



ANNUNCIATION PARISH

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, JUNE 28, 2026

PARISH OFFICE

626 Willard Ave. (All Mail Please)
Newington, CT 06111
Phone: (860) 666-1591

Office Hours

Monday - Friday:
9:00am - 2:00pm

CHURCH OF ST. MARY

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Newington, CT. 06111

CHURCH OF HOLY SPIRIT

183 Church Street (No Mail Please)
Newington, CT. 06111

Confession

Friday: 8:30-8:50 am, HS
Saturday: 3:00-3:50 pm, HS
Sunday: 7:30-7:50 am, SM

Mass Times

Daily Mass: Monday - Friday
9:00 am, HS

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm, HS

Sunday Masses:

8:00 am, SM
9:15 am, HS
10:30 am, SM
12:00 pm, HS

Visit us on the web @
annunciationnewington.com



**Whoever does not take up his cross
and follow me is not worthy of me.**

Matthew 10:38



O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

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Welcome To Annunciation Parish, The Roman Catholic Community of Newington

Whether you are a long-time parishioner, a returning parishioner, a new parishioner, or a visitor, welcome to our community. We are glad that you are here and hope that you feel at home. If you are not already a member of our parish, please consider joining us. If you are a member of our parish already, please consider joining one of our ministries.

The Catholic Church welcomes new members of all ages. Children are welcomed into our faith through the sacrament of Baptism. Adults can either join our faith, or complete their sacraments of initiation through our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) or our Adult Confirmation program. If you are interested, please call the rectory at: (860) 666-1591.

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Sacramental Ministries

Baptism

To schedule a Baptism, visit our website: www.annunciationnewington.com, - Book a Baptism and then once the form is submitted, Deacon Blanchette will call to arrange a meeting.

Marriage

Please call the rectory at least **six months** in advance. Couples meet with the priest for an initial pastoral conversation before a wedding date can be set. Please do not make other plans until a date has been confirmed with your parish.

For the Sick

We are happy to visit with the homebound.

If you or a loved one would like a home visit, Holy Communion or the Anointing of the Sick, please contact the rectory office.

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“Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.” Matthew 10:39

The readings for the 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A show the importance of faith, hospitality, and commitment to Jesus. They teach that following Christ means putting Him first and trusting in His promises.

Putting Jesus First: Jesus calls His followers to love Him more than their own families. This means faith should guide all choices and actions.

Hospitality and Generosity: The woman in Shunem welcomed Elisha into her home, and he promised her a son. This shows that kindness and generosity bring blessings.

Baptism and New Life: Paul explains that through baptism, Christians die to sin and rise to a new life. This means they should live for God and avoid sin.

Sacrifice and Reward: Jesus teaches that following Him comes with sacrifices. But even small acts of kindness in His name will not go unnoticed.

Trusting in God’s Promises: The woman in Shunem did not expect to have a child, but God made it happen. This shows that God fulfills promises in unexpected ways.

Serving Others: Jesus says that welcoming His messengers is like welcoming Him. Helping others, even in small ways, is part of Christian life.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK – Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Monday Vigil Acts 3:1-10 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Gal 1:11-20 Jn 21:15-19

Monday Day Acts 12:1-11 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18 Mt 16:13-19

Tuesday Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12 Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8 Mt 8:23-27

Wednesday Am 5:14-15, 21-24 Ps 50:7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13, 16bc-17 Mt 8:28-34

Thursday Am 7:10-17 Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 Mt 9:1-8

Friday Eph 2:19-22 Ps 117:1bc-2 Jn 20:24-29

Saturday Am 9:11-15 Ps 85:9 and 10, 11-12, 13-14 Mt 9:14-17

Sunday Zec 9:9-10 Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 Rom 8:9, 11-13 Mt 11:25-30

Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 27th, The Vigil For The Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

H/S 4:00 p.m. Frank R. Salone, Jr., 3rd Anniversary,
By His Parents Frank & Joanne Salone

Sunday, June 28th, The Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

S/M 8:00 a.m. For Holy Souls & Elizabeth Swierzy,
By The Nguyen Family

H/S 9:15 a.m. Anna Griffin, By Her Family

S/M 10:30 a.m. Gina Lezon & Ted Lezon,
By Their brother & Family

H/S 12:00 p.m. Fifi Astiasaran, 3rd Anniversary,
By Her Family

Monday, June 29th, Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

H/S 9:00 a.m. Peter Niro, Jr. & Pietro Niro, Sr.
By Their Family

Tuesday, June 30th, Weekday; The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

H/S 9:00 a.m. Eleanor Paradis, Birthday Remembrance,
By Her Son

Wednesday, July 1st, Weekday; Saint Junipero Serra, Priest

H/S 9:00 a.m. Salvatore Nocera, By His Loving Family

Thursday, July 2nd, Weekday

H/S 9:00 a.m. Philomena Jose

Friday, July 3rd, Saint Thomas, Apostle

H/S 9:00 a.m. No intention

Saturday, July 4th, The Vigil For The Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

H/S 4:00 p.m. Alicia Wakefield, By Her Daughter

Sunday, July 5th, The Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

S/M 8:00 a.m. Angelina & Rocco Calabrese,
By Their Family

H/S 9:15 a.m. M/M John Morreale & Jean,
By Their Family

S/M 10:30 a.m. Monsignor Walter Piatek,
By His Sister & Family

H/S 12:00 p.m. David Turgeon, By His Grandmother



By assisting devoutly at Mass, we render the sacred humanity of Our Lord the greatest homage. He makes up for many failings and omissions. We should pray like this at the beginning of Mass: **“O Most just God, with contrite heart and steadfast hope, I lay my sins upon this sacred altar, in order that they may be consumed by the flames of Your divine Charity, purged away by the Precious Blood of Jesus, and fully atoned for by His infinite merits. Amen.”**

In Loving Memory

We pray for...

Margaret Bechum

Bernadette Brodeur

Maurice Sirois

And for the consolation of their family & friends.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; let your light shine upon them

Collection Amounts will be posted in the next bulletin. We are grateful to all who continue to support

Annunciation Parish by your prayers and financial contributions.

Eucharistic Adoration

Holy Spirit Church

6:00 - 7:00pm

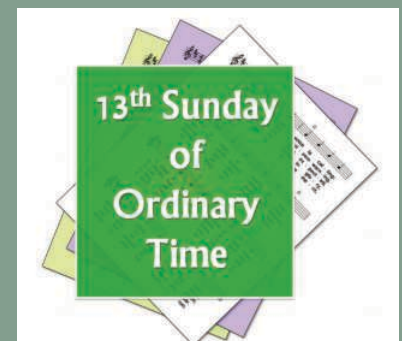
Tuesday Evenings

Spend the whole hour or as much time as you can give!



Please welcome into our parish family, the following child who was recently baptized at Annunciation Parish:

Riley Kiper Buonocore



The Knights Sandwich Ministry

Our next sandwich collection is Sunday, **July 19** at **4:30** in the St. Mary School Parking lot.

K of C Food Collection

Sunday, **July 5** @ both churches.

The Prayer Shawl Group

Meets the third Thursday of every month at **12:30 p.m.** at The Holy Spirit church hall from **September to June.**

The Men's Club

...meets on the third Wednesday of every month, at **6:00 p.m.** in St. Mary lower rectory. Contact: Tom Morris at (860) 666-6331

The Men's Fellowship Group

...meets every Wednesday evening from **6:30 to 8:00 p.m.** at Holy Spirit Church Hall. Contact: Angelo Marchetti (860) 202-1612

The Women's Fellowship Group

...meets every Thursday from **6:30 to 8:00 p.m.** Holy Spirit Church Hall. Contact: Kim Marchetti (860) 202-0020

The 19th Annual Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference:

Saturday, October 10, 2026, 7:30AM - Vigil Mass

Location - Holy Cross Catholic High School, Waterbury, CT

Adoration, Confession, Speakers, Exhibitors, Lunch, Mass

Speakers: Fr. Dan Reehil, Fr. Declan Gibson, Ms. Jeanne Mancini, and Dr. Karlo Broussard

For more information, please visit:

www.ctcatholicmen.org

or call Bill Mitchell in the evenings:

(860) 436-2669

Prayer Intentions

We have noticed that written prayer requests and intentions are being placed in different areas of the church. To help keep them together, a basket has been placed near the altar by the open Bible. Please place your written prayer intentions in this basket. Thank you.



"Save The Date Tag Sale"

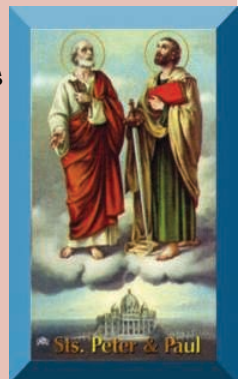
To all Parishioners. Your assistance is requested. The Annunciation Women's Guild will once again be holding a Tag Sale fundraiser. It will be held on **Saturday September 12th, 2026 with free admission, and paid preview on Friday September 11th.**

As you complete your Spring and Summer household cleaning, we ask you to please consider putting aside clean, working, and useable items and donating them to the tag sale in September.

Clean, working and usable items needed are: small appliances, jewelry, handbags, glassware, china, pottery, small electronics, pots and pans, toys, lamps, suitcases, small furniture or patio items, clean pet items, small sports equipment, small hand tools, knick knacks, and linens and craft items.

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED include: Large or heavy furniture, books, CD's, DVD's, videos, records, video equipment, medical equipment, clothing or shoes, infant seats, cribs or high chairs, Christmas trees or lights, televisions, monitors or computer items, plastic food items, mugs and water glasses, pictures or picture frames, large lawn or yard equipment, stuffed toys and unsafe or hazardous items."

Saints Peter and Paul are two of the most important figures in the history of the Church. They were leaders who spread the message of Jesus and helped build the early Christian community. Both are remembered as apostles who gave their lives for their faith. The Church celebrates them together because of their deep connection in spreading the Gospel. Peter was one of the twelve apostles chosen by Jesus. He became the leader of the apostles and is known as the first Pope. Jesus called Peter "the rock" on which He would build His Church. Peter's role was to guide and strengthen the early Christians. Paul was not one of the twelve apostles, but he became an important leader. At first, Paul persecuted Christians, but he had a powerful experience of Jesus and became a believer. Paul traveled far and preached to people who had never heard about Jesus. He wrote letters that helped explain the teachings of the Church. Peter and Paul both died in Rome as martyrs. They gave their lives to follow Jesus. The Church celebrates their feast day on June 29 to honor their work and their sacrifice. Their stories show the courage and faith that built the Church.



Mission Appeal – June 27–28 Weekend

We are blessed to welcome Most Rev. Mathew Nellikkunnel CST, Bishop of the Diocese of Gorakhpur, India, who will be with us on the weekend of **June 27–28** to make the Mission Appeal.

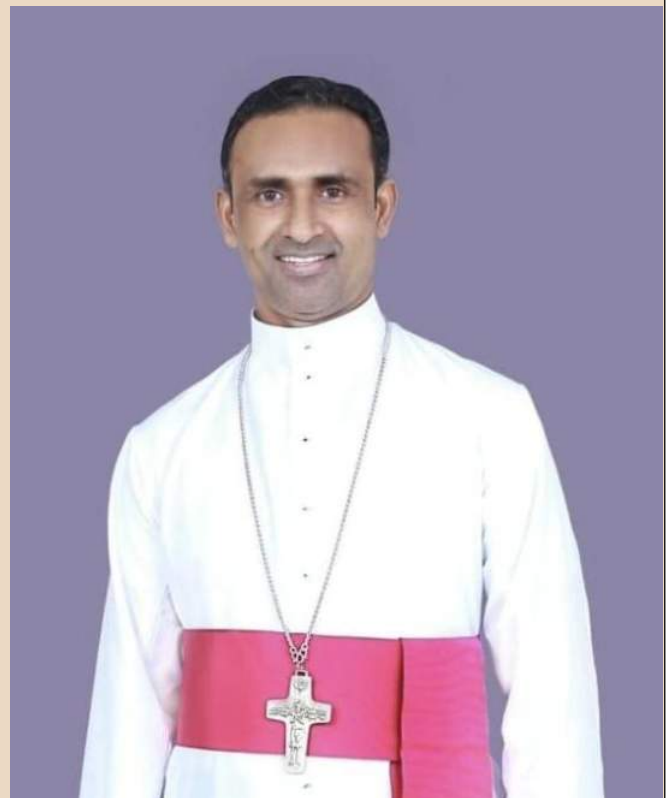
The Catholic Diocese of Gorakhpur, located in the northern Indian state of Uttar Pradesh along the Nepal border, serves a vast mission territory marked by poverty, social challenges, and a small Catholic population. For the past 42 years, the Diocese has faithfully carried out the mission of Christ through pastoral care, education, healthcare, social outreach, and charitable works among the poor and marginalized.

Today, the Diocese is served by dedicated priests, religious, and missionaries who tirelessly minister in parishes, schools, mission stations, healthcare centers, and social service programs. Despite limited financial resources and many challenges, the Diocese continues to bring hope, dignity, and the love of Christ to countless lives.

We warmly welcome Bishop Mathew and humbly request your generous support and prayers for the mission work of the Diocese of Gorakhpur. Your kindness and generosity will make a meaningful difference in the lives of many families and communities in need.

May God bless you abundantly for your generosity and solidarity with the mission of the Diocese of Gorakhpur.

Generosity
changes everything



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WOMEN'S Fellowship

"Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds."
— Hebrews 10:24

GROW IN FAITH | **BUILD FRIENDSHIPS** | **WALK WITH GOD**

EVERY THURSDAY | **6:30–7:30 P.M.** | **HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH HALL**

All women, all ages, all welcome!

QUESTIONS OR TO REGISTER:
Contact Kimberly Marchetti
kim@annunciationnewington.com | 860-202-0020
(Please include: name, address, phone & email)

Walk-ins ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

Welcome women of all ages!

Our group focuses on our walk with God in our daily lives through scripture, fostering spiritual growth, building lasting friendships and trust. Our mission is to continue to provide a safe place where women are encouraged to connect, serve, and develop their faith through shared experiences and activities. We just celebrated our one year anniversary and look forward to making more beautiful memories and friendships.



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FAITH FORMATION NEWSLETTER

MONICA LAGANA - DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
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JUNE 2026 - ISSUE 2

Upcoming Events

- » CHILDRENS MASS
JUNE 28, 2026
- » CHURCH PICNIC
AUGUST 23RD, 1-4PM
- » CHURCH TAG SALE
SEPTEMBER 12TH, TIME TBD

Important News

I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to all families who responded to the Faith Formation 2026 form and provided valuable feedback. Faith Formation for the upcoming year will be transitioning to a bi-monthly schedule with two different day options and children's mass, with the exception of K-1st grade students, who will meet once monthly in addition to children's mass.

CONFIRMATION

This past week, I had the opportunity to speak with other Faith Formation leaders regarding retreat offerings and ways to give back to our Parish community as we guide them towards their Confirmation. All confirmation students entering Grades 8 and 9 this upcoming Fall will attend a retreat at Holy Family Retreat Center in Farmington and will have the opportunity to give back to our Parish community at the Parish Picnic on August 23rd or Parish Tag Sale on September 12th.



Ways to pray with your child

Last week I stumbled upon an article published by the Institute for Family Studies on "Passing The Torch: How Faith Moves Across Generations" and I knew I would have to share it in our monthly newsletter. In the article it shares "Research consistently shows that **families are the single most important factor** in whether children adopt and maintain faith into adulthood. Congregational programs, clergy leadership, and peer networks matter as well, but they are most effective when reinforced within the home. Studies demonstrate that parental modeling, shared faith practices, and the quality of parent-child relationships are among the strongest predictors of adult religiosity. When faith is embedded in everyday routines through conversation, ritual, and visible commitment, children are more likely to internalize it as part of their enduring identity." We can give our Faith Formation students all the tools and they know all the teachings in their brains but how do we get them to believe it in their heart? Start simple- pray over a meal together, before bed, Thank God for another day, do it together and stay consistent. Consistency is key to success just like in sports. The more we do it the more natural it will become.



You're Invited to the Annunciation Parish

CHURCH PICNIC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2026

Raindate, August 30, 2026



All Families Are Welcome to Attend!

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Holy Spirit Church, 183 Church St, Newington

GAMES – FOOD – MUSIC – CRAFTS – FUN

Food, Desserts, and Drinks Provided!

**PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS AND
A CULTURAL DISH OR DESSERT TO SHARE**

**CLICK ON THE QR CODE TO REGISTER BY JULY 23, 2026
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. FOR QUESTIONS CONTACT
LYNN LUTZ AT (860)604-6798 OR LUTZ62511@GMAIL.COM**



Upcoming Events



JUNE 4 - AUGUST 27 @ 6 - 8PM
SUMMER ALPHA YOUNG ADULT GROUP
St. Margaret Mary Church,
Rectory Basement, South Windsor

Welcome to all people ages 18 to 39 years old. Join us for food, friendship, faith, and fun, every Thursday throughout the summer! Every week we share pizza, watch faith-based videos, and participate in small group discussions. If you have any questions, text 860-816-6149. Our welcoming group would love to have you join us!



JULY 8 @ 7PM - 8PM
FREE SUMMER CONCERT - CELEBRATING 75 YEARS OF HOLY FAMILY
Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center,
West Hartford

Gather your family and friends, grab a blanket or portable chair, and make your way to our pavilion for this lively summer concert celebrating 75 years of Holy Family.

The music will include classical, popular, and Broadway music and will be a wonderful chance to experience the great talent of some of Holy Family's music ministers.

You are welcome to bring your own beverages and snacks to enjoy throughout the evening. Our grounds are magnificent, so come early to enjoy our walking paths or recenter yourself with a journey through our labyrinth.

This concert is **FREE** to attend, but we will be collecting donations to support our 75th Anniversary Campaign. No registration is required.



JULY 9 - 11 @ 5PM - 9PM
SUMMER FOOD FESTIVAL
Our Lady Queen of the Apostles
Parish, St. Mary Church, Derby

Our Summer Food Festival brings our parish and our community together for a joyful celebration held right in our church parking lot. Featuring delicious food tents, special evenings with live music, family-friendly games for children, and the excitement of announcing our annual raffle winners, the festival is a highlight of the summer season! Visit us on Facebook @StMarysChurchDerbyCt or on our website www.OLQAderby.org.



JULY 9 - 11
ST. ANTHONY CHURCH CARNIVAL
St. Anthony Church, Prospect

The St. Anthony Church Carnival brings three exciting nights of food, games, and community spirit from July 9–11. Admission and parking are completely free, with food service featuring daily classics alongside unique nightly Polish, Italian, and Mexican cuisines.

Thursday, July 9th: 6PM - 10PM
Friday, July 10th: 6PM - 10PM
Saturday, July 11th: 3PM - 10PM



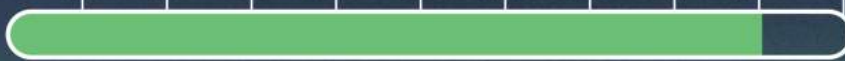
JULY 24 - 26 @ 7PM
TRIDUUM IN HONOR OF GOOD SAINT ANN
Blessed Michael McGivney Parish,
St. Michael Church, New Haven

The Saint Ann Society would like to invite you to the annual Triduum in honor of good Saint Ann. The dates of the Triduum will be July 24th, 25th, and 26th (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday) at 7:00pm. The Triduum begins with two nights of rosary and prayers invoking the intercession of Saint Ann. The third and concluding night is a Mass with a reception afterward. Please extend this invitation to anyone whom you feel may benefit from this experience or just wants to join us. Also, we are always actively looking for women who may want to become new members of the St. Ann Society.

2026 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Scan the QR code to learn how you can make a lasting impact!

10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%



Total Goal: \$10M 90.01% as of 6/11/26

\$9,000,852.29 in pledges from 24,718 generous donors

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