

Haitian Ministry Dinner

The Haitian Ministry is hosting a ham dinner on Saturday, April 23, 2005 after the 5:00pm Mass in the Fellowship Rooms.

All are invited.

A free will donation will be gratefully accepted.

Please Note

Rella will be attending the National Conference of Catechetical Leadership conference in Louisville, KY from April 9 – April 14. Sandy Rice will be in the Faith Formation Office from **Tuesday, April 12 – Thursday, April 14. The office will open at 12:30pm on these days.** Rella will be back in the office on Friday, April 15th.

Confirmation

On **Sunday, April 17 at the 10:30am Mass**, Bishop Cote will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to four of our teens. All are invited to attend this Mass to show support and to celebrate with our teens and their families as they receive the final Sacrament of Initiation.

Confirmation Rehearsal

Confirmation rehearsal will be held on Tuesday, April 12 at 6:30pm in the church. All those being confirmed this year **must** be present with their sponsors. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Stan.

Book Club

The next meeting of the Book Club is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 19th at 7 pm in the Fellowship Rooms.** Please note the **change in location.** Our next book is entitled *In Search of Belief* by Joan Chittister. The cost of this book is \$15. Questions? Please contact Rella.

Welcome to Sacred Heart Parish!

The following families have recently joined our parish family:

Susan Ercolano and her son, Michael
Eileen Riley

Tag Sale

The Youth Group will be participating in the town tag sale on April 30th.

The tag sale will be held in the church parking lot.

During your spring-cleaning please remember the Youth Group.

We will take
all clean usable household items.

PLEASE NO CLOTHING.

Call Rella for more information regarding drop-off times and place.

The Youth Group will also have tables available for rent.

Call early to reserve your table for the tag sale. The fee is \$10 per table.
Call Rella at 875-4563 to reserve a table.

Christian Leadership Retreat for High School Youth

"Be a Light to the World" - April 22 - 24 (Begins 8:00 p.m. on Friday and ends at noon on Sunday.) Learn more about being a Christ-like Leader - Meet leaders from all over the state of Connecticut - Deepen your own faith - Learn new leadership skills. Retreat Offering: \$ 150.00 Please send name, address, phone number, and grade along with retreat offering to: Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, Attn: Youth Ministry, 303 Tunxis Road, West Hartford, CT 06107. For more information – call 860.521.0440 or visit <http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org>

Senior Chorus of Vernon

If you are a senior citizen and like to sing, then this is your opportunity to join a group of seniors who meet on Monday mornings from 9:30-11:00am. Songs selected are from the 1920's through the 1950's. If you're interested or would like more information, please contact Helena Daly at 875-7690 or Joe Grabinsky at 872-7702.

Out of the whole world one man, Peter, is chosen to preside at the calling of all nations, and to be set over all the apostles and all the fathers of the Church.

Though there are in God's people many bishops and many shepherds, Peter is thus appointed to rule in his own person those whom Christ also rules as the original ruler.

Beloved, how great and wonderful is this sharing in his power that God in his goodness has given to this man.

Whatever Christ has willed to be shared in common by Peter and the other leaders of the Church, it is only through Peter that he has given to others what he has not refused to bestow on them.

From a sermon by St. Leo the Great, pope

Readings for the Week

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/ 1 Pt 1:17-21/ Lk 24:13-35
Monday: Acts 6:8-15/ Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51-8:1a/ Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/ Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/ Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20/ Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/ Jn 6:60-69
Next Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/ 1 Pt 2:20b-25
Jn 10:1-10

Chariots of Hope Wheelchair Collection

"Where there is hope.... there is triumph." We at Chariots of Hope have seen this in the eyes of persons receiving one of our wheelchairs. The 7th Annual 1000 Wheels Day, which is our major collection event, will be held Saturday, May 7th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Wheelchairs may be brought to any barracks of the Connecticut State Police who join us in this event. Chariots of Hope is a non profit all volunteer organization which collects unused manual wheelchairs, refurbishes and provides them at no cost to those in need - here and around the world. If you wish more information, please call Ken Messier at 860 242-HOPE or Michele Carney at 860 463-4881 or visit our web site, www.chariotsofhope.org.

Police Barracks Locations:

CT State Police:

Troop A, Southbury, CT 203/267-2200

Troop B, Route 7, North Canaan, 860/824-2500

Troop C, Tolland, 860/896-3200

Troop D, Westcott Road, Danielson, 860/779-4900

Troop E, Montville, 860/848-6500

Troop F, Westbrook, 860/399-2100

Troop G, 149 Prospect St., Bridgeport, 203/696-2500

Troop H, 100 Washington St., Hartford, 860/534-1055

Troop I, 631 Amity Road {Rt. 83} Bethany, CT 203/393-4200

Troop K, 15 Old Hartford Rd., Colchester 860/537-7550

Troop L, 452 Bantam Rd., Litchfield, 860/567-6801

Panel Discussion

Voice of the Faithful of Eastern Connecticut (VOTF) presents A **Panel Discussion on Issues relating to Bishop Accountability in the Catholic Church** at The Days Inn, I-95 Exit 74 Niantic Ct. on Sunday, May 15, 2005 from 12:00-2:00pm

Panelists:

Terence McKiernan, Founder and director of Bishop Accountability.org

Anne Barrett Dovle, Co-director of Bishop Accountability.org

Paul Baier, Co-director of Bishop Accountability.org and founder of Survivors First Inc., a national advocacy group for survivors.

They will explore such key questions as:

- What roles have Connecticut bishops played in the crisis?
- Will church leaders ever be held truly accountable?
- What are the most effective steps we as Catholics can take to further accountability and justice?

This program is open to the public and all are invited

Maximize Your Faith With A Mini Retreat

Spiritual Renewal Services is sponsoring a Mini Life In The Spirit Retreat at Saint Mary Church, Route 31, Coventry, on Saturday, April 23rd from 9am to 4pm and Sunday, April 24th from 1pm to 4pm.

Call to register at Saint Mary Church, 860-742-0681

The Work of the Church

- SATURDAY**
5:00pm Mass: *Joseph Franek, Sr.*, requested by his wife, Anastasia
- SUNDAY**
8:00am (Babysitting is available during 10:30am Mass)
Mass: *Joseph Horvath*, requested by Sandy Rice
10:30am Mass: *Robert Regan*, requested by his parents, John & Dorothy Regan
- MONDAY**
9:00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion
- TUESDAY**
9:00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion
- WEDNESDAY**
11:00am Mass at Welles Village: *For the People of the Parish*
- THURSDAY**
4:30-6pm Sacrament of Reconciliation, Reconciliation Room or Parish House
7:00pm Mass: *Gaspere Davia*, requested by Maria Davia
7:45pm Intercessory Prayer, Eucharistic Chapel
- FRIDAY**
9:00am Mass: *Nancy Ewaskio*, requested by Ceil Ray
- SATURDAY**
5:00pm Mass: *Michael Koss*, requested by the Sacred Heart Parish Family
- SUNDAY**
8:00am (Babysitting is available during 10:30am Mass)
Mass: *Stanley F. Dunn*, requested by the Sacred Heart Parish Family
10:30am Mass – The Sacrament of Confirmation: Bishop Michael Cote, Celebrant

Meetings

- SATURDAY**
7:00pm **DOMINICAN SISTERS PIES & BREADS ON SALE**
NA, Northeast Community Rooms
- SUNDAY**
9:10am **DOMINICAN SISTERS PIES & BREADS ON SALE**
Faith Formation Levels K, 2-5
6:30pm Faith Formation Levels 6-Confirmation Prep
7:45pm Youth Group
- MONDAY**
Offices Closed
- TUESDAY**
6:30pm Confirmation Rehearsal
- WEDNESDAY**
4:00pm Faith Formation Levels 1 – 4
8:00pm AA - Speaker Meeting, South Community Rooms
- THURSDAY**
10:00am Bible Study, South Community Rooms
5:30pm Girl Scouts Daisy Troop, Northeast Community Rooms
7:45pm Intercessory Prayer, Eucharistic Chapel
8:00pm AA - Big Book Meeting, South Community Rooms
- SATURDAY**
7:00pm NA, Northeast Community Rooms
- SUNDAY**
NO Faith Formation Levels K, 2-5
NO Faith Formation Levels 6-Confirmation Prep
NO Youth Group