



THE BASILICA OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

The Mother Church of Stamford, Connecticut



TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 13, 2024



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil, 4 PM
Sunday, 7:30 AM, 10 AM,
12 PM, and 5 PM

Monday - Friday
8 AM and 12:10 PM
Saturday
12:10 PM
Federal Holiday
9 AM

CONFESSIONS

Monday: 11:30 to 12 Noon
Wednesday: 11:30 to 12 Noon
Friday: 11:30 to 12 Noon
Saturday: 2:45 to 3:45 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9 AM - 4:30 PM
Fridays
9 AM - 3 PM

(The Office entrance is located
on Padre Pio Way, between the
church and the rectory)

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MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

4 pm, † John Hanley

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

7:30 am, † Margaret M. Potalicchio
req. Family

10 am, † Caterina Caponolla
req. Pugliese Family

12 pm, † Msgr. John Horgan-Kung
req. Kung Family

5 pm, † Valentina A. Devera
req. Carolina Pasqua

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

Saint Callistus I

9 am, † Patrick Kane & Family
req. Catherine Kane & Family

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

Saint Teresa of Jesus

8 am, † Dec'd Members of Longo & Gerardi Families
req. Family

12:10 pm, † Joseph Kung
req. Kung Family

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

Saints Hedwig & Margaret Mary Alacoque

8 am, † Mary Hanley

12:10 pm, † Angela Jaconetti

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

Saint Ignatius of Antioch

8 am, † Frank Jaconetti

12:10 pm, † Angela Maria D'Onofrio
req. Carlo & Angela Albanese

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

Saint Luke

8 am, † Nick Olynyk

12:10 pm, † Nina Olynyk

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

Saints John de Brebeuf & Isaac Joques

12:10 pm, † Jocelyn, Sydney, Oswald & Kilda
Machado

req. Lilian & Alvina Ramos

Sanctuary Candle:

*For the Special Intentions of the Fenton
Family*



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Frank Carpanzano, Phil DeFelice, Msgr. Stephen M. DiGiovanni, Ruby Lang, Barbara Smith, Jennifer Iannarelli, Julia Oliveira, Gail Piria, Julian Randal, Anthony Labroschiano, Richard Conti, Junjie & Aileen Ibanez, Ram Jhunja, Marie Anne Guillaume, Joseph Prevot, Rita Hausman, Michael Thomas Vaccaro, Boniface & Mary DiProperzio, Monique D'Auteuil, Sofia D'Auteuil-Traista, Nora Figueroa Krap, Mary Ann Gascon, Ewa Indyk, Greg K., John Whipple, Marie Nicolas, Bill Steward, Chris O'Connor

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE

RECENTLY DIED:

Leon Taricani, Don DelMazzio, Nancy Shinn, Mandy Richardson, Amber J. Graves, Brenda Snell, Mary Aldrich, Zef Gjelij, Kyle Bancroft, Mother Beulah M. Manning, Garth Ragsdale, Theresa L. Wissell, Eugenio Balboa, Carmela A. "Chickie" Pavia, Deacon James H. Edwards, Dr. Christine Faulk Miles, Inez Spain, Marie Philomene Lauture, Anthony D. Truglia, Sue Ann Miller, Pierre Bassett, Frederick Dodson Smith, Jud Barker, Pierre Bassette, Wilhelmina Borromeo, Gerald Bosak, Sr., George E. Ragsdale, John DeCoursey, Dan Sansone, Dr. George Szele, Emmy Sigtryggsson, M. Blanche Sumpter, John M. Evans, Sr., Alice Joseph

Mass Intentions

The 2025 Mass Intentions book is now available for Mass requests. All requests are first-come, first-serve and are \$10 each. Sanctuary Lamp is \$10 per week. We ask that multiple Mass requests be emailed, USPS mailed or put in the collection basket (legible, please). Include name and contact information of person requesting. Please call or email with questions: office@stjohnbasilica.org or 203-324-1553.



Dear Friends in Christ,

As I announced last week, Father Gomez had been appointed the pastor for Saint Maurice in Stamford. He will begin his new assignment on November 1st. We will prepare a light reception for him after one of the Sunday Masses in the near future.

Father Gomez has been a tremendous help here at the Basilica. Like me, I know many of you are sorry to see him go.

Please join me in wishing him all the best in his new ministry.

God bless you,
Father La Pastina

FAITH IN FIVE PODCASTS

I am delighted to share with you the link to our latest episode of The Faith in Five. This episode discusses Pope Francis's declaration of the upcoming Holy Year. Please feel free to share the link with your friends.

<https://stjohnbasilica.org/the-podcast/2024/9/23/faith-in-five>

Is there something you would like to add in our podcasts? Email Fr. La Pastina with suggestions:
office@stjohnbasilica.org



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**WEEKLY SUNDAY
COLLECTION:**

In Mass: \$7,552.41
 Online Giving: \$5,107.00
 Total: Sunday, October 6, 2024:
 \$12,659.41



Serving Our Community

Last year, your donations to the Bishop's Appeal made it possible for Catholic Charities to provide hope and healing to our brothers and sisters in need across Fairfield County.



Catholic Charities Distributed:

- 1,000,000+ meals
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- 3,500+ toiletry bags
- 2,000+ winter coats

Thank you for your support of Catholic Charities through the Bishop's Appeal. Together, One in Christ, we can continue to support our brothers and sisters who are most in need.

www.2024BishopsAppeal.org

ONLINE GIVING:

Whether you are out of town or unable to attend Mass due to weather, illness, or an emergency, you will be able to contribute to the support of the Basilica. Your information is protected, your transaction is secure, and your donations are automatically transferred to the Parish account.

NOTE: You can make a one-time donation to the collection of your choice. You also have the option to set up recurring donations from your bank by setting up an account. Changes of amount or duration can be made at any time.

Sign up on the Basilica's web-site, www.stjohnbasilica.org by clicking on the "Donate" button.

**The Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist Parish
2024 Bishop's Appeal as of 10/03/24**

Bishop's Appeal Goal:

\$93,500

Total Pledged:

\$82,735 (88.49%)

Donors to Date:

168 Donors



To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at 2024BishopsAppeal.org, call (203) 416-1470 or scan with your phone.

COLUMBUS DAY SCHEDULE

Monday, October 14, 2024

ONE

DAILY MASS: 9:00 AM.



The Parish Office will be closed.



RCIA

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Interested in Becoming A Catholic?

Or are you an adult Catholic who has not received Confirmation? If you would like to become a Catholic or have not been fully initiated in the Catholic Church (only Baptized and have not received First Communion & Confirmation), please call or email the parish office for more information about RCIA. An evening orientation will be held in early November (date to be announced) with Fr La Pastina. Classes will meet weekly starting Monday December 2, 6:30-7:30 PM in Nagle Hall.

LEGION OF MARY

A group of parishioners gather every Wednesday at 7:30 PM in Nagle Hall for prayer and spiritual conference. We are dedicated to strengthening our love for Our Lord through devotion to His Blessed Mother, with deeper prayer and works of charity.

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ONE-DAY RETREAT

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024 9:30AM-7:30 PM
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for more information or to register:
Ctcemeteries.org/Grieving Parents Retreat
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or Nancy Bentley 203-404-0820

Pre-Registration Required

**MINISTRY OF THE HOMELESS,
HUNGRY & PEOPLE IN NEED:**

This ministry is a collaborative effort of St. Bridget of Ireland and St. Maurice Parishes. The ministry serves all people in need by meeting requests of 13 non-profit agencies in Stamford. They are currently fundraising by offering for sale a cookbook. All funds go directly to their ministry work. We are assisting by selling in the parish office, **A Taste of Heaven** for a **\$20.00** donation (cash only).

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN:

The Diocese requires that all volunteers in any capacity in the parish must attend a Protecting God's Children workshop. If you have not already attended one, and volunteer or anticipate volunteering in the future, please register at virtusonline.org. Call the parish office at 203-324-1553 for additional information or questions.





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Schedule of Events September 2024 to January 2025

SEPTEMBER

Saturday, Sept 7th, 9 am to 2 pm
A Day with Mary
Led by the Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate
(Church and Nagle Hall)

Thursday, September 12th, 7:30 PM
Solemn Mass for the Feast of the Holy Name of Mary
(Church)

Monday, September 16th at 7:30 PM
Basilica Young Adult Society
(Church and Rectory)

Monday, September 23rd at 7:30 PM
Lecture Series
Saint Anthony of Padua: Lost and Found Department
(Rectory Ballroom)

Monday, September 30th at 7:30 PM
Lecture Series
Virgin Martyrs: Early Roman Debutantes
(Rectory Ballroom)

OCTOBER

Monday, October 7th at 7:30 PM
Candlelight Rosary Procession
(Church and Piazza)

Monday, October 14th at 7:30 PM
Basilica Young Adult Society
(Church and Rectory)

NOVEMBER

Saturday, November 2nd at 12:10
Solemn Mass for All Souls Day
(Church)

Monday, Monday, November 11th at 7:30 PM
Basilica Young Adult Society
(Church and Rectory)

Sunday, November 24th at 3:30 PM
Solemn Vespers for the Feast of Christ the King
(Church)

DECEMBER

Sunday, December 1st, following the 10 am Mass
Saint Nicholas Celebration for Children
(Nagle Hall)

Tuesday, December 17 at 7:00 PM
A Service of Lessons and Carols
Cardinal Kung Schola Cantorum and Boy Treble Choir

Monday, December 2nd at 7:30 PM
Basilica Young Adult Society
(Church and Rectory)

Saturday, December 21 at 6:30 AM
Candlelight Rorate Mass in Honor of Our Lady during Advent
(Church)

Monday, December 9th at 7:30 PM
Solemn Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception
(Light Reception to follow in Nagle Hall)

Friday, December 27th at 12:10 PM
Mass and the Blessing of Wine for the Feast of Our Patron
Saint John the Evangelist

Tuesday, December 31st at 6 PM
Te Deum and Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

JANUARY

Sunday, January 5th at 3:30
Solemn Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
For the Feast of the Epiphany

Sunday, January 12th at 12 Noon
Opening of the Holy Year at the Basilica
by Bishop Caggiano



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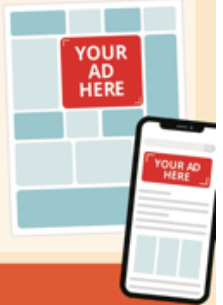
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