



Welcome to  
*Saint Gianna Parish*  
*St. Brigid Church*  
*St. Mark the Evangelist Church*

August 9, 2020

*The Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time*

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*Reverend Tuan Anh "Andy" Mai, Pastor, St. Andrew Dung-Lac*

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**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](http://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, August 8, 2020*

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

*4:30 PM* Paul Emile Marceau, 14th Anniversary, by Susan—SM

## *Sunday, August 9, 2020*

*8:30 AM* In Honor of All Living and Deceased Knights of Columbus and Their Respect for Life—SB

*10:30 AM* For the Souls of Joseph Le Van Tuong and Teresa Tran Thi Sinh by Their Family—SM

*11:00 AM* Frances and Leo Beauchamp by Their Children and Grandchildren—SB

## *Monday, August 10, 2020*

*8:30 AM* Ada Guerrero, 8th Anniversary, by Angela Mancini and Donna Wolcott—SB

*9:00 AM* SM

## *Tuesday, August 11, 2020*

*8:30 AM* SB

## *Wednesday, August 12, 2020*

*8:30 AM* SB

*9:00 AM* Dennis Blais, Repose of the Soul, By His Sister—SM

## *Thursday, August 13, 2020*

*8:30 AM* SB

*9:00 AM* SM

## *Friday, August 14, 2020*

*9:00 AM* Susan Marceau and the Marceau Family—SM

## *Saturday, August 15, 2020*

*8:30 AM* For the People of St. Gianna Parish—SB

*4:00 PM* Francesco Abbatemarco by His Daughter—SB

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

## *Sunday, August 16, 2020*

*8:30 AM* Patricia Gendreau, 7th Anniversary, by Her Husband—SB

*10:30 AM* Dianne Koprowski by Her Husband—SM

*11:00 AM* Thomas and Nellie Witkovic by the Parker Family—SB

*SB=St. Brigid;*

*SM=St. Mark the Evangelist*

## **Exciting News!**

Back in April, Sandy Everett applied for the Innovation Grant through the Archdiocese of Hartford. These grants are designed to foster educational excellence within the elementary/secondary schools, parish faith formation and youth ministry programs of the Archdiocese. Sandy applied for a grant that would enable a St. Mark Parish Center Renewal which would focus on two classrooms and the parish center hallway. The intent is to have two Saint themed classrooms as well as incorporate the beauty of St. Mark Church, St. Brigid Church and the St. Brigid/St. Augustine Partnership school in artwork featured in the St. Mark parish center. The classrooms would be renovated to better suit the way we catechize children by having age appropriate furnishings and immerse the children in a Catholic environment. **Our parish was funded in the amount of \$4,000.00 for this project!**

If you would like to help with this exciting project please contact Sandy at [sandy.st.mark@gmail.com](mailto:sandy.st.mark@gmail.com). This project will be taking place during the summer and we will invite the entire parish to celebrate when we unveil the renewal.

## **HOLY HOUR/EVENING PRAYER**

Sunday —6 September...5:00-6:00 p.m. (SB)

This day also marks Fr. Devine's 40th anniversary of ordination to priesthood.

The prayer service will be followed by a reception both outside/church hall.

ALL are invited and welcome.

Everything will be done reasonably in accord with Covid safety guidelines.

## **THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

This year, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary falls on a Saturday.

As such, it is not obligatory—attendance-wise. Therefore, we will have our normal daily Mass schedule on that day.

*from Father Devine...*

*If your heart is not in it, you're not going to last!*

This applies to so much of life...faith included! Above all, our religion is built upon a 1:1 loving relationship with God – within the setting of a community of believers.

You know what relationships need: time, attention, commitment, truth and integrity. God *can* and *will* help us, if we only ask and stick to it!

# *St. Gianna Parish News and Events*

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ST. BRIGID CAMPUS CCD REGISTRATIONS**

Registration packets were mailed to all families whose children were enrolled in our Religious Education Program. Classes begin in Grade 1 and go through Grade 11, when the students are Confirmed.

Please take a few minutes to look over the letter, fill out the registration form and return it with your payment as soon as possible. Registration forms for the Fall CCD classes should be returned by August 1. Classes for Grades 1 through 3 will be held on Saturday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Grades 4 through 8 will be held on either Saturday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. or Wednesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., so, please be sure to indicate which day you prefer. Confirmation classes for Grades 9 and 10 will be held on Sunday evenings. **With the closing of St. Brigid/St. Augustine School, all classes will be held at the St. Mark Pastoral Center.** If you have not received your registration letter, please call Donna Wolcott at 860.543.2607, as soon as possible. Also—don't forget there is an option for Sunday morning classes (grades 1-8, 9:00 a.m. -10:15 a.m.), as well.

If your child will be participating in sports at his or her school, and there may be a conflict, please register for class now, indicate this on the form and call me when classes begin in September to arrange for the work to be done at home until the sport has ended. Only one sport per year please. This does not apply for Grades 3, 9 and 10. We appreciate your help with this process for registration.

Families that are new to our CCD program can register for classes by calling Donna Wolcott at 860.543.2607. 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.

### **LIVE STREAM VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED**

If you can use an iPhone or an iPod, we need you to help us live stream Sunday Mass from St. Gianna Parish. The volunteer will set up the tripod, use our iPod to connect to our Facebook account, start the livestream, then return the equipment to charge in storage. Complete instruction will be provided, as well as access to our YouTube instruction video. Please contact the Administrative Center at 860 236-5965.

### **St Brigid Petal Pushers Brighten up the Church with flowers**

The Ladies Guild Petal Pushers members are responsible for purchasing and caring for the Church's beautiful plants and flowers that you see on the Altar each week. Each month a different team or person signs up to buy the plants if needed and water them throughout their month. There is no cost to the people who do this. After buying the plants and flowers you simply give the receipts to the Church for reimbursement. We are looking for one more team or person for the month of November. If you would like to help out please call Penny at (860) 521-1231. Thank you.

**Registration for Religious Education Classes has begun.** Currently we are planning to have in-person classes. All children need to register, even if they are planning to do distance learning, so we can provide you with the appropriate materials. This year, all children from both St. Mark and St. Brigid churches have the choice to attend classes either Saturday or Sunday mornings. Please see the enrollment form for more details or feel free to call Donna Wolcott at 860-543-2607 for information on the Saturday classes or Sandy Everett at 860-233-1269 for information on the Sunday classes



Please fill out one form per student

ST. GIANNA PARISH  
**Religious Education Registration Form**  
**GRADES K-8**

**2020-2021**  
**860-233-1269**

467 Quaker Lane South, West Hartford, CT 06110

Religious Education K-8 Classes are held on **SELECT Sunday mornings** from 9:00-10:15 or **Saturday mornings** from 9:30-10:45

The registration fee is \$50.00 per family. This includes all workbooks and supplies for class.

*If your child is new to our program, please attach a copy of his or her Baptismal Certificate*

STUDENT NAME _____		GRADE _____	
DATE OF BAPTISM _____	PLACE _____	SCHOOL _____	
DATE OF BIRTH _____	ALLERGIES _____		
SPECIAL CONCERNS _____			
<b>CHECK CLASS DAY AND TIME</b> <input type="checkbox"/> SUNDAY 9:00-10:15 <input type="checkbox"/> SATURDAY 9:30-10:45			

Parent 1: <input type="checkbox"/> Father <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Other Last Name, First Name _____ Address _____ City _____ Zip _____ <small>PHONES</small> Home _____ Cell _____ Email _____	Parent 2: <input type="checkbox"/> Father <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Other Last Name, First Name _____ Address _____ City _____ Zip _____ <small>PHONES</small> Home _____ Cell _____ Email _____
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Child in residence with:   
 Father & Mother   
 Father   
 Mother   
 Joint Cust   
 Legal Guardian

**EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please designate an emergency contact who is not a parent/legal guardian who has medical consent and dismissal release authority in the event of a medical emergency or unscheduled dismissal. The emergency contact will be called only in the event that the parent or legal guardians cannot be reached

Emergency Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

PHONES  
 Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

**VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION FORM**

All volunteers must be compliant with the Hartford Archdiocese Child Safe guidelines including a background check and four hour VIRTUS training class. See Sandy Everett for more information

NAME OF VOLUNTEER \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

I WOULD LIKE TO SERVE AS A:   
 Teacher   
 Aide   
 Co-Teacher   
 Sub Teacher   
 Teen Aide   
 Office

**ACT of SPIRITUAL COMMUNION...for those unable to be at Mass, or receive the Eucharist for whatever reason....**

My Jesus, I believe that You are truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to possess You within my soul.

Since I am unable now to receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as being already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You by sin. Amen.

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## **MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION—THIS WEEKEND**

This month's food collection at St. Mark is this weekend, August 8 & 9. Your contributions are important and make a difference in the lives of those who are less fortunate.

## **THE PRESENCE OF GOD**

After the miracle of Jesus walking on water, the disciples exclaimed, "Truly, you are the Son of God" (Matthew 14:33). Most Christians will probably never experience such a dramatic miracle. Like Elijah, we await the manifestation of God in other moments. Perhaps the biggest challenge for the believer is to be constantly attuned to the possible presence of God in the everyday events of life. This is a stance that takes some people years to develop. Others seem to find the Lord easily in the simple things. As the week unfolds, let us look for the presence of God in the little things around us. Perhaps, like Elijah, we will be surprised at what we find. And, like the disciples, we can add our voice to the confession, "Truly you are the Son of God."

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## **SAINT TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS (EDITH STEIN) (1891-1942)**

### **August 9**

"Come," Edith gently whispered, taking her sister Rosa's hand, "let us go for our people!" These were Edith Stein's last words as the Nazis, enraged at the Dutch bishops' condemnation of their genocide, took into custody all Catholic converts from Judaism. Born Jewish, but non-practicing from her teens, Edith's search for truth led to a doctorate in philosophy, a brilliant career as professor and author and, finally, to the *Autobiography of Saint Teresa of Ávila*, which she read in one sitting, then declared, "That is the Truth!" Baptized on January 1, 1922, observed then as the feast of Jesus' initiation into the covenant of Abraham, confirmed on February 2, the feast of Jesus' Presentation in the Temple, Edith entered the cloistered Carmelites in Cologne, transferring to a convent in Holland when she realized that, because of the Nazi persecution of the Jews, her presence could imperil the safety of the other nuns. She died in the gas chambers of Auschwitz as a daughter of Israel and of the Church.

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## ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

The Archbishop's Annual Appeal helps provide the critical funding needed to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, counsel those in despair, and offer much needed assistance to the unemployed, as the Coronavirus has affected so many of our neighbors. Your gift to the 2020 Appeal will help to continue these and other vital ministries, services and programs that reach out to so many in need. 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.com/appeal>. No appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.

### Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 9, 2020

Truth shall spring out of the earth,  
and justice shall look down from heaven.  
— *Psalm 85:12*

### GOD'S IMAGE

Nature has perfections in order to show that she is the image of God, and defects to show that she is only God's image.

—Blaise Pascal

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9;  
Jn 12:24-26

Tuesday: Ez 2:8 — 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72,  
103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10,  
12-14

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Ps 113:1-6;  
Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62;  
Mt 18:21 — 19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 [59-63];  
Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2;  
Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor  
15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;  
Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27;  
Lk 1:39-56

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;  
Rom 11:13-15, 29-32;  
Mt 15:21-28

### SING

Alas for those who never sing, but die  
with their music within them.

—Oliver Wendell Holmes

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time; Nagasaki Memorial Day

Monday: St. Lawrence

Tuesday: St. Clare

Wednesday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal

Thursday: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus

Friday: St. Maximilian Kolbe

Saturday: Assumption of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD said to Elijah:  
“Stand on the mountain; the LORD will be  
passing by”

(1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a).

**Psalm** — Lord, let us see your kindness, and  
grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

**Second Reading** — To the Israelites belong  
the covenants, the law, and the patriarchs;  
and from them comes the Christ (Romans  
9:1-5).

**Gospel** — As Jesus walked on the sea, the  
disciples were terrified (Matthew 14:22-33).

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