



THE BASILICA OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

The Mother Church of Stamford, Connecticut



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 12, 2023



MASS SCHEDULE

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

Monday - Saturday
8 AM and 12:10 PM

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

OFFICE HOURS

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

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MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, March 12

7:30 am, †Mr. & Mrs. Frank Longo
req. Steve Terenzio

10 am, †OIn Honor of St. Patrick *req.* The Hibernians

12 pm, †Ignatius Cardinal Kung
req. Cardinal Kung Foundation

5 pm †Giuseppe & Teresa Pugliese *req.* Family

MONDAY, March 13

8 am, †Msgr Thaddeus Malanowski
req. Tom & Olga Kolenberg

12:10 †Irene Sansone
req. Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Ingram

TUESDAY, March 14

8 am, † Vito & Isabella DePinto
req. Carlo & Angela Albanese

12:10 pm, † Aleyda Esquvel
req. Irsa Garcia

WEDNESDAY, March 15

8 am, Rose Migliazza, Spec. Intention
req. Domenico Piria

12:10 pm, †Patrick kane & Family
req. Estate of Catherine Kane & Family

THURSDAY, March 16

8 am, † Fernando Mercado *req.* His Children
12:10 pm, †Madeline Preziosi, 8th Anniversary
req. Marion Morris & Family

FRIDAY, March 17

Saint Patrick

8 am, For The Parishioners

12:10 pm, † Patrick Hart

SATURDAY, March 18

8 am, †Hope & Joseph McAleer
req. McAleer Family

12:10 pm, John Kung, Spec. Intention
req. Parents

4:00pm, †Gordon Evans
req. Tim & Kelly Burkett



Sanctuary Candle:
For The Parishioners

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Monsignor DiGiovanni, Frank Carpanzano, Phil DeFelice, Ruby Lang, Barbara Smith, Jennifer Iannarelli, Julia Oliveira, Gail Piria, Larry Hayes, Julian Lucas Randal, Anthony Labroschiano, Richard Conti, Junjie & Aileen Ibanez, Evan Gaine, Ram Jhunja, Marie Anne Guillaume, Donna Bruno, Marie Guillaume

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE
RECENTLY DIED:**

Edith Shamsid-Deen, Charlie Vitolo, Alfredo Sanguinetti, John Leick, Dennis Verhaegen, Felice Saracco, Jerry W. Atkins, Dcn. Herbert Davis, Jr., Joanne Labs, Juliana R. Medina, Eugene Lang, Katherine Klaum, Margaret Rose Swan, Thomas Timon, Anita Fasanelli, Alfred Sanseverino, Nicholai Daviddenko, Gordon Evans, Amory Rodrigues, Irene Sansone, Joseph Kung, Mary Serock

Please contact the church office to add or remove a name from the prayer list.

(203) 324-1553



VERITAS CATHOLIC NETWORK:

Veritas Catholic Network is the local EWTN Radio affiliate for our diocese. With the blessing and participation of Bishop Caggiano, they have been on the air now for over two years. Veritas Catholic Network is available via local radio, live stream, and a mobile app.

THE LEGION OF MARY:

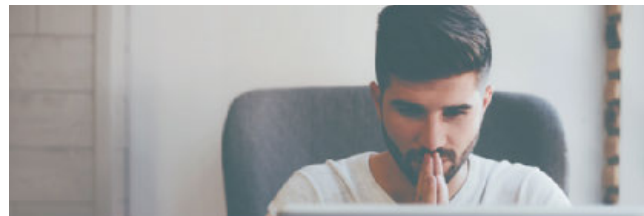
A group of parishioners gather every Wednesday at 7:30 PM in Msgr. Nagle Hall for prayer and spiritual conference. We are dedicated to strengthening our love for Our Lord through devotion to His Blessed Mother, by deeper prayer and works of charity. All are welcome.

PRO-LIFE-GROUP

Our Pro-Life Group meets each Wednesday morning to pray before the local abortion clinic

THE FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION:

The First Saturday devotion is after the 12:10 pm Mass.



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YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Fr. La Pastina's Young Adult Group will hold its next meeting on Monday, March 13, 2023, 7:30 PM. This group welcomes all Young Adults between 21-35 years of age.

Mass Intentions

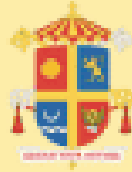
The Mass book for 2023 Intentions is available for Mass requests. All requests are on a first come, first serve basis and are \$10.00 each. (Canon n.946 of the Code of Canon Law) Please contact the parish office with your requests at 203-324-1553 or email office@stjohnbasilica.org.

STAMFORD YOUTH GROUP

Friday night Youth Group meeting dates for 2023! Please join us for sports and games, faith-filled activities, and prayer with Fr. Connaughton, Fr. Mariusz, Fr. Suarez and the Stamford Youth Ministry team! Join us at the Church of the Holy Spirit (403 Scofieldtown Road) on the following dates! Additional information and more activities to be announced soon!

Middle School Dates: Mar 24, Apr 14, Apr 28, May 12

High School Dates: Mar 17, Mar 31, Apr 21, May 5, May 19



THE BASILICA OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL EVENTS FOR SPRING 2023

FEBRUARY

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND AT 7:30 PM
FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION
Blessing of Candles and Procession

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH AT 7:30 PM
BASILICA YOUNG ADULTS MEETING
Church and Rectory

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH AT 7:30 PM
Opening Mass for Forty Hour
Devotions & Lenten Mission Adoration
until 10 PM

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH AT 7:30 PM
Meditation and Benediction Adoration
until 10 PM

MARCH

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1ST AT 7:30 PM
Solemn Closing of Forty Hours with
Procession and Benediction

SATURDAY, MARCH 11TH AT 12:30 PM
Solemn Requiem Mass according to
the 1962 Missal for the
Anniversary of the Death of
Ignatius Cardinal Kung

TUESDAY, MARCH 7TH AT 7:30 PM
ADULT EDUCATION LECTURE
The remarkable Papacy of Pope Benedict XVI
by Rev. John Perleone,
(Rectory Ballroom)

MONDAY, MARCH 13TH AT 7:30 PM
BASILICA YOUNG ADULTS
(Church and Rectory)

MONDAY, MARCH 20TH AT 7:30 PM
FEAST OF SAINT JOSEPH
Solemn Mass with traditional blessing of pastries
in the Nagle Hall

APRIL

MONDAY, APRIL 10TH AT 7:30 PM
BASILICA YOUNG ADULTS
(Church and Rectory)

MAY

MONDAY, MAY 15TH AT 7:30 PM
DEVOTIONS IN HONOR OF OUR LADY
FOR THE MONTH OF MAY
Rosary and Benediction

MONDAY, MAY 22ND AT 7:30 PM
BASILICA YOUNG ADULTS
(Church and Rectory)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24TH AT 7:30 PM
OUR LADY OF SHE SHAN
Solemn Mass according to the 1962 Missal

JUNE

SUNDAY, JUNE 11TH AT 5:00 PM
FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI
Solemn Mass and Procession in the Piazza

FRIDAY, JUNE 16TH AT 7:30 PM
FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS
Solemn Mass according to the 1962 Missal and
Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

MONDAY, JUNE 19TH AT 7:30 PM
BASILICA YOUNG ADULTS
(Church and Rectory)

THURSDAY, JUNE 29TH AT 7:30 PM
FEAST OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL
Solemn Vespers for the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul
(Plenary Indulgence for visiting the Basilica)





Feast of Saint Joseph

Monday, March 20 7:30 PM

Solemn Mass

followed by

Blessing of pastries in Nagle Hall



THE CATHOLIC BRIDGE



A Diocesan Mentorship Program

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN A
DIOCESAN-WIDE MENTORSHIP PROGRAM?

The diocese has launched a mentorship program benefiting young adult Catholics as they look for career and life guidance. The program consists of one monthly meeting with your mentor or mentee for six months. Meetings can be held in person or via Zoom. If you or someone you know is interested in participating as either a mentor or mentee, please sign up by clicking on the link or QR code below:

www.FormationReimagined.org/Bridge

For more information, please contact the Program Coordinator, Cindy Egloff, at CEgloff@diobpt.org



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WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION:

Mass & Mail-In Collection: \$7,985.50

Online Giving Collection: \$2,441.00

Total: Sunday, March 5, 2023:

\$10,426.50



One In Christ

2023 Bishop's Appeal

The Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist raised 40 gifts worth \$9,433 from 33 donors bringing the parish to 10.09% of its \$93,500 goal. \$7,767 has been collected in cash which is 8.31% of goal.



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

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.

YOUR GIFTS AT WORK

The mission of fostering vocations to the priesthood must be inscribed on the heart of every faithful Catholic in the Diocese of Bridgeport. St. John Vianney spoke of the priesthood as "the love of the heart of Christ." God willing, seminarians discerning their call will become the next generation of priests who will bring the love of the heart of Christ to you and your family.

As priests, they will accompany and guide you through the joys and sorrows of this world towards our shared goal of eternal life in the kingdom of heaven. The book of Lamentations reminds us, "The Lord's mercies are not exhausted, his compassion is not spent" (Lam 3:22). The Heart of Jesus is calling out for men to step forward and make His love, His mercy, and His presence known to His people. Through your generous gift to the Bishop's Appeal, the Diocese will be better able to support men who are discerning priesthood and they may respond generously and courageously to that call. Thank you for your gift.



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