



JANUARY 30, 2022 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. ANDREW

MAIN OFFICE

128 Norwich Avenue
Colchester, CT 06415
(860) 537-2355

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 Breton
Parochial 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 1 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

Administrative Secretary & Notary

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BULLETIN DEADLINE

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 29 ~ VIGIL ~ 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. A ~ 4:00pm † Tom Leonard R/b family
St. F ~ 5:00pm † Robert Burns R/b his wife

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30 ~ 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. A ~ 8:00am † Jean-Paul Gilbert R/b his wife, Marie & family
St. F ~ 8:00am † Deacon Michael Puscas R/b Dyer family
St. A ~ 9:30am † Mrs. Trama R/b Dot Pagliaccio
St. F ~ 10:30am People of the Parish living & deceased
St. A ~ 11:00am † Harry Kowalsky R/b Polly Leonard
ST.A ~ 5:00pm † NO MASS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1 ~ WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIE

St. A ~ 7:00pm † Howard London R/b Gai & Charles Savitski

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2 ~ PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

St. A ~ 8:00am † Holy Souls in Purgatory especially those with no one to pray for them R/b Ellen Eastwood
St. F ~ 9:00am L/d members of the Collura family R/b Immaculate Boone

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3 ~ ST. BLAISE; ST. ANSGAR

St. A ~ 8:00am † Joan Wasilewski

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4 ~ WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. A ~ 8:00am † Deacon Michael Puscas R/b First Friday Rosary Group
St. F ~ 9:00am L/d Victims of Addiction R/b Pam Roberts

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 5 ~ VIGIL ~ ST. AGATHA

St. A ~ 4:00pm † Christ DiPippa R/b Martin & Patricia Lane
St. F ~ 5:00pm †

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6 ~ 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. A ~ 8:00am † Eugene Girard R/b Dennis & Jeanette Girard
St. F ~ 8:00am L/d members of the Saint Francis Ladies Guild
St. A ~ 9:30am † Joseph Doyon of Quebec Canada R/b Nadeau family
St. F ~ 10:30am †
St. A ~ 11:00am † Josephine Saltus R/b Karen & Larry Bouley
ST.A ~ 5:00pm † Walter Szegda R/b Jane & Tim

Live Stream Mass: 9:30am

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Blessing of Throats next weekend after all Masses

Due to winter weather, please try to submit bulletin announcements early in case of an office closing due to snow or ice.

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 the Blessed Sacrament at St. Francis Friday, February 4 from 6-7pm.

Lector Schedule February 5 & 6

Saturday

St. A 4:00pm Dominic Marrara
St. F 5:00pm Bob Nejako

Sunday

St. A 8:00am Karen Bouley
St. A 9:30am Steve O'Connor
St. A 11:00am Ken Fargnoli
St. F 8:00am Greg Jones
St. F 10:30am Maureen Polana

WEEKLY OFFERING January 16

St. A: \$ 4,183.00

St. F: \$ 2,349.50

E-Giving: \$ 1,650.00

WEEKLY OFFERING January 23

St. A: \$ 4,515.00

St. F: \$ 1,356.50

E-Giving: \$ 2,893.00

2021 Contribution Statements will be mailed out to parishioners in the next couple of weeks.

This year due to the merger, you will receive two statements. One from St. Francis for January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 and a second from St. Andrew for July 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

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 Spedalieri Jr., U.S. Army
- AEAN Jared Swett, U.S. Navy
- Cpt. Tyler McGuire, U.S. Air Force
- Sgt. 1st Class William Kowalsky, U.S. Army
- Lt. Colonel Sarah Hooker Kelly, U.S. Air Force

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

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APOSTOLATE OF PRAYER

We pray for Rev. Paul Boudreau, Rev. John Welch MS, Rev. George Busto, Rev. John Gwudz, Rev. Peter Liszewski, Rev. James Sucholet, Rev. Luis Agudelo, Msgr. Kevin Randall, Rev. Stanley Szczapa, Rev. Patrick Martin, V. Rev. Laurence LaPointe, Rev. Martin Curtin OFM Cap

Our priests speak to the faithful with their hearts and faith. Fill them with burning zeal for the conversion of sinners. O Jesus, Eternal Priest, look with love upon Your priests. Teach them to penetrate the secret of the tabernacle...the Divine Blood.

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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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Carolannpettit1@gmail.com

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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 double

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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PRAYER AND HEALING OUTREACH

Are you or someone you know suffering in mind, body or spirit and would like prayers? Our healing and prayer ministry will come and pray with you for your needs in your home or care facility, if available. We do not administer the Sacrament of the Sick. Only a priest may administer the Sacrament of the Sick. Please contact Jane Moreno at 860-537-3075 to arrange a visit.

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Spellman Council 6107, Knights of Columbus, is pleased to announce the following families as its "Family of the Month" for the fall months. October - Ciaglo Family, November - Thomas Hochdorfer Family, December - Moreno Family.

As outstanding, strong and vibrant Catholic families that support family life and serve as a model of Catholic family values for all in the parish and community, these families are most deserving of being selected as the Council's Family of the Month for the last quarter of the year.

GUARDIAN ANGELS PARISH NEWS

Men of the parish are invited to join a monthly bible study in preparation of the Sunday scripture. This is open to all men interested in going deeper with their faith, sponsored by the Men of ACTS.

We are not bible scholars but we share a desire to go deeper and 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.

· **What:** Study of the scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday Mass.

· **When:** 4th Wednesday of the month (7-9 PM)

· **Where:** St Marys' church (178 Linwood Ave Colchester).

· **How:** In person or zoom for remote attendance.

· **Information:** for more detail or Zoom connection, contact Dominic Marrara at marrarad@ymail.com

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Brothers in Christ: A Men's Virtual Faith Group (Norwich, CT Diocese)

Join this gathering of Men who share faith, personal experiences, and discussion.

If you are interested in developing fellowship and discipleship with other men devoted to Christ, register by emailing Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or call (860)848-2237 ex. 305.

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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.

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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 kristinalenda@gmail.com or the St. Andrew Church office.. If you have any questions please contact Corinne (Cory) Bourgeois - 860-639-7595 (call/text) - email: brgs97@aol.com

St. Andrew Ladies Guild News:

Upcoming dates to remember:

February 21, 6:30PM Presentation: Nurturing a Mary Spirit in a Martha World, by Donna Reenstra

March 21, 6:30PM Combined Meeting with St. Francis Ladies Guild

Remember for all meetings the protocol is to wear a mask covering your mouth and nose, no refreshments will be served as of now, and if you feel sick stay home.

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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 <https://www.mectw.org/>.

go online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org.

Thank you to everyone for your support!

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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, 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.

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The monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass will take place at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on **Saturday, Feb. 5 at 8:30 A.M.** Please join our celebrant **Rev. Walter Nagle** at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for the healing for those who have had an abortion. Following the Mass, the Rachel Rosary will be prayed at the Cathedral. A brunch in the Cathedral Hall will follow the Rosary this month.

**Trivia Quiz
Our Mother Mary**



What did the Blessed Mother instruct St. Dominic to do when she appeared to him?

- a. Make a pilgrimage
- b. Translate the Bible
- c. Spread rosary devotion
- d. Build a school
- e. Become a bishop

Which one of these sites of claimed apparitions of Mary was never approved by the Catholic Church?

- a. Medjugorje
- b. Lourdes
- c. Guadalupe
- d. Fatima
- e. Knock

What special thing remains to this day at the site where the Blessed Mother appeared to St. Bernadette in France in the 1850s?

- a. Photo of the Blessed Mother
- b. Healing waters
- c. A cherry tree
- d. A shadow
- e. ancient map

What Biblical event is considered the first intercession of the Blessed Mother?

- a. Raising of Lazarus
- b. Feeding of the Five Thousand
- c. Last Supper
- d. Miracle at Cana
- e. Walking on water

Answers next bulletin



PASSION PLAY 2022 Canceled

It is, with great sadness, that we notify our parish that there will be no Passion Play this calendar year. Covid has been a formidable adversary, and it is the primary reason for cancellation. Our entire production team had hoped to produce the Passion Play this year, and we were grateful for Fr Mark's blessing.

However, there were insurmountable obstacles, most of which dealt with keeping a huge cast and crew safe from an outbreak of the virus. **GOOD NEWS: mark your calendars for 2023!** It is our hope and prayer that we can safely and joyfully return to the telling of the story of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, as we gather again to present Guardian Angels Parish "St Andrew Passion Play" **Fri Mar 31 and Sat April 1, 2023.**

NOTE: There will be a rebroadcast of our most recent Passion Plays at some point during Lent. Information will be in a future parish bulletin.

God's blessings from our entire production team,

Colleen Puscas
Natalie Wood
Terry Phillips
Rick Lenda
Carl Cannella
Bill Watson
Lissa Peltier
Lisa Duda
Joanne Becker

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Happy New Year from East Catholic!

We are opening a new chapter in our admissions process. Students who have been accepted and paid the deposit will soon be invited to schedule classes for next year! We are still accepting new applicants and offering the entrance exam in person. WeAreEC#

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Parish Bulletin E-mailed to You

If you would like the parish bulletin emailed to you, a friend, or a college student away from home, E-mail the parish office a request to be put on the email list.

**Parish E-mail address:
bulletin@guardianangelsparishofolchester.org**

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Hour for Vocations: February 17 at St. Colman in Middlefield from 6-7 PM.

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NEW DATE for the 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!

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St. John School – Open Houses 2022

Saint John School, Old Saybrook is having an Open House on Wednesday, March 9th, 9-11am and 6-8pm. Please register online to attend. We invite you to visit our website to read about our PreK, 3-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.saintjohnschool.org. If you have any questions, please call the school office at (860) 388 0849. All are welcome.

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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

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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.

Are you grieving from an Abortion? Trust in the mercy of God’s love. Consider these words from St. John Paul II to those suffering because of abortion: *“The church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. Certainly what happened was and remains terribly wrong. But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope....The Father of mercies is ready to give you His forgiveness and His peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. You will come to understand that nothing is definitively lost and you will also be able to ask forgiveness from your child, who is now living in the Lord.”* (Evangelium Vitae, no. 99). Call Project Rachel, the church’s post-abortion healing program, for a confidential referral to a priest who can help: 860-861-4439

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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

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Please Save the Date and join us **March 26, 2022** for the Virtual Spring **Norwich Diocesan Women’s Conference**. Keynote speaker, author, and certified spiritual director Liz Kelly will present ideas from her book *Love Like A Saint*. The morning will also include a message from Bishop Cote, the naming of this year’s Our Lady Queen of Hope Award recipient and much more all from the comfort of your own home! For more information, please contact The Office of Faith Events at 860-848-2237, or manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

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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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