

ANNUNCIATION PARISH

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, AUGUST 16, 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

626 Willard Avenue
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

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annunciationnewington.com



O woman, great is your faith!
Let it be done for you as you wish.

MATTHEW 15:28

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O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. 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.

Clergy

Rev. Janusz Kukulka, Pastor

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fr.pullikattil@aohct.org

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deaconjimb@annunciationnewington.com

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Monica Lagana, Director of Religious Education

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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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“ O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” Matthew 15:28

The readings for the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A show that God welcomes all who follow Him. They also teach about faith, mercy, and perseverance.

God welcomes all people: Isaiah speaks of foreigners being accepted if they follow God's ways. Jesus helps a Gentile woman, showing that God's love is for everyone.

Faith moves Jesus: The Canaanite woman does not give up. Her strong faith leads Jesus to heal her daughter.

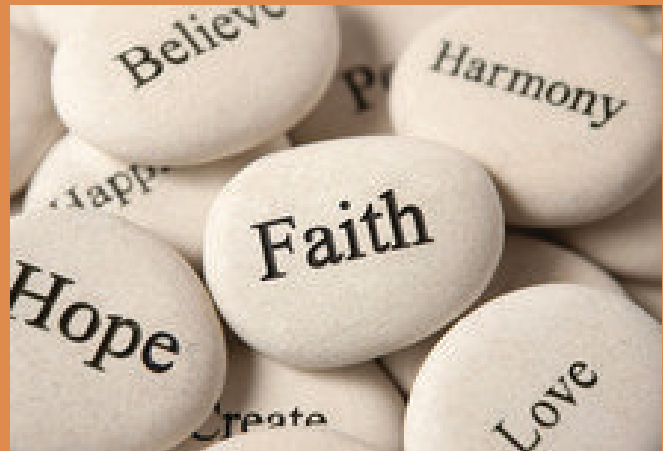
God's mercy is for all: Paul explains that God's mercy is not just for one group. He shows kindness to everyone, even when they fail.

Persistence in prayer: The woman keeps asking Jesus for help. Her persistence shows the power of not giving up in prayer.

Obedience to God matters: Isaiah says those who keep God's covenant will be accepted. Following God's ways leads to blessings.

God's promises never change: Paul says God's gifts and call last forever. His love and plan stay the same.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK – Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Monday Ez 24:15-23 Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday Ez 28:1-10 Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday Ez 34:1-11 Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 Mt 20:1-16

Thursday Ez 36:23-28 Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 Mt 22:1-14

Friday Ez 37:1-14 Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Mt 22:34-40

Saturday Ez 43:1-7ab Ps 85:9ab, 10, 11-12, 13-14 Mt 23:1-12

Sunday Is 22:19-23 Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 Rom 11:33-36 Mt 16:13-20

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 15th, The Vigil For The Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

H/S 4:00 p.m. Ted & Mary Kelliher, By Their Family
Sunday, August 16th, The Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time
S/M 8:00 a.m. Elaine Lyons, By Her Family
H/S 9:15 a.m. Peter Niro Jr. & Pietro Niro Sr.,
 By Their Family
S/M 10:30 a.m. Felicia & Marino Carducci &
 Giovanni Carducci, By Their Family
H/S 12:00 p.m. Agatha Cetola, By The Bachand Family

Monday, August 17th, Weekday

H/S 9:00 a.m. Fr. Josh Wilbur, For God's Healing Grace

Tuesday, August 18th, Weekday

H/S 9:00 a.m. Carol Jordan, Birthday Remembrance,
 By Her Friends

Wednesday, August 19th, Weekday; Saint John Eudes, Priest

H/S 9:00 a.m. Robert Guerrette,
 By Stephanie Marcaccio & Family

Thursday, August 20th, Saint Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church

H/S 9:00 a.m. Joanne Rooney,
 By Bernard Rooney & Family

Friday, August 21st, Saint Pius X, Pope

H/S 9:00 a.m. Steven Paul Malinowski, By Anne Marie

Saturday, August 22nd, The Vigil For The Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

H/S 4:00 p.m. Richard, Marlene, Gregory & Peter Accolla,
 By A Family Member

Sunday, August 23rd, The Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

S/M 8:00 a.m. Debbie & Lindsey Pelletier,
 By Her Mom & Her Grandmother

H/S 9:15 a.m. Joseph Beaulieu &
 Edward & Emilia Belliveau,
 By Their Family

S/M 10:30 a.m. Ange Perez, By His Wife & Family

H/S 12:00 p.m. Antonio & Mariatona Manocchio
 By Their Granddaughter



The Peruvian Community from Chiquian will be holding a mass in honor of **St. Rose of Lima** on **Sunday, August 30th at 2:00 p.m.** at **Saint Mary's Church**. Following the mass, there will a procession around the church. It will be led by Father Carlos Zapata. All are welcome to attend!



In Loving Memory

We pray for...

Henry Charland

Barbara B. Roth

Veronica Cardoso

Giuseppe Giarratana

And for the consolation of
 their family & friends.

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

Parish Support

August 9, 2026

Weekly	\$10,432.00
Online Giving	\$ 4,263.00
Total	\$14,695.00

Eucharistic Adoration

Holy Spirit Church

6:00 - 7:00pm

Tuesday Evenings

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



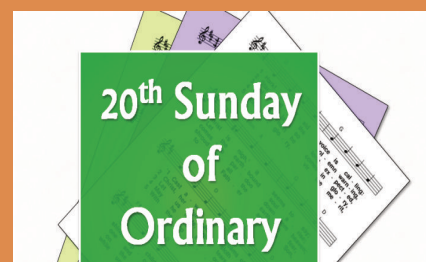
The Sanctuary Lamp is lit at:

Saint Mary Church
 on August 16th-22nd

In Memory Of:

Thomas P. Bavaro

By: The Bavaro Family



The Knights Sandwich Ministry

Our next sandwich collection is Sunday,
August 16th at 4:30 in the
St. Mary School Parking lot.

K of C Food Collection

Sunday, **September 6th @** 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 Women's Guild

The Women's Guild Executive Board
will meet on Monday, **August 31st**, and the
General Membership meeting will be held on
Tuesday, **September 15th.**

All meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. in the Holy
Spirit Church Hall.

**Altar Servers Needed
For Funerals And Masses**

**We are actively looking for volunteers
to help serve as Altar Servers for our
funerals at both Holy Spirit & Saint
Mary's Church as well as weekend
masses.**

**If this is a ministry that you would be
able to contribute your time and talents
to, please contact Kim at: 860-666-1591.
Thank you so much!**

Generosity
changes everything

"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."**

**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**

**The Women's Guild first meeting of the 2026-
2027 year will be held on Tuesday, September 15th
in the Church of The Holy Spirit Hall beginning at
6:30 pm. *All women of the parish are invited to
join the Women's Guild. Dues are \$10 for the
year.** The evenings entertaining program will be
speaker: Dr. Steve Sobel on Celebrate, Humor Joy.
Dr. Steve Sobel, speaker extraordinaire, is one the
country's most adored motivational speakers,
educators, and humorists. Steve is also the author
of the best selling book "The Good Times Handbook-
Your Guide to Positive Living and Exciting Life", and
appears regularly on television and radio throughout
the United States and Canada.

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Welcome, Monica Lagana!

It is with great joy that we welcome **Monica Lagana** as our new **Director of Religious Education** at Annunciation Parish.

Monica is a lifelong resident of Newington and a lifelong parishioner of our church. She and her husband, Ryan, were married at Holy Spirit Church, and together they are blessed with three children.

For the past nine years, Monica has faithfully served as a Religious Education teacher in our parish. Through her dedication, love for the faith, and care for each student, she has helped guide many children on their journey from First Holy Communion to Confirmation.

Her greatest desire is to help young people build a strong foundation of faith that will remain with them throughout their lives and always lead them back to Christ.

Monica is also actively involved in the Newington community through several local organizations, reflecting her spirit of service both within and beyond our parish.

We are truly blessed to have Monica take on this important ministry. Please join us in welcoming her, praying for her, and supporting her as she leads our Religious Education program.

Welcome, Monica! May God bless you abundantly as you begin this new chapter of service to our parish family.

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FAITH Formation

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

INVITING STUDENTS FROM K-10

REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN UNTIL 8/26.
REGISTRATION FEES ARE \$50/ STUDENT OR
\$90 FOR THOSE MAKING THEIR
SACRAMENTS OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
OR CONFIRMATION. CLASSES BEGIN
SEPTEMBER 27TH. IN PERSON REGISTRATION
ON AUGUST 23RD 1-4PM AT OUR CHURCH
PICNIC.



PROGRAM TIMES

- SUNDAY 10:30 - 11:30
- OR MONDAY 5:30 - 6:30
- CLASSES HELD TWICE A MONTH.
- EVERY SECOND AND FOURTH WEEK OF EVERY MONTH*

ENROLL NOW

HAVE QUESTIONS?

EMAIL

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* FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES MAY BE HELD OUTSIDE OF THIS MODEL.



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FAITH FORMATION NEWSLETTER

MONICA LAGANA - DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
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Upcoming Events

- » CHURCH PICNIC
AUGUST 23RD, 1-4PM
- » CHILDREN'S MASS
AUGUST 23, 2026 9:15
- » REGISTRATION CLOSES
AUGUST 28, 2026
- » CHURCH TAG SALE
SEPTEMBER 12TH. TIME TBD
- » CHILDREN'S MASS
SEPTEMBER 20, 2026 9:15
- » FIRST DAY OF CLASSES
SEPTEMBER 27, 2026
- » CONFIRMATION
NOVEMBER 21, 2026 10AM

Ways to pray with your child



Important News

Registration for the 2026-2027 Faith Formation year is now open. Families can register by scanning the QR code or in person at our Parish Picnic on August 23rd.

Faith Formation Meetings-

Faith Formation for the 2026-27 school year will meet the second and fourth Sunday **or** Monday of each month. Families will have the option of what day they attend in accordance with their families schedules.

Every fourth Sunday & Monday we will host parent meeting's. One parent from each household must attend during this week. Families will be given at home family projects at this time.

Confession for all students in grades 3-9 will be in September, December, February and May.



SAINT DOMINIC

The month of August offers a beautiful opportunity to reflect on the life of St. Dominic de Guzmán, whose feast day falls on August 8. Known for his deep love of truth, dedication to prayer, and service to others, St. Dominic founded the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) to spread the Gospel and defend the faith with clarity and compassion.

- As a boy in Spain, Dominic loved learning and was deeply compassionate.
- During a famine, he sold his books to feed the hungry.
- He founded the Dominican Order to preach truth and live in joyful poverty.

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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**



Annunciation Parish Women's Guild 2026



Holy Spirit Church Hall
183 Church Street, Newington
Preview – Friday, September 11, 2026
\$5.00 Admission 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Saturday, September 12, 2026
Free Admission 8:00 am—2:00 pm

CLEAN AND USABLE ARTICLES NEEDED

SMALL APPLIANCES (WORKING CONDITION)	SMALL HAND TOOLS
JEWELRY, HANDBAGS	LINENS & CRAFT ITEMS
GLASSWARE, CHINA, POTTERY	SMALL SPORTS ITEMS
SMALL ELECTRONICS (WORKING CONDITION)	POTS & PANS
TOYS, LAMPS	KNICK-KNACKS
SMALL FURNITURE OR PATIO	SUITCASES
CLEAN PET ITEMS	SMALL SPORTS EQUIPMENT

NO TRUCK LOADS PLEASE

WE WILL NOT ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT	PLASTIC FOOD ITEMS
FURNITURE LARGE OR HEAVY	LARGE LAWN OR YARD EQUIPMENT
CLOTHING OR SHOES	MUGS OR WATER GLASSES
INFANT SEATS, CRIBS OR HIGHCHAIRS	PICTURES OR FRAMES
CHRISTMAS TREES OR LIGHTS	BOOKS, CD'S, RECORDS OR CASSETTES
TELEVISIONS, MONITORS OR COMPUTERS	UNSAFE OR HAZARDOUS ITEMS
STUFFED TOYS	BASKETS

DROP-OFF DATES LIMITED TO: 2 DAYS AND 2 EVENINGS ONLY

September 8, 2026	Tuesday 9 am – 2 pm and 5 pm - 7 pm
September 9, 2026	Wednesday 9 am – 2 pm and 5 pm – 7pm

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Please text Lynn Lutz, Chairperson @ 860-604-6798 or email at lutz62511@gmail.com