



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

November 15, 2020
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reverend Joseph Devine, Pastor
Reverend Tuan Anh "Andy" Mai, Pastor, St. Andrew Dung-Lac
Reverend Joseph Pullikattil, Parochial Vicar
Deacon Robert J. Hilliard

St. Brigid Church

Administrative Center: 1088 New Britain Avenue
Elmwood, CT 06110
Phone: 860 236-5965
Fax 860 233-8016

Karla Dalley, Administrative Officer
Barbara Judycki, Administrative Assistant
Office hours: 8:00 am-4:00 pm Mon.--Thurs.
9:00-4:00 Friday

Website:
saintgiannaparish.org
Email:
Karla@saintgiannaparish.org
Barbara@saintgiannaparish.org

Religious Education

Donna Wolcott, Coordinator
(860) 543-2607

Music Ministry

Natasha Ulyanovsky, Music Director
David Boudreaux, Cantor
Kelly Boudreaux, Cantor

St. Mark the Evangelist Church

467 Quaker Lane South
West Hartford, CT 06110

Website:
saintgiannaparish.org
Email:

Karla@saintgiannaparish.org
Barbara@saintgiannaparish.org

Religious Education

Sandra Lee Everett
sandy.st.mark@gmail.com
(860) 233-1269

Music Ministry

Greg Flower, Director of Music
Jennifer Gadaree, Cantor
Chelsea Lorraine, Cantor

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

© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Saturday, November 14, 2020

- 4:00 PM* Jerry Nardi Sr., Happy Birthday, by His Wife and Family—SB
4:30 PM Helen Wladkowski by Josephine Monikowski—SM

Sunday, November 15, 2020

- 8:30 AM* Theresa Roncaioli and Anthony Cipolla by Their Daughter—SB
10:30 AM All Souls Remembrances—SM
11:00 AM For the People of St. Gianna Parish—SB

Monday, November 16, 2020

- 8:30 AM* For the Holy Souls in Purgatory—SB
9:00 AM SM

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

- 8:30 AM* The Rovella, Mirabelli, and Cardamone Families by the Rovella Family—SB

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

- 8:30 AM* Charles Cattel by Anne Barry-Priest, Beth Barry Melican and Peter and Julie Barry—SB
9:00 AM SM

Thursday, November 19, 2020

- 8:30 AM* Mary Lee Duffy by the Saint Brigid Ladies Guild—SB
9:00 AM —SM

Friday, November 20, 2020

- 9:00 AM* All Souls Remembrances—SM

Saturday, November 21, 2020

- 8:30 AM* All Souls Remembrances— —SB
4:00 PM For the People of St. Gianna Parish—SB
4:30 PM The Deceased of the Weber Family by Their Family—SM

Sunday, November 22, 2020

- 8:30 AM* Nicola Mancini, 4th Anniversary, by Angela Mancini and Donna Wolcott—SB
10:30 AM Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary Our Lady of Peace Praesidium—SM
11:00 AM National Association of Pastoral Musicians (NPM)—SB

SB=St. Brigid;

SM=St. Mark the Evangelist

St. Gianna Religious Education – **St. Brigid Campus**

Congratulations to the 21 young men and women who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, November 15 at St. Brigid Church. They are:



*St. Gianna Parish
Church of Saint Brigid
2020 Confirmandi*

*Matthew “St. Jude” Bates
Nicole “St. Rita” Bienasz
Gavin “St. Anthony” Bravado
Bridget “St. Elizabeth Ann Seton” Bronsdon
Molly “St. Catherine” Brown
Mia “St. Francis” Burns
Kimberly “St. Rose of Lima” Cabello
Julia “St. Vincent” Descy
Katherine “St. Cecilia” Flaherty
Sara “St. Christopher” Fritz
Clare “St. Gemma” Gillis
Christina “St. Alexandra” Gomes
Melanie “St. Brigid” Grajales
Kelly “St. Anne” Guberman
Andrew “St. Michael” Killoran
Trinity “St. Gemma” Martin
Alison “St. Elizabeth Ann Seton” Moynihan
Griffin “St. Sebastian” O’Connell
Cadsen “St. Joseph” Parker
Beatrice “St. Catherine of Siena” Sierra
Chanel “St. Catherine of Bologna” Thorpe*

May the power of the Holy Spirit descend upon them and remain with them forever and guide them through their daily lives.

ARCHBISHOP BLAIR EXTENDS THE MASS DISPENSATION

In light of the recent increase in coronavirus cases within the state of Connecticut and continued uncertainty regarding the extent and duration of the coronavirus in the state and throughout the Archdiocese of Hartford, Archbishop Blair has now extended the dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation for all the Faithful of the Archdiocese of Hartford through Tuesday, February 16, 2021, which is the eve of Ash Wednesday.

from Fr. Devine...

AFTER THE ELECTION...SOME OBSERVATIONS

Let the Nation come together now...

Some of the voices now speaking this message of unity were the very same individuals constantly attacking and attempting to unseat President Trump during the past four years. As such, it should not surprise that there could be hesitation on the part of those hearing this to trust the expressed intention and apparent good will.

When is the presidential election result official?

...not until mid-December, when the Electors of the college formally cast their votes for the candidates... Other parties (e.g., the media) may call winners and losers ahead of time, but always unofficially, strictly speaking.

When should the defeated candidate concede?

...when the defeated candidate has no realistic hope of winning... Along with a concession statement, the candidate might wish to briefly allude to any legal efforts he/she is pursuing viz. the election results, hopefully for the long-term good of the nation.

Allegations of fraud in our voting system...

One case here would be one case too many! From what I have seen and heard, I have an uneasy feeling about this in the pit of my stomach, for the first time in my life. Some behaviors reported from polling places just don't make sense – if everything indeed was/is on the up-and-up. I fear that this is a (new) problem that won't be going away any time soon!

Think! Think! Think!

This is an obligation on the part of every citizen – to think for oneself...particularly **CRITICAL** in an age where classic, objective journalism is a lost discipline, and many in the TV and social media are all too pleased if you let them do your thinking for you! Stay anchored in God's Word and Church tradition that speaks to today's issues, and go from there!

A concluding word from the nation's Catholic bishops...

Democracy requires that all of us conduct ourselves as people of virtue and self-discipline, that we respect the free expression of opinions and that we treat one another with charity and civility... even with our deep differences...

St. Gianna Parish News and Events



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Thanksgiving Food Collection

Our annual Thanksgiving Food Collection will be taking place November 21 and 22. Collections will be at the Parish Center Doors on Saturday November 21 from 4:00 until 6:00 and on Sunday from 10:00 until Noon. Volunteers will unload your groceries directly from your car! As an added bonus, you will receive your Advent Wreath Making Kit at the same time as you drop off your goodies for our neighbors in need. We will also need volunteers to come on Saturday November 21st (4:00-6:00) and Sunday November 22nd from 10:00 until about 2:00 to help organize the donations. Please email Sandy if you can help. sandy.st.mark@gmail.com

Advent Wreath Making Kits

Due to the pandemic, we are unable to meet together to make our Advent Wreathes so we have assembled kits and instructions for you to make this project with your family. Kit pick up will be the same times as the food drive drop off. Saturday November 21st from 4:00 pm until 6:00 pm and Sunday from 10:00am until Noon at the parish center doors. Extra kits will also be left in the back of the church. Look for the bright purple bags courtesy of the St. Mark's Knights of Columbus!



St. Mark Giving Tree

Gift tags for the St. Mark Giving Tree will be available at the weekend Masses before Thanksgiving. You can pick up a tag from the tree in the church or we will deliver a tag to you when you drop off goodies for the Thanksgiving baskets!

JOIN US FOR HOLY HOUR and EVENING PRAYER

Sunday 22 November, 5:00 p.m. (SB)

Join us for holy hour and evening prayer to celebrate Christ the King! (SB). All are welcome.



CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next week, November 21-22, our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Forty million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

St. Gianna Parish News and Events

TURKEY DRIVE

Our St. Brigid Knights of Columbus council is sponsoring a turkey and cash drive November 21 & 22. 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.



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

St. Brigid Petal Pushers Brighten up the Church with flowers—Help Needed

The St. Brigid Ladies Guild Petal Pushers are responsible for purchasing and caring for St. Brigid Church's beautiful plants and flowers that you see on the Altar and around the Church. Each month a different team or person has signed up to decorate the Church by buying the flowers and or plants if needed and to water them once a week 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. You don't have to be a Ladies Guild member to join the group. We are looking for a few more teams or persons to help out. If you would like to help please call me at (860) 521-1231. Thank you.

Penny Hickey & Camilla Hynes

LIVING PRAYER

Who prays as they ought will endeavor to live as they pray.

—Anonymous

USE YOUR TALENT

Having only modest talent is no excuse for not using it. Think what the morning would be like if only talented birds sang!

—Anonymous

Upcoming Events:

Bulletin deadline for Thanksgiving weekend (November 28/29), **next Friday, Friday 20 November**

Thanksgiving Day Mass, Thursday 26 November, 9:00 am (SB only)

Bulletin deadline for December 19/20, Friday 11 December

Bulletin Deadline for December 26/27, Thursday 17 December

Bulletin Deadline for January 2/3, Wednesday 23 December

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION~~ST. BRIGID CAMPUS

Religious Education Reminders Food Drive

Our annual Food Drive to help Caring Hearts is going on and we really need your help. Please help us out with a donation of a non-perishable food item. Our drive will run from October 3 to November 14. If we collect 225 food items, I will treat the children to an Ice Cream social after the Thanksgiving break.

Sunday Morning Religious Education at St. Mark Church Campus

9th & 10 Grade Confirmation Class Reminder

Our 9th & 10th Grade Confirmation class will be held virtually, via Zoom Meetings, on Sunday, November 15, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Children's Liturgy: The November Grab and Go packets went out last weekend. This month we will be learning about our Guardian Angel. Activities include a project to learn the Guardian Angel prayer, make an angel activity, and your guardian angel block. These activities are geared for ages three to about seven. **Grandparents, feel free to pick up a packet for your grandchildren!**

St. Mark Homeschooling Schedule: Each week we have classes you will receive a reminder about what chapters to complete at home. If you have any questions or concerns, please email your Catechist or Sandy Everett at sandy.st.mark@gmail.com. Of course, you can still register and join us as we learn about our faith.

Adult Faith Formation for November

November is traditionally the month when we remember and pray for the dead so it is fitting that this month we are learning about Indulgences. We will learn what an indulgence is, a little of the history of indulgences, who can receive them and just what conditions are needed to meet the requirements of indulgences. We also will have an opportunity to earn several plenary and partial indulgences through prayers in our Church. Grab and Go Adult Faith Formation packets are at the exits of the church this weekend and next. Please pick up a packet for yourself and bring one to someone who is unable to join us for worship. Our December Adult Faith Formation packet will focus on the many names of Jesus. If you want a packet and you can't find one, just email Sandy (sandy.st.mark@gmail.com) or give her a call and she will get one out to you.