

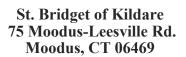
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Churches of St. Patrick. East Hampton and St. Bridget of Kildare, Moodus

Third Sunday In Ordinary Time January 23 & 23, 2022

Father Dariusz K. Dudzik - Pastor (860) 267-6644 Father Dariusz email: FatherDKD@gmail.com Deacon Dan D'Amelio - Permanent Deacon





MASS Schedule

Masses: Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm Sunday: 7:00 am & 11:30 am Weekdays: Wednesday 7:00 am

Friday: Mass 8:00 am (adoration prior to Mass at 7am)

Confessions: Saturday 6:30 pm or by Appt.

Email: stbridgetofkildare@yahoo.com

Bulletin is on the WEBSITE: saintpatrickeh.org



St. Patrick Church 47 West High Street East Hampton, CT 06424

MASS Schedule

Masses: Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm Sunday: 8:30 am & 10:00 am Weekdays: Wednesday 8:00 am

Thursday: Mass 8:00 am (adoration prior to Mass at 7am)

Confessions: Saturday 3:00 pm or by Appt. Email: stpatrick47@sbcglobal.net

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The St. John Paul II Parish Office is Located in the Parish Center of St. Patrick Church.

Office Hours: Monday —Thursday 8am — 2:30 pm Friday 8am—Noon

Office Phone: 860 267-6644

Called together by God to experience Jesus and his word, in the sacraments of the Church and in each other, we are committed to love God and to embrace all God's people as witnesses of God's mercy.

Welcome to our Parish Family

Newcomers to the St. John Paul II Parish are invited to introduce themselves to our Pastor, Father Darius after Mass. Please consider registering with the parish by stopping in to the office. If your family is registered at either location, once you turn 21, you must re-register as an adult. PLEASE update your contact information as it changes.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Arrangements can be made by calling the Office. Godparents require a sponsor certificate from their parish.

CONFESSION: Saturday 3:00 pm at St. Patrick, and following the vigil mass at 6:30 pm at St. Bridget. Or by appointment.

FIRST COMMUNION: Contact the Director of Religious Education, Dani Annino or Molly Bickford.
HOLY MATRIMONY Couples must contact the office and meet with the pastor at least one year in advance to reserve a date and make arrangements.
MINISTRY OF CAREGIVING, Please advise the church office to arrange pastoral visits or Holy Communion for those who are sick, hospitalized, homebound, or in nursing homes.

MASS INTENTIONS

The celebration of the Eucharist is the highest form of worship in the Catholic Church and it is our long standing tradition to pray for the dead at Mass. Anyone can ask for a Mass to be offered for a special intention. You can schedule a Mass by calling the office. Mass cards are available for the Living and for the Deceased. Suggested Stipends:

Weekday—\$10 Weekend—\$20

To arrange for the Sanctuary Lamp or Blessed Mother Candle please contact the office. (860) 267-6644

2 Week Sanctuary Light \$20

1 Week Blessed Mother Candle \$10

To cover the increasing cost of the 6 day votive candles at St. Bridget's we find the need to increase the suggested donation to \$5.00.

St. John Paul II Parish Contacts

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St. Bridget Cemetery Director: Jim Dombroski (860) 334-5722

Bulletin Submissions: Due to Marlene by 12:00 noon on Monday. Email: stbridgetofkildare@yahoo.com

ANNOUNCED MASSES & EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

SAINT BRIDGET OF KILDARE

Monday, Jan. 24 -St. Francis de Sales NO MASS

Tuesday, Jan. 25-Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle
NO MASS

Wednesday, Jan. 26- Ss. Timothy & Titus
7:00am ♣ Anthony Armento by Oscar & Ruth Dill
5:00 pm: Legion of Mary/Marian Hall

Thursday, Jan. 27– St. Angela Merici
Adoration, Rosary, Mass/Coffee hour at St. Patrick
Friday, Jan. 28– St. Thomas Aguinas

7:00am: Adoration & Rosary Mass/Coffee Hr. 8:00 am: ⊕Frank Czapiga req. by the family Saturday, Jan. 29

5:30 pm: Doan Lawson req. by sons Bruce & Roger 11am Funeral Mass for Marlene Murphy

Sunday, Jan. 30- 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am: Thenry Novinski req. by the Ladies Guild 11:30 am: Trving Brainard req. by the family



The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Bridget's will burn this week as a Birthday Remembrance for

🕆 Ernest Malavasi 🕏

From Ernie & MaryJane Malavasi

Receiving Holy Communion

The concern has been brought to our attention with regard to receiving Holy Communion on the tongue during this time of Covid. Although the Bishop has welcomed that practice, some parishioners are still concerned. So, while you are welcome to receive on the tongue, please be sure to place yourself at the end of the communion line. That way, those who may be hesitant will feel more comfortable receiving before you.

Thank you.

Love Them Both



The number of abortions in this country has been falling as a result of many prayers Still, about 300 CT teen age abortions occur yearly.

"The sophistry is overwhelming: If I choose and desire my child, than ipso facto I have granted it the right to live, and it will live. But the inverse is equally the case, by means of nothing more or less than my choice: Caesar's thumb is up, or Caesar's thumb is down." ~ Lord Nicholas Windsor

Need post abortion help? Project Rachel is there for you (860) 861-4439 or http://www.hopeafterabortion.com

SAINT PATRICK

Monday, Jan. 24– St. Francis de Sales NO MASS

7:00 pm—Rosary for the Unborn/Church

Tuesday, Jan. 25– Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle
NO MASS

Wednesday, Jan. 26- Ss. Timothy & Titus

8:00am: Deceased members of the Boucher family req. by Linda Barber

Thursday, Jan. 27—St. Angela Merici

7:00am: Adoration & Rosary Mass/Coffee Hr. 8:00am: †John Blaschik Sr. by Irene, Carol & Br. John

and for the Intentions of Irene & Patrick Dougherty req. by
Laurene Kapinos

Friday, Jan. 28- St. Thomas Aquinas

Adoration, Rosary, Mass/Coffee hour at St. Bridget

Saturday, Jan. 29

4:00 PM: William Donohue Jr. req. by Bob & Lynne O'Brien

Sunday, Jan. 30-4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am: 4 Al Feest req. by the family

10:00 am: †William Cone (1st Anniv.) req. by his loving wife

SEARCH THE SCRIPTURES

Jan. 24 — 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 Mk 3:22-30

Jan. 25 — Acts 22:3-16 Mk 16:15-18

Jan. 26 — 2 Tm 1:1-8 Mk 4:1-20

Jan. 27 — 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29 Mk 4:21-25

Jan. 28 — 2 Sm 11:1-4, 5-10, 13-17 Mk 4:26-34

Jan. 29 — 2 Sm 12:1-7, 10-17 Mk 4:35-41

Jan. 30 — Jer 1:4-5, 17-19 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 Lk 4:21-30

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Matrimony

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All things need watching, working at, caring for, and marriage is no exception. Marriage is not something to be indifferently treated or abused, or something that simply takes care of itself. Nothing neglected will remain as it is, or will fail to deteriorate. All things need attention, care and concern, and especially this most sensitive of all relationships of life. (Richard L. Evans)

St. John Paul II Parish Finances

The bulletin was sent for publishing prior to the weekend due to the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

The figures for Jan. 15/16 will be reported in the next bulletin.

Stewardship Reflection

"Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared..." ~ Nehemiah 8:10

Ezra's instructions to the people show us that God does not forbid us from enjoying the good things in life. He wants us to be happy! However, God expects us to be grateful for all that He has given us and to generously share our blessings with those who are in need. Now here's the hard part—to share all we have without expecting anything in return.

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Norwich

Can you help us help new parents who are struggling?

Requests for our services continue to be overwhelming and we are quickly running out of resources for our Pregnancy/Parenting program.



We are in need of diapers especially sizes 5 & 6, wipes, baby bottles, and baby toiletries. If you are in a position to help, you can drop off your donation at our locations in Norwich, New London, and Willimantic, or call 860-889-8346 for more information.

Thank you for your prayers and support. Our clients thank you as well!; "I thank God for you all" –D. M.

Donation boxes are in St. John Paul II Parish both churches.



St. Bridget's has one in Marian Hall and St. Patrick's has one at the side entryway. They are labeled Diaper Drive. Kathy D'Amelio will be delivering all donations to





LIVE THE LITURGY—Inspiration for the week

People can easily lose a sense of the sacred and transcendent. When we lose a sense of God's special presence, we need to be brought back. Ezra brought people back to the word of God and they realized what they were missing, Jesus proclaims God's word in the synagogue with true conviction and tells those gathered that he is the fulfillment of all that Isaiah taught. Even though people get lost, distracted, discouraged, and often journey down the wrong path, God's timeless law remains. When we allow ourselves to truly hear God's word and act on it, that living word slowly, over time, changes us. It has the power to soften and mold us, creating within us a joyful spirit. We realize the truth in what God speaks and become open to God's love. Gradually and gently God leads us back where we belong. We discover again the sacred character of life and the wonder of God's power. It is no wonder that Luke addresses his remarks to Theophilus. It is a name that means "beloved of God," a name that can be used by anyone who desires friendship with God.

NEW DATE -4th Annual Young Adult Mass with Bishop Cote

Due to COVID, our Young Adult Mass is POSTPONED on Sunday, January 30th, St. Thomas Aquinas in Storrs. The new date is Sunday, February 27th at 7pm when St. Thomas will host Bishop Michael Cote for the 4th Annual Diocesan Young Adult Mass. All Young Adults (ages 18 - 39, single and married) are invited and encouraged to attend! Young Adults are welcome to invite friends to join us! Mass with Bishop Cote will begin at 7:00pm. We look forward to you joining us!

In your Kindness and prayers please continue to pray for these members of the Community of St. John Paul II

Dana Award, Clara Brown, Paul Connelly, Deborah Cardillo,
Frank Doucette, Kirkley Dows, Jeffrey Dinsmore,
Terry Dombroski, Ed Dymon, Lynn Feichtner, Edward Guidi,
Jessica Hennessey, Arlene LaPine, Paul Magnano,
Claudette Marci, Ryan Morris, Joe Moran, Pete Murrow,
MaryAnn Pezzentel, Pat Powers, Bobby Reardon,
Theresa Rovillo, Ashley Schroeder, Bernadette Schneider,
Jake Shumbo, Maureen Sweeney, Donald Vance,
Rosalind Vecchitto, Joshua Wasserman, Valerie Wright, those
homebound, hospitalized, and those at Chestelm & Cobalt Lodge.

Please contact the office to add or remove anyone from the prayer list.



St. John Paul II Parishioners 2000—Present

Jan. 24: Ruth Petta 2002 Algert Usanis 2011

Jan. 25: Robert Ruckh 2000 Jacob Nevico 2001 Joseph Tesar 2004

Jan. 26: Ruth Beaulieu 2002

<u>Jan. 27</u>: Sr. Virginia Walker 2002 Bernice Consic 2004 Alan Patrick Lowe 2008

Jan. 28: Louanne Doherty 2000 Sarah Reilly 2001 Dorothy Tarrant 2003

Jan. 29: Joan M. Lawson 2018

<u>Jan. 30:</u> Anna Radzimirski 2010 Michael P. DiStefano 2012 Daphne Leppetito 2014

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is - the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It



can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainly of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

January 22 & 23, 2022

To the Parishioners of St. John Paul II
Parish both locations of St. Bridget's
and St. Patrick's

The Department of Children & Families of Norwich, CT extends a very heartfelt thank you to all, who so graciously donated gifts from the giving tree this year.

In total 580 children's names were picked from various organizations this year, making it a very special Christmas for the children who otherwise might not had a gift under the tree.

It says so much about the spirit of the season, despite the struggles we are all facing during these crazy times

Personally, I feel very blessed to be part of such a giving Church community.

May God Bless you!

SAINT OF THE WEEK

One of the most famous members of the Dominican Order, St. Thomas Aquinas (1225 -1274) is well-known by many for his theological work, "The Summa Theologiae." Born in Italy, his mother wanted him to become a Benedictine and had high hopes that he would eventually become abbot of Monte Cassino, where he spent much of his youth. To change his vocation, she had him kidnapped by his brothers on his way to Paris at the age of 19. He spent two years in their captivity. Despite this, nothing could shake him from his vocation to become a Dominican priest and he was eventually released. Once free, he went to Paris and then to Cologne, where he finished his studies with Albert the Great.

His greatest contribution to the Catholic Church is his writings. The unity, harmony, and continuity of faith and reason, of revealed and natural human knowledge, encompasses his writings. The Summa Theologiae, his last and, unfortunately, uncompleted work, deals with the whole of Catholic theology.

The patron saint of teachers, theologians and students, St. Thomas Aquinas died in 1274. His life and the impact he had on the whole Church, however, remains alive today.





The Next First Saturday Devotion will be at St. Bridget's on February 5th. Starting at 8am. Rosary/Holy Hour/Confessions. Mass at 9am.

Virtual Marriage Enrichment – For Valentine's Day this year, give your spouse the gift of your time and re-energize your marriage by attending a virtual enrichment entitled *The Joy of* Love on Saturday, Feb. 12, 2022, from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. Based on Chapter 4 of Pope Francis' Amoris Laetitia: the Joy of Love, the enrichment will feature four talks on Daily Love, Conjugal Love, Passionate Love and Transformation of Love. Each talk will include practical insights from Pope Francis' wisdom on marriage and family life. This enrichment is for married couples of all ages and years married. There is a \$15 fee that covers workbooks for each couple. Registration and payment are due by Feb. 1. The program takes place online and requires participants to have an internet connection. To register, send your names, address, telephone number, email address and check made payable to the Annual Catholic Appeal to Mary-Jo McLaughlin, Catholic Family Services, 199 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06260 or call her at 860-848-2237, Ext. 312, or email her at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

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We will discuss: A PRAYER FOR OWEN MEANEY
Written by John Irving

January 26, 2022 at 7 PM POSTPONED until February 23, 2022

in St. Patrick's Parish Center

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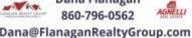


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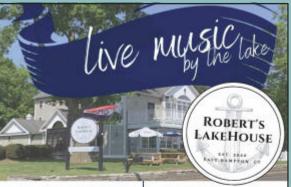
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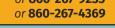
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