

SAINT BRIDGET OF SWEDEN PARISH

Where Christ is Our Light

SUNDAY, JULY 11, 2021



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

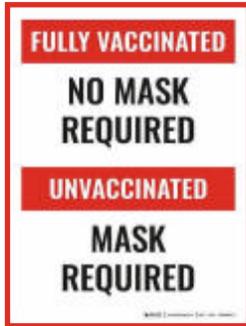


Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. The Twelve drove out many demons, and they anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. - Mk 6:7, 13



Letter from the Pastor
The Reverend Jeffrey V. Romans, KCHS

Dear Friends in Christ:



A REMINDER, first and foremost...as we continue to welcome our parishioners back to the celebration of “in-person” Mass, I think we need a little reminder of what the Bishops of Connecticut have asked for now...the past few days I have been hearing concerns that some of our children, who are not vaccinated yet, are not wearing masks in Church. PLEASE remember, on June 9th, Archbishop Blair issued a Statement saying, “effective, June 9, 2021, for those who are vaccinated, wearing masks will be optional while at Mass, at other liturgies, and at any indoor or outdoor events held at our churches. Those who remain unvaccinated should continue to wear masks, with particular attention being given to the safety of young, unvaccinated children.” I encourage EVERYONE who is unvaccinated, regardless of age, to see this call from our Archbishop as crucial to the safety and well-being of those around you. Please also note we have reserved the

transept nearest the baptismal font as a MASKS REQUIRED section, not only for those with small children, but for all who are still uncomfortable being near others



who are not wearing a mask at this time. As we continue to deal with the pandemic and the variants that arise, please be sure to adhere to these regulations for the well-being of all those in our family of faith.

IT IS SUMMER...as we begin the summer weeks and are in the midst of this heat wave this week I am reminded that the weeks of summer really provide a lighter schedule in many ways. Especially around here in the parish the weeks of summer provide an opportunity to clean off our desks, truth be told to clean out that junk drawer (you know you have one too!), catch up on projects that have been put to the side, and plan for the future!

I, for one, am grateful for this heat wave which causes me to want to stay in and not go play golf because it is enabling me to catch up on clearing my desk and getting organized for the weeks ahead! I hope you have all found a way to stay cool and maybe even have gotten caught up in your own paperwork and projects.

It is also a great time for someone to begin a new job...and how fitting it is that this week we officially welcome SISTER MARY ROSE

as our new Pastoral Associate.

Sister Mary Rose began with us on Tuesday and has been busy looking through the materials left behind for her by Sister Patricia. As you can see, Sister Mary Rose comes to us with such a joy for life. We are very excited that she is with us and look forward to seeing her ministry bear fruit for building up our parish family, and helping us all to grow in knowledge and

love of Jesus.

Sister Mary Rose will be reaching out in the coming days to many of you who worked in a variety of ministries here in the parish to learn more about your ministry and how she might be able to assist you in what you do. Welcome Sister Mary Rose, we are excited to have you as part of our Pastoral Team.

We also received word in the last few weeks that one of our own St. Bridget School Robotics teams has been chosen for one of the 18 spots to have a rocket launched as part of the United Launch Alliance. We are so proud!



United Launch Alliance (ULA) is an American spacecraft launch service provider that launches spacecraft for the US government, NASA, the Department of Defense, and other organizations. ULA holds an annual student rocket launch contest in which children from across the U.S. compete for 18 spots on a ULA sport rocket. To receive a spot, children

must submit a detailed proposal describing a payload (devices, objects, experiments, instruments, etc.) that they designed to fit within ULA’s parameters.

The St. Bridget School Rocket Club submitted a payload proposal and was one of 18 teams accepted for integration into a ULA sport rocket. The rocket will launch on Saturday, July 17th 2021 in Pueblo, Colorado.

Two St. Bridget students and their parents will be travelling to Colorado to finalize preparation of the payload for launch and to observe the launch.

To view St. Bridget School’s recorded payload proposal video that was submitted to ULA, go to:

<https://youtu.be/zNpbGwQs4wE>

For more information about the contest from United Launch Alliance (ULA), go to:

https://www.ulalaunch.com/docs/default-source/student-rocket-launch/studentrocketlaunch_2021.pdf?sfvrsn=87c4433f_2

St. Bridget School continues to serve its students with the mission to nourish the mind, body and spirit. To learn more about St. Bridget School and its academic programs, please visit our website at www.stbridgetschool.org.

CALLING ALL PARENTS! You can join the St. Bridget School Family! These weeks of summer may provide some respite and relaxation but for those with children it also brings the need to plan for the future. **I hope and pray ALL PARISHIONERS will consider our own SAINT BRIDGET SCHOOL for your child or children.** It is a vibrant thriving parish school, which offers the very best in all aspects of



educating our future generations. We build upon the legacy of our school each and every day as we seek to shape future citizens and future disciples. The greatest blessing is that we are a family who all do what we can with the gifts God has blessed us with to help one another grow academically, intellectually, physically, and, above all, spiritually. That is what makes our parish school the success that it is today!

If your child is preparing for school, from Pre-K to grade 8, please make an appointment so you may visit our school and see for yourself all that St. Bridget School has to offer, and see why Saint Bridget School should be your school of choice for your child or children. We still have room at all grade levels for the upcoming school year 2021-2022, (I heard there may be a waiting list for PreK3 so don’t wait to call) and I hope you will consider Saint Bridget School for your child or children, grandchild or grandchildren. Come for a tour and learn more.

A question often posed is: “Why should I consider a Catholic school when the public schools offer a great education?” I always begin with the long standing tradition the Catholic Church has in educating our young people to a higher degree of success. St. Bridget School is one of the highest scoring schools within the Archdiocese of Hartford in stand-

ardized tests. Catholic schools, and it is true for our parish school, establish a spirit of faith, family, and community in their students. The education our students receive at Saint Bridget School stays with them their entire lives and can be the basis from which they orient them-

selves with the world. It also encourages them to remain grounded in the Catholic faith while they reach to fulfill their dreams. Our students enter our school to learn and leave to serve as disciples of Jesus.

What will you find in Saint Bridget School for your child or children?

- Faith Based Learning with a Real World Approach
- Spanish Language from PreK3 to Grade 8
- Advanced Studies and Curriculum Resources
- 1 to 1 iPads in the Middle School and technology in all other grades
- Athletic Fields and a Gymnasium
- Sports Program including Basketball, Baseball, Softball, Cross-Country, Cheerleading, and Soccer
- Air-Conditioning throughout our facility
- Extra-curricular activities such as Robotics Club, LEGO Club, Chess Club, French Club & more
- A Diverse Student Body
- Small Class Sizes with Differentiated Learning at ALL Grade Levels
- Enrichment Programs and Family Events
- Tuition Assistance
- Weekly Mass as a school family and Adoration

Please consider Saint Bridget School for your child. **Call today at 203-272-5860.** Be sure to visit our school website www.stbridgetschool.org as well to take a Virtual Tour to learn more!

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Don't forget to SAVE THE DATE for the upcoming PARISH PICNIC!!! I am so excited that we are able to hold our Annual Picnic this year! I missed seeing the parish family come together in such numbers and enjoy a day on our property of food, fellowship, and fun!

SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR PARISH PICNIC! Our ANNUAL Parish Picnic will be on Sunday, September 19, 2021, beginning with the 10:30AM Mass that morning being celebrated on the field behind Saint Bridget School!

OUR PARISH PICNIC IS FREE TO ALL PARISHIONERS and will include games on the field, bounce houses, musical entertainment, tasty food, one or two surprises, as well as the opportunity to meet new friends and build up our parish family!!!



Plans are already underway!

As always remember to pray for our parish families and ask God's blessings as we build His kingdom here. Please know that I am praying for you, and I ask for your prayers for me, that together through the intercession of Saint Bridget of Sweden, our Patroness, and united in the Eucharist, we will reflect the presence of Jesus to the world.

Father Romans

The new Mass schedule as of 9/25/2021
will be as follows:

Saturday
4PM in Saint Bridget Church
5:15PM in Saint Thomas Becket Church

Sunday
7:30AM, 9AM, and 10:30AM in Saint Bridget Church
4PM in Saint Bridget Church (9/26/2021-5/22/2022)

HURRY! There are still a few spots available for the Archdiocesan Synod Closing Mass on Friday, August 13th at 6:30pm at the Oakdale Theatre. If you would like to attend, call the rectory at 203-272-3531 to save your spot!



MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, July 10th

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| 9:00 a.m. SBC | Nancy Sacco | Andrew Knott |
| 4:00 p.m. SBC | Thomas Pronovost, Sr. | His Family |
| 5:15 p.m. SBC | Audrey Chamberlain | Anthony & Cathy Niglio |

Sunday, July 11th: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| 7:00 a.m. SBC | Anthony Iovene | The Family |
| 8:00 a.m. SBC | Bill Aquila | His Family |
| 9:00 a.m. SBC | Brian D. Nugent | His Wife, Kiki and Children, Timothy & Mary Margaret |
| 10:30 a.m. SBC | Emma Norback | The Kenney Family |

Monday, July 12th

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| 7:00 a.m. SBC | Mary Catherine Meacham | Our Lady's Rosary Group |
| 9:00 a.m. SBC | Francis H. O'Neill | The Family |

Tuesday, July 13th

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| 7:00 a.m. SBC | The People of St. Bridget of Sweden Parish | |
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Wednesday, July 14th: Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

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| 7:00 a.m. SBC | John & Philomena Mongillo | Peter & Mary Mongillo |
| 9:00 a.m. SBC | Ron Regnery—Birthday Remembrance | The Family |

Thursday, July 15th: Saint Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

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| 7:00 a.m. SBC | Dorothy G. Toolan—5th Anniversary | Diane Toolan |
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Friday, July 16th

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| 7:00 a.m. SBC | Ronald McReavy | Fred Coughlan |
| 9:00 a.m. SBC | Renato Gugliotti | Lynn & Karl Krieg |

Saturday, July 17th

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| 9:00 a.m. SBC | Maxine Riedinger & Theodora Hamilton | Family |
| 4:00 p.m. SBC | Adriano Veiga | Paul & Jill Veiga |
| 5:15 p.m. SBC | Bob Santello | His Wife, Alice |

Sunday, July 18th: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| 7:00 a.m. SBC | Dante & Elisa Pasqualoni | Dante Pasqualoni, Jr. |
| 8:00 a.m. SBC | Rayjeanne Chasse | Her Husband |
| 9:00 a.m. SBC | Daniel & Celia Fusco | Their Daughters, Sharon & Alice |
| 10:30 a.m. SBC | Nicholas Spizzoucco | The Kenney Family |



Intentions for the Tabernacle candle are available. To reserve the candle at either church for a living or deceased loved one, call the rectory at 203-272-3531.

The Tabernacle candle offering is \$25.

Marriage Banns

Please pray for this couple as they prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage:
III Filipe Ribeiro & Allyson Hamel



The 2022 Mass book is now open for Mass intentions through June 25, 2022.

Until July 28th, requests will be limited to three weekend Masses and five weekday Masses per person. After July 28th, you can certainly call back and book additional Masses. Thank you for understanding our attempt to give as many people as possible the chance to book Masses for their loved ones.

Please call the rectory at 203-272-3531 during office hours to request your intentions.

The Tabernacle candle at St. Bridget Church shines this week for Living & Deceased Members of the Pelletier/Casertano Family Requested by Bonnie Casertano



The Tabernacle candle at St. Thomas Becket Church shines this week for Grace Deschino—In Living Prayer Requested by Kate Carriero

In-Person Services THIS WEEK

Masses this week:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday—7am & 9am in St. Bridget Church
 Tuesday & Thursday—7am in St. Bridget Church
 Saturday—9am, 4pm & 5:15pm in St. Bridget Church
 Sunday—7am, 8am, 9am, & 10:30am in St. Bridget Church



Rosary every Monday at 1:30pm in St. Thomas Becket Church

Mass in Your Car!

Tune in to FM 89.5 and listen to 10:30am Mass in your car in our parking lot! An Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will bring Communion outside at the appropriate time in the Mass for you to leave your vehicle, receive Holy Communion, and return to your vehicle for the closing of Mass and final blessing.



Drive-thru **CONFESSIONS** available every Saturday at 3:00pm until heard. Drive up to the St. Bridget School entrance and a priest will come out to hear your confession.

Adoration every Friday, 1-2pm in St. Bridget Church



NOTE: Masking is required for non-vaccinated persons and optional for fully vaccinated persons.

Online Services can be viewed on the homepage of our website at www.stbridgetcheshire.org, on YouTube <https://bit.ly/SBoSYTChannel> or Facebook [@stbridgetofswedenparish](https://www.facebook.com/stbridgetofswedenparish)

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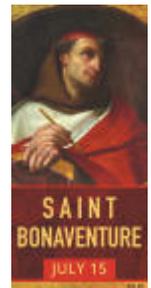


Every Sunday our 10:30am Mass is livestreamed. Join Us!

The television Mass is simulcast everyday at 10:00 a.m. on WCCT-TV WB20 and WCTX-TV MyTV9. It can also be seen Saturday and Sunday at 5:00 a.m. on WCCT-TV.

It can also be viewed online at <https://www.ortv.org/streaming/streaming.htm>

Getting to Know Our Heavenly Family
 Every Monday at 10AM
 This week, learn about **Saint Bonaventure**



How Catholic Are You?

Join us at 10AM every Wednesday and Friday
 Test your knowledge of the Catholic faith with these obscure facts and partially useful trivia about our faith and its history.





Today is the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The readings for today can be found at

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/071121.cfm>

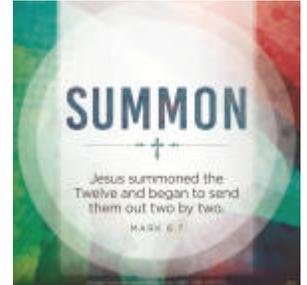
This week's Gospel and the one for next week describe how Jesus sent the disciples to minister in his name and the disciples' return to Jesus afterward. These two passages, however, are not presented together in Mark's Gospel. Inserted between the two is the report of Herod's fears that Jesus is John the Baptist back from the dead. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus' ministry is presented in connection with the teaching of John the Baptist. Jesus' public ministry begins after John is arrested. John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus, who preached the fulfillment of the Kingdom of God.

While we do not read these details about John the Baptist in our Gospel this week or next week, our Lectionary sequence stays consistent with Mark's theme. Recall that last week we heard how Jesus was rejected in his hometown of Nazareth. The insertion of the reminder about John the Baptist's ministry and his death at the hands of Herod in Mark's Gospel makes a similar point. Mark reminds his readers about this dangerous context for Jesus' ministry and that of his disciples. Preaching repentance and the Kingdom of God is dangerous business for Jesus and for his disciples. Mark wants his readers to remember that we, too, may find resistance as we choose to be disciples of Jesus.

Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus sent out the Twelve. These twelve were selected from among Jesus' disciples and named by Mark in chapter 3. Mark notes that these twelve are also called "apostles." The word *apostle* means "one who is sent." The number twelve is also a symbolic number, representing the twelve tribes of Israel. By naming twelve apostles, Jesus shows his mission to be in continuity with the mission of God's people, Israel.

Jesus' instructions to the apostles are very specific. He repeats the mission that they are sent to preach and to share his authority to heal and to drive out demons. Jesus sends them in pairs, establishing his mission as a communal endeavor. Jesus also instructs them to travel lightly, without the customary food, money, and extra set of clothes. These instructions mean that the Twelve will be dependent on the hospitality of others, just as Jesus depended on others to provide for his needs.

Jesus continues to send us into the world as his disciples. But like the first disciples, we are not sent alone. Jesus has given us the community of the Church, which strengthens our life of discipleship. The Christian message can only authentically be proclaimed in and through the community of faith that is the Church. In our work with others, we build this community of faith and can invite others to share in it.



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For more information to better understand the readings, bit.ly/3qXby9u

Our collection for the week of July 4th



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St. Bridget School Update

Principal: Dr. Nancy Testa
Assistant Principal: Ms. Liz Plasky



Mrs. Brilvitch. PK-4

Community Action for All Ages!

This year, our PK-4 classes got together to renew our school garden. With the help of their students, Mrs. Brilvitch and Mrs. Normand planted a vegetable garden with the produce to be given to the Cheshire Community Food Pantry. Students learned about healthy foods and the importance of giving back to the community. Great job PK-4! A special thank you goes out to Bill and the Cheshire Nursery for generously donating to our student ministry garden project.



We would like to thank Mrs. Geoffrey, Mrs. Henaghan and our student volunteers for such a great first week of camp. Our campers enjoyed the week so much that they didn't want to leave!

Register Now!

We are now accepting 2021-2022 Applications for Grades PreK-3 & PreK-4 through Grade 8. Visit our website for our Virtual Open House or call us to set up your **in-person** tour of our beautiful and spacious campus.

We offer **Registered Catholic Grants, Sibling Grants, as well as Tuition Assistance.** For more information or questions, please contact our Admissions Director, Mrs. Christina Cummings, at 203.272.5860 or ccummings@stbridgetschool.org.



Spaces are Still Available!

Register now for our Fun Summer Programs

We are offering Programs for PreK 3 through Grade 8! Full days or half days available! We have **Math Workshops** for Grades 4-8 and **Summer Camp** for students entering PreK 3 through Grade 3 the week of August 2. Bring your beach towels, sunscreen and flip flops, and get ready to have some fun!

All programs are offered to St. Bridget of Sweden Parishioners and the community. For **Registration Forms** and more information, please contact Christina Cummings at ccummings@stbridgetschool.org.

Join our School Community



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Donna Yatcko, DRE

dyatcko@stbridgetschool.org
203.272.6504

Monday – Friday 8:30 am to 1:30 pm

Religious Education Schedule

All classes have finished for the year. Please be sure your child completes all of their assignments.



Come and journey with us.

The process by which adults come into full communion with the Catholic Church is known as “The RCIA”, which is short for: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. If you feel God is calling you to this conversion of heart, please join us on this journey to a closer relationship with God and His Church. For more information, or if you have a friend or family member who might benefit, please contact:

Deacon Wilber at Dcnrw.stbridget@gmail.com or
Donna Yatcko at dyatcko@stbridgetschool.org

Welcome

TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

We would like to welcome the following families to our Parish family!

*Joseph & Carolyn Cornish
Edmond & Anne Marie Cullinan
Gary & Erin Dwyer
Jonathan & Lisa Filarsky
Richard & Rosemarie Fischer
Steve & Jill Fusco
Dean & Michelle Geoffrey
Margaret Hall
Jason & Theresa Maratta
Jennifer McCormick
Justin & Jennifer Quick
Alexander & Lauren Wells*



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Ask Father

Dear Father: Is there a patron saint of bakers?

Dear friend in Christ,

Yes, we're Catholic, there's a patron saint for everything!

Saint Honore was a bishop in France in the sixth century. When he was named a bishop, a baker's peel (the flat paddle that is used to move bread and pastries out of the oven) is said to have sprouted roots and planted itself into a tree – while a woman was holding it!

After that, Saint Honore was responsible for many bread-related miracles, including a mysterious hand appearing from the sky to help him distribute the Eucharist. The people of France prayed to him during a drought and that year was the best crop they ever had.

Think of Saint Honore the next time you're baking a delicious treat!

Saint Honore, pray for us!



Saint Honore



Honore Cake



Frequently Asked Questions



WE WEREN'T MARRIED IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH. IS THERE SOMETHING WE CAN DO TO HAVE OUR MARRIAGE RECOGNIZED BY THE CHURCH?

The Church offers a beautiful process and ceremony called **convalidation**. Just call the parish office to begin. You will meet with the priest who will guide you through the process. Then we will schedule a short, private vow ceremony on the altar in front of your family and friends, after which your marriage will be recognized in the eyes of the Church and blessed in the sight of God!



SAVE THE DATE
for the
Parish Picnic
on
Sunday
September 19th
more details to follow



Apologetics 101: How to Pray When You Can't Pray

- A parishioner wrote to ask us an important question: *can you please do a video about how to pray when you're feeling dry and broken and prayer is hard?*
 - Ask and you shall receive!
- There are times in everyone's life when our pain is so great, our frustration so burdensome, or our weariness so debilitating that we feel we cannot summon the will or energy to pray.
 - **These are the times we need to pray the most!**
- Here's how we do it: we have to remember **that prayer is not something that we do. Prayer is something that God does that we respond to.** Prayer is our response to God's love.
- ***All that we have to do in prayer is focus our heart and mind on the Lord, that's it!***
 - The words we say, the posture we sit in, these are all secondary.
 - **We do not have to summon certain emotions in prayer, we only have to be ourselves before the Lord!**
- Since prayer is not something that we do, we only have to respond to God in the way that is most authentic for our moment in life.
- So, if you are in agony, give God your agony. If you are anxious, pour out your anxiety to Him. If you are overwhelmed, be overwhelmed with the Lord.
- Whatever our feeling is, that's all the Lord asks of us. We can and should pray from everything we are going through.
- Remember, God is a loving Father, not a harsh judge. He doesn't grade our prayers, He only wants to comfort us.
- We are not marionettes or performers who have to impress God, we are sons and daughters who need only to throw ourselves into the arms of our Father.

Cast all your cares upon the Lord because He cares for you. 1 Peter 5:7



BIRTHRIGHT NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

Birthright is an emergency pregnancy service offering free pregnancy tests, friendship counseling, and practical support. Our guiding principle: It is the RIGHT of every pregnant woman to give BIRTH and the RIGHT of every child to be BORN. Birthright volunteers have served in Connecticut since 1972. Thousands of expectant mothers have received the help they need to bring their babies into the world! There are 7 Birthright centers in our state. Please call 1-800-550-4900 for the Birthright nearest you. Training is provided. Spanish speaking volunteers are especially needed. Thank you.



Activities for this Week's Liturgy

Word Search—bit.ly/3jRhvmT
 Decoder Puzzle—bit.ly/3dNH2ta
 Coloring Page—bit.ly/3qQM6Cp



Youth Ministry
 Regis O'Neill, Youth Minister
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Verse of the Week

Galatians 3:28
 "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus."

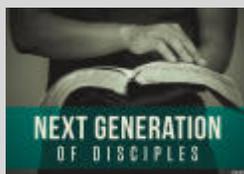
Upcoming Events

Help us send off our seniors! All high school students, including rising freshmen, are invited to join the NGD for our Senior Sendoff this Wednesday from 6:30-8:30pm on the SBS field (or in the SBS gym if it's raining). We'll be having a small party for our NGD members who graduated from high school this year and will be moving on to bigger and better things. Even if you haven't been in a while, come help us send off our seniors! We'd love to see you there.

Saint of the Week

Saint Francis Solano
 Feast Day: July 17th

Bio: St. Francis Solano was born to a powerful family in Andalusia, Spain in 1549. As a young man, he is reported to have stepped between two duelists and convinced them to refrain from violence! Shortly thereafter, he joined the Franciscans. He quickly gained widespread renown for his self-sacrificial care for the sick during an epidemic, but this made him uncomfortable. So much so, in fact, that he asked to be sent to the African missions to escape the attention. Instead, he was sent to South America in 1589. Francis took to his work eagerly, quickly learning the local languages and befriendng the indigenous people. He would often visit the sick and play the violin for them. Towards the end of his life, his mission moved to Peru, where he worked to recall lapsed Spanish colonists to the faith. Francis is remembered for his extraordinary missionary work and his defense of indigenous populations from oppression. He died in 1610. Saint Francis Solano, pray for us!



Xavier High School Headmaster's & Principal's Lists

- Headmaster's List
 Francesco De Vivo
 Braden Downey
 Jake Gesseck
 David Houle
 Alvin Nellik
 Mario Pugliese
 Robert Quan

- Principal's List
 Colby Ciampi
 Perry Mackey
 Rory McCormack
 Peter Mercugliano
 Charles Puckhaber
 John Strell



The Cheshire Road Race will be held next Sunday morning, July 18th.

Be prepared for unusual traffic, especially in the south end of town.



Our U.S. Military Prayer List



Captain Cassandra Andrea USAF
 Captain J. Michael Andrea USAF
 SRA Garrett Barboza, USAF
 Major David B. Beale, US Army
 Specialist Alan Bell, US Army
 Petty Officer 2nd Class Michael Betts, US Navy
 Captain Kevin Briskin, US Army
 ENS Michelle Browning, US Navy
 Sergeant Brian Caouette
 Captain Leslie Ann Capuano, USMC
 Lieutenant Hollis Ann Capuano, US Navy
 Seaman Apprentice Robert Carrano, US Coast Guard
 Private Jack Cavanaugh, US Army
 Tech Sergeant Edward J. Clark, Jr, USAF
 Sergeant Aaron Desjardins, USAF
 Specialist John Fadus, US Army
 STS-1 Jake Ford, US Navy
 PFC Owen C. Fowler, USMC
 Lt. Colonel Mark Christopher Glenn, US Army
 Private Alyza Hernandez, USMC
 Petty Officer 2nd Class Martin Houston, US Navy
 Cdr. Thomas A. Ianucci, USN, Chaplain
 SRA Ryan Jones, USAF
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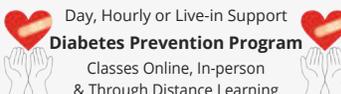
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