



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

August 18, 2019
The Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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See inside the Bulletin for details

The Celebration of the Grace of God Through The Sacraments

Baptism: Please call the parish Administrative Center in advance to make arrangements.

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

Communion: For parishioners who are homebound or hospitalized, contact the Administrative Center.

Marriage: Please call the Administrative Center six months 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 speak to a parish priest or call the Administrative Center for more information.

MassSchedule

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Saturday, August 17, 2019

4:00 PM For the People of St. Gianna Parish—SB

4:30 PM SM

Sunday, August 18, 2019

8:30 AM Francesco Abbatemarco by His Daughter—SB

8:30 AM Vietnamese Mass—SM

10:30 AM For the Repose of the Soul of Francis Alberto by David Fellows—SM

11:00 AM ***St. Brigid 100th Anniversary—SB***

11:45 AM Syro-Malabar Mass—SH

2:30 PM Vietnamese Mass—SM

Monday, August 19, 2019

8:30 AM Giuseppe Vicenzo by His Family—SB

9:00 AM Mary Flemke, 2nd Anniversary, by the Flynn Family—SM

Tuesday, August 20, 2019

8:30 AM Cristino Iafrancesco by His Wife, Domenica Iafrancesco—SB

6:00 PM Vietnamese Mass—SM

Wednesday, August 21, 2019

8:30 AM Edward and Diane DiNapoli—SB

9:00 AM SM

10:00 AM SH

Thursday, August 22, 2019

8:30 AM Alfredo Peluso by His Wife and Family—SB

9:00 AM SM

Friday, August 23, 2019

9:00 AM Sally Fugere by Her Family—SM

Saturday, August 24, 2019

8:30 AM Marie Melanie Thu Hoang by the Nguyen Family—SB

8:30 AM Syro-Malabar Mass—SH

4:00 PM The Mancini Family and Antonio Toscano by the Iacovella Family—SB

4:30 PM For the People of St. Gianna Parish—SM

Sunday, August 25, 2019

8:30 AM In Memory of Erlinda Cabellero by Filme Lamb—SB

8:30 AM Vietnamese Mass—SM

10:30 AM Patrick Shannon, 4th Anniversary, by His Son, John, and Family—SM

11:00 AM Rosa and Cristino Ficocelli by Their Family—SB

11:45 AM Syro-Malabar Mass—SH

2:30 PM Vietnamese Mass—SM

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

from Fr. Devine...

The pure **LOGIC** of Heaven and the afterlife

We believe that Jesus was *like us in all things*, except for sin.
He even experienced death and dying.

Like us in all things, Jesus was raised from the grave, and went to heaven.

What does this say to **you** about the afterlife?

ST. BRIGID CHURCH—100TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION—PHOTOS WANTED!

St. Brigid Church is celebrating its 100th Anniversary this weekend. The Solemn Mass is being celebrated at 11:00 am, followed by a picnic and games in McMahan Hall and on the Church grounds. We hope everyone will take pictures of this very special event! After the event, we would like to have people donate a few special pictures to share. We will have them displayed in McMahan Hall until the end of October, 2019. We then plan to pack everything up in a box to be used for our next celebration (so be sure to donate copies since we plan to keep the photos). Please call Nancy at 860 523-4773 if you are interested in donating any photos that you take at our 100th Anniversary Celebration!

Winners of the Raffle Drawing, held Saturday August 10th at St. Roch Church, Greenwich

This year's winners are:

Prize Rank #	Prize	Name	Tix#	Parish	Total tix sold at parish
1st	\$30,000	Eileen Costello	13175	St. Marguerite, Brookfield	251
2nd	\$3,000	Sly Pecora Jr.	5275	St Roch, Greenwich	2634
3rd	\$2,000	Ron Struski	3941	Sacred Heart of Jesus, Danbury	623
4th	\$1,000	Ingrid Florentin	12046	St. Clement, Stamford	134
5th	\$1,000	Maryanne & Mike Fatterusso	6315	St Paul, Greenwich	362
6th	\$1,000	Luis Mendizabal	913	St Peters, Bridgeport	1308
7th	\$1,000	Jean Hughes	14074	St Paul, Berlin	1023
8th	\$1,000	Donna Bovee	14409	St Paul, Berlin	1023

*this is an informal disclosure. Official winners are based on recordings by the ticket drawer and official witness.

Congratulations to the winners!

Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame Celebrate 150 Years of Ministry in Waterbury On September 8, 2019 at the 12:00 noon Mass

at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Archbishop Leonard Blair will celebrate the arrival of the Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame (CND) on Sept. 8th in 1869 and their 150 years of Ministry to the people of Waterbury. Graduates of Notre Dame Academy, Waterbury Catholic High, Holy Cross High, Puerto Rican Youth Organization and Children's Community School are invited to the celebration of the Mass. A dinner reception will follow at 1:30 p.m. at La Bella Vista, (formerly the Ponte Club) 380 Farmwood Rd., Waterbury, CT. **RSVP by September 1st** to Sr. Kathleen Dorney, CND, at 860-674-9256 or kdorney@comcast.net. Tours of the former buildings of Waterbury Catholic High and Notre Dame Academy are planned for September 7th from 1-4 p.m. Contact KDorney.

St. Gianna Parish Events

SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

St. Brigid Church is having a School Supplies Drive from Saturday August 17th through Sunday September 15th. The drive will benefit St. Brigid-St. Augustine Partnership School. Please put school supplies such as pencils, pens, spiral subject notebooks, small boxes of crayons, glue sticks, highlighters, construction paper, markers, rulers, erasers, calculators, and solid color backpacks in the box in the vestibule. The drive ends Sunday September 16th. If you have any questions concerning the drive, please contact Steve at 860-236-1475 or Rick at 860 236-4210.

St. Brigid Ladies Guild News

Supper Club, Tuesday August 20

Summer and seafood (or other)! What goes better together! Our group will be meeting on Tuesday evening, August 20, at 6:30, at J's Crab Shack, 2074 Park St., Hartford (one driveway east of Prospect Ave., on the left). Besides fish they have salads, burgers, sandwiches, and steak (check their menu on line at www.jscrabshack.com). If you would like to join us for some fun and chatter, please call Sheila at (860) 232-6915 no later than Sunday, August 18. Better yet, tell her at St. Brigid Church's 100th anniversary picnic on that very day. Thank you.

LADIES GUILD NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the September St. Brigid Ladies Guild Newsletter is Friday August 30. Please call Sheila at 860 232-6915 or email her at msja62@comcast.net if you have any news to report. Thank you.

LADIES GUILD PASTA SUPPER

The Ladies Guild will be holding a Pasta Supper beginning at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 14. Come and enjoy mouth-watering pasta with meatballs. Your dinner will also include a tossed salad, dinner rolls & butter, dessert and coffee/ beverages. The cost will be \$15.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 12 and under. Members of the Ladies Guild will be in the back vestibule the weekends of August 24 & 25, August 31 & September 1 and September 7 & 8 selling tickets. Come for Mass and stay for Dinner. If you have any questions, please contact Donna Wolcott at 860.543.2607.

SUPPORTING OUR VETERANS

The Knights of Columbus continue their support of our troops by collecting toiletry and other items. This year our collected items will be distributed to local homeless veterans via the South Park Inn in Hartford. All items must be new. The following items will be collected at St. Brigid the weekends of August 10/11 and August 17/18: toothpaste, toothbrushes, white socks, Chapstick, q-tips, razors, shaving cream, Band aids, Body Wash, Shampoo, Conditioner, Lotion, Boxes of Kleenex (or something else soft), deodorants, crossword puzzle and sudoku books, and feminine hygiene products. All cash donations will be donated to the Fisher House at the West Haven Veterans Home. For more information about the Fisher House please go to: www.connecticut.va.gov/

Fisher_House_House_Connecticut.asp. Please make checks to Knights of Columbus, memo: Fisher House. No donation is too small! Please contact Chris Randall at 860-232-3315 for any further information.

MISSION APPEAL WEEKEND

Our Mission Appeal weekend at St. Gianna Parish is Saturday August 31 and Sunday September 1. Fr. Ray Brain, CP, will be speaking at our Masses about his missionary work in Papua New Guinea. Our second collection that weekend will be to support the Mission Appeal. Please make checks payable to St. Gianna Parish.

K of C MUM SALE

The St. Marks Knights of Columbus Council is having our annual mum sale on September 7th and 8th after all masses. Mums are \$8 per mum. If you would like to pre-order mums, please contact Glen Baldi at (860)798-9715 or g.baldi@comcast.net.



Ladies Guild Cookbook

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

The St. Brigid Ladies Guild is collecting favorite recipes from all parishioners of St. Gianna Parish to be published in a beautiful St. Gianna Parish cookbook. Each recipe will show the name of the contributor.

PLEASE SEND US 3 OR 4 OF YOUR FAVORITE RECIPES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Just print or type your favorite recipes and be sure to put a title on your recipes. Please return your recipes to our Cookbook Committee by September 30, 2019. You may drop your recipes off in the collection basket at church by putting the recipes in a sealed envelope and marking it "LADIES GUILD COOKBOOK" or you can mail it to the St. Gianna Administrative Center, 1088 New Britain Avenue, West Hartford, CT 06110, Attention: LADIES GUILD COOKBOOK.

THESE PERSONALIZED COOKBOOKS MAKE GREAT GIFTS!

. . . since they'll have your own recipes published in it. Your friends and family will especially enjoy it . . . it'll be a treasured keepsake for years to come. So, please take a few moments and look through your favorite recipes. Cookbooks will be on sale once they are ready, so keep your eye out for the notice in the bulletin. Thank you for sharing your memories with us.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

It is not too late to join your fellow parishioners with a pledge or gift to this year's Archbishop's Annual Appeal!! All pledges can be paid through December 31st 2019 towards this year's Appeal. Your gift will make a difference in the lives of countless individuals.

To learn more about the ways your gift makes a difference and to make your gift today, visit the Appeal website at www.archdioceseofhartford.org and follow the link **Sharing the Joy of the Gospel for Generations**. All pledges may be paid through December 31st 2019 towards this year's Appeal.

All funds contributed to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal are used exclusively for the purposes outlined in the Appeal literature, which can be found at <https://archdioceseofhartford.org/aaa-2019-last-years-appeal-impact/>. No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent weeks, we have reviewed how the Churches of East and West have enriched one another, and this past Thursday's solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was born in the Eastern Church. It is a gift from the ancient Church of Jerusalem, a commemoration of the death of Mary, and a feast charged with a deep sense of the Resurrection. Mary, the first disciple, is the first to share fully in Christ's victory over death. In the tradition of the East, August 15 is the "Dormition of the Theotokos," or the "Falling Asleep of the God-bearer." There is no shadow of death or gloom in the theology, since this is seen as a transformation of Mary's life into a heavenly and immortal existence. There is a sense in the tradition that she who made earth heavenly and exalted the human race by her faithfulness is glorified today.

A persistent legend among Orthodox Christians tells how all the disciples, except Thomas, who was preaching in India, were present at Mary's death and burial, and sat by the tomb for three days. On the third day, Thomas saw Mary's body rising to heaven. She greeted him as "my friend," and he was escorted by angels to proclaim her assumption to the others, who then realized her tomb was empty. Thus Thomas, the one who expressed doubt at the resurrection of Christ, received a gift from Mary: the chance to proclaim resurrection faith to the disciples.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATIONS

CCD REGISTRATION REMINDER

Many parents have not yet registered their children for fall CCD classes. Please take a few minutes now to fill out the Registration form and return it with the registration fee as soon as possible to St. Brigid CCD office, 100 Mayflower Street, West Hartford, CT 06110. Children should begin CCD classes in first grade and attend through the 11th grade when the students receive the sacrament of Confirmation. The CCD office will be making reminder phone calls and emails to all families who have not registered. Please save us the trouble and mail your registration information in as soon as possible. If you are new to our parish or have a child in first grade and would like to register your child, please call Donna Wolcott at 860.532.2607 and a registration packet will be sent to you, so that you can mail in your registration. **Please don't wait until the fall to register.**

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — They took Jeremiah and threw him into the cistern (Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10).

Psalm — Lord, come to my aid! (Psalm 40).

Second Reading — Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith (Hebrews 12:1-4).

Gospel — I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing (Luke 12:49-53).

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 18, 2019

[Jesus] endured the cross, despising its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God.
— *Hebrews 12:2*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT ST. MARK Religious Education Information for 2019-2020

Registration forms for Confirmation and for First Communion have been posted on our website, www.saintgiannaparish.org. Look for the "Religious Education" tab at the top.

DATE FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Confirmation for our 11th grade classes for St. Brigid, St. Helena and St. Mark will be on Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Cathedral in Hartford. Letters have gone out to all the Confirmandi. Any questions, please contact Donna Wolcott at 860.543.2607.

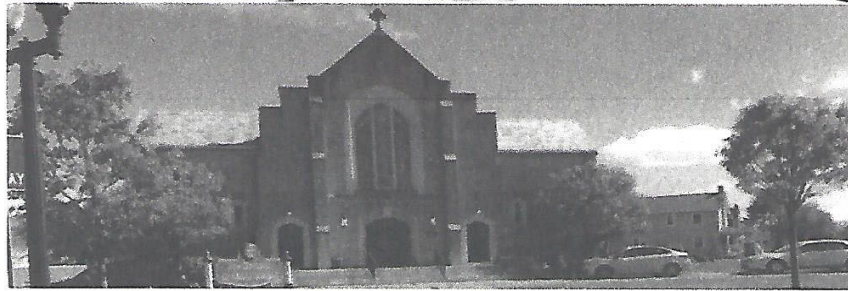
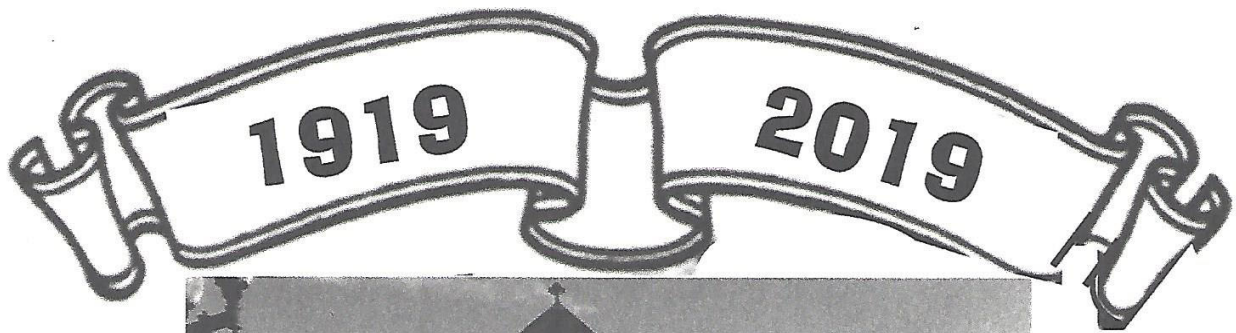
SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. John Eudes
- Tuesday: St. Bernard
- Wednesday: St. Pius X
- Thursday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Friday: St. Rose of Lima
- Saturday: St. Bartholomew



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
- Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
- Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
- Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a; Ps 40:5, 7-10; Mt 22:1-14
- Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
- Saturday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
- Sunday: Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1-2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30



FIRST CATHOLIC CHURCH IN WEST HARTFORD

ST. BRIGID CHURCH

100TH YEAR CELEBRATION!



100th ANNIVERSARY MASS

AUGUST 18, 2019 - 11:00 AM

After Mass, the St. Brigid Ladies Guild and the Knights of Columbus will host an



OLD TIME FAMILY PICNIC



down stairs in the church basement.

*Hot dogs, hamburgers, beans, salads, plenty of desserts and
games for the young and old, with many great prizes,
will be available.*



For more information please call Nancy at 860-218-5011 ASAP.