



THE BASILICA OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

The Mother Church of Stamford, Connecticut



EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
MARCH 31, 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

PASTOR
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Dear Friends in Christ,

The Resurrection of Christ from the dead should give us hope! On Good Friday afternoon the apostles saw all their hopes crushed with the death of Jesus on the cross. In their weakness, they thought His death was the end. With the exception of our parish patron, Saint John the Evangelist, the Apostles all hid themselves fearing for their lives.

Sometimes when we are suffering, we might be tempted to lose our faith and trust in God. Like the Apostles we might see our hopes crushed and feel defeated. But the resurrection of Christ from the dead is our cause for hope. We are reminded that our sufferings, if we are faithful to the Lord, will turn to joy. The resurrection of Christ is the most important and spectacular event in human history. His resurrection is our victory over pain, suffering and sin. It changes everything and helps us to live our lives on this earth with an eye on eternity. Our annual celebration of Easter reminds us that when life on this earth is over, the Lord has a prepared place for each of us in His kingdom.

That knowledge should inspire us to be more faithful followers of Christ. It should fill us with hope for the world to come and strengthen us to bear the challenges of our life.

“For God so loved the world, that He sent His only begotten Son so that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life! (John 3:16)

I wish you and your families a happy and a blessed Easter!
 Father La Pastina



Teaching and Preaching the Gospel

*"The **Diaconate** ministry has a special role in the Church's overall mission. We are called to serve in any way possible. Furthermore, when we do so with unconditional love and humility toward those in most need, we accomplish our mission of becoming the link that allows us to come together as **One in Christ**."*

– Edward Carrillo - 4th Year of Diaconate formation, Anticipated Ordination June 2024

Your gift to the Bishop's Appeal supports training for men in formation to the Diaconate. Deacons share their gifts of faith, hope and love in bringing people together, as **One in Christ**, in parish communities and ministries.

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

The Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist
 Parish

2024 Bishop's Appeal as of 3/21/24

Bishop's Appeal Goal:

\$93,500

Total Pledged:

\$37,182 (39.77%)

Donors to Date:

68 Donors

To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at [2024 BishopsAppeal.org](http://2024BishopsAppeal.org), call (203) 416-1470 or scan with your phone.



MASS INTENTIONS

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

8:00 pm, Special Intention

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

7:30 am, † John & Mary Maloney

10 am, † Bobby Perna

req. Pinto Family

12 pm, Special Intention

MONDAY, APRIL 1

9 am, † Fr. Albert D. Audette, Jr.

req. Borkowski Family

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

8 am, Anthony Labroschiano, Spec. Intention

req. Family

12:10 pm, † Matt Costantino

req. Friend

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

8 am, † Thomas Clark

req. Martin Keary & Alicia O'Neill

12:10 pm, † Ted Boccuzzi

req. Taccone Family

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

8 am, † Patrick Kane & Family

req. Estate of Catherine Kane

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

Families

req. Family

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

8 am, Gail Piria, Spec. Intention

req. Family

12:10 pm, † Paul Rittman, Sr.

req. Pam Rittman

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

12:10 pm, † Candida Costello

req. Frank Costello



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, Joseph Prevot, Rita Hausman, Michael Thomas Vaccaro, Boniface & Mary DiProperzio, Monique D'Auteuil, Sofia D'Auteuil-Traista, Nora Figueroa Krap, Mary Ann Gascon, Ewa Indyk, Greg K., John Whipple, Marie Nicolas, Mark Kuehn, Bill Steward

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE

RECENTLY DIED:

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, Leon Taricani, Don DelMazzio, Nancy Shinn, Mandy Richardson, Amber J. Graves, Robert Miller, Jr., Brenda Snell, Mary Aldrich, Zef Gjelij, Kyle Bancroft, Mother Beulah M. Manning

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.



Congratulations to the following RCIA students (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) who have been fully initiated into the Catholic Faith:

Easter Vigil Mass
Saturday, March 30, 2024 at 8:00 PM:

Matthew Joseph Cammarota

Nicholas Scott Cammarota

Justin Gregory Karas

Alexandra Elyse Merenda

John Hobyong Nahm

Akhil Narayana Uppuluri

A very special thank you to their instructor, *Diane Krembeller* for her time, devotion and dedication in preparing these adults for their journey of faith.



Easter Flowers

All memorial names for Easter flower donations have been placed on the Altar for Easter services.

Thank you for your generosity.

Upcoming Bereavement Programs

Your loss may be recent.....or long ago.

We are here to help you on your journey to healing, where you are invited to share your story in a small group, confidential setting.

St. Michael the Archangel Church

469 North Street

Greenwich, CT 06830

April 3 - May 29

Wednesdays: 1:00 - 2:30pm

St. Thomas More Church

374 Middlesex Road

Darien, CT 06820

May 7 - July 9

Tuesdays: 2:30 - 4:00pm

Holy Spirit Church

403 Scofieldtown Road

Stamford, CT 06903

April 16 - June 11

Thursdays: 10:00 - 11:30am

Please go to the Catholic Cemeteries website to read more about the program.

ctcemeteries.org/newday

Advanced Registration Required



WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION:

Not Available at Time of Printing

In Mass: \$

Online Giving: \$

Total: Sunday, March 24, 2024:

BASILICA YOUNG ADULT GROUP

The next meeting is scheduled for

Tuesday, April 23rd at 7:30 PM.

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.

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.

LEGION OF MARY

Meets every Wednesday at 7:30 PM in Nagle Hall. All are welcome to join!

STAMFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL

Youth Group

Location: Church of the Holy Spirit

403 Scofieldtown Road Stamford, CT

Time: 7:00pm to 8:30pm

SPRING MEETING DATES

FEBRUARY 9
FEBRUARY 23
MARCH 8
MARCH 22

APRIL 12
MAY 3
MAY 17
MAY 31



Organized by
Fr. Suarez,
Fr. Connaughton,
and Lauren Doyle

GET CONNECTED!



PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN:

The Diocese requires that all volunteers in any capacity in the parish must attend a Protecting God's Children workshop. If you have not already attended one, and volunteer or anticipate volunteering in the future, please register at virtusonline.org. Call the parish office at 203-324-1553 for additional information or questions.



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS SPRING 2024

FEBRUARY

Friday, Feb 2 at 7:30 PM

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Blessing of Candles and Procession with Solemn Mass

Tuesday, February 20 at 7:30 PM

Basilica Lecture Series

The Saints Show Us The Way: Saint Catherine of Siena
(Rectory Ballroom)

Monday, February 12 at 7:30

Basilica Young Adults
(Church and Rectory)

Thursday, February 22 at 7:30 PM

Solemn Vespers for the Feast of the Chair of Saint Peter
(Plenary Indulgence can be gained at the Basilica for this feast)

Monday, February 26 at 7:30 PM

Basilica Lecture Series

The Saints Show Us The Way: Saint Augustine of Hippo
(Rectory Ballroom)

MARCH

Monday, March 4 at 7:30 PM

Basilica Lecture Series

The Saints Show Us The Way: Saint Philip Neri
(Rectory Ballroom)

Saturday, March 9th at 10 AM

Solemn Requiem Mass for the Anniversary of the Death
of Ignatius Cardinal Kung

Sponsored by the Cardinal Kung Foundation

Monday, March 11 at 7:30 PM

Basilica Young Adults
(Church and Rectory)

Tuesday, March 19 at 7:30 PM

Solemn Mass for the Feast of Saint Joseph
Followed by the Traditional Blessing of Pastries
in Nagle Hall

APRIL

Tuesday, April 23 at 7:30 PM

Basilica Young Adults
(Church and Rectory)

MAY

Monday, May 6 at 7:30 PM

May Devotions in Honor of Our Lady

Rosary and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, May 21 (Time to be announced)

Eucharistic Adoration and Procession

with Bishop Caggiano as part of the Eucharistic Revival

Monday, May 20 at 7:30 PM

Basilica Young Adults
(Church and Rectory)

JUNE

Sunday, June 2 at 5 PM

Feast of Corpus Christi

Solemn Mass with Instruments and Outdoor Procession

Friday, June 7 at 7:30 PM

Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Solemn Mass and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, June 28 at 7:30 PM

Solemn Vespers for the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul
(Plenary Indulgence can be gained at the Basilica for this feast)



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Mater Salvatoris College Preparatory School

We educate the Mind, we educate the Heart, we educate the Spirit

Mater Salvatoris is an Independent Catholic College Preparatory School Pre-K3 through Grade 12, under the direction of the Sisters of the Company of the Savior. In partnership with the Disciples of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary, we offer single-sex education on a co-ed campus. We provide a faithful Catholic Education, committed to educating the whole person. Currently enrolling from Pre-K3 through 9th Grade for girls, and from Pre-K3 through 7th grade for boys for 2024-2025 School Year, and will expand each year by one grade level up to Grade 12.

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.

The Catholic Academy of Stamford (CAS) is a fully accredited Pre-K3 through 8th grade school providing academic excellence, personalized learning, and faith based education in a nurturing environment to Stamford and our surrounding community.

To schedule a personal tour, please contact our Admissions Director at Info@CasCt.org or (203) 322-6505

