

Welcome!

Daily Mass:

Monday - Saturday: 7:30am

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 7:30am,
9:00am (Family Mass),
10:30am (Choir Mass),
12:00pm and
5:00pm

Holy Days of Obligation:

Vigil Mass: 5:30pm

Holy Day: 7:30am, 12:15pm
and 5:30pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Monday and Wednesday
8:00am - 5:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Sacrament of Baptism:

2nd and 4th Sundays: 1:00pm
or by appointment.

Pre-Baptismal instruction is required for
first time parents. Please call the parish
office to schedule the class.

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Please contact Michelle Hankey in the
parish office at least six months prior to
wedding date.

New Parishioners:

We warmly welcome you and your family
to our parish community. Please contact
the parish office to register.

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 4:30pm
(closed 12:00pm - 1:00pm)

Religious Education Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 4:00pm
(closed 12:00pm - 1:00pm)

Parish Office Address and Telephone:

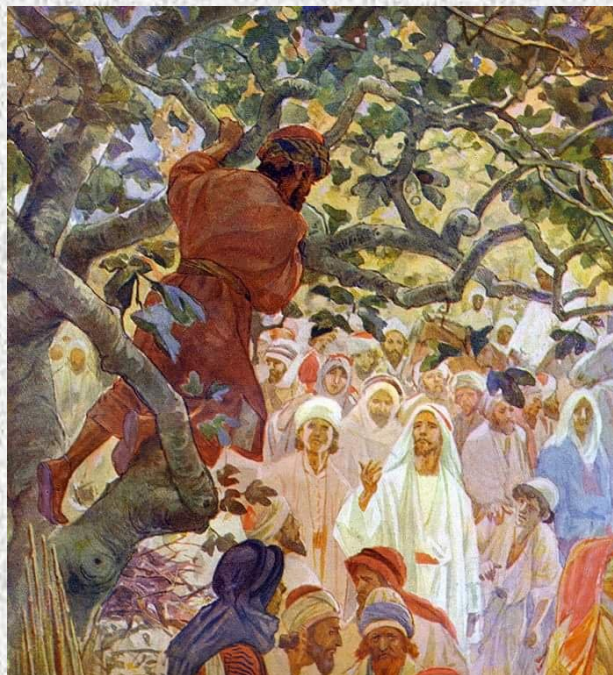
98 Riverside Avenue, Westport, CT 06880
Phone: 203-227-5161 Fax: 203-227-1206

Website: www.assumptionwestport.org

Church of the Assumption

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, November 3, 2019



CLERGY

Fr. Cyrus Bartolome, Pastor

frcyrus@assumptionwestport.org

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Frank Matto, Director and Organist

fmatto@assumptionwestport.org

Cidalia Kettles, Youth Choir

ckettles@assumptionwestport.org



Saturday, November 2 Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

7:30am Armando Frusciante, Sr.
5:00pm Luigi and Mary Izzo

Sunday, November 3 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time St. Martin de Porres

7:30am Ken Makowka
9:00am Anastasia and John Carroll
10:30am Richard Mahoney, Sr.
12:00pm Marion and Robert Nardi
5:00pm Family of Assumption

Monday, November 4 St. Charles Borromeo Bishop

7:30am Ralph Vuolo
7:30pm All Souls

Tuesday, November 5 St. Peter Chrysologus Bishop

7:30am Thomas J. Murphy

Wednesday, November 6 St. Nicholas Tavelic and Companions

7:30am The Bell Family

Thursday, November 7 St. Didacus

7:30am Ralph Cipriani

Friday, November 8 Blessed John Duns Scotus

7:30am George F. Reilly

Saturday, November 9 Dedication of the St. John Lateran Basilica in Rome

7:30am Tina LaRusso
5:00pm Tom and Brownie Coughlin (*living*)

Sunday, November 10 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time St. Leo the Great—Pope

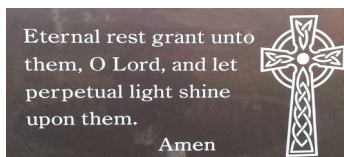
7:30am Peter Tran
9:00am John Carroll
10:30am Jameson Daniel Conte
12:00pm Family of Assumption
5:00pm Tye Schlegelmilch

Pray for the Sick

Please remember in your daily prayers all the sick of our Parish and their caregivers, especially:

Catherine Alter, Mary Ann Andronaco, Noelle Anastasia, Brendan Bachon, Joan Bailey, Henry Baker, Bob Barker, Ryan Brewster, Mary Bulakites, Nancy Burke, Maryann Burriesce, Betty Cabral, Elijah Capuano, Bill Chadwell, Tonino Covatta, Andrea Charboneau, Alder Crocker, Ann Danilak, Connie & Howard Danner, Nicholas DeMatteo, Amanda DeRosa, Matt Dudzik, Colette Dunham, Gail Eichinger, Angela Farricielli, Charlie French, Peter Gakos, Ed Gargiulo, Barbara Gentile, Diane & Anthony Gilbertie, Guy Giordano, Elisabeth Grein, Wilfried Grein, Katarina Hale, Jane Hawley, Malcolm Heckman, Bob Helfenstein, Logan Howard, Marie James, Kathy Jeary, Bernadette Juoan, Jack Kelly, Nancy Kelly, Laura Kesling, Dan Kiely Sr., Frank Kropf, Mary-Ellen Kuhn, Abigail Lamb, Grant Leschin, Eddy & Rita Leyden, Michelle Lombardi, Cara MacDonald, Frank Machi, Michael Macnamara, Helen Maggio, Dorothy Matto, Gabriella McCrae, Clarissa Moore, Estelle Murray, Danielle Murrugarra, Denise Murtha, Lisa O'Connor, Donna Olsen, Lisa Orr, Kevin Palaez, Frank Palmieri, Stephanie Philo, Rev. Corey Piccinino, Kim Preston, Alexa Prosnitz, CJ. Rice, Charlie Robins, Deanne Ryan, Frank Ryan, Sandra Ryan, Teresa Sacouto, Adrian Sandiford, Kerry Schroeder, Greg Strauss, Cheri Travis, Angela Trucks, Carl Viesti, Pat Viesti, Jean Wanat, Lee Watkins, Paula Weltens, Phyllis & Bob Wentworth, Victoria Whalen, Janusz Zwolinski, James Dominick Zwolinski.

Please help us update our prayers for the sick list. If there is anyone you would like to add/remove, please contact the Parish office at 203-227-5161 or bulletin@assumptionwestport.org.



Pray For Our Recently Deceased

George F. Reilly
and Ralph Cipriani



Born to New Life...

Please welcome the newly Baptized members of our parish family:

**Linus Turner Siegel
Landon Elle Comerford
Owen Briggs Comerford**

**Pray for our men and women currently
serving our country**

*Lord God, creator of mankind and author of peace,
as we are ever mindful of the cost paid
for the liberty we possess,
we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces.
Give them courage, hope and strength.
May they ever experience your firm support,
gentle love and compassionate healing.
Be their power and protector,
leading them from darkness to light. Amen.*

Sgt. Randy Ackerman, US Army
L.Cpl. Durry Becker, USMC
Matthew Bradstock, US Army
James Branson, USN
Lt. Griffin Burke, USN
Tony Cuseo, USMC
Ryan J. David, USN
2nd Lt. Alex Deep, US Army
Sgt. Christopher Dietl, US Army
Pvt. Auriane de Sousa, US Army
Sgt. Kimberly Gendreau, US Army
Sgt. Stephanie Gilbertie, US Army
Sgt. Trevor Gilbertie, US Army
L. Cpl. William Gilbertie, USMC
Sgt. Matthew Harwedel, USMC
Sgt. Joseph Kelly, USMC
2nd Lt. Karl Kuechenmeister
Cpl. Michael Linnen, USMC
Sgt. Andre Mercado-Divoff
Spec. Jonathan Morris, US Army
LT Jonathan R. Nelson, USN
LTJG Ryan T. Nelson, USN
Sgt. Colin Santacroce, US Army
Lt. Col. Devin A. Smiley, USMC
M/Sgt. Zachary B. Taylor, USAF
Patrick Tazella, US Army
Capt. James Tesauero, US Army
Cpl. Calvin Robert Wauchope, USMC
L.Cpl. Patrick Zingaro, USMC

*Please pray for all those who have been wounded or have
sacrificed their lives for the cause of peace.*

The week of November 2nd - November 8th

The flowers at Mary's Statue are in loving
memory of **Thomas Murphy**

The candles at Mary's Statue burn in loving
memory of **Jerry and Angie Tuccinardi**

The Sanctuary candle burns in loving memory of
Bill Delano

The candles at the Tabernacle burn in loving memory
of **John and Mary Calzi**

The candles at the Altar burn in loving
memory of **Maria Carusone**

Adoration

of the
Blessed Sacrament



Eucharistic Adoration is the act of worshipping
Jesus Christ, His real presence, in front of the
consecrated Eucharist or Blessed Sacrament.
Adoration is a time for silent prayer. It may be time
to read spiritual material, pray a Rosary or other
devotion, meditate with Scripture or simply - sit in
the presence of the Lord. *We "watch and wait", we
remain "silent" in His Presence and open ourselves
to His Graces which flow from the Eucharist.* By
worshipping the Eucharistic Jesus, we become what
God wants us to be. The Lord draws us to Himself
and gently transforms us.

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed

Monday 8:00am – 5:00pm

and

Wednesday 8:00am – 5:00pm

Please call Andrea Remlin at 203-227-5477 to sign
up for a half or an hour with the Lord.

*"Our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, but He has
revealed to His servants that those who visit Him in
the Eucharist will obtain a more abundant measure of
grace." St. Alphonsus Ligouri*

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Wednesdays following the
7:30am Mass.



Daily Rosary of Peace:

7:00am before daily Mass.

The Miraculous Medal originated in the year 1830 after
St. Catherine Labouré experienced an apparition of the Virgin
Mary at a convent in Paris, France - "God wishes to charge you
with a mission." Our Lady asked Catherine to have the image
made into medallions and distributed, saying
"All who wear them will receive great graces."

Catherine reported that Mary came framed in an oval and
standing upon a globe. Rays of light shone from her hands.
Around the edge of the oval, these words appeared: *"O Mary,
conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee."*

Next Weekend's Mass Schedule

Saturday, November 9th

5:00 pm Vigil Fr. Cyrus

Sunday, November 10th

7:30 am Fr. Cyrus

9:00 am visiting priest

10:30 am visiting priest

12:00 pm Monsignor Shea

5:00 pm Fr. Cyrus



Remembering our Beloved Dead.

Everyone is invited to remember deceased family and friends.

November 4th, 7:30pm Mass

reception following Mass in the McGrath Hall

"Listen kindly to our prayers, O Lord, and, as our faith in your Son, raised from the dead, is deepened, so may our hope of resurrection for your departed servants also find new strength. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever."

Assumption Bereavement Group

"Those whom we love and lose are no longer where they were before. They are now wherever we are." St. John Chrysostom

It is especially wonderful to witness the comfort, acceptance, support and strength shared by those who gather with others as they allow grief to heal them and find hope.

All are welcome to join us Wednesdays,
3:30pm to 5:00pm in the Beard Room at Roncalli House
(the parish center at the Lincoln Street end of the parking lot).

Helen Thiemann 203-227-6318 helenctman@gmail.com

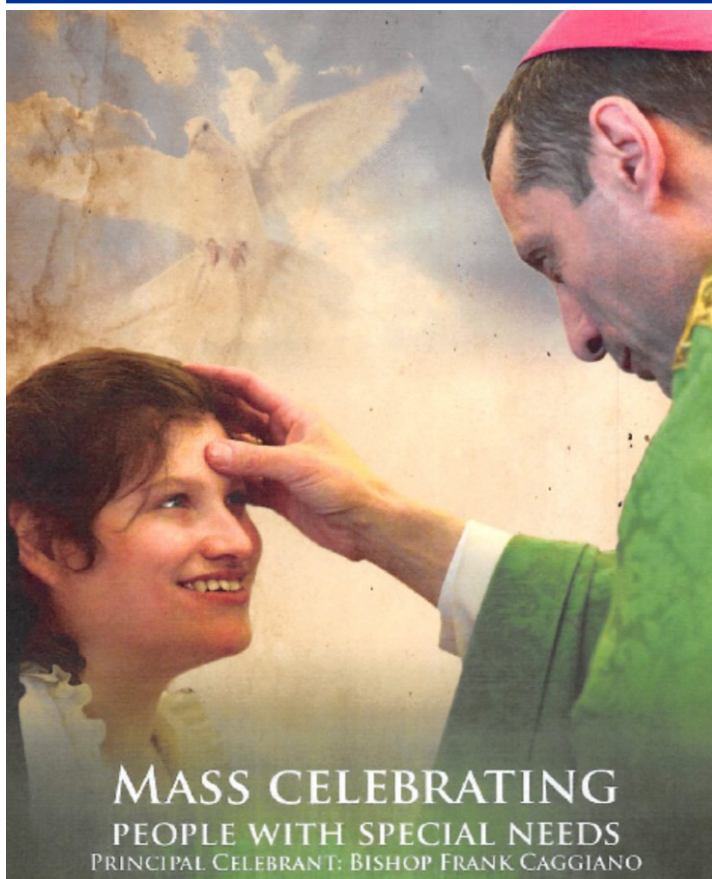


Knights of Columbus Council #3688

We are proud to announce that Mark Rubino was recently elevated to the 4th Degree - *the highest degree in the order* - at the Knights of Columbus Exemplification in Bridgeport.



If you'd like to be a part of a caring parish family of catholic men whose principal work involves helping others in need, we'd like to meet you and invite you to join us. Please contact Walter Avitabile at wavit@optonline.net for more information about the Knights of Columbus.



**MASS CELEBRATING
PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS**
PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT: BISHOP FRANK CAGGIANO

Sunday, November 17, 2019
2:00pm at Holy Cross Church
(adjacent to Saint Catherine Center)

Hosted by Saint Catherine Center for Special Needs
760 Tahmore Drive, Fairfield

For more information, please call 203-540-5381



We are excited to begin a
Youth Choir
program here at
Church of the
Assumption!

**Join us - Thursday afternoons from
4:00pm—5:00pm**
Weekly Rehearsals

The choir will participate in one liturgy each month.
If you have an interested 3rd grader or older,
please contact Cid Kettles
ckettles@assumptionwestport.org



Our **Church of the Assumption Parish Prayer Ministry** is a network of members who are praying for you and your intentions. If you or someone you know is in need of prayer or a special intention, please contact:

Liz Lazarou lizlazarou@optonline.net or
Betty Copersino 203-226-6702

and leave a message with the first name of the person you would like to pray for and the prayer request or intention (*last names are permitted for the deceased only*). Your intentions will be forwarded to our network. If you are interested in joining the prayer network, please contact Liz or Betty for more details.



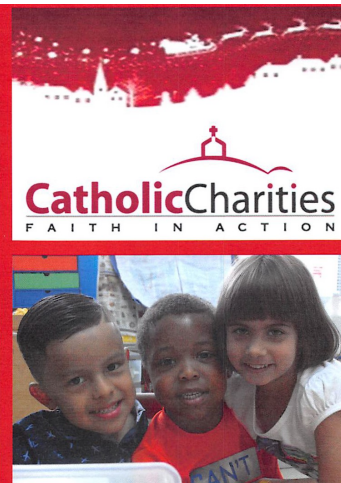
Gifts of Plenty

From **October 19th until November 16th** we will be collecting food gift cards for the “Gifts of Plenty” project, sponsored by the Social Concern Ministry.

For many years you have given generously to our brothers and sisters who are in need of food. This year we are asking you again to help our needy neighbors by purchasing a supermarket gift card of any denomination.

Envelopes are provided in baskets in the center aisle of the church and at both entrances. Parishioners are asked to place your food gift card in the envelope provided and return to the offertory basket next time you attend Mass.

Thank you for your generosity.



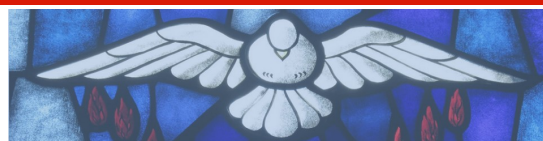
26TH ANNUAL NORWALK CELEBRITY BREAKFAST

A Christmas Event Featuring Celebrity Guest Speaker
Bishop Frank J. Caggiano

DECEMBER 6, 2019
7:30 A.M. - 9:30 A.M.
SHOREHAVEN GOLF CLUB
14 CANFIELD ROAD,
NORWALK

DELICIOUS BUFFET
BREAKFAST.
VALET PROVIDED.
INDIVIDUAL TICKETS - \$50
TABLES OF 10 - \$350

All proceeds benefit the Catholic Charities programs of Norwalk.
For more information or to register: call Amy Zajac 203-416-1336
<https://www.ccfairfield.org/event/2019-norwalk-celebrity-breakfast/>



8th graders: Your sponsor form is due November 10th

If you cannot locate the sponsor form distributed in September, please go to our parish website under Religious Education/Confirmation, the forms can be accessed and downloaded.

**ALL 7th & 8th GRADERS AND THEIR FAMILIES ARE
INVITED TO ATTEND OUR ALL SOULS MASS
ON NOVEMBER 4th AT 7:30pm**

This is a Spiritual Work of Mercy and can be counted as an hour on your community service log. November 5th is a school holiday, come join your parish community as we pray for our beloved deceased and the souls in purgatory.

We have begun distributing a flyer asking families to put together “Blessing Bags” to be delivered to the homeless in Bridgeport. This is due on November 17th and is a Corporal Work of Mercy = 1 hour of community service.

Our Confirmation retreat on Sunday, October 27th delivered a great message for all who attended - *Faith is what really matters!* Our students and families engaged in team activities and viewed two powerful videos. Thank you, families, for coming together on a very wet day and participating in a very impactful day filled with blessings and grace of the Holy Spirit!

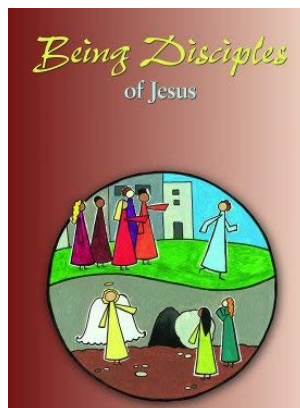
Being Disciples of Jesus

(Six Weeks with the Bible)

Saturday October 12th - November 16th

8:30am - 10:00am

Roncalli House (lower level) \$10.00 textbook fee



Join us whether you are a beginner or experienced in reading the Bible. **Being Disciples of Jesus** is an inviting 6 week series for anyone who wants to become more familiar with Scripture and the lessons it has to teach us today!

For more information contact Fr. Augustine

Fraugustine@assumptionwestport.org

Day of Recollection

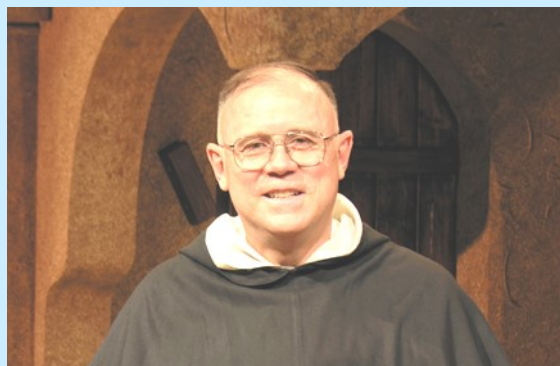


Growth in Prayer

Saturday, November 9, 2019

Enders Island (Mystic, CT)

6:30am - 2:00pm



Keynote Speaker - Fr. Brian Mullady, OP

Fee: \$50.00 (includes refreshments and hot lunch - make check payable to Church of the Assumption)

Deadline: November 3, 2019

For more information, contact Fr. Augustine at fraugustine@assumptionwestport.org



Prayer for National Vocation Awareness Week

"God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen."

Called to Serve - Congratulations to James Meehan

(pictured with his wife Athina and Bishop Caggiano) who recently was enrolled to the Rite of Candidacy to begin the path to the Permanent Diaconate. May the Lord continue to strengthen and guide you and your family as you prepare for your ministry!



The symbols of the ministry of the deacon are: an open bible to proclaim the Gospel; a basin and towel - the items Jesus used when he washed the feet of the apostles signifying the deacons dedication to serve others; the chalice to distribute the Eucharist and the Holy Spirit to empower and strengthen him.

"Believe what you read, teach what you believe, and practice what you teach." Rites of Ordination

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR

It takes a while to get ready for our
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR.

We have many ways you can help support this parish event. Many parishioners inquire how they can help. Some donate their hand crafted items, some are vendors, some donate their time at the booths, some set up or clean up, some donate pre-owned jewelry, some sponsor a booth.

All our Religious Education families contribute to the creation of extraordinary and beautiful THEME BASKETS for the Silent Auction. Let's all help Assumption's Christmas Fair be a huge success!

The Re-New Boutique



Jewelry & Silk Scarves

We will accept any kind of jewelry and gently used or new scarves.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR Sponsors

We are looking for parish families, organizations or businesses to **SPONSOR** our Christmas Fair. We will display a sign with your name in the bulletin, at the fair and on the parish website. It costs \$100.00 minimally, *sponsors are always welcome to donate more if they wish.*

To be a sponsor, volunteer or donate please contact Cathy Romano
cromano@assumptionwestport.org
or 203 226-5448



October 27, 2019 Sunday Offertory \$7,289.00

Have you supported the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal? If not - donate now! We are \$37,639.00 from our goal. If you are one of the 273 families who have already made your pledge - thank you for your generosity. Because of your contribution our church is here in times of need providing comfort and hope.

Socks, socks and more socks!



THANK YOU parishioners of Church of the Assumption for responding to our recent collection drive.

A total of 277 pairs of socks, for children and adults will be donated to the Family and Children's Agency of Norwalk, the Missionaries of Charity and the Soup Lady Legacy.

The Social Concerns Ministry



Online Giving
from OurSundayVisitor

Our Online Giving system provides parishioners the opportunity to give to our special collections in addition to regular offerings. You can choose to do a one-time gift, a special remembrance or your end of the year contribution. The system allows you to schedule contributions to be withdrawn on the date you specify. Even if you typically use your offering envelopes, you may wish to contribute online to a particular collection. It is easy and convenient!

Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website **www.assumptionwestport.org** and selecting the Online Giving link.