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SCHEDULE

MASS

Saturday (Vigil)

4:15pm

Sunday

6:30am, 8am, 10am, 12pm & 4pm

Monday - Friday

6am, 7am & 12:10pm

Wednesday & 1st Fridays ONLY

5:30pm

Saturday

6am & 12:10pm

CONFESSION

Saturday

11am - 12pm & 3 - 4pm

Sunday

7:15 - 7:45am, 9:15 - 9:45am

& 11:15 - 11:45am

Monday - Friday

6:30 - 7am & 11am - 12pm

Wednesday & 1st Fridays ONLY

5 - 5:25pm



via waterburybasilica.org

Schedule

12:10pm Mon-Fri - Audio only

4:15pm Saturday Vigil Mass

10am Sunday Mass



To sign-up, go to

waterburybasilica.weshareonline.org

*There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee,
and the mother of Jesus was there.
Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding.
When the wine ran short,
the mother of Jesus said to him,
"They have no wine."*

- Jn 2:1-3



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16 Jan 2022 | 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Clergy & Staff Directory

203.574.0017

Mon-Fri 8:30am-4:30pm
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Mass Intentions

+ = Deceased L/D = Living/Deceased

Please note our **MASS SCHEDULE** is on the front cover

Sat Jan 15

4:15pm +Michael Giblin, L/D Members of the Giblin Family

Sun, Jan 16 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Richard Johnston

8:00am +Jose Santiago

10:00am +Michael Diorio

12:00pm +Buddy Horowitz

4:00pm +Aida Reihl

Mon, Jan 17

6:00am Rusty Bona & Martin

7:00am +Loretta Dennis, +William Brunese, +Florence Carroll,
+Margaret Loomis

12:10pm +Eugene Shugrue, +Carmen Mancuso

Tue, Jan 18

6:00am +Pam & Mike Christian

7:00am +Ann Marie Tine

12:10pm +John, Dena, Evelyn & William Parson,
+James & Mario Buoncore

Wed, Jan 19

6:00am +Anna Dang

7:00am John Carroll

12:10pm +John, Dena, Evelyn & William Parson,
+James & Mario Buoncore

5:30pm +Vera Lepper

Thu, Jan 20 - St. Fabian

6:00am All Souls

7:00am Sons & Daughters of the Immaculate Conception

12:10pm Joan O'Brien

Fri, Jan 21 - St. Agnes

6:00am Sons & Daughters of the Immaculate Conception

7:00am +Daniel Guerrero

12:10pm L/D members of the Klesch & Murphy Families

Sat, Jan 22 - Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

6:30am Sons & Daughters of the Immaculate Conception

12:00pm +Norma Manzi - Anniversary

4:15pm +Sally Waite

Sun, Jan 23 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30am +Eugene Shugrue

8:00am +Sheryl J. Renne

10:00am +Guerino Vinditti

12:00pm +Dennis J. Goggin

4:00pm +Daisy & Felix Echevarria; +Alicia Echevarria

Please note our 2023 Mass Intentions book
will be available soon

May we pray for you?

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Jo Ann: 203.879.1399

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Welcome to the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception!

We invite those who attend Mass regularly
but are not officially registered to join and belong!
Please go to waterburybasilica.org for the online new parishioner form
or call the parish office 203.574.0017 for a copy to be emailed to you.



Grieving Infant Loss

*Are you suffering from the loss of your infant
due to a miscarriage, stillbirth or abortion?*

*Or perhaps you are grieving
for the loss of a child of a loved one?*

Please join us

A Mass of Healing

Saturday, 22 January 2022 at 7:00pm

*With a special guest speaker
who will relate their faith journey*

If you would like the first name of your child
to be included and a candle provided,
please give the name of your child **by Jan 18**
via email: help@waterburybasilica.org **OR**
call our parish office at 203.574.0017

Forward with Faith Notice

For parishioners who sent part of their
pledge (\$250 and above) in 2020, the Hartford's
Bishop Foundation, (HBF) will issue 2021 tax letters
at the end of January 2022.

Reminders will also be mailed directly from HBF.



Eucharistic Adoration

We need these time slots filled:
Monday: 8-9pm & 9-10pm
Tuesday: 1-2am, 11am-12pm
Wednesday: 8-9am
Friday: 10pm-12am

Please call the coordinator assigned to specific time:

Adoration Coordinators

6am - 12pm: *Carmen F @ 203.568.5523*
12pm - 6pm: *Rosemary H @ 203.982.5948*
6pm - 12am: *Sydney V @ 203.768.0043*
12am - 6am: *John W @ 203.509.3506*

All are welcome!

A notice from our Parish Secretary

2021 Tax statements will be available
beginning 15 January 2022

Those who use WeShare Online Giving,
your tax statements are available online.



**Week ending
January 9**

Total: \$15,639.54

Thank you for your generosity!

From the desk of Fr. Sullivan

Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe that it has been nearly two years since COVID hit. Approximately 6 months prior to COVID, a friend suggested that we install a livestreaming system in the Basilica. Not being particularly tech-savvy, I wasn't even sure what livestream capabilities were. I hesitated and doubted its usefulness for us and then after hearing the cost of \$16,000, I hesitated and even doubted more! Needless to say, I was eventually convinced that it could be an effective way to reach those who are homebound or ill, and that livestreaming could be an effective means of evangelization. In today's world of technology, many people, including the young, have an opportunity to view a church from the comfort of their home prior to deciding to attend and becoming a member of a particular parish.

For those who have watched our livestream, you know the quality of our video and sound are very good. We used it for the first time at Christmas Eve Mass 2019. To our utter surprise, and with minimal promotion, statistics show that 250 households watched. When the pandemic hit, a couple of months later, unlike the vast majority of parishes, the Basilica was already set-up. When churches had to shut down by mid-March, we had just under three thousand households watching each week and our Easter Sunrise Mass on top of Holy Land had over 18,000 view

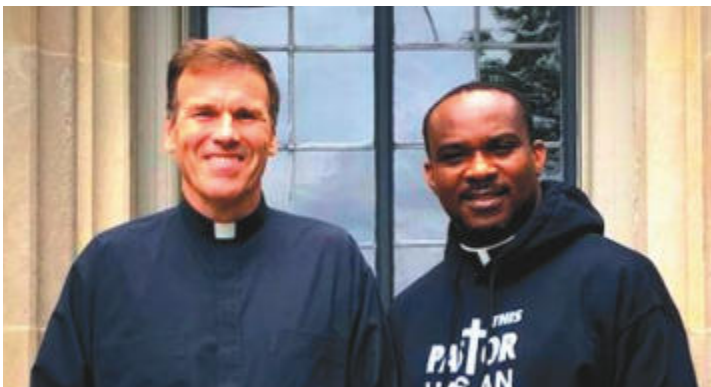
I thought I would share with you some interesting statistics from this past year. We have had 88,256 views from 15,146 households in the US. Then the following top 9 countries from over 44 countries: Italy 59, Ireland 58, India 56, Philippines 35, Brazil 19, Egypt 18, United Kingdom 23, Canada 22, and Mexico 21. In terms of households from nearby cities and towns: Waterbury 3,666, Naugatuck 1,005, Watertown 638, Wolcott 609, Middlebury 473. A little bit further away: New York City 407, Brooklyn 220 and the Bronx 214, Brockton 473 and Boston at 84.

As wonderful and beneficial technology can be, we have to be vigilant and disciplined in its use. Technology can be addictive in many ways; this includes hours spent on social media, gambling, pornography, video games, shopping or simply surfing the internet. We can only imagine the benefit to our families and the world, if a small percent of our time is spent on our phone and computers for private, personal or family prayer. Imagine the spiritual fruits if instead of spending valuable time getting into arguments on social media, we instead used that time to ask God's blessings upon the world! We pray for our parish and families that we may abide in God always as the Bible states and as it says in the Letter to the Hebrews: "Equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. (Heb 13:21)"

May this special gift of technology continue to build our beautiful Basilica and our families.

Blessings to all.
Fr. Sullivan

Save the date!



2022 Holy Land Pilgrimage
with Fr. Jim Sullivan &
Fr. Emmanuel Ihemedu

from 6 - 17 November 2022

Tour Guide: Christopher Cross

Tour Organizer: Travel Daly

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Please note proof of full vaccination is required to visit the Holy Land.

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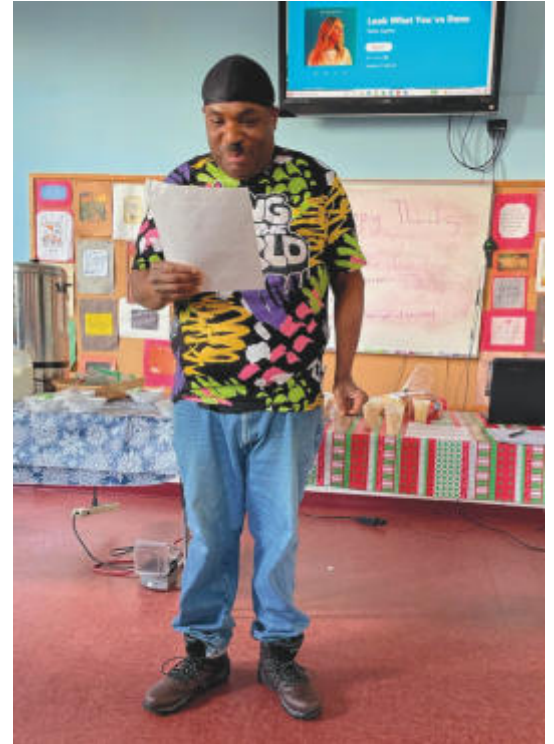
Hours of Operation: 9am - 12pm Mon - Thu

Contact: Nicole at 203.574.0017 x204 or

outeach@waterburybasilica.org

*Thanks to generosity of our parishioner,
we have plenty of warm hats, gloves and scarves.
Please contact Nicole should you know of anyone in need.*

Damon Allen (r) shared with our center his story of being clean and sober for 22 years. We are truly happy for Damon... and he is an inspiration to all!



We look forward to meeting you!

Are you between the ages of 18 and 35? Are you searching for meaning? For hope? Would you like to make new friends who will help you on your lifelong journey toward God? If so, please join us after the **4pm Sunday Mass on 16 January 2022** (and every other Sunday) Each time we meet we'll have a speaker on a topic of interest to young adult Catholics. Then we'll have time for prayer and adoration, as well as some social time to get to know each other. If you'd like to join us, please contact Jake at jacob.white@uconn.edu.

More details on Fr. Sullivan's 23 1/3 Degrees away from God Book Submission

1. Submissions should be no longer than 4-6 pages or 1000-1500 words altogether.
2. The general idea is to include stories about people's faith journeys, particularly stories about people who turned their lives around by turning to Christ.
3. Here are some questions to ponder as you compose your entry:
 - What was my life like before I put Jesus at the center of it?
 - What caused me to finally turn to Christ?
 - How was my life different after that?
 - What was the journey toward God like? What specific steps did I take to bring myself closer to God?
 - How has my Catholic faith assisted me in growing closer to Jesus?
 - What role have the Sacraments (especially Confession and Eucharist) played in my faith journey?
 - What is the importance of the Bible in my relationship to God?
 - What role did prayer play in my faith journey?
 - What role did my experiences as a parishioner here at the Basilica play in my faith journey?

Please email any questions or submissions to info@waterburybasilica.org



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When pledging opens, go to
www.MyApexEvent.com and log in using
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MAKE A DONATION:

Make a flat donation **OR** pledge a \$ amount
for each "fitness move" your child will
complete at the event. Recorded "fitness
moves" are capped at 36 max.



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Use the "Share Wizard" tool to send a
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media to 10 family members and friends.
They can donate online to help our school.

ABOUT OUR FUNDRAISER

Our goal is to provide all of our students with the best education and school experience possible and ensure they have the tools they need to learn and grow. All students are included in the leadership program and fitness event regardless of financial participation in the fundraiser. If you can help, please know that no donation is too small.

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