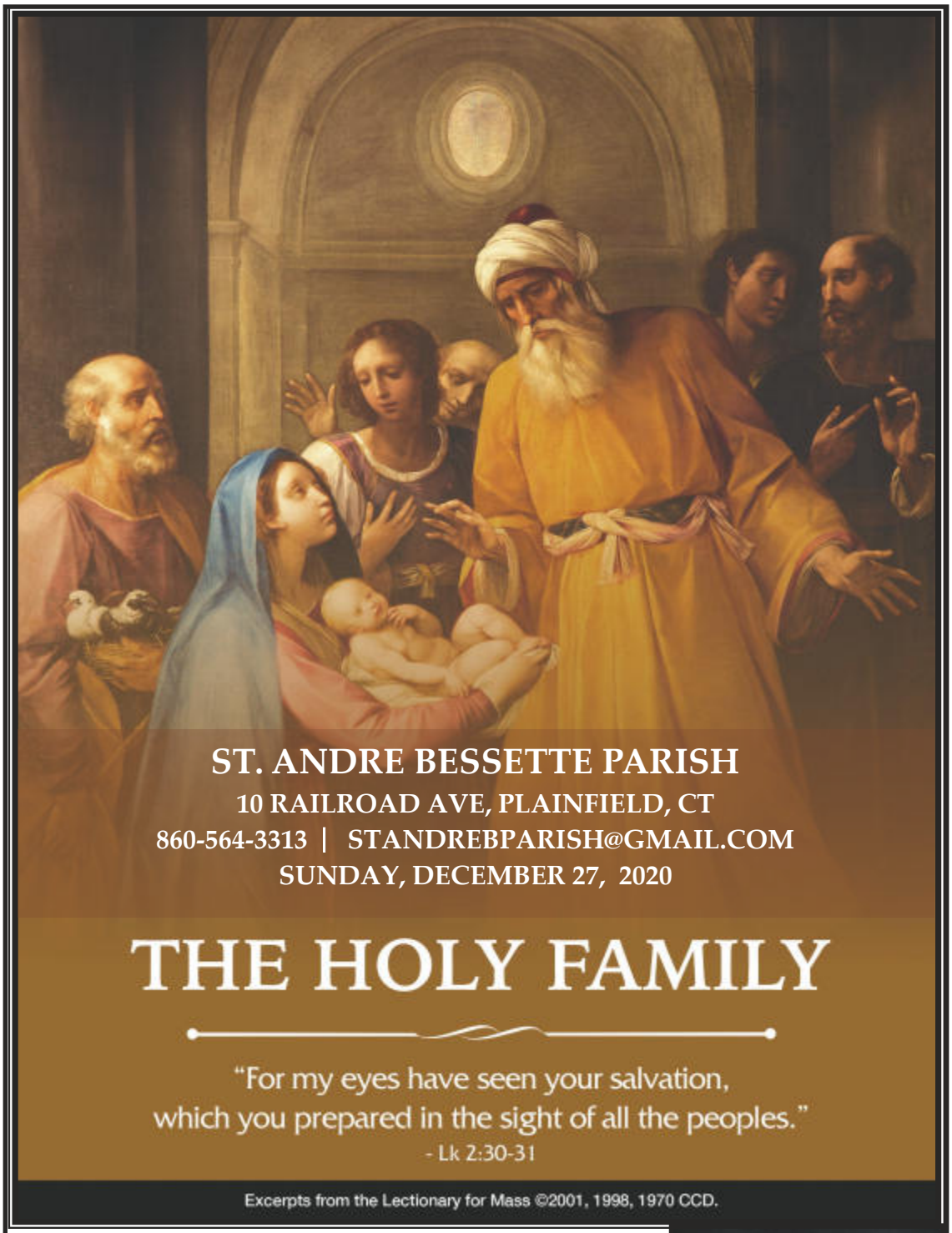

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2020

THE HOLY FAMILY

"For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples."
- Lk 2:30-31

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Sites of worship:
St. Augustine, Canterbury
All Hallows, Moosup
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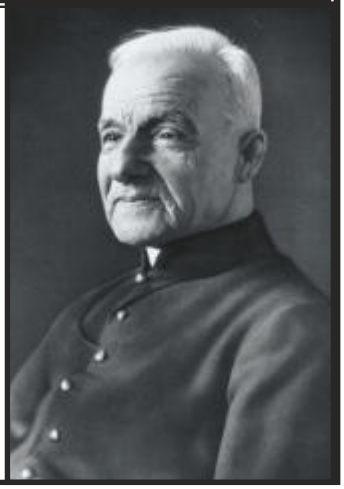

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil:
4:00 p.m.- St. Augustine
Sunday:
8:00 a.m.- All Hallows
10:30 a.m.– St. John
Broadcast on website 10:30
Monday– No Mass
Tuesday- 6:30 p.m. at St. John (Christmas-Easter)
Wednesday- 7:30 a.m. Novena to St. Peregrine followed with a Holy Mass- St. John
Thursday- 7:30 a.m. at St. John (Christmas-Easter)
Friday– 7:30 a.m. at St. John *(Adoration after the First Friday Mass)*
Holy Days will be announced in the bulletin.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: 20 minutes prior to the weekday Mass or by appointment.

Hospital & Home Visits: Please notify the priest of family illness. Please be advised that some institutions have an onsite chaplain.

Sacrament of the Sick: Anytime by request, in the home of the sick.

Baptism: Please contact the Rectory for an arrangement.

Marriage: Couples should call the Rectory at least one year in advance to reserve a date and make arrangements.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

St. André Bessette Parish Staff

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Parish Office Hours

Mon-Fri.. from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Social Distancing is required. Masks must be worn when visiting the Rectory.

Sites of worship addresses:

St. Augustine: 144 Westminster Rd., Canterbury
All Hallows: 126 Prospect St., Moosup
St. John the Apostle: 15 Railroad Ave., Plainfield

Sites of Worship Groups

All Hallows Daughters of Isabella: Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

All Hallows K of C: Meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Basement

St. John: Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Guild meets the 2nd Tuesday. of the month at 6:30 p.m.) in the Church Hall– No meeting in Jan.

St. John & St. Augustine: K of C meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at St. Augustine's Church

St. Augustine's Ladies Guild: Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m.– No meeting in Dec.

Online Giving

STEWARDSHIP

St. André Bessette Parish Collections

Online Giving: 12/13/20- $ 1,041.00

Mailed in envelopes & church collection 12/13/20

Weekly:	**$ 3,345.00**
Maintenance:	**$ 62.00**
Parish Development:	**$ 19.00**
Religious Education:	**$ 10.00**
Utility:	**$ 583.00**
Immaculate Conception:	**$ 392.00**
Christmas Flowers:	**$ 192.00**
Christmas	**$ 55.00**
World Combined Collection:	**$ 2.00**
Seminary Fund:	**$ 2.00**
Total:	**$ 4,662.00**

Online 12/13: $1,041.00 + Weekly: $4,662.00= $5,703.00

Weekly need to meet the 2020-2021 parish budget:
$8,557.11

The Second Collection this weekend (12/27):
Religious Education
The Second Collection next weekend (01/03):
Religious Education

*The collection totals from the weekend of 12/20/20 ***will appear in the 01/03/21 bulletin.***

Thank you for your continued generosity!

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

— Lk 2:39-40

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 26th
The Holy Family
4:00 p.m.– St. Augustine: †Raymond J. Wisniewski *(42nd anniversary) by his wife, Lorraine*

Sunday, December 27th
The Holy Family
8:00 a.m.– St. Augustine: †George Lukin *(11th anniversary) by Jean Lukin*
10:30 a.m.– St. Augustine: †Frank Chinigo *(8th anniversary) by Rose & Jim Soper; and* †Leo Farland *by Mr. & Mrs. David Collard*

Monday, December 28th
No Mass

Tuesday, December 29th
6:30 p.m.- St. John: Intention as announced.

Wednesday, December 30th
7:30 a.m.– St. John: †Therese Valentine *by her family*
Novena to St. Peregrine at 7:30 a.m. followed with Mass

Thursday, December 31st
Solemnity of the Mother of God -Vigil
7:30 a.m.– St. John: Intention as announced.
4:00 p.m.– St. John: Intention as announced.

First Friday, January 1st
9:00 a.m.– St. John: †Holy Souls In Purgatory *by a parishioner*

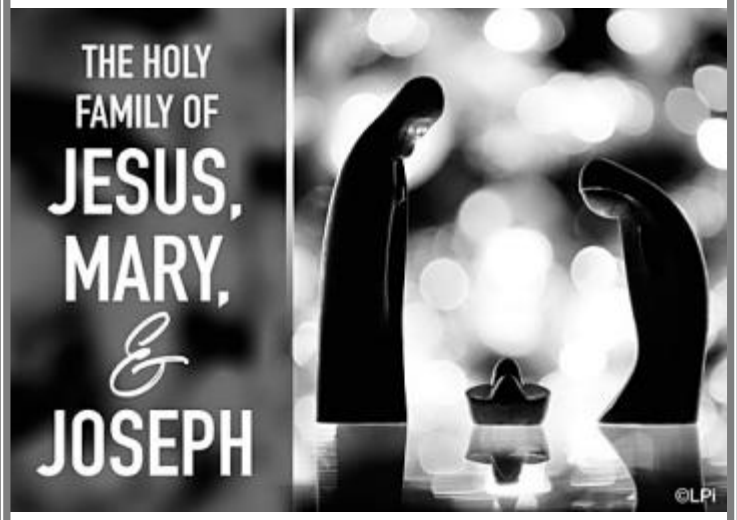
First Saturday, January 2nd
Epiphany of the Lord
4:00 p.m.– St. Augustine: Intention as announced.

Sunday, January 3rd
Epiphany of the Lord
8:00 a.m.– All Hallows: †Ann Saad *by Susan Silveira & family*
10:30 a.m.– St. John: †The Deceased Members of the Farland Family *by the family*

MASS ATTENDANCE

December 12th, 2020–
4:00 p.m.– St. Augustine: 43
December 13th, 2020
8:00 a.m.– All Hallows: 77
10:30 a.m.– St. John: 79

The Mass attendance from the weekend of December 19th and 20th will appear in the January 3, 2021 bulletin.



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and untie myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

2020 ACA Update: As of November 20th, **St. Andre Bessette Parish, Plainfield** has donated $29,442.87 or 78.90% of its goal, and 11.49% of our parishioners have donated. We are striving for as close to 100% participation as possible. If you have not made your contribution to the 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal, "One Faith, One Family", or would like to make an additional gift, please contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928 or go online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org.

Thank you to everyone for your support!

WORSHIP & MEDITATION

FIRST READING

The Lord took Abram outside and said,
"Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can.
Just so," he added, "shall your descendants be."
(Gn 15:5)

PSALM

The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.
(Ps 105)

SECOND READING

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to
go out to a place
that he was to receive as an inheritance;
he went out, not knowing where he was to go.
(Heb 11:8)

GOSPEL

The child grew and became strong,
filled with wisdom;
and the favor of God was upon him. (Lk 2:40)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Tragedy and disappointment are inevitable. What sees you through this? There will be challenges, changes, unexpected circumstances, interrupted plans, hurts, and injustices experienced by every human being at some point in their lives. We will be asked to adjust our plans, change course, and even encounter suffering and death. Where do we learn all of the lessons we need to live life well? Some of them we learn along the way but much of what we bring to life, positive and negative, comes from our early beginnings, our families. This is our early world and provides the blueprint for how we see the bigger, more inclusive world, which unfolds before us.

Our families of origin can be sources of grace, heartache or a combination of both. Families are intended to be pivotal in providing us with proper social structure and understanding, a support system, lessons about relationships and communication, and the unconditional acceptance and love we so desperately crave. They can also determine whether we have an accessible and healthy relationship with God. Many of life's challenges can literally bring us to our knees and require that we possess a strength of character that resides well beyond the superficialities of our world. At some point we will all need three coping gifts that can be given to us only by God: faith, hope, and love. Our families help us learn that we are not the ones responsible for their creation, but God!

Our experience of early family life colors all of our relationships and what we expect to achieve from life in general. Resolving conflicts, dealing with difficulty and suffering, celebrating accomplishments, prioritizing our needs, listening to God's call, understanding relationships, understanding disappointment, learning about the virtues and living a centered focused life are all lessons our families either succeed in teaching or do not. To succeed, as God has designed and ordered our world, is to discover his presence and then trust that Presence. The Holy Family can teach even the most dysfunctional family how to best use God's gifts of faith, hope, and love to find him and do his will. Their simple humble example is always before us, showing us the way. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, pray for us!

Join us for the *NEW* Diocesan Virtual Book Club
Streaming Wednesday nights,
January 6 to February 10th, 6:30- 8 PM
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Becoming Who You Are:
Insights on the True Self from Thomas Merton and Other Saints
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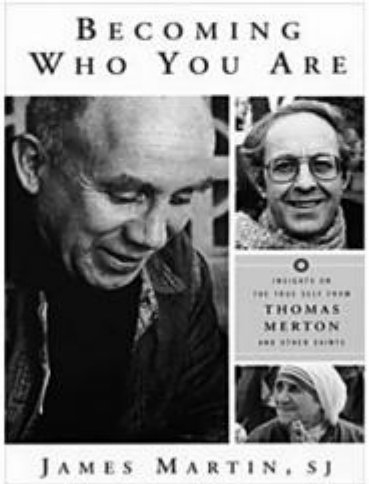

Our book club moderator will be Andrea Hoisl, Director of the Office of Faith Events
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Please contact Marianne at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net or 860-848-2237 ext. 304

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marriage encounter

Julian of Norwich: A Virtual Workshop

Hermit, Mystic, Spiritual Guide, Woman of God
January 12th 6:30-8:00 pm

Presented by Sr. Elissa Rinere, C.P.

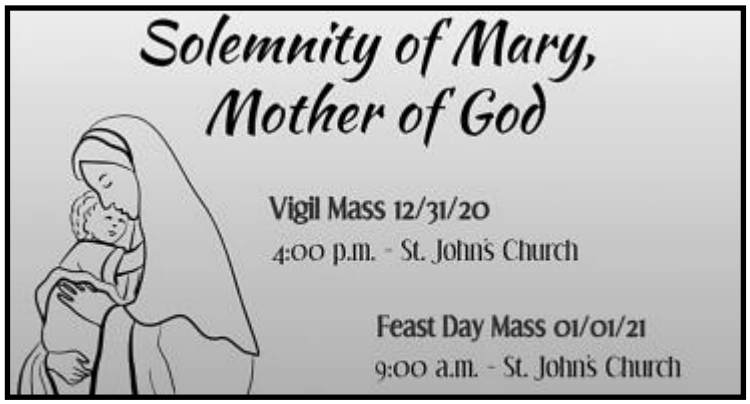
Julian is best remembered for her simple rule of life:
"All shall be well, and all shall be well, all manner of thing shall be well."
From a small city in England in the 14th century, Julian's writings still reach out to us, teaching about God, and about relationship with God. This presentation will consider her life, her world, and her message of love.

To register and receive the link please contact Marianne at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net or 860-848-2237 ext. 304

Catholic Charities would like to THANK you for your generosity in assisting us to care for those who are in need. Your donations of prayers, monetary donations, much needed baby & personal care items, food donations and volunteering at our locations are greatly appreciated, especially during this year of uncertainty. Because of the pandemic, we have experienced a huge increase of people looking for a helping hand, and because of your donations, we are able to assist everyone who comes to us in need. Catholic Charities would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a healthy & Happy New Year! Visit ccfsn.org for more information on how you can help!

A gentle reminder…Please be considerate and respect the sanctity of the Lord's House by keeping conversations before and after Mass outside of the church. Thank you.

"Like" the **Office of Faith Events Diocese of Norwich** page on Facebook and stay informed of all our upcoming faith-filled events for Youth, Young Adults, Adults, and Families. www.facebook.com/ofenorwichdiocese



WINTER MASS SCHEDULE

All weekday masses will be at St. John's Church from Christmas through Easter.

In the case of inclement weather, all weekend Masses will be at St. John's church with a delay of 20 minutes.

4:20 p.m. Sat. – St. John's Church
8:20 a.m. Sun.– St. John's Church
10:30 a.m. Sun.– St. John's Church

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O Come All Ye Faithful

STEWARDSHIP

"…as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive." - COLOSSIANS 3:13

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