ and the values of the Gospel trumped any earthly concern or worry. He walked with complete confidence and trust. On March 24, 1980, St. Oscar Romero was assassinated while celebrating Mass. Such is often the fate of those who challenge the socio-political agendas of the day.


We may look at the example of witness of St. Oscar Romero as something extraordinary. In one sense it is. Through the power of God, an ordinary human being did extraordinary things. But, in and of himself, St. Oscar Romero was simply a humble, loving servant of God. Oscar knew not only the power of love but the risk that comes when loving unconditionally. The beauty of God’s message was able to shine in and through him because he was able to step out of the way and be a vessel. One can assume that for St. Oscar Romero, one’s earthly life has no merit when faith, integrity, conviction, zeal and love are jettisoned. Fear and apprehension had no grip on this man who not only saw but spoke the truth.

Do we speak the truth? It makes us feel good to speak of God as love. But have we ever considered the ramifications of this radical message? There are assaults on human life occurring daily. More and more the value and worth of a human being is being reduced and minimalized. We are becoming widgets in the production of life. In our whole simple humble ways, we too are called to be prophets. Knowing who you are and what is within your means to do, how can you make God’s love real, stand up for what is right, and give witness to the sacredness of all that is around you? ©LPi


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**CHAPEL LAMP**



*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let our perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*



*“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 ABCs of Annulment”**

Sponsored by the Metropolitan Tribunal, Bloomfield Father Jeffrey V. Romans, Pastor of Saint Bridget of Sweden Parish, 175 Main Street, Cheshire, Connecticut, in collaboration with Father George Mukuka, the Judicial Vicar of the Metropolitan Tribunal in Bloomfield, Connecticut, will host “The ABCs of Annulment” on Saturday of March 5th , 2022, from 10 am to 12:00 pm, in the Parish Hall at the address above. Updates of the process initiated by Pope Francis as well as those made in the Archdiocese of Hartford will be presented by Br. Larry Lussier CSC, and Jim Tottenham. Follow-up Annulment Workshops to help participants write their applications will be held at the same address on Saturday March 12th , and March 19 th from 10 am to 12:00 pm. Br. Larry, Jim Tottenham, and other members of the Annulment Team, will be present for the Workshops. The “ABCs of Annulment” event is open to all at no cost. Participants will receive a folder with the required printed materials. No registration is required. For further information call Br. Larry @ 475-221-8464 or email him at brolarlus300@gmail.com.

**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](mailto:brian759@sbcglobal.net).  
God bless,  
Brian LeMay

**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**

**2021 CHURCH DONTION STATEMENTS**

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*Chapel News*



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**St. Martha Rectory**

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**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](mailto:kofc14600@att.net)  
The K of C meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM



**Lay Carmelite Community of Little Therese - #702**  
**Director: Annedda Stiller - 860-416-9600**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month from 1:00 – 3:30 pm**

January 30, 2022



## The Feast of St. Blaise

THE CATHOLIC RITE OF  
BLESSING OF THROATS:

FEB. 3RD AT 8:30AM DAILY MASS

BLESSING OF THROAT PRAYER  
*on the feast of St. Blaise*

*"Through  
the intercession  
of St. Blaise,  
bishop and martyr,  
may God deliver you  
from every disease  
of the throat and  
from every other illness:  
in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.  
Amen"*



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