



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

September 15, 2019
The Twenty Fourth 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.

Mass Schedule

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Saturday, September 14, 2019

- 4:00 PM Carl Bellinghausen by Brian and Carol Forgione—SB
4:30 PM Frank Alberto by Ed and Nancy Czapla—SM

Sunday, September 15, 2019

- 8:30 AM
8:30 AM Vietnamese Mass—SM
10:30 AM Lorraine Reilly, 1st Anniversary by Bob and Pat Hilliard—SM
11:00 AM For the People of St. Gianna Parish—SB
11:45 AM Syro-Malabar Mass—SH
2:30 PM Vietnamese Mass—SM

Monday, September 16, 2019

- 8:30 AM Eddie Batatye by His Wife—SB
9:00 AM SM

Tuesday, September 17, 2019

9:00 AM **MASS WITH ST. BRIGID-ST. AUGUSTINE
SCHOOL STUDENTS, ST. BRIGID CHURCH
AT 9:00 AM—SB**

- 6:00 PM Vietnamese Mass—SM

Wednesday, September 18, 2019

- 8:30 AM Zbigniew Mlodecki and Walter and Sophie Pastuszak by Frances—SB
9:00 AM George, Kay and Lt. Walter Trymbulak by Their Family—SM
10:00 AM SH

Thursday, September 19, 2019

- 8:30 AM Sister Estebania Rosario, O.P. by Dulce N. deJesus—SB
9:00 AM Carl and Florence Russo by Teresa Gluch—SM

Friday, September 20, 2019

- 9:00 AM Fr. James Boyle by Sr. Barbara Allaire—SM

Saturday, September 21, 2019

- 8:30 AM Emi Okamoto, Birthday Blessings, by Her Mother—SB
8:30 AM Syro-Malabar Mass—SH
4:00 PM For the People of St. Gianna Parish—SB
4:30 PM For the Repose of the Soul of Catherine and Philip Charpentier by Sue Grimes

Sunday, September 22, 2019

- 8:30 AM SB
8:30 AM Vietnamese Mass—SM
10:30 AM SM
11:00 AM Ada Guerrero, Birthday Wishes, by Angela Mancini and Donna Wolcott—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 Father Devine....

A prayer, written in the wake of September 11, 2001

*Lord Jesus,
this is a difficult time for our country.
We face new challenges, and in many ways,
life seems very different now, compared to before.
We wonder what's going to happen next...will it happen again?
Lord, you knew the feeling of terror...
there were people who wanted to kill you.
You must have been afraid and anxious at times
and yet you still went about your work -
resolute, determined to go up to Jerusalem and the cross,
placing yourself in danger, doing what had to be done.*

*Help us at this time to imitate this example of yours...
to walk with determination - following your lead.
Although we may be fearful, anxious or worried,
strengthen us with your Peace - to do whatever is necessary
for our good, and that of others. Amen.*

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT—ST. GIANNA PARISH: 1 JANUARY—30 JUNE 2019

- Offertory revenue: \$243,868
- Other revenue: \$172,124
- Total Expenses: (\$443,884)
- Net operating loss for the six months ended June 30, 2019: (\$27,892)
- Investment appreciation in value: \$242,741
- Net overall result for the six months ended June 30, 2019: \$214,849 (i.e., black ink)

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING—Tuesday 24 September, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

St. Mark Pastoral Center

40 Days for Life Campaign at St. Gianna Parish

This year we will be participating in the 40 Days for Life campaign, which runs from Sept. 25 to Nov. 3. This campaign to save unborn babies was begun in Texas in 2004, went nationwide in 2007 and has spread throughout the world. It consists of prayer and fasting on the part of individuals, Eucharistic Adoration, and praying peacefully at abortion clinics. Our day of Adoration at St. Gianna will be Sunday, Oct. 6, from after the 11 AM Mass until 6 PM (Evening Prayer at 5:30 will conclude it.). Our day of prayer at the clinic will be combined with other parishes in West Hartford on a date to be announced soon. More information and sign-up sheets for participation for an hour or more in either or both events will follow shortly.

SIXTH ANNUAL LOURDES IN A DAY PILGRIMAGE

"I want the people to come here in procession" Words of Our Lady spoken to Bernadette September 21, 2019 at St. Peter Claver Church from 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Please register with Mark Sullivan at sllvnchrth@yahoo.com or 860-523-1405.

St. Gianna Parish Events

SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

Reminder: The school Supplies Drive ends today, Sunday September 15th at 11:15 am. We thank those who have already donated and those who will be donating supplies or money for purchasing additional school supplies for the students at the St. Brigid St. Augustine Partnership School.



COME JOIN US FOR LUNCH!

Now that we have your attention...the St. Brigid-St. Augustine Partnership school is looking for some help during its lunchtime, which runs from 11:30-12:30 each school day. Ladies Guild members have helped in the past—and some may be interested in doing so again (although you surely don't have to be a Guild member to help out!) You do need to be Virtus trained or will have to complete Virtus training to help. Questions? Call SBSAS and ask for Ms. Goddard, the principal, at 860 561-2130!

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 15, 2019

A clean heart create for me, O God,
and a steadfast spirit renew within me.
— *Psalm 51:12*

ROSARY RALLY

The 30th Annual Rosary Rally will be held at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Waterbury on October 6th from 2:00 to 3:30 pm. There will be a procession, rosary, talk and Benediction. The Most Reverend Juan Miguel Betancourt, SEMV, Auxiliary Bishop of Hartford, will be the guest speaker. The topic of his talk is Mary's Role in salvation History. For info, call Lorraine Greski at 203-736-9606.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday
Monday: Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian
Tuesday: St. Robert Bellarmine
Thursday: St. Januarius
Friday: Ss. Andrew Kim Tae-gõn and Paul Chõng Ha-sang and Companions
Saturday: St. Matthew

LADIES GUILD NEWS

Don't Forget! Ladies Guild Pasta Supper! 5-7 pm TODAY Sept. 14th. Teacup auction as well. Join us after the Vigil Masses at St. Brigid or St. Mark. We'd love to have you!

St. Gianna Parish's St. Brigid Ladies Guild Membership Drive

The Ladies Guild Membership Drive is being held this weekend. We will be in the vestibules at St. Brigid and St. Mark churches. A special invitation is extended to all women of the parish to join - we welcome your support, your ideas, and your friendship. Even if you do not have time to attend meetings regularly, please know that your dues will help support the many worthwhile projects the Guild sustains. We look forward to greeting new friends and old and hope to see you at any of the events. Please stop by after mass to join. Look for us in the vestibule; we'll be those smiling, cheerful women happy to welcome you all into our fold.

St. Brigid Ladies Guild

Supper Club, Tuesday September 17

Our group will be meeting on Tuesday evening, September 17, at 6:30, at the Chowder Pot, 165 Brainard Rd, Hartford. Besides seafood they have Salads, prime rib and more! (check their menu on line at chowderpothartford.com If you would like to join us for some fun and chatter, please call Mickey at (860) 523-9590 no later than Sunday, September 15. Thank you.

S.B.L.G. Mum Sale

Please stop by for the S.B.L.G. first Annual Mum Sale on September 21st and 22nd before and after all Masses. Mums are 8 inches, come in several colors and are \$8.00 per mum. Hope to see you then. Thank you.



LADIES GUILD NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the October St. Brigid Ladies Guild Newsletter is Friday September 27. 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 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.

ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY CELEBRATION

All couples celebrating special wedding anniversary celebrations are invited to a special Mass at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Sunday October 13th at 2 pm. Archbishop Blair will be the main celebrant. Mass will include the renewal of wedding vows, followed by a simple reception and an opportunity for a photo with Archbishop Blair. Family members and friends are encouraged to attend. Please call St. Gianna at 860 236-5965 by September 20 to respond to this invitation.



JOIN US FOR ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Join us at St. Mark the Evangelist Church on the third Friday of every month (in addition to the First Friday) for Eucharistic Adoration. We begin after our 9:00 a.m. Mass concludes. This will be a new tradition and will continue up until Lent, (when we will have our customary Stations of the Cross instead). So join us on Friday September 20th as we begin the new tradition of Adoration on **the third** Friday, in addition to the first Friday of every month. All are welcome.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

The Archbishop's Annual Appeal provides help to those in need! Make a difference in the lives of countless individuals by joining your fellow parishioners with a pledge or gift to this year's Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Visit the Appeal website at www.archdioceseofhartford.org and follow the link *Sharing the Joy of the Gospel for Generations*, to learn more and make your gift today. All pledges can be paid through December 31st 2019 towards this year's Appeal.

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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.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CCD classes will begin

Saturday, September 21, Grades 1 through 8 ~ Classes begin ~ 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

Wednesday, September 25, Grades 4 through 8 ~ Classes begin ~ 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 25, 11th Grade Confirmation ~ Classes begin ~ 7:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m.

Sunday, October 6, Grade 9 - 1st year Confirmation and 10th Grade Confirmation ~ Classes begin ~ 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Please join us!

Today is Catechetical Sunday, which is dedicated to CCD teachers throughout the diocese. Please join us at the 8:30 a.m. Mass, as we come together, to pray for them and to ask God to bless them in their ministry. We also invite you and your family to our coffee, juice and donuts gathering in the church hall



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6;
Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6;
Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20;
Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Sunday: Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8;
Lk 16:1-13 [10-13]

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

Elementary and Middle School Religious Education

While we will be keeping several Generations of Faith experiences during the school year, we will also be adding a traditional model of classroom catechesis. This will involve children meeting about every other week in grade specific groupings in the parish center. Each class will be just over an hour long, meeting on Sundays before the 10:30 Mass. **Classes begin September 22nd.**

High School Religious Education

The High School (9th and 10th grades) Confirmation Program will be adopting the DECISION POINT curriculum by Dynamic Catholic and will continue to meet on Sunday nights. **Classes begin October 6 with a parent and student meeting.**

Children's Liturgy (Children Kindergarten and under)

The Children's Liturgy Program at 10:30 Mass will continue unchanged.

Adult Enrichment

Classes/Formal Bible Studies will begin in November.

**Register Now!
All grades need to
formally register for
classes.**

Forms can be found on the church website under Religious Education/St. Mark's, and at the exits of the church. Any questions please call Sandy at 860-236-3545 or email sandy.st.mark@gmail.com

St. Brigid-St. Augustine Partnership School

Pre-k thru 8th grade

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Welcome Back!

Bienvenido! Chào Mừng! Witamy! Bem Vinda!

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Pre-Kindergarten Assistant

Receptionist/Secretary

For more info email: athompson@stbstapartnership.eduk12.net or

Call: (860) 561-2130, ext. 106

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!