

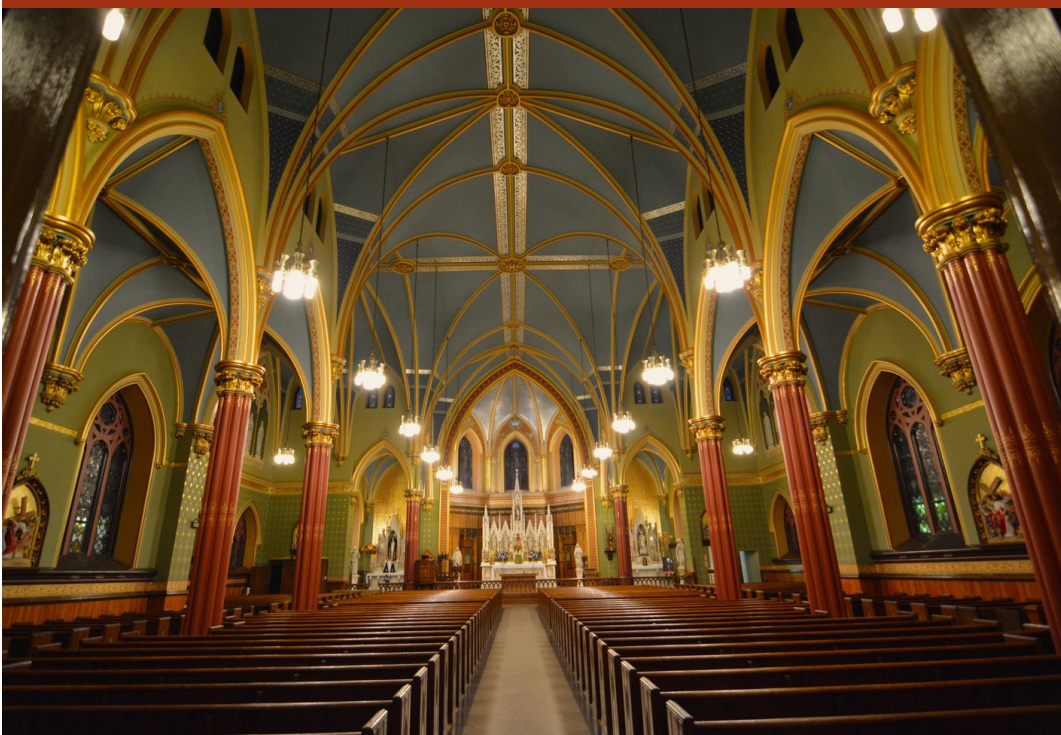


THE BASILICA OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

The Mother Church of Stamford, Connecticut



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 4, 2022



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, December 4

7:30 am, †Fernand Constant
req. Geralda Constant Berrouet
 10 am, †Lori Rubino *req.* Jim Rubino
 12 pm, Fadius Galbert, Spec. Intention
 5 pm, †Gloria Pepin

MONDAY, December 5

8 am, †Patrick Kane & Family
req. Estate of Catherine Kane & Family
 12:10 pm, †Bill Smolinski
req. Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Ingram

TUESDAY, December 6

Saint Nicholas

8 am, †Carmen Delgado *req.* Felicia Pacheco
 12:10 pm, †Curly Gustave *req.* Pugliese Family

WEDNESDAY, December 7

Saint Ambrose

8 am, Karen Pozo, Spec. Intention
req. Felicia Pacheco
 12:10 pm, Maria Juarez, Spec. Intention
req. Vargas Family
 5:15 †Frank Pugliese *req.* Family

THURSDAY, December 8

*The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin
 Mary*

8 am, †Morgan Baston *req.* Felicia Pacheco
 12:10 pm, †Candida Costello *req.* Frank Costello
 7:30 pm, Special Intention

FRIDAY, December 9

8 am, †Matilde Delgado *req.* Felicia Pacheco
 12:10 pm, † Pasquale Santagata
req. Carlo & Angela Albanese

SATURDAY, December 10

8 am, †Karen Pozo, Spec. Intention
req. Felicia Pacheco
 12:10 pm, †Dec'd Members of Hart Family
 4 pm, Francis, Colleen, & Thea Kung, Spec.
 Intention *req.* Parents

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

NOVENA

On November 30th, we will begin our annual Novena in preparation for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Nine days of prayer with guest preachers each evening to help us celebrate the sinless Virgin Mary. On weeknights, the Novena will begin at 7:30 PM with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. On Saturday and Sunday, the Novena will be in the context of our regular evening Masses. On Tuesday, December 7th, we will celebrate a 5:15 PM Vigil Mass. On December 8th, we will celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception with a Solemn Mass with choir and brass at 7:30 PM followed by a reception in Nagle Hall. Please join us as we honor Our Lady!

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 Labrosciano, Richard Conti, Junjie & Aileen Ibanez

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

John Klucinec, John Santoro, Alfred Joseph Cesar, Jean H. Zawacki, Emma Clay, Josephine Darling, Damon Thornton, 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



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.

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.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Fr. La Pastina will continue the Basilica's Young Adult Group this Fall for ages 21-35. The next meeting is on **Monday, December 12th at 7:30pm.**



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Volunteers are needed to serve lunch at the New Covenant Center Soup Kitchen, 174 Richmond Hill Avenue in Stamford. We are seeking volunteers for the lunch shift on the first Wednesday each month from 12:15 to 1:30 pm. Please contact the Parish Office to join our team!



Sanctuary Candle:
For The Parishioners

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.



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NOVENA TO THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Mediations on the Mysteries of the Rosary each evening. November 30th - December 8th

Wednesday, November 30th at 7:30 PM

Homily: Rev. Mr. Andrew LaFleur
Saint Joseph Seminary, Dunwoodie, New York
Topic: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin

Thursday, December 1st at 7:30 PM

Homily: Rev. John A. Perricone
Lecturer and Retreat Director
Topic: The Crowning with Thorns

Friday, December 2nd at 7:30 PM

Homily: Rev. Brandon O'Brien
Marriage Tribunal Diocese of Rockville Center
Topic: The Crucifixion of Our Lord

Saturday, December 3rd at 4:00 PM

Homily: Most Reverend Frank Caggiano
Bishop of Bridgeport

Sunday, December 4th at 5:00 PM

Homily: Rev. Matthew R. Mauriello
Chaplain, Saint Camillus Nursing Home
Topic: The Coronation of Our Lady

Monday, December 5th at 7:30 PM

Homily: Rev. Robert Kinnally
Vicar General of the Diocese of Bridgeport
Pastor, Saint Aloysius Church, New Canaan
Topic: The Presentation in the Temple

Tuesday, December 6th at 7:30 PM

Homily: Rev. Jon Tveit
Administrator: Saint Mary Church, Wappingers Falls
Topic: The Nativity

Wednesday, December 7th at 7:30 PM

Homily: Rev. Mr. Ferry Galbert
Saint Joseph Seminary, Dunwoodie, New York
Topic: The Visitation

Thursday, December 8th at 7:30 PM

Solemn Mass for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception
with Brass and Schola
Homily: Very Rev. Cyprian P. La Pastina
Pastor of the Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist
Topic: The Annunciation
Reception in Nagle Hall after Mass



THE BASILICA OF
SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST
Very Reverend Cyprian P. La Pastina, Pastor



WEEKLY SUNDAY COLLECTION:

Mass & Mail-In Collection: \$6,164.65

Online Giving Collection: \$3,585.00

Total: Sunday, Nov 27, 2022: \$9,749.65

**Total: Sunday, November 20, 2022:
\$9,901.05**

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 and you also have the option to set up recurring donations from your bank by setting up an account.

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

2022 BISHOP'S APPEAL: A Bridge Home

Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist, Stamford raised 176 gifts worth \$72,377 from 144 donors bringing the parish to 77.41% of its \$93,500 goal.

To make a gift, or for more information, please visit:

2022BishopsAppeal.org, or call (203) 416-1470.

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION:

You must be an active, registered parishioner to marry at the Basilica of St. John's. Either the bride or the groom must be a practicing Catholic and registered at the Basilica for one year before contacting us regarding scheduling the wedding here. The bride or groom must be an active parishioner, regularly attending Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation and using our online giving portal or the envelope system in regular support of the parish.

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.

F R E E W I L L 

Free Estate Planning Resource

Have you thought about including our Parish in your will? Our Diocese has partnered with **FreeWill** to offer members of our Parish the opportunity to create their legal will for free. Using FreeWill's easy-to-use online platform, you can write your will in 20 minutes or less, and start your legacy with our Parish in the process.



Get started today at FreeWill.com/BridgeportDiocese

To ensure financial transparency, the first Sunday in December is "Accountability Sunday" where every parish, school and Diocesan entities publish their annual financial reports simultaneously. These reports, (below) can also be viewed on our website.

The Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist, Stamford
Statement of Activities - Unaudited
Year Ended June 30,

	2022	2021
REVENUE, SUPPORT AND OTHER CHANGES		
Offertory Income	636,145	639,603
Religious Education Program	10,450	12,903
Votive	28,877	1,860
Mass Stipends	9,281	14,306
Gifts and Bequests	124,764	116,712
Assets Released From Restriction - Capital Projects	296,526	2,782,192
Assets Released From Restriction - Specific Expenses	30,730	12,948
Total Revenue, Support and Other Changes	1,136,773	3,580,524
EXPENSES		
Personnel Costs - Lay Employees	385,031	443,600
Personnel Costs - Clergy	124,327	116,426
Charitable Contributions to Organizations and Individuals	4,582	12,300
Cathedraticum Assessment	159,480	244,536
Professional Fees	98,424	63,205
Insurance	40,160	39,994
Supplies, Repairs & Maintenance and Other Services	341,340	260,234
Utilities	85,270	86,641
Religious Education Program Expenses	1,573	6,811
Total Expenses	1,240,186	1,273,746
Income (Loss) from Operations before Depreciation	(103,413)	2,306,778
Depreciation Expense*	466,244	-
Income (Loss) from Operations Before Other Income / Expenses	(569,657)	2,306,778
OTHER INCOME / EXPENSES		
Fundraising, Net	1,884	95,565
Pre-School and Child Care Services, Net	-	-
Net Investment Income	(10,532)	177,110
Rental and Lease Revenue, Net	210,240	210,240
Cemetery Revenue	-	-
Gain and Loss on Sale of Assets	-	-
Interest Expense	(1,880)	-
Property Taxes	-	-
Restricted Contributions	334,256	184,549
Assets Released From Restriction - Capital Projects	(296,526)	(2,782,192)
Assets Released From Restriction - Specific Expenses	(33,730)	(12,948)
Net Other Income / Expenses	203,712	(2,127,677)
Change in Net Assets	(365,945)	179,101

*Depreciation expense accounting was implemented for fiscal year 2022, as per Diocesan mandate, resulting in a one-time charge of prior years' cumulative depreciation of \$5,484,862 against Net Assets as of June 30, 2021. In fiscal year 2022, depreciation expense of \$466,244 was recorded, resulting in a negative Change of Net Assets of (\$365,945). Without the depreciation, change of net assets would be \$100,299. Going forward, annual depreciation will now be reflected in all future years.

The Basilica of Saint John the Evangelist, Stamford
Statement of Financial Position - Unaudited
June 30,

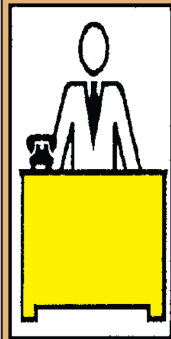
	2022	2021
ASSETS		
Cash	149,606	153,101
Receivables	1,515	1,097
Prepaid Expenses	1,260	-
Property, Buildings & Equipment, Net	11,267,741	11,066,621
Investments	731,665	1,083,998
Total Assets	\$ 12,151,787	\$ 12,304,817
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS		
Liabilities		
Accounts Payables to Vendors & Others	6,957	14,954
Due to Diocese	356,735	89,610
Special Collections	5,424	5,758
Other Accrued Expenses	1,024	725
Payroll Liabilities	-	(12,183)
Deferred Religious Ed Fees, Tuition, Other	5,722,415	5,932,655
Loans Payable	151,880	-
Total Liabilities	6,244,435	6,031,520
Net Assets		
Without Donor Restrictions	5,845,586	6,215,531
With Donor Restrictions	61,766	57,766
Total Net Assets	5,907,352	6,273,297
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$ 12,151,787	\$ 12,304,817



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