

The Roman Catholic Parish of Middlebury and Southbury

JULY 28, 2024



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17th Sunday in Ordinary <u>Time</u>

The Sandwich Ministry welcomed Father Jaime to the ministry at the July 16 pickup. Father provided a blessing of the loaves of sandwiches donated and helped load the 57 loaves along with dozens of towels graciously donated by our Parishioners. Thank you Father Jaime and we look forward to all your future blessings and help. See <u>page 5</u> for more information.

Welcome!

Midd-South Catholic is a welcoming and accepting Catholic community that fosters a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and lives that faith through love and service.

JESUS CALLING

God will bless your small acts of compassion when you use your gifts to serve others.

How can you act compassionately this week?

REIMAGINE CHURCH

Seeds of Hope for Haiti DINNER & AUCTION Friday, October 18th 6:00pm

Details on next page.

ENCOUNTER JESUS

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil - 5pm Sacred Heart

> Sunday Mass 7:30am, 9am Sacred Heart

11am *St. John of the Cross*

DAILY MASS

Mondays & Thursdays - 8am St. John of the Cross

Tuesdays & Wednesdays - 8am Sacred Heart

RECONCILIATION

(Confession) Saturdays 3pm - 3:30pm

1st & 2nd Saturday of the Month *St. John of the Cross*

3rd, 4th & 5th Saturday of the Month Sacred Heart

LIVE WITH PURPOSE

THIS IS US...

Last week Jesus invited his disciples to "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." I hope you have found time in these long July days to rest, renew and pray. Sometimes we need a bit of help to be reflective and I have found the Examen a prayerful way to look at my day with God. Below is a version from Xavier University that is helpful to be aware of God's presence.

St. Ignatius Loyola's Examen invites us to find the movement of God in all the people and events of our day. The Examen is simply a set of introspective prompts for you to follow or adapt to your own character and spirit.

Begin with a pause and a slow, deep breath or two; become aware that you are in the presence of the Holy.

Thanksgiving

What am I especially grateful for in the past day . . . The gift of another day... The love and support I have received... The courage I have mustered... An event that took place today...

Petition

I am about to review my day; I ask for the light to know God and to know myself as God sees me.

Review

Where have I felt true joy today? What has troubled me today? What has challenged me today? Where and when did I pause today? Have I noticed God's presence in any of this?

Response

In light of my review, what is my response to the God of my life?

A Look Ahead

As I look ahead, what comes to mind? With what spirit do I want to enter tomorrow?

> Pray well and be at peace! -Ami

2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal Progress for Midd-South Catholic

74.47% of \$240,000 Parish Goal!

For latest information, go to: www.archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal



Save the Date!



Seeds of Hope for Haiti

Dinner & Auction

the Grand Boulage Clinic, School, and Our Twinned Parish

Friday, October 18th 6:00pm

The Wyndham Southbury 1284 Strongtown Rd, Southbury

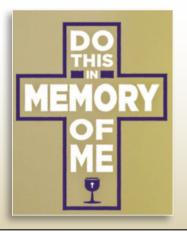
\$125 per person

Cash Bar Reception Dinner, Entertainment Live & Silent Auctions!

Plan now to join us for a spectacular evening!

For further information, please contact:

Bruce Palmatier brucep@seedsofhopehaiti.org 203.206.3312





No one has to hurt alone. We are here to help.

Let a Stephen Minister be by your side.

Please contact BJ Daly Horell, Pastoral Associate, at bj@mscatholic.org or 203-264-5071 x203 to discuss about whether you might benefit from having a Stephen Minister accompany you at this time.



Groups meeting during the summer:

Centering Prayer Group:

Every 1st Monday, online 7:00 PM Every 3rd Saturday, online 8:30 AM To join the online group, please contact: Esther Rada: erada@outlook.com Dawn Fleming: dfleming@ holyfamilyretreat.org

Men's Ministry:

rather than later.

In-person and Zoom, Every Saturday, 6:30 to 8:00 AM, SHC, Jerusalem For further information, please contact: Dave Kania: dkania08@gmail.com Patrick Fellin: pfellin21@gmail.com

Desiring the Sacrament of the

Sick for yourself or a loved one?

For peace of mind, let's talk sooner

Wondering about Holy Orders?

Even if the idea is just tickling the

Team is ready to ponder it with you.

back of your mind, the Pastoral

203-264-5071 to begin exploring

Contact the Parish Office at

Adults Celebrating the Sacraments Is something holding you back from participating fully in the life of our faith community? Most adults can enjoy a full sacramental life, and we can help you get there! Our Pastoral Team will walk with you at your own pace, focusing on your own hopes, on a timetable that works for you. What Sacrament would enrich your life at this time?

Away from Holy Communion?

Whether the obstacle is within your heart and mind, or whether some life circumstance is keeping you from receiving Jesus in the Eucharist, there is a place for you at the table. Let's see if we can find you a chair!

Never Confirmed?

The gifts of the Spirit can offer deep graces for your journey, both in struggle and in times of peace!

Never Baptized?

That one's easy! Call the parish office to begin preparations any time.

Feeling Awkward about Reconciliation? They say "confession is good for the soul," so let's help you find your way back to the Sacrament that brings pardon and peace.

Getting Married? Prepare for life's great journey with God's loving presence in the Sacrament!

Please pray for our sick at home, in hospitals and convalescent homes, especially:

Mary Frances I.C. Corr Jennifer Pike Mary Arpaia Michael Berardelli Joe Capobianco Virginia Cartiglia Mark Cavallero John Weyant J.A. Zawacki Ezra Black Baby Declan Rowe Baby John Steve Brown Julia Logan Ann Farrow **Bella Burns** Audrey Brody Jeanne Gray **Doug Mihalko**

Marty Flanagan Shannon Ed Villamana **Carter Razz** Kayla Snabaitis Martha D'Eramo George Logan Paul Beavers **Brian Logan** Mary Ann Pingaro **James Forte** Lynn Sal Lafata Raymond DiFonzo Olga Scileppi Infant John Vincent **Paul Pittman** Andrew Perrella **Ray Eliason** Jim Walsh Mark Anderson Jolynn Parlatore

Larry Lucas Ioan Anderson **Taylor Richard** Marcia Bartow Frank Locasio Michael Browne Anthony Desimone **Marian Pelletier** Valerie Venezia Sandy Romano Canadeo **Ed Robinson** Rosemary Kelli Leanden Rossomando Harold Olcese Dorothy **McNamara** Norma Voels Albert Pagliaro **Gayle Horrell Tony DeFelice** Manuel Tomas Louise Pawlowski **Esther Vilela** Sam Falco Jerelyn Fields Samantha Sheila Drakeley Lucia Mannello Cosmo Mazza **Brandon Young** Adam Smith Tammy McAdams **Rhonda Ostrom Gail Prager**

Sharon Wooley Crowley Mary Lou Cheek Kristin Nauheimer

Betty J. von Bergen **Rose Sparano Connie Court** Maureen Ann **Christian Lawson** Kathryn Lowkis Jane Corbitt Sally Logan **Michael Culhane Carole Voytok** Jay Bucko **Cole Richard Chabre** loe & Rosetta Capobianca Fran Fraine **Renee Fraine Bob Slowik** Pat Taruska

the possibilities! **New England Catholic**

Biblical School – Enrollment is now open!

"In prayer and meditation, it is ourselves who speak to the Lord, while in reading Scripture it is God who speaks to us." -St. Padre Pio

Let God speak to you! Study all 73 books of the Bible! In-person and online classes begin Sept 7th.

Class locations for Year 1 Class:

Midd-South Catholic, Sacred Heart, Southbury, Mondays, 10am - 12pm Our Lady of Loreto, Waterbury, Thursdays, 6:30 - 8:30pm St Aloysius, Plantsville, Tuesdays 10-12pm St Pio of Pietrelcina, East Haven, Thursdays 10 - 12pm Online, Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30pm www.NewEnglandCatholicBiblicalSchool.com



Registration continues!

The Faith Formation Office is closed the month of July.

Registration forms can still be submitted! Forms are found on the website by clicking *here*, or you can

pick-up a hardcopy at Sacred Heart campus in the Atrium or at St. John of the Cross campus in the back of the Church.



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During July, please submit your registration form by emailing a copy to ffo@mscatholic.org or by mailing/dropping it off to the Parish Office.

If you should have any questions, please contact Ami Conlan at ami@mscatholic.org. She is still available by appointment and responds to her email.

The 2024-25 GIFT Schedule:

Choose your time-slot from the four options below. Need to change? Just email us before the session.

SUNDAYS 1: 4-6:30 PM Sept. 15th | Oct. 13th | Nov. 10th | Jan. 5th | Feb. 2nd | Mar. 9th

WEDNESDAY: 5-7:30 PM Sept. 18th | Oct. 16th | Nov. 13th | Jan. 8th | Feb. 5th | Mar. 12th

FRIDAY: 6-8:30 PM Sept. 20th | Oct. 18th | Nov. 15th | Jan. 10th | Feb. 7th | Mar. 14th

SUNDAYS 2: 4-6:30 PM Sept. 22nd | Oct. 20th | Nov. 17th | Jan. 12th | Feb. 9th* | Mar. 16th

* NOTE: The 2-9-25 session time will be <u>1-3:30pm</u> due to *Super Bowl Sunday*.

ACTS 4 Ministry -&- Covenant to Care Serving children in need in the Waterbury area.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL COLLECTION Donation drop-off by Aug 11th at either campus 🗸

rulers • folders • pencils • pencil cases • pencil sharpeners • colored pencils crayons • erasers • scissors • glue sticks • highlighters • spiral notebooks 1" & 2" 3-ring binders • bookbags (13", 15" and 17") composition notebooks • lined notebook paper • graph paper THANK YOU FOR YOUR ONGOING GENEROSITY!

> Come help us assemble the donated school supplies into the backpacks!

<u>Sunday, August IIth, after 9 AM Mass</u> Parish Hall, Sacred Heart Campus

> If you have questions, please contact: Diane Sanicola 203-264-1103

Michelle Cambra mrcambra@yahoo.com

Save the date for CONFIRMATION **ORIENTATION!**

Confirmation Orientation is mandatory for high school students and one parent who are in their First Year or Second Year of preparation.

- Please join us for a program overview; schedule of preparation commitments and sign up for service!
- No registration is required for your attendance at the orientation-simply choose the date and one parent and the student attend.
- Choose 1 date below for student/ parent to attend at time indicated if you are in the *First Year (grade 9 or older in the first year of the program) or *Second Year Program (grade 10 or older who have completed all First Year/ Grade 9 Faith Formation)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25TH Sacred Heart Campus

5:00pm-Grade 10/Second Year 6:30pm-Grade 9/First Year

-OR-

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH Sacred Heart Campus

6:00pm-Grade 10/Second Year 7:15pm-Grade 9/First Year

*If you are not sure of your first/second year status kindly email: ffo@mscatholic.org

Mission Trip:

If you are interested in the 2025 Mission Trip, go to: https://www.signupgenius. com/go/20F0945ACAA2AA7FC1middsouth

An information meeting will be held in early October.



Volunteers Needed!

New Start Ministry of Woodbury, CT is an interfaith group that works with IRIS (Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services, New Haven) to co-sponsor refugee families for local resettlement.

We can use your talents in the following areas!

Employment Committee: Search for appropriate employment for all healthy adult family members; coordinate with the CT DOL on their training programs; mentor the employable adults with resumes, job application (written and online) and on-the-job work expectations.

Legal: Assist the family with understanding their legal status in the USA (refugee, humanitarian parolee, etc.) Identify pro bono sources to assist them in their pursuit of Green Cards.

Social Media: Leverage social media and personal contacts to get others interested in our work. Assist with inviting volunteers to join the team.

Social Services/Benefits: (Lead Volunteer) Assist the family with registering with SSA and for all CT DSS benefits to which they are entitled. Mentor the adult family members in proper use of SNAP and other benefits.

Technology: Research affordable cell phone plans and help the family obtain phones (and/or SIM cards); assist the family get their computer equipment working properly; research best WIFI and cable TV plans.

Translator Coordination: (Backup Lead) Identify translators (volunteer and paid); arrange/schedule translators to accompany other team members when needed.

Transportation: (Lead Volunteer) Research public transportation options; schedule current and new volunteer drivers to accommodate family appointments made by other team members; instruct family on use of bus system; guide the adult family members through the DMV system to obtain learner's permits; arrange for driving lessons and guide family toward their licenses.

For more information, please contact:

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Southbury Food Bank Donations WANTED!!! Support is needed for our adopted "Canned Meat Shelf" at the Southbury Food Bank. The summer is a time when donations may decrease due to vacations but the demand at the food bank is consistent or increasing due to children being on summer break. If you haven't in the past, please consider helping by picking up some extra items at the grocery store and dropping them in the bin in the Atrium. A special big thanks to those who contribute consistently to this ministry. The canned meat shelf is a vital part of the food bank, and your generosity is appreciated immensely. Our team kindly donates time on the 2nd Saturday each month to sort and deliver the items from the Sacred Heart campus to the food bank. Our next delivery is **August 10th.** Let's make it a great one! Drop your items in the box in the Atrium before or after all masses or weekdays from 9 AM to 3:30 PM. Any questions or

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SANDWICH MINISTRY

Sacred Heart Campus Next drop off: July 30 & Aug 13 7:30am - 4pm For more info, please contact: Bill Hahn: bhahn23@sbcglobal.net St. John of the Cross Campus: Sandwich Team 3, Week of 7/28 Teams meet weekly in Fr. Fanning Hall to make sandwiches and then deliver the sandwiches to the shelter before lunch. Please contact: Jackie Desmarais: 203-509-6502



Our Common Home Ministry Summer Reading Program

Loving God's creation and God's most vulnerable is at the heart of who we are.

In order to help build ecological and environmental awareness within the Midd-South Catholic community we have chosen books for both adults and children. We suggest you read one of the books and discuss it with friends and family. Also, we hope you will help a child develop a "sense of wonder" by reading the children's books with them and discussing how, together, you can make a difference within Our Common Home.

Late Migrations: A Natural History of Love and Loss

by Margaret Renkl Two lyrical, reflective and hopeful books (The Comfort of Crows and Late Migrations) by a noted journalist illuminating the changing rhythms of human life and the natural and familial worlds of which we are an integral part.

Flute's Journey: The Life of a Wood Thrush

By Lynne Cherry, Ages 5-8 Discover the challenges a young wood thrush must face during migration. Beautifully illustrated and accurate description.

Fox: A Circle of Life Story

By Isabel Thomas, Ages 5-7 years A sensitive subject, useful in beginning a discussion about what happens when animals die. Best read with an adult

The Important Book

By Margaret Wise Brown, Ages 4-8 years Using lyrical words, simple objects are explored through a child's eyes

For more information contact:

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All offices are located at Sacred Heart campus 9am-4:30pm (Mon-Thur); 9am-12pm (Fri)

Church Sanctuary Hours:

St. John of the Cross Campus: **7am-12pm (7 days/wk)** Sacred Heart Campus: **9am-4:30pm (Mon-Thur), 9-12 (Fri) 4-6pm (Saturdays) and 7am-10am (Sundays)**

Online Platforms

BROADCAST LIVE: Saturday 5pm, Sunday 7:30, 9 or 11am

- shcsouthbury.online.church: An innovative space where our community can gather and experience Mass in real time! We strongly encourage you to gather together on Sundays on the <u>shcsouthbury.online.</u> <u>church</u> platform at 7:30am, 9am, 11am or 5pm Saturday Vigil. Chat with others from our community, offer your prayer intentions during the Prayer of the Faithful and be uniquely connected when it is not easy to be together physically. If you can't be at Mass onsite- this is the place to be!
- www.middsouthcatholic.org: See post on homepage for easy connection to *live* masses.
- **YouTube** Our Youtube channel: <u>https://www.youtube.com/c/</u> <u>SacredHeartSouthbury</u> has a library of our previous broadcasts of Masses and reflections and can be watched live.

For Online Giving, go to:

https://osvhub.com/middsouthcatholic/giving/funds

Mass and Prayer intentions

Saturday, July 27 5:00 PM Samuel J. Falcone Requested by his wife & family

> **Richard Stephens** *Requested by Eileen Omundsen*

Sunday, July 28 7:30 AM Intentions of our Parishioners

9:00 AM Jackie Miller Requested by Donna Lombardi & Paul Miller

> **Pat O'Leary** Requested by Diane Greco

11:00 AM Evelyn Slason Requested by Evelyn Gobstein

> **Rocco & Carmella Gugliotti** *Requested by their family*

Monday, July 29 8:00 AM Intentions of our Parishioners

Tuesday, July 30 8:00 AM Gloria Meyer & Paul G. Meyer Requested by The Langrock & Meyer Families

Wednesday, July 31 8:00 AM Intentions of our Parishioners Thursday, August 1 8:00 AM Intentions of our Parishioners

Friday, August 2 NO MASS

Saturday, August 3 5:00 PM Intentions of our Parishioners

Sunday, August 4 7:30 AM Intentions of our Parishioners

9:00 AM Casmir Pierz Requested by Michael & Megan Twardowski

> Anne Spellman Requested by Rocco & Catherine Ruggeri

11:00 AM John N. Calabrese, Sr. Requested by his family

George Dowling & John Francis Holmes Requested by Christian Dowling



requested prayer intentions will be invited first to offer the gifts at your mass. Thank you in advance as we begin to celebrate again more fully together.

Presentation of the Gifts Those who have

The Marian Votive Candle of Sacred Heart burns in loving memory of Harold & Signe Erickson by their family.



For those who are serving in our Military, please keep the following in your prayers God, keep special watch over these men and

women serving in the Navy, National Guard, Army, Marine Corps., Air Force, Coast Guard and keep them safe: R. Jay C.; Alicia C., Scott D.; Miles G.; Jeremy Gibbons (Staff Sargent).; Michael I.; Patrick P.; Brandon S.; Julian S.; Matthew Wynne,; Andrew P.; Gordie Fry-Coast Guard; Gill Rosario, Special Forces-US Army; Jack S., Ryan Mercede, Major Sarah Mobilio-USMC, Captain Andrew Perrella, USAF; SWCC Kevin Howe, SGT. Jay DeZinno, The 142nd Medical Company, Danbury, CT., PFC Brody Schwartz, US Army, Private John Massi, USMC

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Deadline for all bulletin articles is Monday, 12 pm. Send articles to: mkorsu@mscatholic.org





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