

JANUARY 2, 2022 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

ST. ANDREW

MAIN OFFICE

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MASS

Saturday (Vigil): 4:00 PM Confession: 3:00 - 3:45 PM

Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM, 5:00 PM

Tuesday: 7:00 PM

Wednesday - Friday: 8:00 AM Holy Days: 8:00 AM, 7:00PM

SERVED BY

Fr. Mark Masnicki
Pastor

Fr. Richard BretonParochial Vicar

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

67 West Town Street Lebanon, CT 06249 (860) 642-6711

MASS

Saturday (Vigil): 5:00 PM Confession: 4:00 - 4:45 PM Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 AM Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 AM

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

New parishioners are asked to call or stop by to register at the Main Office. If you have a change of address, phone or email, please notify the office.

Website: guardianangelsparishofcolchester.org

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the Main Office.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements should be made I year prior to the date. A marriage preparation program is absolutely necessary.

HOSPITAL VISITATIONS

Please inform the Main Office if anyone from your family is hospitalized.

FAITH FORMATION

Saint Andrew Office ~ 860.537.5415 Director Religious Ed. ~ Ron Krystofik 860.608.2919 Office Hours: Monday—Thursday 9:00am to 11:00am

Saint Francis of Assisi ~ 860.642.6711 Director of Religious Education ~ James Hay Please call Saint Francis of Assisi Parish Office

St. Andrew Office Hours Monday ~ Friday: 9am to 2pm Annette Hochdorfer

Parish Office Manager parishoffice@guardianangelsparishofcolchester.org

St. Francis of Assisi Office Hours Mon., Wed., Fri. 9:00am to 1:00pm Cheryl Wheaton

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Please submit all articles for the bulletin in writing by 9:00am Monday. Articles should be emailed to: bulletin@guardianangelsparishofcolchester.org

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Mass Intentions of the Week

KEY: St. A: Saint Andrew St. F: Saint Francis L/d: Living & deceased R/b: Requested by

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1 ~ SOLEMNITY OF MARY

St. A ~ 9:30am For the Parishioners of Guardian Angels Parish No 4:00pm Mass

St. F ~ 9:15am † Rev. Thomas Smith No 5:00pm Mass

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2 ~ EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

St. A ~ 8:00am † Mary Mack R/b Dennis & Jeanette Girard

St. F ~ 8:00am Marriage Blessing of Clinch & Kuzel families R/b the Kuzel family

St. A ~ 9:30am † Mary Tasker R/b Norma Gargano

St. F ~ 10:30am † Raoul Pomerleau R/b family

St. A ~ 11:00am † Peter Petro R/b his wife, Bonnie

ST.A ~ 5:00pm NO MASS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4 ~ ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON

ST. A ~ 7:00pm † Robbie Ziegenhagen R/b a friend

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5 ~ ST. JOHN NEUMANN

St. A ~ 8:00am † Holy Souls in Purgatory

St. F ~ 9:00am † Poor Souls in Purgatory R/b Pam Roberts

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6 ~ ST. ANDRE BESSETTE

St. A ~ 8:00am Vincent Moreno R/b Gai & Charles Savitski

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7 ~ ST. RAYMOND OF PENAFORT

St. A ~ 8:00am † Deceased Members of the First Friday Rosary Group † Walter Smolenski, Jr. R/b Gai & Charles Savitski

St. F ~ 9:00am † Jennifer & Robert Chesters R/b family

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8 ~ VIGIL—BAPTISM OF THE LORD

St. A ~ 4:00pm Special intention for John & Marie Conshick R/b Rita Tavs

St. F ~ 5:00pm † Deacon Michael Puscas R/b Irene Burns

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9 ~ BAPTISM OF THE LORD

St. A ~ 8:00am † Jason Girard R/b Dennis & Jeanette Girard

St. F ~ 8:00am † Shannon Michelle Kuzel R/b St. Francis Ladies Guild

St. A ~ 9:30am † Victor Pires R/b Mark & Ginger Pensa & family

St. F ~ 10:30am †

St. A ~ 11:00am † Jim O'Connell R/b Gargano family

ST.A ~ 5:00pm † Pam Szymanoski R/b Laurie & Steve Kane

Live Stream Mass: 9:30am

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Adoration of Our Lord.

He gave the ultimate sacrifice for us! May we sacrifice one hour a week to be with Him?

Visit Him during Eucharistic Adoration. There is always a need for faithful adorers, Please consider committing to a specific hour.

SILENT Adoration begins at 8:30am following the 8:00am Mass on Thursdays and continues until Benediction at 7:00pm at St. Andrew Church.

If you have never done Eucharistic Adoration before, don't worry, we will give you information to explain everything you need to know about it. Please contact Dennis Girard @ 860.334.9894 or dennisgirard51@gmail.com

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

St. Francis
Friday January 7 at 6:00pm

Lector Schedule January 8 & 9

Saturday

St. A 4:00pm John Paul Peck

St. F 5:00pm Anne Staebner

Sunday

St. A 8:00am Joe Mathieu

St. A 9:30am Dominic Marrara

St. A 11:00am Dan Slavton

St. F 8:00am Greg Jones

St. F 10:30am Maureen Polana



December 18 & 19

St. A: \$ 4,956.00 St. F: \$ 1,963.50 E-Giving: \$ 2,578.00

> Christmas & Dec. 27th totals to be Reported next bulletin due to holiday Bulletin submission schedule

Military Service Honor Roll LCPL Alex Bielawa, U.S. Marines Lt. Colonel William J. Girard, U.S. Army Sgt. Derek Keegan, U.S. Army Major Michael A. Goba, U.S. Army JAG E-5 Francis Orcutt, U.S. Army HMC Heather S. Gardipee, U.S. Navy Pvt. Zachary Berquist, U.S. Army Pvt. First Class Jacob Grzanowicz SFC Justin A. VonEdwins, U.S. Army Sgt. Robert Massicotte U.S. Army 1st Lt. Miles N. Snelgrove USMC 2nd Batt. 6th Marines 1st class Petty Officer Emerson Flannery, U.S. Navy PO 2 Alex R. Paris, U.S. Navy CTN2 Jonah Swett, U.S. Navy IT2 Rocky Spedaliere Jr., U.S. Navy **AEAN Jared Swett, U.S. Navy** Cpt. Tyler McGuire, U.S. Air Force Sgt. 1st Class William Kowalsky, U.S. Army

Prayer for our Men and Women in Military Service

O Prince of Peace, we humbly ask for Your protection for all our men and women in military service. Give them unflinching courage to defend with honor, dignity, and devotion the rights of all who are imperiled by injustice and evil. Guard our churches, our homes, our schools, our hospitals, our factories, our buildings, and all those within from harm and peril. Protect our land and its peoples from enemies within and without. Grant an early peace with victory founded upon justice. Instill in the hearts and minds of men and women everywhere a firm purpose to live forever in peace and good will toward all. Amen

APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER

We pray for Bishop Michael R. Cote, Rev. Gregory Mullaney, Rev. George Villamthanam CST, Rev. Joseph Castaldi, Rev. Thoma Hoar SSE, Rev. William Olesik, Rev. Mark Masnicki, Very Rev. Peter Kucer MS, Rev. William McNulty, Rev. George Richard Jr., Rev. Michael Castiblanco, all priests.

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Precious Blood of Jesus, cover our priests and protect them from the snares of the enemy. Bless them and make them guardians to watch over Your sheep. May the Blood of Jesus always help them.. May each day of this New Year bring our priests more souls to save and more holy influence to spread around them by word and by deed.

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Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's liturgy of the Word will be offered at St. Andrew Church during all 9:30 Masses. All ages are welcome! Come and hear the message of God through stories, music and activities. No registration required

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The Old St. Andrew Cemetery located on Linwood Cemetery Road will be closed for the winter season.

The cemetery will reopen in April.

Faith Formation Office is located in the St. Andrew Parish Hall. Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday 9:00am to 11:00am or by appointment Telephone: 860.537.5415 DRE ~ Ron Krystofik: 860.608.2919 faithformation@guardianangelsparishofcolchester.org

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Saint Andrew's Ladies Guild - Travel Opportunities

May 11-13, 2022 -- Sight and Sounds Theatre new show "DAVID". Enjoy the brand new show "David" A Master Poet, Fearless Warrior and Anointed King. The trip includes transportation, 2 nights hotel, 2 breakfasts, 2 dinners sightseeing and admissions per itinerary including a ride on the Strasburg Railroad and visiting an actual Anish home. Cost \$585 pp double

Aug. 14-15, 2022 - Sunday/Monday - Boston Pops on Old Cape Cod Enjoy the music of the Boston Pops featuring Keith Lockhart and a celebrity guest conductor, enjoy cruising Hyannis Harbor and visit JFK Museum. Transportation, hotel, 1 breakfast, 1 dinner sightseeing and admissions per itinerary. Cost \$409pp

September 3-18, 2022 - Trans-Atlantic Cruise - Visiting Copenhagen, Norway, Iceland, Greenland. You will be transported to Boston and fly to Copenhagen where you will board a Royal Caribbean ship to enjoy your trip of a lifetime. The cost of the trip starts at \$2999 including your flight.

Travelers must follow the protocols set-in-place by the travel company. For more information please contact - Barbara Gozzo 860-537-0179 or Cathy Russi 860-887-9621

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#### New Year's Masses

Sat. Jan. 1 New Year's Day 9:15am Lebanon 9:30am Colchester No Vigil Mass on Saturday for Epiphany Sunday

#### St. Francis Church:

The Feast of the Epiphany is January 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>. On this day the three kings presented their gifts to Bambinelli or Baby Jesus. Bring your Epiphany bag from last year. Epiphany bags will be available to anyone who needs one. Father Mark or Father Richard will bless these Epiphany bags prior to the final blessing.



# **GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH NEWS**

All Men of the parish are invited to join a monthly bible study. New people are always welcome. We are not bible scholars but we share a desire to go deeper and we learn together. So please consider giving the "Brothers in the Lord" a try.

We start with fellowship and refreshment, then move to a song of praise and an opening prayer. The meat of the evening will be either a Bible Study for the upcoming Sunday mass or a talk presented by an invited guest, such as a Deacon.

The Sunday Bible preparation is always enlightening, helping the individual glean personal connection to the message of the mass.

The meetings will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month (7-9 PM) at St Marys' church (178 Linwood Ave, Colchester). A Zoom platform will be provided for remote attendance. If you wish to get on a reminder email list or have any questions, please contact Dominic Marrara at <a href="marrarad@ymail.com">marrarad@ymail.com</a> or call the parish office.

To support married couples during this time of social distancing, **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and are

seven sessions on weekdays from 7:00pm to 9:30pm.

Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required.

For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or visit them at <a href="https://wwmectw.org/">https://wwmectw.org/</a>.

go online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org.

Seeking a new director for VBS (Vacation Bible School) for Guardian Angels Parish.

If interested, you are welcome to reach out to Kristina Lenda at <a href="mailto:kristinalenda@gmail.com">kristinalenda@gmail.com</a> or the St. Andrew Church office...

HOLY FAMILY RETREAT - FEB. 4-6, 2022 *In the Spirit of Trust*When we think about the idea of "trust," we may think about how we trust the people around us, our family or friends, the communities to which we belong or the institutions to which we are bound through society govern-

the people around us, our family or friends, the communities to which we belong, or the institutions to which we are bound through society, government or religion. But as the scriptures remind us, the most important form of trust we can have is our trust in God. To have a relationship with God, we need to be able to trust that God will provide for us and guide us on our journey through life. That kind of trust begins in our relationships with others. Our retreat theme *In the Spirit of Trust* will explore the notion of trust and how it is gained, as well as lost. We will share our personal faith experiences of trusting in God's providence and help one another to build a foundation for lasting trust in the one who created us and loves us.

Visit holyfamilyretreat.org for more info and to register or call us at 860.760.9705. Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center - West Hartford.

NOTE: Vaccinations and masks required.



#### **Lessons from Baby Jesus**

And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests."

As we begin the fourth week of Advent we focus our attention on the Baby Jesus. What could we possibly learn from a baby? How could the birth of a sinless, innocent child effect the course of history forever? Why do we look forward to and celebrate this same event every year? How does this singular event impact us personally? Jesus' birth into a human family was nothing short of a miracle. The fact that God chose to take on human form and become one of us is certainly an example of one of the greatest gifts ever given to mankind. From the moment of His birth in the stable to his suffering, death and resurrection- God gave us a human example of how to live and love. That baby born on Christmas was and is the answer to humanities' prayers. He encompassed the hopes and dreams of all the world. After His birth nothing else was the same here on earth and in heaven. This week take some time to recognize the impact a single life can have on the course of human history. Jesus and His presence among us changed the world and as His followers we are challenged to do the same. By our faith we are called to make the world a better place. How have you done that this advent? How have you let the birth of Christ shape you and change you this year?

#### **Attention Ladies of Guardian Angel Parish**

Please come and join Faith Share on the second Tuesday of each month in the St. Andrew's Hall. Faith Share is a meeting of women who come together and pray and share their faith journey with one another. Bring your bible and a notebook to journal. We will be reading & discussing Psalm 8 & 9. All women in the Guardian Angels parish or other parishes are welcome to join. Come join for one meeting or every month.

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The next Faith Share will be held on Tuesday, January 11 in St. Andrew Hall immediately following the 7pm Mass at St. Andrew church in Colchester. We look forward to seeing all women of the parish, feel free to bring a friend.

Are you grieving from an Abortion?

Trust in the mercy of God's love. Call **Project Rachel**, the church's post-abortion healing program, for a confidential referral to a priest who can help: **860-861-4439**.

To our gifted and talented Knitters of the Norwich Diocese, please join the Office of Faith Events in reaching out to the community during the cold winter months by donating handmade scarves. Whatever you could do to help support our new "Street Ministry" to the poor will be greatly appreciated.

Donations can be brought or sent to the Bishop Flanagan Ministry Center, 199 Broadway, Norwich. We will be accepting donations until February 28. Thank you so much for donating your time and talent!

Questions? Contact Marianne at 860-848-2237 ext. 304 or manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

Third Annual Christ is Alive Essay Contest.

Open to students in grades 3 through 8 who are enrolled in Catholic School or parish religious education. The essay is to describe a moment they fell close to God, only one page. Due March 31, 2022. Visit the Christ Is Alive! Essay Contest webpage for contest details and entry forms.

St. John School - Open Houses 2022

Saint John School, Old Saybrook is having Open Houses Sunday, January 30th, 10am-noon and Wednesday, March 9th, 9-11am and 6-8pm. Please register online to attend. We invite you to also visit our website to read about our PreK3-Grade 8 challenging curriculums, extra-curricular after-school programs, our competitive athletics, campus information, before/ aftercare program, testimonials and more. Please also visit our Facebook page for recent classroom activities. You are invited to hear about "Educating the Whole Child" - we believe in educating our students academically, emotionally and spiritually. Come see our facilities and campus, talk to our staff, and learn about our challenging curriculum, enrichment & extracurricular programs including our after school sports and clubs. Registration for 2022/23 academic year will commence in February 2022.

For more information see our

website, www.saintjohnschoolos.org. If you have any questions, please call the school office at (860) 388 0849. All are welcome.

This coming Spring, during the 2022 Virtual Women's Conference, the Norwich Diocesan Women's Conference Committee will vote on and name the recipient of the second annual Our Lady Queen of Hope Award. This award honors a woman in the diocese for her vision and leadership in the Catholic Church. She displays strong faith, and is committed to living out Catholic values, displaying leadership, love and service, and has been a part of successful initiatives that benefit the Church and has helped to move parish communities forward.

You can nominate a woman of the Norwich diocese for this award by visiting www.norwichdiocese.org and downloading the nomination form

or contacting Marianne at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

EAST CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

East Catholic has rolling admissions, so prospective students have plenty of opportunities to begin the admissions process. Our **Entrance Exam** will take place on Saturday, January 22nd @ 8:30 a.m. To pre-register, please go to https://www.echs.com/Visit ECHS.

Our **Shadow Day** program is back!!! If your 8th grader would like to discover the "taste of East", please go to https://www.echs.com/Visit ECHS to begin the process of scheduling a visit.

It's also a perfect time to fill out the admissions application by visiting our website, the Admissions tab. #WeAreEC!

Christmas Message 2021 "And the Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us, and we saw His glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth." (John 1:14)

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

These words speak to us, in a beautifully poetic way, of our Lord's miraculous gift of Himself – a gift which He gave to the world when He humbly took flesh and was born in the simple manger in Bethlehem.

The gift, the true meaning of the Christmas event, is that the Lord, the Eternal Word and Son of God the Father, became flesh and made his dwelling among us. The mystery and miracle of our Lord's Incarnation stands at the very heart of our Catholic faith. It is the source of our hope. God's great love and mercy, as proclaimed in the Gospel message, began with the birth of a child who would grow, teach us the truth of the Gospel, and ultimately offer His very life in sacrifice, providing for those who believe in Him the tremendous grace to share eternal life with God and all the saints in heaven.

May we never forget this miraculous gift of God's love.

Our annual celebration of the Lord's Nativity provides an important reminder to us of the true depth of the love that He continues to pour forth upon each of us and our world. The opportunity to encounter the same Lord Jesus who was born in the manger in Bethlehem but is now risen and glorified – who again humbles Himself to become present to us, Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity – is now found in the Most Holy Eucharist. Intimately tied to our Lord's Incarnation, the gift of the Most Holy Eucharist is the mystery by which He continues to make his dwelling among us here and now.

Sadly, as multiple surveys conducted in recent years have shown, belief in the true and real presence of the Lord in the Most Holy Eucharist has declined significantly, even among those who self-identify as Catholics and who attend Mass regularly. This disturbing trend should be a cause of great concern for us all, but we must not lose hope!

In response to these trends, the Bishops of the United States have recently approved a catechetical document on the Most Holy Eucharist that is being prepared for publication in the new year. Plans for a national Eucharistic revival have also been approved. More information about these two initiatives will be forthcoming. It is my hope that they will reawaken and reinvigorate our understanding of this great gift of the Lord's presence in the most Holy Eucharist. In the meantime, let us pray with greater fervor throughout this Christmas season that these initiatives will be successful and that we will never take the miraculous gift of our Lord's birth, or of His abiding presence among us in the Most Holy Eucharist for granted.

May you, your families and loved ones have a truly merry Christmas and a New Year filled with God's blessings!

Sincerely Yours in Christ

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Bishop of Norwich

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIRTUAL BINGO FOR ALL AGES

The Office of Faith Events invites people of all ages to participate in Virtual Bingo! Bingo will take place on Sunday, January 9th from 3:30 - 5pm. You will receive your cards online, mark them and even remark them for the next game or you can print them and play. Through video conferencing, we will call the numbers and play different BINGO games from regular bingo, double bingo, picture frame, and finally black out! It is always great fun with lots prizes! We are only selling 200 of gift certificates for cards, so act fast! The cost is \$6 per card for the whole Bingo event! To register for your Bingo card, go to: https://bit.ly/2Laol7Y or call Marianne at 860-848-2237

> Notificación oficial aprobada del Tribunal de Quiebras de los Estados Unidos para el Distrito de Connecticut

Reclamos por abuso sexual y reclamos generales en la quiebra de la diócesis católica romana de Norwich, Connecticut

La Norwich Roman Catholic Diocesan Corporation, también conocida como la diócesis católica romana de Norwich (en adelante, la "Diócesis" o el "Deudor") ha declarado la quiebra con el fin de reestructurar su organización sin fines de lucro. Por favor, lea detenidamente esta notificación, ya que se refiere a sus derechos contra la Diócesis y proporciona información sobre el caso In re The Norwich Roman Catholic Diocesan Corporation (quiebra, Distrito de Connecticut). Esta notificación es un breve resumen

¿Quién debe presentar un reclamo por abuso sexual?

Cualquier persona que haya sido abusada sexualmente hasta el 15 de julio de 2021 inclusive y crea que la Diócesis puede ser responsable del abuso sexual. Esto incluye el abuso sexual relacionado con cualquier entidad o actividad asociada a la Diócesis. Los reclamos por abuso sexual pueden comprender, entre otras cosas: conducta sexual inapropiada, tocamientos, contacto inadecuado o comentarios sexuales sobre una persona u otros comportamientos que derivaron en un abuso, independientemente de si usted pensó que el comportamiento constituía abuso sexual o no.

¿Cuándo debo presentar un reclamo por abuso sexual?

Independientemente de su edad actual o de la fecha en que se produjo el abuso sexual, debe presentar su reclamo a más tardar a las 5 p.m. (hora del Este vigente) del 15 de marzo de 2022.

Si no presenta un reclamo por abuso sexual dentro de dicho plazo, puede perder sus derechos contra la Diócesis y contra las entidades relacionadas con la Diócesis, incluido cualquier derecho a indemnización.

Se mantendrá la privacidad de su información. Para ver una lista de nombres de clérigos que han sido identificados en relación con demandas por abuso sexual, visite https://www.norwichdiocese.org/Find/ Accused-Clergy. Para más información sobre el caso de quiebra, visite https://dm.epiq11.com/case/rcdn o llame al 1-855-654-0902.

La fecha límite para presentar reclamos por abuso sexual, el 15 de marzo de 2022, no está sujeta a una nueva prórroga, incluso aunque se modifique la ley de plazos de prescripción aplicable. Usted debería considerar la posibilidad de presentar una prueba de reclamo incluso si cree que su demanda puede estar sujeta a una defensa afirmativa como la prescripción.

¿Cuándo debo presentar un reclamo con fecha límite general?

Si tiene un reclamo que no es por abuso sexual, deberá presentarlo a más tardar a las 5 p.m. (hora del Este vigente) del 15 de marzo de 2022. Para obtener más información, visite https://dm.epiq11.com/case/rcdn.

Actúe ahora antes de que se agote el tiempo:

Puede descargar y presentar un reclamo a través del sitio web o llamar a la línea gratuita que figura a continuación para obtener ayuda acerca de cómo presentar un reclamo por correo.





Llame o visite el sitio web para



obtener más información.

Si su reclamo es aprobado, puede recibir una indemnización por la quiebra.

https://dm.epig11.com/case/rcdn

1-855-654-0902

4th Annual Young Adult Mass with Bishop Cote

On Sunday, January 30th, St. Thomas Aquinas in Storrs is delighted to host Bishop Michael Cote for the 4th Annual Diocesan Young Adult Mass & Reception. 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 and there will be a small reception in the Catholic Center following the liturgy.

Holy Hour for Vocations: January 20 at Sacred Heart in Groton from 6-7pm.

> Official Approved Notice from U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Connecticut

Sexual Abuse and General Claims in The Roman Catholic Diocese of Norwich, Connecticut Bankruptcy

The Norwich Roman Catholic Diocesan Corporation, a/k/a the Roman Catholic Diocese of Norwich ("Diocese" or "Debtor") has filed bankruptcy in order to restructure its nonprofit organization. Please read this notice carefully as it may impact your rights against the Diocese and provides information about the case, In re The Norwich Roman Catholic Diocesan Corporation (Bankr. D. Conn.). This notice is a short summary.

Who Should File a Sexual Abuse Claim?

Anyone who was sexually abused, on or before July 15, 2021, and believes the Diocese may be responsible for the sexual abuse must file a claim. This includes sexual abuse in connection with any entity or activity associated with the Diocese. Sexual Abuse Claims include but are not limited to: sexual misconduct, touching, inappropriate contact, or sexual comments about a person or other behaviors that led to abuse, and regardless of whether you thought the behavior was sexual abuse or not.

When Should I File a Sexual Abuse Claim?

Regardless of how old you are today or when the sexual abuse occurred, you need to file your claim so that it is received by 5 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on March 15, 2022.

If you do not file a timely Sexual Abuse Claim, you may lose rights against the Diocese and against Diocese Related Entities, including any right to compensation.

Your information will be kept private. For a list of names of clergy that have been identified in connection with sexual abuse claims, go to https://www.norwichdiocesc.org/Find/Accused-Clergy. For more information on the bankruptcy case, go to https://dm.epiq11. com/case/rcdn or call 1-855-654-0902.

The Sexual Abuse Bar Date of March 15, 2022 is not subject to further extension, even if there is a change in the applicable statute of limitations. You should consider submitting a proof of claim even if you believe your claim may be subject to an affirmative defense such as a statute of limitations.

When Should I File a General Bar Date Claim?

If you have a non-sexual abuse claim, you will need to file so that it is received by 5 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on March 15, 2022. More information is available at https://dm.epiq11.com/case/redn.

ACT NOW Before Time Runs Out:

You can download and file a claim at the website or call the toll-free number listed below for help on how to file a claim by mail.



File a Proof of Claim.



Have questions? Call or visit the website for more information.



If your claim is approved, you may receive compensation from the bankruptcy.

https://dm.epiq11.com/case/rcdn

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