



THE BASILICA OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

The Mother Church of Stamford, Connecticut



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 28, 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
VERY REVEREND CYPRIAN P. LA PASTINA

PAROCHIAL VICAR
REVEREND JHON J. GOMEZ

STAFF

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
ANNE MARIE MBABAALI

SECRETARY
LINDA RUZZI

RECEPTIONIST
JUANITA EVANS

CHOIRMASTER & ORGANIST
NICK BOTKINS

LAY MEMBERS OF THE PARISH CORP.: JOHN REGAN & ANNIE SCHRECK



MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am, † Julius & Jane Schoztic

req. Richard & Jason Schoztic

10 am, † Trish Jones *req.* Nino Family

12 pm, † Dec'd members of Tarantino Family

req. Marchetti Family

5 pm, † Kolenberg Family, Spec. Intention

MONDAY, JANUARY 29

8 am, Special Intention for a Blessing Received

req. Rose Personna

12:10 pm † Salvatore R. Piria *req.* Family

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

8 am, † Patrick Kane & Family

req. Estate of Catherine Kane & Family

12:10 pm † Gloria & Jacinto Quezada

req. Gloria Quezada

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

Saint John Bosco

8 am, † Albert Stephens *req.* Family

12:10 pm, † Olga Wolf

req. Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Ingram

THURSDAY, February 1

8 am, † Patrick Kane & Family

req. Estate of Catherine Kane & Family

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

Families *req.* Family

FRIDAY, February 2

The Presentation of the Lord

8 am, † Joseph G. Terenzio & Carmella Terenzio

req. Steve Terenzio

12:10 pm, † Souls in Purgatory

req. Maria Isabel Gil

SATURDAY, February 3

Saints Blaise and Ansgar

12:10 pm, † Dorzeide Mirvil

req. Rose Bernier

4 pm, † Lori Rubino

req. Jim Rubino



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, Evan Gaine, 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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE

RECENTLY DIED:

Joseph Kung, Mary Serock, Daniel Fronc, Mrs. Anna J. Jones, Rev. Albert Audette, Mary Maloney, Paul Mignogna, Laurence Hayes, Alfred Maffucci, Aleana Armwood Stroman, Shirley A. Simmons, Ron Cox, Terersa 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

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,

On February 2nd, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This feast occurs 40 days after Christmas and connects Christmas and the Easter Season. The Infant is being presented in the temple by Mary and Joseph, but Simeon foretells the future suffering of the Child and tells Our Lady that her own heart will be pierced.

Simeon also calls the Christ Child the “Light of Revelation for the Nations” so it is the custom to bless candles on this feast to signify Christ as the light of the world. This occurs at the beginning of the Mass in the vestibule and then we process into the Church to begin Mass.

Following Mass, blessed candles will be available to take home to use for private devotions and for when the Blessed Sacrament is brought home for the sick.

I hope you will join us on Friday, February 2nd at 7:30 in the evening as we celebrate this beautiful feast

Please keep me in your prayers and know that you are remembered each day at the Altar.

God bless you,
Father La Pastina

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 14, 2024

Masses with Ash Distribution:

8:00 AM and 12:10 PM

Ashes only: 7:00 - 7:30 PM

A REMINDER ON PARKING

Please, there is **no parking allowed in front of the church**. The spaces in front of the church are for busses and emergency vehicles **ONLY**. Even though there is currently not a Sunday bus route, the City of Stamford Police Department has kindly asked us to keep these spaces available for emergency vehicles.

STAMFORD YOUTH GROUP

The Stamford Middle School Youth Group will meet on the following dates: Jan 26, Feb 9, Feb 23, 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.

FOURTH SUNDAY



IN ORDINARY TIME

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple
Friday, February 2nd at 7:30 PM
Blessing of Candles and Procession with Solemn Mass

BASILICA YOUNG ADULT GROUP

The next meeting is scheduled for:

Monday, February 12th 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.



WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION:

In Mass: \$6,409.81

Online Giving: \$5,173.00

Total: Sunday, January 21, 2024:
\$11,582.81



One In Christ – The 2023 Bishop’s Appeal
2023 Bishop’s Appeal as of 1/19/2024

ABA Goal: \$93,500 Total Pledged:

\$73,430 (78.53%) Donors to Date: 152

The Bishop's Appeal supports the ministries of the Catholic Church throughout Fairfield County. If you have not yet given your support, please prayerfully consider doing so. Your support is critical to the continued success of the ministries.

To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at [2023 BishopsAppeal.org](http://2023BishopsAppeal.org), call

(203) 416-1470 or scan with your phone.

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. You will also receive a statement that details your generosity.

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 Lenton 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 Lenton 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 ATT: Finance Dept/L&F Campaign 238 Jewett Ave Bridgeport, CT 06606



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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 Rev

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)



Open House – Sunday, Feb 11th, 2024

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 PreK-3 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. We invite you to come to our Open House on Sunday, Feb 11, 2024, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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.



REGINA PACIS ACADEMY

Is an independent, Catholic classical school located in Norwalk, CT, serving students in grades K-8. We offer an academically rigorous curriculum from the classical tradition at a reasonable cost for all who desire to attend. Our families live in Stamford, Norwalk, other parts of Fairfield County and surrounding areas in Westchester, NY. Our goal is to form scholars and saints. There is still time to discover how different next school year could be for your son or daughter. To schedule a tour or to learn more, please contact Kim Quatela at k.quatela@reginapacisacademy.org

CARDINAL KUNG ACADEMY

Forming future Catholic leaders through Catholic classical education

CLASSICAL

An Integrated Curriculum Rooted in the Great Books

ACCESSIBLE

An Affordable Catholic Education

CATHOLIC

Steeped in the Church's Tradition



PARTNERSHIP

Supporting Parents as the Primary Educators of their Children

CONTACT:

admissions@cardinalkungacademy.org

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.

Mark your calendars for Catholic Schools Week! The Catholic Academy of Stamford invites families to attend our Open House on Sunday, January 28th from 11:30am - 1pm and to our Take a Look Day on Tuesday, January 30th from 9am - 11am.

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