

ANNUNCIATION PARISH

Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time, October 25, 2026

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

CHURCH OF ST. MARY
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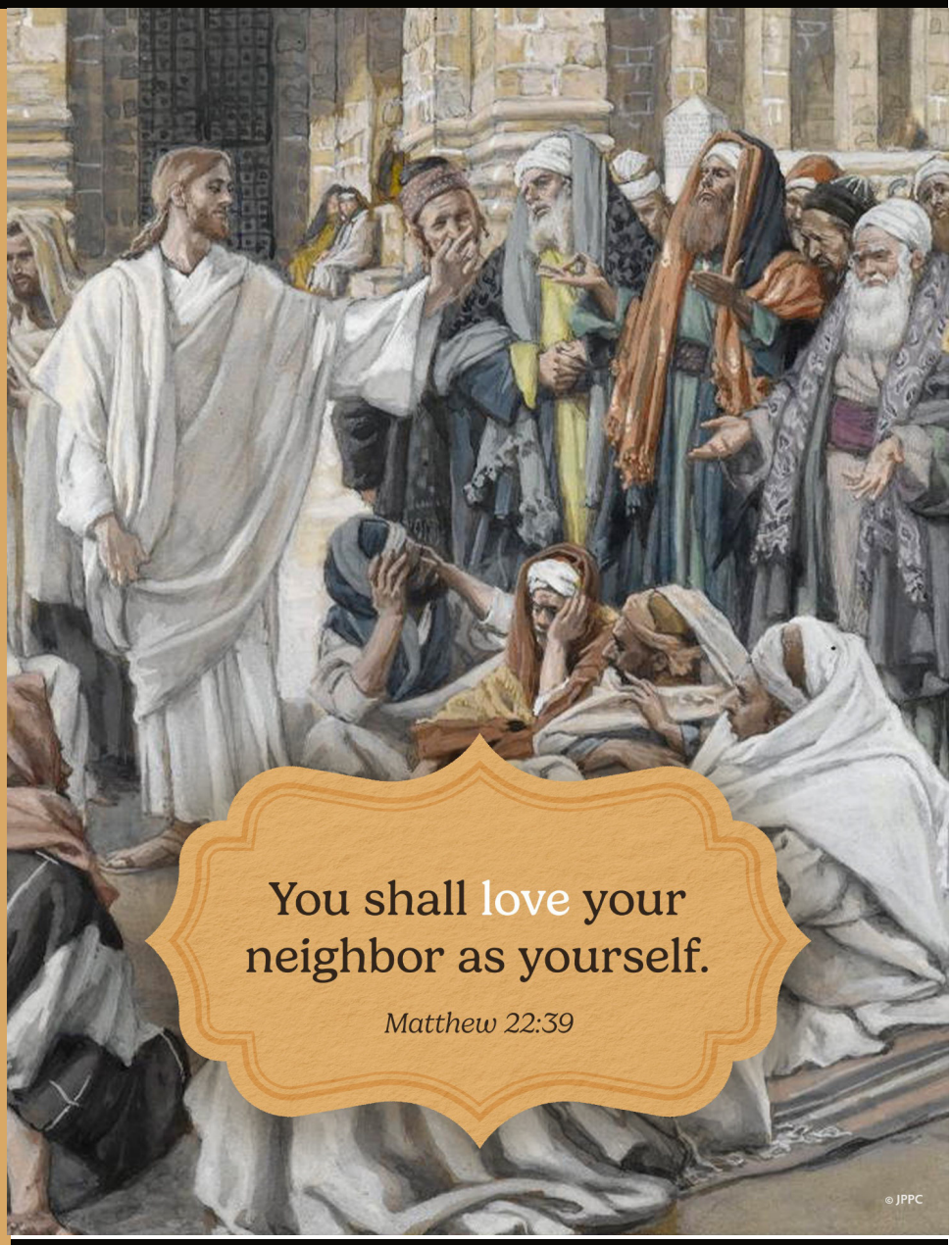
CHURCH OF HOLY SPIRIT
183 Church Street **(No Mail Please)**
Newington, CT. 06111

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





Almighty ever-living God, increase our faith, hope and charity, and make us love what you command, so that we may merit what you promise. 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.

Annunciation Parish

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." Matthew 22:37

The readings for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A focus on love, justice, and faithfulness. They teach about caring for others, staying faithful to God, and living with compassion.

Love for God and Neighbor: Jesus says the greatest commandment is to love God fully and love others as yourself. This shows that faith is not just about rules but about relationships.

Compassion for the Vulnerable: God tells His people not to mistreat outsiders, widows, or orphans. He listens to their cries and expects His people to care for them.

Justice and Fairness: The first reading warns against taking advantage of the poor. God wants people to act fairly and show kindness in their dealings.

Faith in Hardship: The second reading praises believers who remained faithful despite struggles. Their strong faith became an example for others.

Turning Away from Idols: The Thessalonians left behind false gods to serve the true God. This reminds people to put God first in their lives.

The Law Fulfilled in Love: Jesus says all laws come from loving God and loving others. Following this commandment sums up what God wants from His people.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK – Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Monday Ephesians 4:32-5:8 / Psalms 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 / Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday Ephesians 5:21-33 / Psalms 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 / Luke 13:18-21

Wednesday Ephesians 2:19-22 / Psalms 19:2-3, 4-5 / Luke 6:12-16

Thursday Ephesians 6:10-20 / Psalms 144:1b, 2, 9-10 / Luke 13:31-35

Friday Philippians 1:1-11 / Psalms 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 / Luke 14:1-6

Saturday Philippians 1:18b-26 / Psalms 42:2, 3, 5cdef / Luke 14:1, 7-11

Sunday Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14 / Psalms 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 / 1 John 3:1-3 / Matthew 5:1-12a

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 24th, The Vigil For The Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time
H/S 4:00 p.m. Mary Ellen Lutz, By Her Husband & Daughter

Sunday, October 25th, The Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time
S/M 8:00 a.m. Pasquale Golino, By The Family
H/S 9:15 a.m. Monique Graveline, By The Marchetti Family
S/M 10:30 a.m Italo Pizzoferrato, By The Family
H/S 12:00 p.m. Gregoria Pacifico, By Cora Pacifico-Pastor

Monday, October 26th, Weekday
H/S 9:00 a.m. Beatrice & Robert Dupre, By Their Niece

Tuesday, October 27th, Weekday
H/S 9:00 a.m. Skip Callahan, Birthday Remembrance, By Anne Marie & The Morning Prayer Group

Wednesday, October 28th, Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles
H/S 9:00 a.m. James & Claudette Fontaine, By Their Daughter

Thursday, October 29th, Weekday
H/S 9:00 a.m. Sara Alvarez, By The Family

Friday, October 30th, Weekday
H/S 9:00 a.m. Tony Iannone, 16th Anniversary, By His Wife Gail

Saturday, October 31st, The Vigil For all Saints Day
H/S 4:00 p.m. Robert Szydlo, 7th Anniversary By His Family

Sunday, November 1st, All Saints Day
S/M 8:00 a.m. Bernadette Brodeur, By Her Children
H/S 9:15 a.m. Ronald DaMotta, By His Wife
S/M 10:30 a.m Chester Sawicki & Deceased Family Members, By His Wife & Children
H/S 12:00 p.m. Edward Wilczek, By His Family



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...

Eileen Callahan
Vincenzo Cancellieri
Mary Jo Zabrensky

And for the consolation of their family & friends. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; let your light shine upon them

Parish Support

October 18, 2026

Weekly	$9,971
Online Giving	$3,657
Total	$13,628

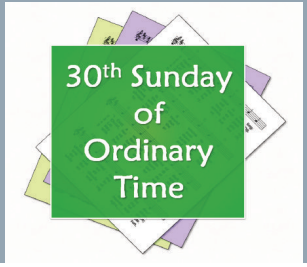
Eucharistic Adoration

Holy Spirit Church
6:00 - 7:00pm
Tuesday Evenings
Spend the whole hour or as much time as you can give!

Attention: Choir Rehearsals

Rehearsals are held Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church. If you have sung in a choir before, can blend well with others, and enjoy group singing, please join us!

This year's choir will enhance worship by alternating at both Saint Mary and Holy Spirit Church.



Parish Calendar, October 25, 2026

The Knights Sandwich Ministry
Our next sandwich collection is Sunday, **November 15th** at **4:30** in the St. Mary School Parking lot.

K of C Food Collection
Sunday, **November 1st** @ 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, **November 2nd**, and the **General Membership meeting** will be held on Tuesday, **November 10th**.

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

Little Sisters of The Poor Visit

On October 31st & November 1st the Little Sisters of the Poor will be visiting **Holy Spirit Church**. The collection taken for them will be exclusively for the care of the elderly poor who reside with them at St. Joseph's Residence in Enfield. The Little Sisters of the Poor have been serving the needs of the elderly poor in Connecticut and Western Massachusetts for over 100 years.They are most grateful for your generosity. Please consider supporting their annual appeal by making checks payable to: **Little Sisters of the Poor-St. Joseph's Residence.**



The Women's Guild November General Membership Meeting will be held on Tuesday, the 10th at 6:30 pm in the Holy Spirit Church hall. Our guest speakers for the evening will be from the Newington Human Services Department. Please join us to learn about services offered in our community and how you might help. Guild members are requested to bring a donation(s) for the Newington Food Bank Holiday Assistance Program to be provided at Thanksgiving to those in need. The most needed Thanksgiving non-perishable items include: instant mashed potatoes, stuffing, canned cranberry sauce, and canned or gravy mixes.
New members are welcome to join us at any meeting.

We "fall back" in November gaining an extra hour of sleep.
Don't forget to turn your clocks back an hour for Sunday, November 1st.



Corpus Christie Open House

Could a Catholic school education be the answer to your prayers?
Corpus Christi School of Wethersfield, a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, will host a special Election Day Open House on: **Tuesday, November 3rd from 8:30 – 10:30 A.M.** at Corpus Christi School, 581 Silas Deane Highway.
Prospective students and their families are invited to attend while classes are in session. Students benefit from small class sizes and personalized attention. Come experience the difference first hand! Tours will be available; teachers, students, and parents will be on hand to answer questions. The school encompasses PreK – Grade 8.
To register, please visit our website: **https://corpuschristischoolct.org/ or call 860-529-5487.**



While we pray often for our beloved deceased family members throughout the year, we remember on All Souls Day and during the month of November, those who have passed to eternal life with Our Lord.
To commemorate the life of your departed loved ones who have died within the past year, we welcome you and your families to join us here at Holy Spirit Church as we celebrate a "Mass of Remembrance on Monday, November 9th, at 6:30 p.m."
During the mass, the names of the deceased will be announced. At that time, family members or friends will light a candle for them.
We are happy to host you and your family on the evening of November 9, 2026 at 6:30p.m. and look forward to seeing you soon.

With prayers,

Reverend Janusz Kukulka **Reverend Joseph Pullikattil**



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FAITH FORMATION
NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming Events

- GR. 1-7 CLASSES
  OCTOBER 11 & 12
- CONFIRMATION RETREAT
  OCTOBER 11TH OR NOVEMBER 1ST
- FAMILY MASS
  OCTOBER 18TH, 2026 9:15
- GR. K-9 CLASS
  OCTOBER 25 & 26
- GR. 1-9 CLASSES
  NOVEMBER 8&9
- FAMILY MASS
  NOVEMBER 15 AT 9:15
- CONFIRMATION PRACTICE
  NOVEMBER 18,2026
- CONFIRMATION GR. 9 &10
  NOVEMBER 21,2026
- GR. K-9 CLASS
  NOVEMBER 22 & 23
- NATIVITY PLAY
  DECEMBER 11,2026

Important News

We are kicking off October after a remarkable start to Faith Formation in September. Ninth and tenth graders demonstrated exceptional participation in Family Mass, serving on the altar, reading, and collecting. Following Family Mass, students and parishioners were invited back to the hall for coffee and donuts, with a record attendance that truly embodied the spirit of our community. Our first classes were incredibly successful, and the parent meeting also saw a record attendance. To reiterate, what was discussed during our initial parent meeting: Faith formation is an ongoing process that aims to help students develop a deep love and trust in God, fostering a personal relationship with Jesus. Unlike traditional CCD, faith formation allows students to engage both their minds and hearts, enabling them to apply their faith to choices in their daily lives. While students may have an understanding of Jesus, this doesn't necessarily translate into a heartfelt connection. It's a gradual journey from intellectual comprehension to emotional resonance, and we are diligently building the foundation for students to effectively use their faith in their everyday experiences.



Halloween and All Saints Day!

Halloween brings to mind ghosts, goblins, and kids in costumes but the name itself comes from All Hallow's Eve – that is, the Vigil of All Saints' Day, when Catholics remember those who have gone before us to enter our heavenly home. Generally, All Saints' Day is a Catholic Holy Day of Obligation, meaning all Catholics are required to attend Mass on that day. Some schools, especially Catholic ones, allow students to dress up as their favorite saints, learning about their lives and sharing stories with others. Across much of Europe, the day is commemorated with offerings of flowers left on the graves of the dead. In Eastern Europe, candles are lit on graves instead of offerings of flowers.



OPERATION SWEATERS FOR VETS

On November 11, 2026 Americans throughout the world will commemorate Veteran's Day. A day set aside to thank the nation's veterans for service given and sacrifices made to protect the freedoms of this great land. Duksa Family Funeral Homes has teamed up again this year with the Chief of Volunteer Services at the Newington VA Hospital for "Operation Sweaters for Vets".

From Thursday, October 15th through Wednesday, November 11th our funeral homes will be collecting **NEW** sweaters, sweatshirts, gloves and hats to donate to the veteran's homes throughout Connecticut.

SWEATER DROP OFF

MONDAY – FRIDAY FROM 9:00AM – 4:00PM

NEWINGTON MEMORIAL
20 Bonair Avenue
Newington
860-666-0600

DUKSA
FAMILY FUNERAL HOMES

BURRITT HILL
332 Burritt Street
New Britain
860-229-9021

Annunciation Parish
Womens Guild
Holy Spirit & St. Marys
2026 Bake Sale!

Saturday, November 21st
(After 4pm Vigil Mass)

Sunday, November 22nd
(After All Masses)

Anyone wishing to donate baked goods may bring them to Holy Spirit Hall.

Drop off baked goods Friday, November 20th or Saturday, November 21st between 9am to 1pm!

Help is needed with sales and packaging. Participation would be greatly appreciated!

For more information call:

Jean Fuzie 860-667-0690

Jackie Gilligan 860-667-1441

Patty Keiltonic 860-967-5928

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Members of the Women's Guild are invited to attend our Christmas Party on Sunday December 6, 2026, at Casa Mia at The Hawthorne, 2421 Berlin Turnpike, Berlin beginning at 1:00 pm. The family style meal will also include appetizers, dessert and coffee. Women's Guild members may bring one guest if they choose to. The cost is $45 per person. Response and payment are due by November 23rd. Please place your payment in a blank envelope labeled with Annunciation Women's Guild Christmas party, your name and guest name if applicable. Place the envelope in any weekend mass collection basket at either church by November 23rd. Checks may be made out to Annunciation Women's Guild. Attendees are requested to bring an item(s) of new unwrapped men's and women's socks, t-shirts and underwear to be donated to the House of Bread to be distributed to those in need.

