

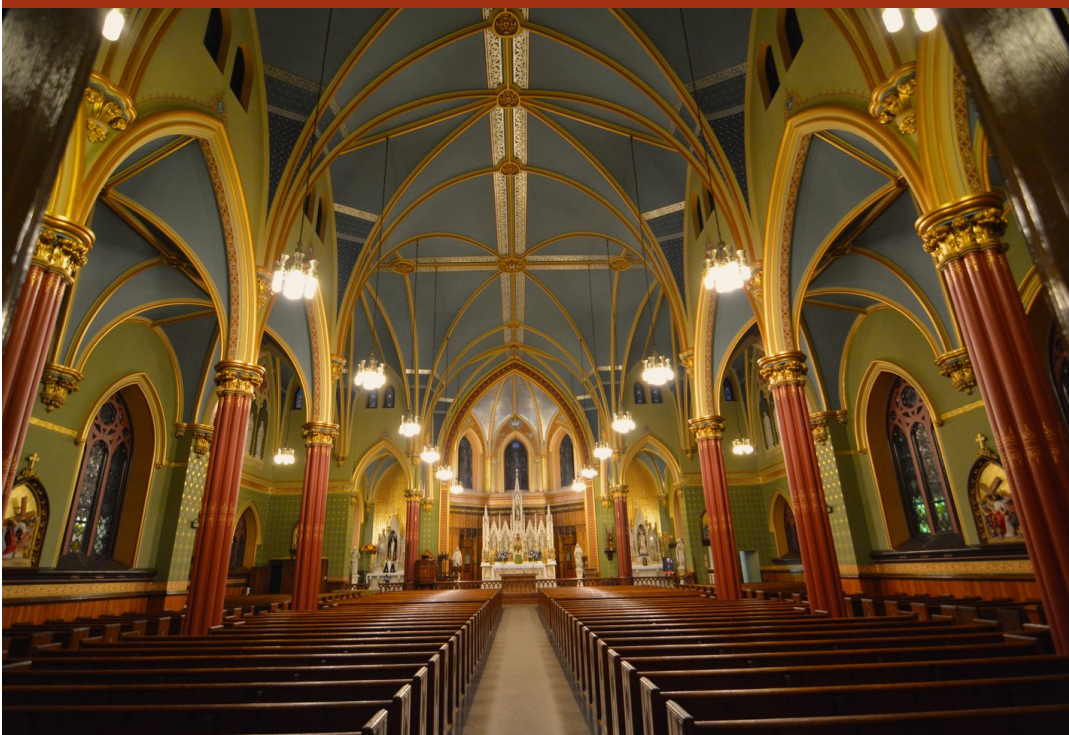


THE BASILICA OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

The Mother Church of Stamford, Connecticut



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
FEBRUARY 25, 2024



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil, 4 PM
Sunday, 7:30 AM, 10 AM,
12 PM, and 5 PM

Monday - Friday
8 AM and 12:10 PM
Saturday
12:10 PM
Federal Holiday
9 AM

CONFESSIONS

Monday: 11:30 to 12 Noon
Wednesday: 11:30 to 12 Noon
Friday: 11:30 to 12 Noon
Saturday: 2:45 to 3:45 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
9 AM - 4:30 PM
(The Office entrance is located
on Padre Pio Way, between the
church and the rectory)

CLERGY

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MASS INTENTIONS

Second Sunday of Lent

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

4:00 pm, Maria Reyes *req.* Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

7:30 am, † Tuula Fabrizio

req. Fabrizio Family

10 am, † Billy Dazzo *req.* Pinto Family

12 pm, † Jennie Wachowicz

req. Marchetti Family

5 pm, † Juanito Pascua

req. Carolina Pascua

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

8 am, † Patrick Kane & Family

req. Estate of Catherine Kane & Family

12:10 pm † Melanie Fieffe *req.* Family

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Saint Gregory of Narek

8 am, † Wladek & Willemina Falek

req. Daughter

12:10 pm † Rich Ryan

req. Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Ingram

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

8 am, Maureen Valenti, Spec. Intention

req. Beth Carpanzano & Family

12:10 pm, † Tuula Fabrizio

req. Dom Piria

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

8 am, † Sr. Daniele Marie McCabe, C.S.J.

req. Maloney Family

12:10 pm, † Patrick Kane & Family

req. Estate of Catherine Kane & Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

8 am, † Joseph G. Terenzio & Carmella Terenzio

req. Steve Terenzio

12:10 pm, † Dec'd Members of Longo & Gerardi

Families *req.* Family

SATURDAY, 2

12:10 pm, † Souls in Purgatory



Sanctuary Candle:

In Loving Memory of Joseph Kung

req. Kung Family

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Monsignor DiGiovanni, Frank Carpanzano, Phil DeFelice, Ruby Lang, Barbara Smith, Jennifer Iannarelli, Julia Oliveira, Gail Piria, Julian Lucas Randal, Anthony Labroschiano, Richard Conti, Junjie & Aileen Ibanez, Ram Jhunja, Marie Anne Guillaume, Leon Taricani, Joseph Prevot, Rita Hausman, Michael Thomas Vaccaro, Boniface & Mary DiProperzio, Monique D'Auteuil, Sofia D'Auteuil-Traista, Nora Figueroa Krap, Mary Ann Gascon, Louis Lambiase, Ewa Indyk, Greg K., John Whipple, Marie Nicolas, Mark Kuehn

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE

RECENTLY DIED:

Mrs. Anna J. Jones, Rev. Albert Audette, Mary Maloney, Paul Mignogna, Laurence Hayes, Alfred Maffucci, Aleana Armwood Stroman, Shirley A. Simmons, Ron Cox, Tersa Szostak, Laura Lee Barzetti, Rev. Dr. Tommie Jackson, Patrick Glynn, Kenneth M. Mirch, Helen C. Annis, Elizabeth Barron, Albert Stephens, Robert Nasso, Andrew J. Kirkland, Oscar D. Guilford, Helen L. McNeil, Robert N. Brown, James Farrison, Lois Cavaliere, Michele Cappelli, Marie Jean-Charles, Sylwester Indyk, Linda Gabriele, Matthew Costantino, Juanita Velasco, Justin Nizolek, Daniel Neylan

Mass Intentions

The 2024 Mass Intentions book is available for Mass requests. All requests are first-come, first-serve and are \$10.00 each. Please contact the parish office: office@stjohnbasilica.org or 203-324-1553.



Dear Friends in Christ,

We have begun our new lecture series: "The Saints Show Us the Way". Last week we discussed the life and spiritual teaching of Saint Catherine of Siena. On Monday we will learn about the patron of the Diocese of Bridgeport, Saint Augustine of Hippo and read some of his autobiography "The Confessions". I hope you will join us in the Rectory Ballroom at 7:30 in the evening and make this series part of your celebration of Lent.

The Bishops of the United States have declared this year to be a year of Eucharistic Revival. There will be various opportunities to participate in Eucharistic Processions and periods of Adoration throughout the Diocese, including a celebration here at the Basilica on Tuesday, May 21. More details will be available as the date gets closer.

Fr. Gomez and I thought we'd take the opportunity this weekend to preach on the importance of reverence for the Blessed Sacrament and concentrate, in particular, on the manner of receiving Holy Communion. The Eucharist is a precious gift given to us by Jesus Christ to fulfill His promise to be with us, until the end of the world.

Finally, I remind you to please join us as we celebrate the Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent at 4:00 in the afternoon.

With prayers and best wishes,
Father La Pastina

SPRING LECTURE SERIES THE SAINTS SHOW US THE WAY



Saint Augustine of Hippo
Monday, February 26, 7:30 PM
Rectory Ballroom

Saint Philip Neri
Monday, March 4, 7:30 PM
Rectory Ballroom



SECOND SUNDAY



"CONNECTICUT MARCH FOR LIFE –
MARCH 20, 2024

Join us for the 3rd Annual Connecticut March for Life on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at the Connecticut State Capitol, 210 Capitol Avenue. Rally at the Capitol begins at 12:00pm preceded by the March at 1pm. Rally speakers will be announced soon! For more information visit www.ct.marchforlife.org."



40 Days for Life Spring 2024

Campaign Feb 14- March 24, 2024

Through peaceful prayer, fasting, and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired more than 1,000,000 volunteers and saved thousands of lives. Please consider signing up for 1 hour with a friend or as a parish group and help change hearts and minds this Lent.

Stamford 35 Sixth St. Campaign

Leader: Monika Twal-

stamford40daysforlife@gmail.com



2024 Bishop's Appeal

DIocese OF BRIDGEPORT

Teaching and Preaching the Gospel

Your gift to the Bishop's Appeal supports the education and formation of young men like Fr. Férry Galbert in their preparation for the priesthood and beyond.



"My experience as a newly ordained priest has been amazing. It has been such a grace, and a humbling experience, to see how the Lord uses me to touch people's lives. Academics, spirituality, human, and pastoral formation eventually became integrated as "one thing" by the time I became a deacon because you begin to see how everything is connected. However, I would emphasize that my human and pastoral formation in the seminary was very important for me because it taught me how to keep everything in a healthy balance. I also learned the value of fraternity and friendship, as well as the fact that spiritual fatherhood is fulfilled when we encounter the people of God and meet them where they are. – Fr. Férry Galbert, Ordained to the Priesthood May 2023

Make your gift to the Bishop's Appeal today! Visit:
www.2024BishopsAppeal.org

BASILICA YOUNG ADULT GROUP

The next meeting is scheduled for this

Monday, March 11th at 7:30 PM.

Guest Speaker: Reverend Andrew LaFleur

Any young adults between 21-35 years of age are welcome.

Please mark your calendar and join us!

This ministry is made possible by Foundations in Faith.



WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION:

In Mass: \$6,445.17

Online Giving: \$4,640.00

Total: Sunday, February 18, 2024:
\$11,085.17

FRIDAY'S DURING LENT

Join us each Friday during Lent at
4:00 PM for Stations of the Cross

ONLINE GIVING:

Whether you are out of town or unable to attend Mass due to weather, illness, or an emergency, you will be able to contribute to the support of the Basilica. Your information is protected, your transaction is secure, and your donations are automatically transferred to the Parish account.

NOTE: You can make a one-time donation to the collection of your choice. You also have the option to set up recurring donations from your bank by setting up an account. Changes of amount or duration can be made at any time.

Sign up on the Basilica's web-site, www.stjohnbasilica.org by clicking on the "Donate" button.



SCAN ME



Loaves and Fishes Campaign

Will you and your family consider the Lenten sacrifice of a “meager meal” once a week during Lent & donate the money you would have spent on a more substantial meal to feed local families who can't afford to put food on the table? Please consider supporting Catholic Charities Loaves and Fishes campaign. Food insecurity continues to be the #1 issue impacting people in our community and your family's Lenten sacrifice can make a significant impact! Donations can be made online via Catholic Charities website at www.ccfairfield.org/loaves. Checks made out to Catholic Charities, mail to: Catholic Charities ATTN: Finance Dept/L&F Campaign 238 Jewett Ave Bridgeport, CT 06606

STAMFORD YOUTH GROUP

The Stamford Middle School Youth Group will meet on the following dates: Mar 8, Mar 22, Apr 12, May 3, May 17, May 31.

All meetings take place at the Church of the Holy Spirit (403 Scofieldtown Road, Stamford) from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm.

Cardinal Kung Foundation

Invites you to a
Solemn Requiem Mass

Celebrant

Very Reverend Cyprian P. LaPastina

Pastor

On the 24th Anniversary of the Death of

Ignatius Cardinal Kung Pin-Mei

Bishop of Shanghai

In thanksgiving for
his heroic fidelity to Christ,
and outstanding witness of communion
with the universal Church.

Saturday, March 9, 2024, at 10 am.

Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist

Nicholas Botkins

Basilica Choir Master and Organist

279 Atlantic Street, Stamford, CT

<https://stjohnbasilica.org/livestream>



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**Join us for refreshments in the church hall
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**You Can Make a
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“... having shared so deeply in Christ's sufferings he may now receive the unfading crown of glory which the Chief Sheperd reserves for those who have followed him faithfully to the end.”

Saint Pope John Paul II, March 2000



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Mater Salvatoris is located at 926 Newfield Avenue, Stamford, CT 06905. Contact us at (203) 489.0977 or at stm.admissions@matersalvatoris.org. Visit us at stamford.matersalvatoris.org and our Facebook and Instagram page.



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