

ANNUNCIATION PARISH

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, AUGUST 23, 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

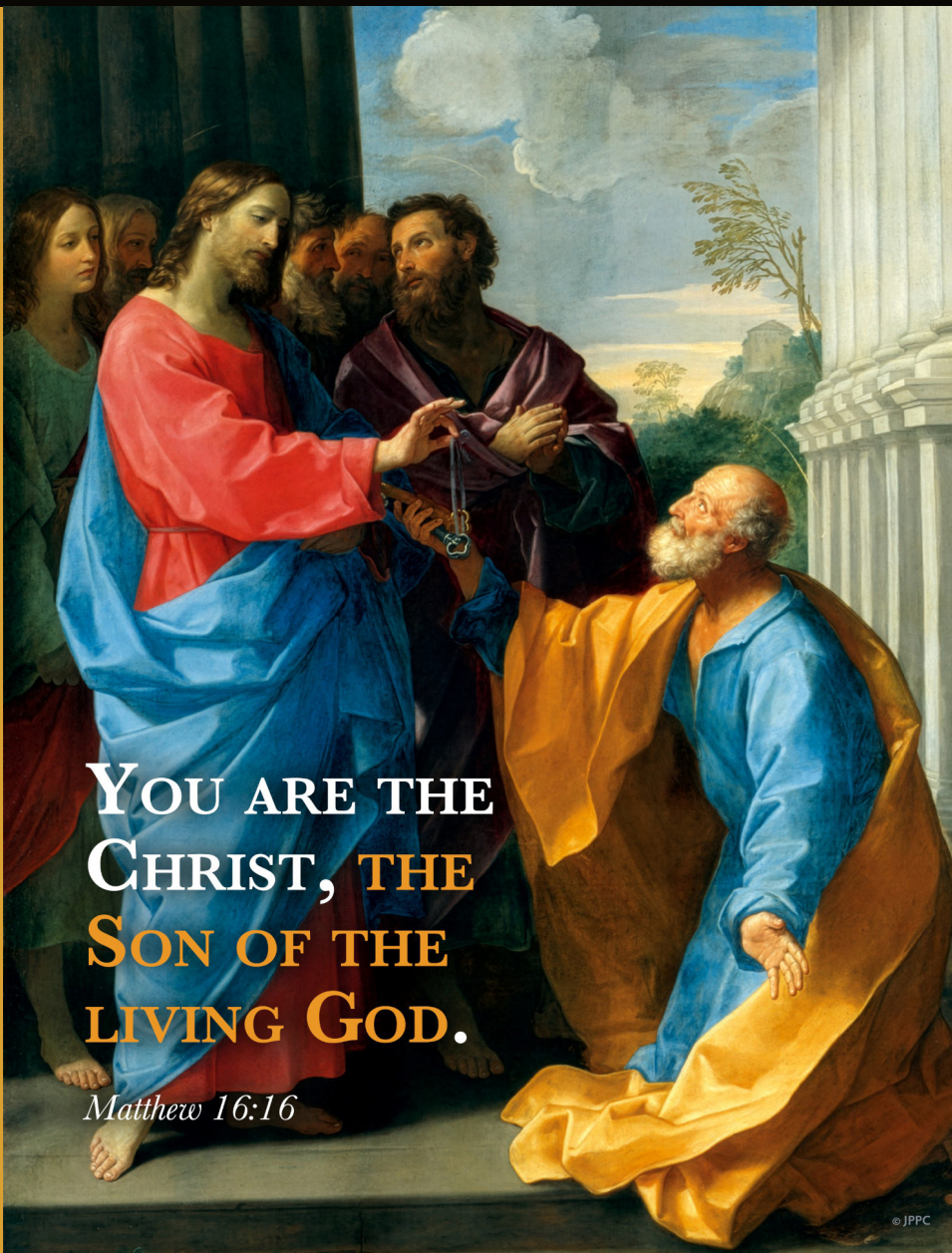
Daily Mass: Monday - Friday
9:00 am, HS

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm, HS

Sunday Masses:

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

Visit us on the web @
annunciationnewington.com



O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found. 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

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Rev. Joseph Pullikattil, Parochial Vicar

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Msgr. James Kinnane

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deaconjimb@annunciationnewington.com

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Deacon Julio Maturana, Business Manager

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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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“And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. Matthew 16:18 .”

The readings for the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A show God’s authority and wisdom. They also highlight the role of Peter and the Church in carrying out God’s plan.

God’s Authority Over Leaders: God removes Shebna and gives authority to Eliakim. This shows that God chooses leaders and can take away their power.

Christ as the Foundation: Jesus tells Peter that He will build His Church on him. This shows that the Church is established by Christ and will last.

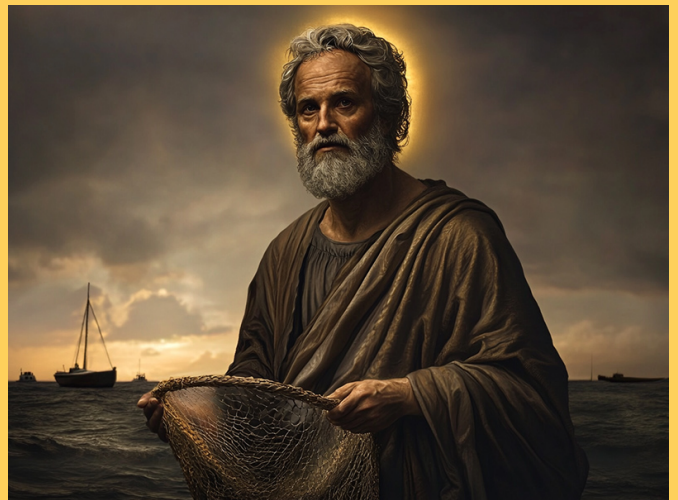
Faith and Recognition of Jesus: Peter calls Jesus the Son of God. His faith allows him to see the truth about Jesus.

Wisdom of God: Paul reminds us that God’s wisdom is beyond human understanding. No one can fully know God’s ways.

Keys of the Kingdom: Jesus gives Peter the keys to heaven. This shows that the Church has authority to guide people to God.

Glory Belongs to God: Everything comes from God and exists for Him. All honor should go to Him.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK – Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

Monday Rev 21:9b-14 Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 Jn 1:45-51

Tuesday 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17 Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18 Ps 128:1-2, 4-5 Mt 23:27-32

Thursday 1 Cor 1:1-9 Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Mt 24:42-51

Friday 1 Cor 1:17-25 Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11 Mt 25:1-13

Saturday 1 Cor 1:26-31 Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21 Mk 6:17-29

Sunday Jer 20:7-9 Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 Rom 12:1-2 Mt 16:21-27

Mass Intentions

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

Monday, August 24th, Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

H/S 9:00 a.m. Soraya Sawicki, For Her Health
By Stephanie Marcaccio & Family

Tuesday, August 25th, Weekday; Saint Louis; Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest

H/S 9:00 a.m. Burton "Skip" Callahan,
By Rosemary Benoit

Wednesday, August 26th, Weekday

H/S 9:00 a.m. Normand and Grace Napert, By The Family

Thursday, August 27th, Saint Monica

H/S 9:00 a.m. For The Parishioners of Our Parish

Friday, August 28th, Saint Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

H/S 9:00 a.m. Bernadette Brodeur, By Her Children

Saturday, August 29th, The Vigil For The Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

H/S 4:00 p.m. Tim Luddy, 3rd Anniversary, By His Family

Sunday, August 30th, The Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

S/M 8:00 a.m. John & Hedwig Eselunas, By Their Family

H/S 9:15 a.m. Yem Hoang, By His Granddaughter

S/M 10:30 a.m. Genevieve Grudzien, By Her Family

H/S 12:00 p.m. John Linnick, By Paul Bouchard & Family



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

And for the consolation of
their family & friends.

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

Parish Support

August 16, 2026

Weekly	\$9,969
Online Giving	\$3,108
Total	\$13,077

Eucharistic Adoration

Holy Spirit Church

6:00 - 7:00pm

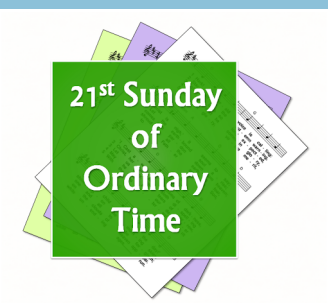
Tuesday Evenings

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:

Maddison Brooke Krasicki



The Knights Sandwich Ministry

Our next sandwich collection is Sunday,
September 20th 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.

The Knights Sandwich Ministry
Thank You

Thank you everyone for your generosity!
In August we collected approximately 440
sandwiches, and many boxes of cookies/chips/
snacks for Saint Elizabeth House and South
Park Inn in Hartford. These Shelters assist over
200 individuals daily, and are very grateful for
our donations. The sandwiches are used for
lunches, late-meals, walk-in's and outreach
programs. All sandwich makers were treated to
an ice cream sandwich from an ice cream truck!
Our collections are on the third Sunday of the
month. The next sandwich collection is **Sunday,**
September 20th @ 4:30 in the Saint Mary
School parking lot. Thank you for living your
faith by helping others!



"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 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 Joy, Happiness
and Humor. Dr. Steve Sobel, speaker extraordinaire,
is one of 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.

To: All My Friends In Newington

From: Msgr. J. F. Kinnane

Sunday, July 12th was the date of my last mass
in Newington, after coming for dinner in 1992
and staying for 34 years. Many thanks to all
of you for making them so happy! A special
thanks to my good friends, Father O'Connor,
Father Bock and Father Kukulka.

In Christ,
JFK•63 CT

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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*

HAVE QUESTIONS?

EMAIL
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ENROLL NOW



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



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.



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