



Welcome to  
**Saint Gianna Parish**  
*St. Brigid Church    St. Helena Church*  
*St. Mark the Evangelist Church*  
*St. Brigid St. Augustine Partnership School*

*November 11, 2018*  
*The Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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*Reverend Joseph Pullikattil, Parochial Vicar*

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**The Celebration of the Grace of God Through The Sacraments**

**Baptism:** Please call our respective church offices in advance to make arrangements.

**Reconciliation:** By appointment, or on Saturday St. Brigid 3-3:30; St. Helena 4-4:30; St. Mark 3:15-4:00.

**Communion:** For parishioners who are homebound or hospitalized, contact our respective church offices.

**Marriage:** Please call our respective church offices one year in advance of proposed marriage date to make arrangements.

**Holy Orders:** Please call the Office of Vocations (860) 242-5573 or www.hartfordpriest.org. You may also visit your parish priest or call our respective church offices for more information.

## Saturday, November 10, 2018

- 4:00 PM Ana V. DiNatale, Birthday Blessings, by Her Husband Salvatore and Family—SB  
4:30 PM Deceased Members of the Ramino Family by Debbie Woodward—SM  
5:00 PM The Bonaiuto, Calhoun and Volpe Families, Holiday Remembrance, by Annette, Janet and Vinnie—SH

## Sunday, November 11, 2018

- 8:30 AM Dorothy Weber, 10th Anniversary, by Her Sister—SB  
9:30 AM Joseph Plathottathil by the Thomas Family—SH  
10:30 AM Peter and Marian Forte by the Forte Family—SM  
11:00 AM For the People of St. Gianna Parish and for All the Deceased of St. Gianna Parish—SB  
11:30 AM Syro-Malabar Mass—SH  
2:30 PM Vietnamese Mass—SM

## Monday, November 12, 2018

- 8:30 AM Cristino Iafrancesco and Giovanni Iafrancesco by Domenica Iafrancesco—SB  
9:00 AM Theresa and Bart Roncaioli and Anthony Cipolli by Barbara Judycki—SH  
9:00 AM For All Those Whose Names Rest on Our Altar—SM

## Tuesday, November 13, 2018

- 8:30 AM Anne Milosavljeski, Birthday Blessings, by Her Aunt—SB  
9:00 AM Special Intentions of Susan Marceau—SM  
6:00 PM Vietnamese Mass—SM

## Wednesday, November 14, 2018

- 8:30 AM The Brini Family by Lucy Peluso—SB  
9:00 AM John David Zehr by Celeste, John, Elizabeth and Catherine—SH  
9:00 AM For All Those Whose Names Rest on Our Altar—SM

## Thursday, November 15, 2018

- 8:30 AM For the Holy Souls in Purgatory—SB  
9:00 AM Helen Sullivan by Mary Kolakowski—SH  
9:00 AM Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary by Members of the Legion—SM  
6:00 PM Vietnamese Mass—SM

## Friday, November 16, 2018

- 9:00 AM Helen Glazewski, 2nd Anniversary, by Her Daughter—SH  
9:00 AM For All Those Whose Names Rest on Our Altar—SM

## Saturday, November 17, 2018

- 8:30 AM Maurice Samuelian by His Wife and Family—SB  
9:00 AM Mass of Thanksgiving by the Kolakowski Family—SH  
4:00 PM Francis and Mary Tubeck and William and Mary Virginia Auld by James and Virginia Drozd—SB  
4:30 PM Angelina Spadola by Norma Spadola—SM  
5:00 PM For the People of St. Gianna Parish—SH

## Sunday, November 18, 2018

- 8:30 AM Jaymeson Santo Motta, Mass of Healing, by the Family—SB  
9:30 AM Joseph Plompen by His Wife, Ann—SH  
10:30 AM Deceased Members of the Freda and Whalen Families by Jerry and Karen Freda—SM  
11:00 AM The Marcikonis Family by Frankie Marcikonis—SB  
11:30 AM Syro-Malabar Mass—SH  
2:30 PM Vietnamese Mass—SM

*SB=St. Brigid; SH=St. Helena;  
SM=St. Mark the Evangelist*

from Father Devine...

*Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar,  
and to God what belongs to God...*

Ask yourself...what *on earth* does not belong to God? Can you think of anyone or anything? (*Please tell me if you can! Please!*) This particular truth encourages a healthy way of living: seeing God in the daily situations, circumstances, and people that are part of our routine - real life. Yes, God and real life go together! God invites us to bring the best we have (*including Him!*) each day to everyone and everything we face...the real business of life. This always has to be done wisely and with love, lest some others charge us with "imposing our views" on them. While we are here on earth, it is each person's responsibility to make this world a better place. Once again, God and real life go together!

The comment that "*I'm spiritual but not religious*" falls short in not acknowledging God's presence in groups, organizations, churches and other institutions. God is present to work – anytime, anywhere, with/through/in anyone!

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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The widow of Zarephath had only a handful of flour and a little oil, but made a little cake for Elijah (1 Kings 17:10-16).

**Psalm** — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

**Second Reading** — Christ will appear a second time to bring salvation to those who eagerly await him (Hebrews 9:24-28).

**Gospel** — This poor widow put in more than all the other contributors (Mark 12:38-44 [41-44]).

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### IN GRATITUDE....

Dear parishioners,  
I would like to thank you for the prayers, kind words and expressions of support that you offered to me over the past few weeks as I suffered the loss of my father, Augustine Pullikattil. Also, I am grateful to you for your presence at the Memorial Mass offered on Saturday November 3, 2018 in memory of my dad and the beautiful reception provided by the people of St. Gianna and Syro Malabar. Thank you all.  
~~Fr. Joseph

### HELP WANTED

House cleaning and cooking employment at St. Gianna Rectories. Position is available in December. Please call Karla at St. Gianna Administrative Center at 860 236-5965 for further information.

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Veterans Day; Remembrance Day

(Canada)

Monday: St. Josaphat

Tuesday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

Thursday: St. Albert the Great

Friday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude

Saturday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Please note the following deadlines due to Thanksgiving. Thank you.

#### November 18 bulletin

Bulletin notices due Monday November 12 @ noon

#### November 25 bulletin

Bulletin notices due Thursday November 15 @  
noon

#### December 2 bulletin

Bulletin notices due Monday November 26 @ noon

December early Bulletin deadlines will be published in the December 2 Bulletin. Thanks for your understanding.

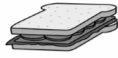
### Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 11, 2018

The LORD keeps faith forever,  
secures justice for the oppressed,  
gives food to the hungry.

— *Psalm 146:7*

# St. Gianna Parish Events

## STREET SANDWICH MINISTRY



The Sandwich Ministry collection is the second Wednesday of every month in the parking lots of St. Helena at 4:30 pm and St. Mark's at 5:00 pm. Can you make 10 simple sandwiches to help the Hartford shelters? If you would like to join this ministry please call Susan at 860-561-3648.

## THE TURKEY VAN!

The Annual Turkey Van will be parked outside St. Helena near Fr. Murphy Hall on Saturday November 17 before the 5:00 pm Mass and November 18th before and after the 9:30 Mass. These turkeys will be sent to Catholic Worker House and given to parishioners in need. Please help us with a donation of a frozen turkey or monetary donation! The Social Action Committee tanks you in advance! Happy Thanksgiving to all.

## St. BRIGID KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### CHRISTMAS CARD SALE

Before we know it, it will be time to mail those Christmas cards! The St. Brigid Knights of Columbus will be selling religious themed Christmas cards after all the Masses **November 10 and 11**. Save yourself a shopping trip and purchase cards from the Knights!

### TURKEY DINNER TICKET SALES

The St. Brigid Knights of Columbus are planning a turkey dinner with all the trimmings for Saturday November 17 at 5 pm in McMahan Hall (after the 4 PM Mass). The Knights will be selling tickets **November 10 & 11** after all the Masses—and as usual, tickets will be available at the Administrative Center.

### TURKEY DRIVE

Our St. Brigid Knights of Columbus council is sponsoring a turkey and cash drive **November 17 & 18**. With your generosity, we are attempting to assist the Catholic Worker House in collecting turkeys. Please bring your turkey or cash donations to our drop off spot in front of the church on Saturday from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm or on Sunday from 8:15 am to 11:15 am. You can contact Chris Randall at 860-232-3315 with any questions.

## St. Mark November Food Collection

The Thanksgiving Food Collection will replace the monthly food collection for November. Please bring groceries to the church the weekend of November 17th/18th .

## ST. HELENA'S WOMEN'S GUILD A FALL FLOWER ARRANGING EVENING

You are cordially invited to celebrate with the Women of St. Helena. Please join us on **Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 7:00 pm** in Father Murphy Hall. Come and enjoy each other's company. The evening will begin with a flower arranging workshop. We invite everyone who wishes to participate to bring a vase (**6" to 8" in height**). The Women's Guild will supply complimentary Fall Flowers. We will be serving delicious desserts and beverages. All are welcome. Mary Mulcahy, Vice President, Membership.

Please **RSVP by November 12, 2018** to Margaret Pulito at 860-521-1026 or email at [mpulito@gmail.com](mailto:mpulito@gmail.com).

## HATS, GLOVES & WHITE SOCKS DRIVE

The St. Brigid Social Action Committee is having a Hats, Gloves & White Athletic Socks Drive. The drive will benefit local shelters. **There is a box in the vestibule for donating new hats, gloves & white athletic socks.** The drive will run from November 10/11 through November 24/25 (after the 11 am Mass). Please contact Steve at 860-236-1475 or Rick at 860-236-4210 if you have questions.

## THANK YOU SO MUCH!

Many thanks to all of you that donated to the recent "Hats, Mittens and Gloves" sponsored by St. Helena and St. Mark's Social Action Committees. Many children and families will benefit from your generosity. With your help we were able to collect 300 pairs of adult socks, 51 pairs of kids' socks, 70 adult hats, 52 kids' hats, 77 adult gloves, 50 kids' gloves and 12 scarves. Many warm heads, hands and feet will be provided for this winter!

## St. Mark Thanksgiving Food Baskets

Please join us to pack our Thanksgiving food baskets for local families in need on **Sunday, November 18th at 11:30 a.m.** Come and volunteer with us in the St. Mark Pastoral Center for this service event!

## St. Mark Knights of Columbus

The St. Mark Knights of Columbus would like to thank all those who generously supported our annual tootsie roll drive.

All proceeds support Persons with Developmental Disabilities.



## SAINT BRIGID LADIES GUILD NEWS

### LADIES GUILD NEWSLETTER DEADLINE— NOTE NEW DATE

The deadline for the December St. Brigid Ladies Guild Newsletter is **Wednesday November 21**. Please call Sheila at 860 232-6915 or email her at [msja62@comcast.net](mailto:msja62@comcast.net) if you have any news to report. Thank you.

### LADIES GUILD CHRISTMAS DINNER

Please join the St. Brigid Ladies Guild for a great evening and the annual Christmas Dinner at Rockledge Grille on Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Dinner will be served at 6:30 PM and entertainment TBD. Payments can be made at the Rectory or by contacting Sharraine at (860) 841-1711. The Entree choices are: **Rosemary Grilled Chicken or Stuffed Chicken Breast \$30**; Stuffed Sole \$31; **Prime Rib \$36**. Prices include gratuity.

### WRENTHAM PREMIUM OUTLETS BUS TRIP— CANCELED

The Wrentham Premium Outlets bus trip has been canceled. Refunds will be issued to those who have paid. Thank you.

## Sheehan Hilborn Breen will Continue as a Food and Personal Care Collection Site to Benefit the West Hartford Food Pantry 1084 New Britain Avenue, West Hartford

Based upon the incredible success of the food drive and the enormous generosity of area residents (including many St. Gianna parishioners from St. Brigid, St. Marks and St. Helena), Sheehan Hilborn Breen **will continue collecting** non-perishable food and personal care items in a box just inside their back door at 1084 New Britain Avenue in West Hartford from 9 am-4 pm Monday - Friday.

"Since we are beginning our **Operation Elf** Toy and Gift Card Program later in November, we had planned on ending the Food Drive; however due to the success and at the request of some West Hartford Residents, we will continue to be a collection site for the West Hartford Food Pantry until further notice," said Charlie Hilborn. "I thought that our setting might be an unusual collection site, however, it turned out to be quite convenient. Several people said that it is easy to drive in and out to drop off food and personal care items at our back door," Charlie added. "Anything you can do to help out and to promote this Food Drive is greatly appreciated."

Most needed items: (canned fruit, canned meats, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, peanut butter, cold cereal, soups and personal care products) Please be sure items are not expired.

Bring your items to Sheehan Hilborn Breen Funeral Home, 1084 New Britain Avenue. Please place the items in the container just inside the Back Door. Or if you prefer, call us and someone will come out to your car to pick up the items. 860-561-3800.

### WANTED – OLD PHOTOS

In preparation for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Brigid Church in 2019, we are looking for any photos of events that occurred at St. Brigid to be posted in the back vestibule of the church. We are especially looking for any photos that may have been taken at the old church. All photos received will be copied and returned to those who have submitted them. Please drop off any photos to St. Brigid Rectory. If you have any questions, please contact Donna Wolcott at 860.543.2607.

# Religious Education

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## St. Brigid/St. Helena Religious Education

### Reminder 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Retreat

Next Saturday, November 17, is our 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Retreat for both students and parents. The retreat will be held at St. Helena Church, Father Murphy Hall from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Our guest speaker will be Sean Forrest.

### The children in our Saturday St. Brigid Religious Education Program need you!

In order to keep our class sizes down, we need 1 more teacher for grades 4-6. Everyone benefits from smaller class sizes—our children, our teachers and our parents—so please help by volunteering! If you would like more information about teaching, please call Donna Wolcott at 860.543.2607.

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*miraculous*



JOIN US

For the November GOF

Wednesday, November 14, 6:00 PM

or

Sunday, November 18, 4:00 PM

St. Mark Pastoral Center

For Registration information  
call 860-236-3545 or email  
sheila.stmark@yahoo.com

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT ST. MARK

### ST. MARK CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Be sure to send your little ones downstairs during Children's Liturgy at the 10:30 Mass on Sunday. They are getting ready to sing for us during Mass on the first week of Advent.

### ST. MARK CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Our teens have been busy helping our community with so many projects this past month. Some made Trail Mix Bags. Others hosted the Pumpkin Carving/Prayer event. Some of our students worked the kitchen and did gift wrapping at the Craft Fair. Job well done! Join them for the Thanksgiving Food Packaging and Advent Wreath Making Events.

### ST. MARK THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION AND PACKING EVENT

Please bring your donations to the church on the weekend of Nov. 17/18. Join us at the St. Mark Pastoral Center for sorting and packing food boxes after the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, November 18.

### CONGRATULATIONS ST. MARK ADULT CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Congratulations to our adult students who were confirmed on November 7<sup>th</sup>:

Ashley Beaudoin

Nathan Fernandez

Amanda Linderman

Gifford Spada

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ti 1:1-9; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 17:1-6  
Tuesday: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lk 17:7-10  
Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19  
Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25  
Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18; Lk 17:26-37  
Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8  
Sunday: Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16:5, 8-11; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

