

SACRED HEART CHURCH, GREENWICH, CT 06830



15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 11, 2021

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Office Hours
9:00 AM— 1:00 PM Monday to Friday
Closed on Saturday and Sunday

ATTENTION
PLEASE ADDRESS ALL YOUR MAIL TO
SACRED HEART CHURCH
38 GOLD ST.
GREENWICH, CT 06830

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Church)

Saturdays: 3:00 – 3:30 PM or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday at 12:30 PM.
Please call the parish office in advance to schedule a baptism.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Should be arranged at least 6 months in advance.
Call the parish office for more information.

**FOR LIVE STREAMING
OF THE 4:00 PM MASS,
PLEASE GO TO OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.SACREDHEARTGREENWICH.ORG**

Masses

Monday through Friday: 7:00 AM in Chapel
Saturday Vigil : 4:00 PM in Church
**Sunday Masses: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM
in Church**

PARISH MINISTRIES

Adults Faith Formation – Carole Wiemer
Altar Decoration Team– Cecilia Bowers,
Candace Hammond & Maria Carosella
Altar Servers - Father Mark D'Silva
Birthright and Angel Tree - Kathy Wiegand
Buildings & Grounds – John Ciovacco & Donna Mann
Care of the Sick – Father Mark D'Silva
Counters – Liz Williams
Finance Council Chairperson – William Dylewsky
Hospitality – Isabel Santana
Lay-Rep. of the Parish Corp.– Kevin Burns
Lay-Rep. of the Parish Corp. – James Vivier
Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers – Donald Mohr
Liturgical Music – Jan Gunnip
Live-Stream - Cecilia Bowers & James Duffy
Parish Council Chairperson – Jan Gunnip
Parish Data Input - Cecilia Bowers
Prayer Ministry – Carole Wiemer
Prayer Shawl – Minnie Tigano
Religious Education – Father Mark D'Silva
Thanksgiving & Easter Baskets – John Innominato
Wedding Co-Ordinator - Cecilia Bowers



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Saturday, July 10
4:00 PM †Willie Ambrosecchio—The Ambrosecchio Family
Sunday, July 11
7:30 AM Parishioners
9:30 AM †Edward Fuss Sr.—Son
11:30 AM †Jeff Fralick (18th Anniversary)—Bill Romanello
Monday, July 12
7:00AM †Michael & Bridgid McManus—Family
Tuesday, July 13
7:00 AM †Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday, July 14
7:00 AM †Doris Stempien—Barbara & Ed Sturm
Thursday, July 15
7:00 AM †Marc Lovallo (2nd Anniversary)—Mom, Lovallo
Friday, July 16
7:00 AM †Lyle Hinkley (Birthday)—Daughter, Pat
Saturday, July 17
4:00 PM †Marc Lovallo—Mom, Lovallo
Sunday, July 18
7:30 AM †Olive Maska—The Family
9:30 AM Parishioners
11:30 AM †Louise Halpin—John Halpin
Monday, July 19
7:00 AM †Joseph LaBate (Anniversary)—Sacred Heart Parish
Tuesday, July 20
7:00 AM †Boyce Hammond (45th Anniversary)—Daughter, Candace
Wednesday, July 21
7:00 AM †Joseph Pongonis—Katy Young
Thursday, July 22
7:00 AM †Deceased members of Quaranta, Campiformio & LaBate Families—Children, Michele & Linda
Friday, July 23
7:00 AM †Amy Lord(Anniversary)—Parelli Family

THIS WEEK—MONTHLY COLLECTION

NEXT WEEK—MISSION CO-OP

JULY 4—THANK YOU!

Weekly Offertory—\$1,871.00

Second Collection—\$429.00—REGIONAL SCHOOL

Miscellaneous—\$435.00

Masses are available on following dates:

Jul. 27 & 29. **Aug.** 9, 10, 12, 13, 16, 17, 19, 23, 26 & 27. **Sept.** 1, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 23, 24, 27 & 28. **Oct.** 1, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27 & 28. **Nov.** 1, 2, 3, 9, 11, 12, 15, 16, 18, 22, 24, 26 & 29. **Dec.** 1, 3, 8, 10, 13, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28 & 29.

For Altar Bread & Wine: **Nov.** 14. **Dec.** 5.

For Altar Flowers: **Nov.** 21 & 28. **Dec.** 5.


15th Sunday in Ordinary Time—B

What kind of authority and power does the Lord want you to exercise on his behalf? Jesus gave his apostles both the power and the authority to speak and to act in his name. He commanded them to do the works which he did - to heal the sick, to cast out evil spirits, and to speak the word of God - the good news of the gospel which they received from Jesus. When Jesus spoke of power and authority he did something unheard of. He wedded power and authority with self-sacrificing love and humility. The "world" and the "flesh" seek power for selfish gain. Jesus teaches us to use it for the good of our neighbor.

Why does Jesus tell the apostles to "travel light" with little or no provision? "Poverty of spirit" frees us from greed and preoccupation with our possessions and makes ample room for God's provision. The Lord wants his disciples to be dependent on him and not on themselves. He wills to work in and through each of us for his glory. Are you ready to use the spiritual authority and power which God wishes you to exercise on his behalf? The Lord entrusts us with his gifts and talents. Are you eager to place yourself at his service, to do whatever he bids you, and to witness his truth and saving power to whomever he sends you?

--Don Schwager

**Please pray for the
sick and deceased members
of our parish**



Ministry to the Homebound

If you, or someone you know, is homebound and would like our priest visit you, please contact the Rectory at 203-531-8730.

ARE YOU MISSING OFFERTORY ENVELOPES?
If you have not receive your set of envelopes please notify the Parish Office at 203-531-8730.

We are looking for Volunteers for the following Ministries:

- Money Counters
- Religious Education Teachers and Assistants
- Prayer Shawl
- Hospitality

If interested, please contact the Rectory during the office hours Monday thru Friday, 9 a.m.—1 p.m. at 203-531-8730.

Prayer Group : Thursdays—5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel at 38 Gold St.

2021—2022 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

ONLINE Registration for 2021-2022 will begin on August 1. A reminder will be sent to all the current students in July.

Mission Co-Op Weekend: July 17—18, 2021
Please see insert for details

SAFE ENVIRONMENT REMINDER:

We are deeply grateful to all of our existing volunteers who have fully updated all of your Safe Environment requirements so that you are already eligible to begin volunteering at our upcoming events when they resume. These requirements include registration through the VIRTUS database and attendance at a live VIRTUS training class, clearing a criminal background check and acknowledging receipt of the newly revised 2020 Safe Environment Handbook. If you have not made these updates prior to June 30th, we will assume that you are not planning to return and we will remove you from the VIRTUS list. As soon as you are ready to resume your volunteer role, please contact our office and we will reactivate your account for you.

If you are planning to assist our parish as a volunteer in the coming months, please log into your VIRTUS account and acknowledge receipt of the updated Safe Environment policies of the Diocese of Bridgeport re-promulgated by Bishop Frank Caggiano in 2020 and complete any other necessary items, such as the online training module or a background check which may be expired. Please visit the website www.virtusonline.org. Enter your USER ID and your PASSWORD from when you first attended VIRTUS (please do not create a new account) There is a link to reset your password if you forgot it. You may also call VIRTUS for assistance at 1-888-847-8870 or Cecilia Bowers at 203-531-8730.

Due to the continued reduction of COVID-19 cases in our area, the following take effect June 30th 2021:

- 1. Holy Water is allowed in the fonts.**
- 2. Masks are optional for vaccinated individuals who distribute Holy Communion.**
- 3. Hands must be sanitized before distributing Holy Communion and after everyone has received, but it is optional to sanitize hands in between communicants. Specifically, it is optional to sanitize hands after a communicant receives on the tongue or a communicant's hand is accidentally touched.**
- 4. If the celebrant and deacon are vaccinated, then the deacon can receive from the celebrant's chalice. Otherwise, the deacon must receive by intinction or from a separate chalice.**

Dear Parishioners,

The USCCB has launched a campaign for Catholics to raise their voices in opposition to government-funded abortions. The goal is for millions of Catholics to sign the petition on the link that we will send via email this week. Please do it by July 16, 2021.

Bishop Caggiano requests as many as possible from this Diocese to participate in this campaign as you will see from his letter that you will find in the email as well as in the Bulletin.

Thank you.
Fr. Mark

Wedding Anniversary Celebration

The Diocese will hold two gatherings for those celebrating anniversaries on Saturday, September 25th at St. Matthew Parish in Norwalk. One will begin at 10:30 a.m. and one will begin at 1:00 p.m. Bishop Caggiano will celebrate Mass at both times.

Couples who celebrate(d) their 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th or 50+ in 2020 or 2021 are welcome to register via the advertisement which will appear in the August edition of the Fairfield Country Catholic or online beginning August 1st.

Space will be allotted first-come, first-serve.

ONLINE GIVING

Would you please consider online giving?

This is a direct payment program whereby your contribution is debited automatically from your checking, savings or credit card account into the parish bank account. For information call Gail MacLean : 203-531-8730.

DO YOU KNOW?

To be officially registered in any parish, you need to complete a Registration Form.

Even if you attend Mass regularly, contribute or receive Offertory envelopes, you are not registered in a parish if you haven't completed a Registration Form.

These forms are available online, visit our website at www.sacredheartgreenwich.org to register online or download the form and mail completed form to 38 Gold Street, Greenwich CT 06830.

If you have never completed a Registration Form, or if you don't remember if you completed it a while ago and your family information has changed, why not fill one out today? Thank you!



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July 6, 2021

My dear friends in Christ:

I am writing to request your help. As you may know, Congress is on the verge of removing the Hyde Amendment from next year's federal budget, forcing taxpayer dollars to pay for abortions for the first time in over 45 years.

When our government offers to pay for an abortion instead of providing resources needed for a mother to care for her baby, it is not "choice," but coercion. Taxpayer dollars would be far better spent supporting women in crisis pregnancies and struggling new mothers so that no woman ever feels economic pressure to have an abortion.

Because of the incredibly high stakes, Congress needs to hear from as many people as possible before it votes on taxpayer-funded abortion during the second half of July. If we fail to generate sufficient grassroots support for the Hyde Amendment, Congress may conclude that taxpayer-funded abortion is popular.

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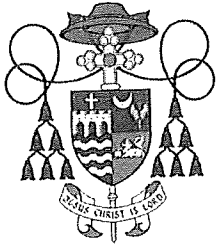
I invite the people of our Diocese to join this nationwide effort. Its success and the lives of countless people depend on each of us doing our part.

As Pope Francis has said, "The future of humanity ... is fundamentally in the hands of peoples and in their ability to organize." It is critically important for Catholics to send a clear message before Congress moves forward to impose taxpayer-funded abortion.

With every best wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano
Bishop of Bridgeport



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July 6, 2021

My dear friends in Christ,

Over the years our Diocese has hosted speakers from the developing world to address us regarding the needs of their local Churches during our Mission Co-op Weekend. This year our Co-op Weekend is scheduled for July 17-18, 2021.

The gathering of proper documentation, proof of COVID 19 vaccinations and Safe Environment approval, etc., has been quite difficult, July 17-18 is closer than we thought. Hence, yet again, there will be no speakers visiting our parishes. Nevertheless, I ask parishes to take up a second collection during the weekend of July 17-18. Proceeds will be equally distributed to the Catholic Pandemic Agencies in those parts of our global community that have been impacted the most by this scourge.

Our Mission Office, under the direction of Reverend Michael Boccaccio and assisted by Elaine Bissenden has received many requests from Church agencies at the front of the pandemic in the developing world. Your generous donations will be going to serve the poor and sick in Argentina, Peru, Brazil, El Salvador, Patagonia, Haiti, India, Philippines, Vietnam, Indonesia, Ghana, Kenya, Tanzania, Nigeria, Uganda, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Belarus among other countries.

As you know from recent news reports, the COVID 19 infection rate is dramatically increasing in some of these countries, with variants still to be identified let alone, treated throughout the developing world. Therefore, I ask that you be as generous as possible to assist these Catholic agencies throughout the world. The generosity of our parishes will help to serve our brothers and sisters, most especially children, who are battling sickness, fear and economic dislocation.

With gratitude for your consideration of this request and every best wish, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Frank J. Caggiano

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cc: Reverend Michael A. Boccaccio