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# 6 Fenuary 2022

## SUNDAY MASS IS OFFERED AT MARY OUR QUEEN 9:00am and 11:00am

The 9:00am Sunday Mass is Live-Streamed on our Facebook Page.

The official time for the opening of the church doors on Sunday is 8:15 in the morning. Please keep this in mind for those who might show up extra early; especially during the winter months

## DAILY MASS IS OFFERED AT

Immaculate Conception Church 🖷 130 Summer Street

7:30am & Noon Monday ~ Friday & Saturday 7:30am

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Please call the Rectory to make arrangements and receive information concerning eligibility of godparents.

**Marriage:** Arrangements should be made by calling the Rectory at least six months in advance.

**Reconciliation/Confession:** after daily Mass, Sundays between each scheduled Mass.

Anointing of the Sick, Hospital or Home Visitation: Please call the Rectory.

## **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 10:00am ~ 4:00pm

Thursdays the office is closed

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE (860) 628-9679

Email: Southington.dre@gmail.com.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Mary Our Queen Parish is a Roman Catholic community, founded under the patronage of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and our Queen. We strive to celebrate the liturgy with full conscious and active participation. We are especially devoted to handing the faith to our youth and to strengthening the faithlives of our families.

We strive to offer a warm welcome to all and to reach out to the spiritual and material needs of the people of our community, our nation and the entire world.



for the week

#### <u>REMINDER:</u>

Bookings for Daily Mass Intentions are booked through St. Thomas Rectory office. please call (860) 628-4713

#### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6** @ **MOQ**~ *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**9:00** AM <sup>⊕</sup> JOSEPH TELLERICO, JR *Requested by wife and children* **11:00** AM <sup>⊕</sup> LESZEK MOTOWIDLO *Requested by wife and family* 

Daily Mass is offered at the Immaculate Conception Church 130 Summer Street ~ Southington, 06489

#### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7**

**7:30** AM <sup>⊕</sup> JOSEPH TELLERICO, JR. Requested by his wife & children **12:00** PM <sup>⊕</sup> MARIA & GAETANO SABINO Requested by daughter & family

#### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8**

**7:30 AM** PRO-POPULO **12:00 PM** <sup>⊕</sup> BRIAN MAETTA Requested by the family

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

#### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10**

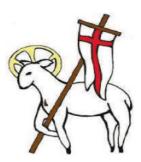
**7:30 AM** ⊕ ADAM FOLCIK *Requested by Barbara Pozucek* **12:00 PM** ⊕ JIMMY STEVENS *Requested by Lori Stevens* 

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11

**7:30 AM** PRO-POPULO **12:00 PM** <sup>⊕</sup> LEWIS PALMIERI *Requested by Angela Zacchia & family* 

#### **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13 @ MOQ~ Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time







# from the Pastor's Desk ....

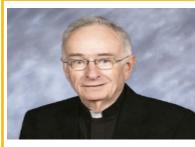
"Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man," these words, uttered by Simon Peter, can be found on any one of our lips. What real significance do I have in the big picture of God's Divine plan? Even though we try our best to hide it, we all suffer from a lack of faith. We get tired, confused, and often lack any sincere desire to put

anything into our relationship with God. It's easier to simply reap whatever benefits the world has to offer and call it a day. Floating along on the superficial currents of life doesn't require much effort and seems to get us through the day. Confronting our own infidelity, apathy, weakness of spirit, and doubt in God's providence, how can we even remotely be considered a worthy vessel of God's presence or credible voice for His message?

This is the irony of faith. God doesn't seek the perfect vessels. He likes the broken ones. There is something to be said about living honestly and sincerely, and wrestling with sin, imperfection, and weakness rather than skipping through the peripheries of life with pretention, arrogance, and mendacity. If we believe ourselves to be our own "god" and serve only ourselves, we close the door to ever being used by the real and only True God. But, if we at least acknowledge that there is One greater than ourselves, then even in our deepest poverty and lowliness, God can enter.

Lessons are best learned from those who suffer. Only someone who has been lonely and lost can attest to the beauty of both Divine and human friendship. Only those who have really lost their way know what happens when they are found. Only those who are afraid know what it is to be calmed by God. The Gospel is messy because life is messy. There are no black and white solutions to problems and challenges that are hazy and gray. When our hesitancy to encounter God gets replaced by friendship with God, we become more aware of our dignity and the fact that we are loved just as we are. We cannot be afraid to share our struggles, reservations, fears, and sinfulness with others. Our genuineness and sincerity will speak of the God who blesses us in our weakness.

Father Kargul



**Reverend Arthur Joseph DuPont**, Class of 1954, died Sunday, January 30, 2022. Fr. DuPont served at many parishes in the Archdiocese prior to his retirement, most recently as the pastor of Our Parish, Mary Our Queen in Plantsville. We extend our deepest sympathy to Fr. DuPont's loved ones at this time of loss and offer them our prayerful support.

#### Beware of email scammers .....

Please note that scammers may create email accounts, pretending to be from the Parish or the Priests, asking for money or gift cards. You will never receive a legitimate email from the Parish asking for gift cards. When we do fund drives it will be via mail or in person.

Rest in Peace

## 6 February 2022



## Confessions are offered at:

**MOQ** by appointment or in-between the 9 & 11am Sunday Masses.

Saint Dominic Church Saturdays 2:30~3:30pm

**Immaculate Conception** *Wednesdays* 6:00~7:00pm





And he said, "Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place." **(Lk 4:24)**  A COLORINA

We are so grateful to all who continue to support Mary Our Queen with your prayers and financial contributions !!

For your convince, we accept mail-in contributions and online giving.

Consider online giving! Sign up on our Parish website or the following link:

https://osvhub.com/maryourqueen/funds

5" SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## **Open Forum regarding the Future / Merger of MOQ**

This meeting will be held on **Sunday, February 20** @ **4:00pm at MOQ**. This is your time to ask questions that you may have regarding the Pastoral Planning Process effective July 1.



## Church Rosary warriors A Prayerful Powerful Devotion of the Rosary.

Let our Blessed Mother open the eyes of your heart to the mysteries of Jesus's life seeing and loving him with Our Lady. Join your brothers and sisters in Christ with your intentions and prayers *after 7:30am Saturday morning Mass* at the Immaculate Conception Church in Southington praying for our Nation and spiritual revival.

## Mass Intentions for 2022

Intentions may be booked either in person, by phone, or email at Saint Thomas Parish office, 99 Bristol Street, from 11:00 am ~ 7:00 pm.

### **At Mary Our Queen**

for Sundays 9 & 11am Intentions may be booked either in person or by phone at the Parish office

> BETWEEN 11 am ~ 3:00 pm Mon, Tues, Wed, & Fri

### <u> Manna Sunday - every Sunday</u>



Donations of staple, non perishable foods: cold cereals, peanut butter, jams, soups, coffee, tea, juices, tuna fish, etc. for distribution to needy in our community by Southington Community Center. **Baskets are** 

located in the parking lot entrance of the Church.

## tax statements for MOQ 2021 .....

If you need a copy of your donations for tax purposes, please email moqueen@snet.net. Please include your envelope number and address in your email and one will be emailed or mailed to you.

If you need to call for one please leave a message for Sebastian and one will be mailed to you. Statements will go out after January 23.



The Archdiocese Theme for Catholic Schools Week this year is "There is something greater here!"

Countless people in our country have been blessed by the many gifts of Catholic Schools. Southington Catholic School will be celebrating daily themes of Catholic School Week.

Monday - Community Service, Tuesday - Creative Arts, Wednesday - Spirit Day, Thursday - our Girls have a basketball game at home at 5:45pm and we will celebrate Friday Mass with Father Joe on February 4th.

The school thanks you for your support and donations. We could use your help to spread the word about our school. We are returning to normal with sports and after-school programs. Our 3 and 4-year-old program is open and ready to enroll. We also have openings in Kindergarten through Grade 8. Please contact the school office for more information.



On the weekend of Super Bowl, February 13th, our community will participate in the **"Souper Bowl of Caring"** 

This National program to end hunger began in 1990 by a seminarian intern serving in a church in South Carolina. His vision was to harness the energy and enthusiasm of Super Bowl weekend to collect donations for local charities of their choice working to "tackle hunger" in their communities.

If everyone watching the big game could make a donation, we would be able to eradicate hunger in our town. Next weekend we will have members of our community with soup pots as you leave Mass to welcome anyone wishing to contribute a monetary donation. All proceeds will be directly given to Bread For Life. Please join us in working to eliminate hunger in Southington by making a donation to this worthy program. Thank you for your generous support.

## **Hospice Volunteer Needed....**

Becoming a Franciscan Hospice Volunteer is a rewarding opportunity to journey with someone in the latter portion of his/her life. Franciscan hospice volunteers receive 16 hours of training that enables them to be present to others in a very special way in order to support both the individual and their family through a difficult time. There is continuing education and support through monthly meetings as well as social events for the hospice volunteer throughout the year. Franciscan hospice volunteers provide a variety of services such as visiting patients, reading, sharing stories, praying or being a quiet presence for the patient as well as clerical support. If you are interested in making a difference in someone else's life consider becoming a Franciscan Hospice Volunteer with Franciscan Home Care and Hospice Care. Contact BJ Raby at: braby@franciscanhc.org or 202-238-1441. Visit web site at franciscanhc.org.

# Southington Catholic Community News









# Mass Schedule Changes Effective July 1, 2022

#### **SATURDAY VIGIL MASSES:**

4:00 PM @ Mary Our Queen Church & 5:30 PM @ Immaculate Conception Church (in English)

#### **SUNDAY MORNING MASSES:**

8:00 AM @ St. Aloysius 9:30 AM @ Immaculate Conception (*in Polish*) 11:00 AM @ St. Dominic CONFESSIONS: Saturdays from 2:30-3:30PM at Mary Our Queen Church

#### WEEKDAY MASSES ~ Monday through Saturday

8:00 AM @ Immaculate Conception Church

Mass Intentions can now be booked for July through December between 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM through the rectory office at St. Thomas – 99 Bristol Street - (860) 628-4713. To begin, we will book one weekend Mass and one weekday Mass (Saturday morning included) per family until we see how quickly the calendar fills.

## Update on Pastoral Planning......

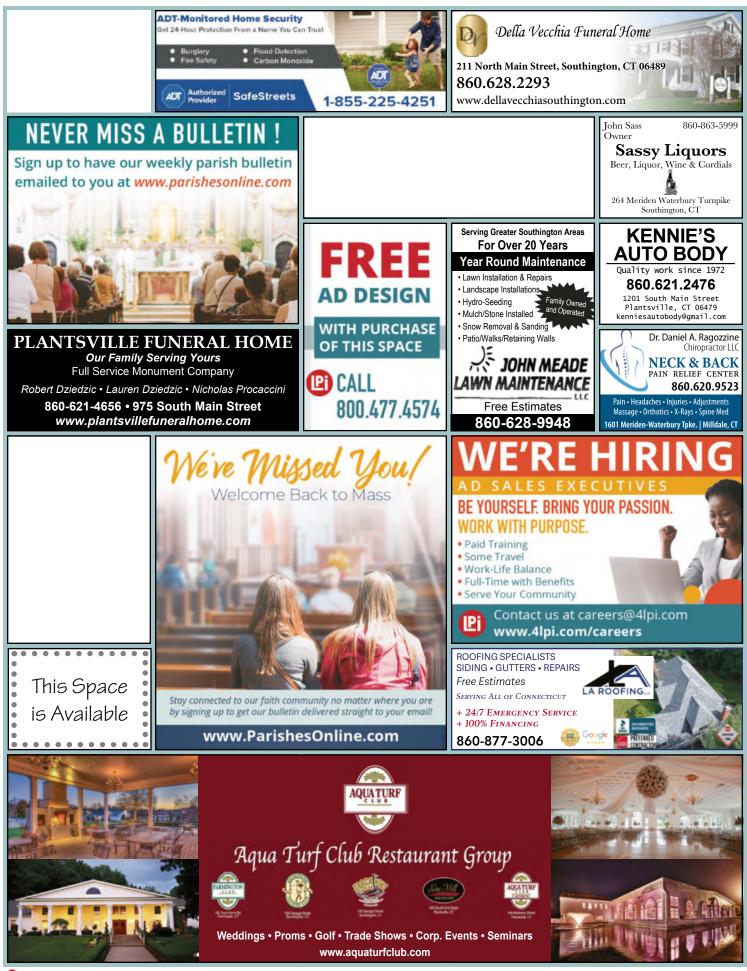
In the next few weeks Fr. Cronin will work with the Human Resources Office of the Archdiocese to find out the next steps in the creation of a staff for the coming merger.

Job descriptions will have to be drafted. He will have to meet with employees from every one of the five parishes to go over options. We will have to find out who plans to apply, retire, or just not seek a position in the new parish. All that needs to be settled before May1st, so everyone has a few months to settle plans. That will be January, and interviews will go through February and March.

February is the time that pastors meet with business managers, trustees, and finance councils to review the yearend figures. There is paperwork to be submitted to the Archdiocese each year, and now is the time to compile the reports. Once we submit the forms and pay the Cathedraticum, we prepare the annual report

We have to begin the process for a new corporation soon. There is paperwork to meet the requirements of the civil codes and the canons of the Church. Trustees of the new corporation will have to be appointed.

We have to cover issues with a merger and a change of names. Finance councils will have to help plan for dealings with banks and the investments. Parish councils will have to develop norms and procedures for a new group.



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