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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 17, 5:00 pm (English)

Sunday, June 18, 9:00 am (English)

Happy 68th birthday to Robert Kennedy,
brother of Fr. Kennedy. (69)

Sunday, June 18, 12 noon, (Spanish)

Acción de gracias a San Judas Tadeo
r/b Rosa Vargas

+ Jaime Figueroa, r/b family.

Monday, June 19, 5:00 pm

Tuesday, June 20, 5:00 pm

Wednesday, June 21, 5:00 pm

Thursday, June 22, 5:00 pm

+ Juan Cerrón, (9 months) r/b wife Angélica.

Friday, June 23, No Mass.

Saturday, June 24, 5:00 pm (English)

+ Neil Bouchard, (2nd ann) r/b wife, Jennie.

50th wedding anniversary for Art & Diane
Morin.

Sunday, June 25, 9:00 am (English)

Sunday, June 25, 12 noon, (Spanish)

WEEKLY CEREAL & CAN GOODS REPORT

47 lbs, \$ 00.00

HEALING PRAYERS FOR: Billy & Kathy

Kowalski, Nar Scaia, Helen LoGuidice
Bousquet. Ethan Heng, Robert Rau, Rick
Csuhta.

FEAST OF CORPUS CRISTI

June 18, 2017

OUR WEEKLY OFFERTORY

June 11 2017 = NOT AVAILABLE

June 05, 2016 = NOT AVAILABLE

COMPUTER PROBLEMS!!!

YTD (Year to Date)

2017 = \$ 2016 = \$

THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND
IS FOR FUEL

ATTENDANCE FOR

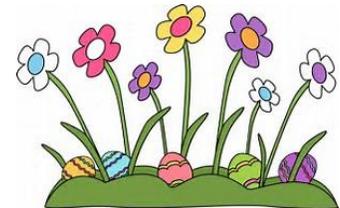
June 10 & 11 2017

Sat. 5:00 pm = 64

Sun. 9:00 am = 100

Sun. 12 noon = 120

TOTAL = 284



Sister Gloria has a really good idea about celebrating the feast of Corpus Christi, which we celebrate this weekend. After the 9:00 am English mass we will have a short procession to the parish hall for Eucharistic adoration until about 11:45 when members of the Spanish community will process back to the church with the Blessed Sacrament. What a nice way to honor our Lord involving both communities.



OUR COUNTRY

The shootings in Washington, DC, and San Francisco, CA, demonstrate all too well what a deadly combination of anger, rage, frustration, mental illness to some degree, and modern guns can be. Legally purchased guns used by such people only increase the carnage and there really is no effective way to prevent this. While modern day guns are so effective, so are trucks, cars, knives, chains, baseball bats and homemade bombs. Almost anything can be used as a deadly weapon to great effect. The level of violence in our country is really scandalous. How often do we read of such deadly attacks in other countries? Not too often. Why is that?



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED

STEPHNE BOGLI, ANDREW DONLAN, TAVIN ENGLAND, YASHYIA ENGLAND, MONICA FLORES, JENNA IFKOVIC, ISABELLE LASTRINA, MATTHEW LECKY, ALYSSA LECKY, DANIEL MENESES, ALIYAH ORTIZ, ONEIRY RESTITUYO, LISA TIPTON, DONNA HINOJOSA-TORRES, LUIS VEGA, JEREMY VILLAVICENCIO

PS Tavin and Yashyia England also made their First Holy Communions.

Why Do We Do That? A Catholic Tradition Explained

Question: One of my coworkers said that Catholics believe we kill Christ again when we celebrate the Mass since it is his sacrifice. I know that is not right, but how do we explain it?

Answer: We do indeed believe that the Mass is the unbloody sacrifice of Jesus on the cross and we believe that the sacrifice is made present again on the altar--not to repeat it, but to join ourselves to it. We are joined to the saving work of Christ, not just simply remembering it. The closest thing we might have in our culture is when a couple saves some wedding cake in the freezer, and on their first anniversary they may watch their wedding video and eat the cake, all to recapture the moment. The Jews celebrate a Seder meal, not to remember the Passover, but to participate in it through the ritual foods, questions, and readings. "The Catechism of the Catholic Church" describes the Mass as the "Holy Sacrifice, because it makes present the one sacrifice of Christ" (#1330). To think that we must sacrifice Christ over and over again would negate what he did on Calvary. To celebrate and renew it each day allows us to participate in it. That is the "source and summit" of Christian life (#1324).

SOCIAL JUSTICE

UNITED ACTION OF CONNECTICUT

United Action of Connecticut will be holding its 11th Annual Justice Celebration on Wednesday, June 21 at the St. Francis of Assisi Parish Center, 10 Elm St. Middletown. Doors will open at 6:30 pm with the program starting at 7:00 pm and a buffet dinner served shortly afterwards. **This year UACT will be honoring St. Francis of Assisi Pastor, Father Russell Kennedy, for his tireless dedication to social justice.** The Keynote speaker at this year's event is Andy Schatz, President of the American Civil Liberties Union of Connecticut. Cost for the event is \$20.00 and tickets can be purchased in advance by e-mailing uact4change@gmail.com. For more information, you can contact Mark Kosnoff at 203-494-8526 or Johanna Schaefer at 860-608-3088.

2017 World Combined Collection June 24th & 25th

The Combined Collection for World Charities will be held next weekend. Your contribution will provide assistance to the Catholic Relief Services Collection, the Campaign for Human Development, Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, and The Holy Land. Most of you should have received information in the mail about this collection. Please read this material and bring your contribution envelope to Liturgy next week, June 24th and 25th. Envelopes will also be available at church. Your support and generosity are essential to these programs of the Universal Church.

Knights of Columbus Museum World War I:

Beyond the Front Lines Exhibit. The Knights of Columbus Museum recently opened this exhibit exploring America's involvement in the "Great War" including the K of C's Catholic outreach to servicemen at home and aboard. The museum, located at 1 State Street in New Haven, is open 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. daily. Admission and parking are free. For more information, visit: kofcmuseum.org.



REFUGEE DAY

St. Bernard Parish Hall
Tuesday, June 20, 2017
6:00 pm Hospitality

There are more people displaced in the world today than at any time since WWII. How can we respond in a meaningful way to this global refugee crisis? Come learn how the Bible says we are to treat refugees & immigrants.

- Watch a video of Pope Francis teach us 'Why the only future worth building includes all of us.'
- Ashley Makar from Connecticut Integrated Refugee & Immigration Services will share experiences of refugee families that have settled in Connecticut.
- Deacon Ron & Carol Freedman will recount working with parishioners from St. Matthews and the United Congregational Church of Tolland to support a refugee family from Syria.
- Enjoy sampling delicious Syrian foods!

"THANK YOU CONCERT" FOR OUR ACTIVE AND RETIRED RELIGIOUS

Sunday June 25, 2017, 2-4 p.m.
The Garde Arts Center, New London
Featuring Composer and Holy Cross Professor Matthew Jaskot
Religious are FREE, Tickets are \$20- in advance, \$25- at the door
People involved in Music Ministry in the Norwich diocese \$15-
Purchase through the Office of Faith Events: 860-848-2237, ext. 312

Marriage Encounter Weekend

July 7-9, 2017

Baymont Inn & Suites
Manchester, CT

When was the last time you did something special as a couple alone together? Most couples are busy with work and family. It seems every moment of the day is planned and there's never enough time to get everything done. When was the last time you had a weekend alone together?

Consider planning a weekend away, just the two of you, to renew your marriage relationship. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is a positive, renewing experience for couples that have a good marriage and want to make it even better!

Who is a Marriage Encounter Weekend for? Any married couple that desires a richer, fuller life together deserves a Weekend. Worldwide Marriage Encounter is designed to deepen and enrich the joys a couple shares together, whether they have been married only a short time or many years.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter 860-481-3720
MEWeekendCT@gmail.com www.WWMECT.org
The mission of Worldwide Marriage Encounter is to proclaim the value of Marriage and Holy Orders in the Church and in the world.

BUS TRIP TO SIX FLAGS CATHOLIC YOUTH AND FAMILY DAY

The Youth Leadership Team from Middletown will be sponsoring a bus trip to the Catholic Youth and Family Day at Six Flags New England on Tuesday, August 8th. The bus will leave from St. Pius X at 7:30am and return by 5pm. The day includes Mass with Bishop Rozanski at 9:30am, Christian Music, buffet lunch, and admission to the park for a great price. The cost is \$61.50 for bus, lunch, and admission; \$35 for season pass holders and includes lunch and bus, \$53.50 for admission and bus only. Tickets and bus passes can be purchased from your Catechetical Leader or through Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or call [\(860\)848-2337](tel:8608482337) ex. 305 by July 18th.