

readings for the week

Sunday: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17/1 Pt 3:15-18/Jn 14:15-21
 Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a
 Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11
 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Jn 16:12-15
 Thursday: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20
 Friday: Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23
 Saturday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14
 Next Sunday: Acts 1:13-14/1 Pt 4 13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

a tag sale thank you!

The Youth Group thanks everyone who either donated items for the tag sale or who came by and purchased an item or two. Your continued support is greatly appreciated!

attention: sunday faith formation classes & youth group

Because the Vernon School system has scheduled a short spring break from April 24 through April 27, **all Sunday Faith Formation classes and Youth Group scheduled for Sunday, April 27 will not meet.** Our last session for the Faith Formation year will be held next week (Sunday, May 4) at the regularly scheduled times.

life in the spirit

*Is something missing from your life
and you can't seem to figure out what?*

Attend a Life in the Spirit Seminar.

- It will help you to establish or reestablish a personal relationship with Jesus
- It will help you to yield to the action of the Holy Spirit
- It will help those who come to a seminar to be joined to Jesus more fully and to grow in their relationship with Him.

A Life in the Spirit Seminar is being held at Saint Joseph Church in Rockville on Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the Church basement.

A 7-week Life in the Spirit Seminar could change your life. Call Lee 643-6564 or Helen 872-0474 for more information.

now hiring

Port Au Prince, Haiti: - Seeking highly motivated and committed Executive Director with 75% of time in US and 25% of time Port Au Prince, Haiti, www.HospiceSaintJoseph.org Hospice St. Joseph a ministry of the Diocese of Norwich, CT committed to working hand in hand with our Haitian brothers and sisters in pursuit of a better life through our hospitality, education and health care services. Necessary skills: previous finance/development and administrative/management experience, computer literate (word, database management), bilingual in Haitian Creole and English. Applicants must have ability to travel to the US (Visa or US Passport). Benefits: salaried position, medical insurance. Interested persons send letter of intent and résumé to: gohpnp2@aol.com. For further info call Geri O'Hare at 610-506-8192.

what ever happened to limbo?

Have you ever noticed that from time to time Church teachings change? Understanding how and why that can happen is important because knowing what the Church teaches is an important part of being Catholic. Understanding how teachings change is also important. The more you understand how the Church teaches, the better you understand your own faith, and the better you can explain your faith to others.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Quaker Hill CT, Thursday, May 29, 2008, 9:30am -11am and 7pm -8:30pm. To register: send Name, Address, and Phone, Parish name and town, & which presentation you would like to attend. Please respond by May 22, 2008 by: Mail: Office of Evangelization and the Catechumenate, 1595 Norwich-New London Turnpike, Uncasville, CT 06382. Fax: (860)848-2816 Phone: (860)848-2237, ext 317 E-mail: evangrcia@norwichdiocese.net

annual bishops appeal

"Bringing Hope to Those in Need"

The 2008 Annual Bishop's Appeal (ABA) will be held next weekend, May 3rd and 4th in our Parish. Ushers will hand out pledge envelopes during Mass while our Pastor explains the need for your help this year and the process of making your gift using this method.

The ABA provides us with an opportunity to unite with all Catholics in the Diocese to share our blessings and to show our concern for one another. Please assist the works of Spiritual Formation, Priest Retirement, St. Vincent dePaul Soup Kitchen, Hospital Chaplains, Catholic Charities, Religious Education, Evangelization and many other services provided by the Diocese. Our goal this year is to have 100% participation. In order to achieve this target, each one of us is asked to give in accordance with our means. Share your love for God and others ... pledge a generous gift to the Annual Bishop's Appeal.

mass of remembrance for infants

On Sunday, May 18th at St. Joseph Church in Rockville, there will be a Mass of Remembrance for all infants who died before or shortly after birth. A special invitation is extended to all parents, grandparents and siblings who sorrow over the death of children as a result of miscarriage, stillbirth or abortion and also those birth parents who experience the pain of separation from children whom they placed for adoption. These losses may be recent or extend over many years. All are welcome to attend and experience the profound peace, love and mercy of Our Lord Jesus. Mothers, fathers, siblings and grandparents are urged to attend and enroll their loved and lost ones in the Book of Remembrance from which their names will be recited during the 9:30 Mass. The Book of Remembrance is in the chapel and will remain there until May 18th.

pentecost mass

A Pentecost Eve Pontifical Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Patrick at 7pm on Saturday, May 10th with Bishop Michael Cole as celebrant and homilist. For more information please call the Spiritual Renewal Center at 887-0702.

give blood - save lives!

More than 600 blood donations are needed EVERY DAY in Connecticut to keep our patients safe! Join us for a BLOOD DRIVE on Friday, May 9th From 1pm to 6pm at Healthwise of Vernon, off Route 83 at Naek Rd. (behind Tux King) sponsored by: Boy Scout troop #20/20 To make an appointment to save lives, please call the American Red Cross at 1-800-Givelife (448-3543).

Food for Haiti

Please remember that we are collecting food for Haiti.

This is especially important as Haiti is experiencing a lack of food. So please keep in mind that Haitians do not eat what we eat.

Here are some of the things that are needed:

Tuna in oil
Canned Salmon
Sardines
Spam or Treat
Canned carrots
Peanut butter (smooth or creamy)
Canned ham (non-refrigerated)

Please do not bring
boxes of cereal, rice or snacks.

Please do not bring
soups, dried or canned milk.

Please do not bring
soup mixes or pasta.

These are not the kinds of food Haitians need.

Also, you might bring
feminine sanitary napkins (heavy)
or
bar soap or tooth paste
or tooth brushes (soft) (for adults or children)

for women only

The Norwich Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will hold their 53rd annual convention on Saturday May 17, 2008 at St. Mary Church, 51 Freestone Ave. in Portland. There will be two outstanding speakers at this year's meeting. Susan Conroy is the author of a book on Mother Teresa, "Mother Teresa's Lessons of Love and Secrets of Sanctity" Ms. Conroy was a college student when she decided to travel to Calcutta to meet and work with Mother Teresa. The second speaker is M. Jane Mueller, NCCW Community Concerns Comm. Her presentation is titled "Caring for God's Children -- Caring for Gods Creation: A Conversation about Children's Health and the Environment" She will talk about harmful chemicals that are in products used everyday. Bishop Cote will celebrate Mass at noon. Contact Kathe Oullette 872-8118 for reservation forms. \$25 per person.

KofC Council 4122 Hanging Plant Sale

If you enjoyed the GIGANTIC mums sale this past September, you're gonna love the HUMONGOUS hanging plant sale on Mother's Day weekend, the 10th & 11th of May.

Four varieties in multiple colors to choose from. Cost is \$19.99. Baskets can be previewed at Sacred Heart Church after all Masses and ordered the weekend before Mothers Day, 3rd & 4th. Available varieties will be New Guinea, Ivy Geraniums, Million Bells, and Super Tunias.

attention young adults

Ever wonder "Where are all the other Catholics my age?" Join young adults from all across CT at Catholic Underground. CU is an evening of Eucharistic Adoration and music, followed by a social gathering and performance. CU began in New York City and meets monthly in NYC, NJ, PA, and now at St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield, CT! Dates: April 19 & May 17, 7:30PM. www.CatholicUndergroundCT.com

be grateful

"... and many paralyzed or crippled people were cured. There was great joy in that city." Acts 8:7-8

It's easy to rejoice in the gifts that God gives when they are as outstanding as a lame man walking or a sick man cured. However, do we take time to thank God for the many miracles He gives us everyday — good health, family, friends, education, employment, housing? Being grateful is the secret to being joyful.

* Note: Some groups meeting at Sacred Heart including but not limited to *The Red Cross, Vernon Jr. Women's Club, Brownies, Cubs, Alcoholics Anonymous, Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book and Narcotics Anonymous* are not part of and not acting on behalf of the Parish or the Diocese

APRIL 27, 2008

the work of the church

SATURDAY 5:00pm	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Mass: <i>Claudia Labrie</i> , requested by the Sacred Heart Readers
SUNDAY 8:00am 10:30am	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER/ORTHODOX EASTER Mass: <i>Francis M. Martucci</i> , requested by the Sacred Heart Parish Family Mass: <i>Joseph "Joey" Gazdzicki</i> , requested by Kevin Bouchard
MONDAY 9:00am	PETER CHANEL, PRIEST & MARTYR / LOUIS MARY DE MONTFORT, PRIEST Liturgy of the Word with Communion
TUESDAY 9:00am	CATHERINE OF SIENNA, VIRGIN & DOCTOR Mass: <i>Maria Gruszkza & deceased members of the Kondrat family, Gruszkza family & Pazdzior family</i> , requested by Barbara & Ted Kondrat
WEDNESDAY 9:00am	PIUS V, POPE Mass: <i>Maria Guglietta</i> , requested by Maria Davia

THURSDAY 9:00am 7:00pm 7:45pm	ASCENSION OF THE LORD: HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION Mass: <i>Rosina Aiello</i> , requested by Maria Davia Mass: <i>Francis R. Coughlin</i> , requested by a friend Intercessory Prayer
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FIRST FRIDAY 9:00am 10am-5pm 5:00pm	Mass: <i>For the People of the Parish</i> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Close of Adoration
SATURDAY 5:00pm	PHILIP & JAMES, APOSTLES / SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Mass: <i>Rosina Aiello</i> , requested by John & Jeanne Swart
SUNDAY 8:00am 10:30am	Mass: <i>Ann Martin</i> , requested by the Caregivers Mass: <i>Norman LaPorte</i> , requested by grandson, Kevin Bouchard

meetings

SATURDAY 7:00pm	Youth Group Tag Sale Narcotics Anonymous* , Northeast Rooms
SUNDAY after 8am Mass NO	<i>Good Fellowship & Tasty Goodies after Mass</i> Altar Server Training Faith Formation Levels K – Youth Group
MONDAY	Offices Closed
WEDNESDAY 4:00pm 8:00pm	Faith Formation Levels 1,2,4,5 (last day) Alcoholics Anonymous* , South Community Rooms
THURSDAY 10:00am 8:00pm	Offices Closed Bible Study , South Community Rooms Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book* , South Community Rooms
SATURDAY 7:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous* , Northeast Rooms
SUNDAY 9:10am 6:30pm 7:45pm	<i>Good Fellowship & Tasty Goodies after Mass</i> Faith Formation Levels K – 4 (last day) Faith Formation Level 6 – Conf. Prep. (last day) Youth Group (last day)