



SATURDAY VIGIL - August 11

5:00 P.M. + Danny & Jimmy Philip
Requested by their mom

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY - August 12

7:30 A.M. + Louanne O'Neill
Requested by Suzanne Moros

10:00 A.M. + Gregorio Velez
Requested by the Fitch family

MONDAY - No scheduled Mass

Vigil for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

TUESDAY - August 14

6:30 P.M. + Tony Ladines
Requested by the Garcia family

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

WEDNESDAY - August 15

8:00 A.M. + Scott James Rossell
Requested by his family and friends

6:30 P.M. + Lillian Mullen, T. Virginia Johnson,
Louise Durling & Teri Vanasse
Requested by Jo DeCosa

THURSDAY - August 16

6:30 P.M. + Rev. Adrian Gray, Sr.
Requested by Jim & Pat Guastello

FRIDAY - August 17

8:00 A.M. + James A. Faure (6th anniversary)
Requested by his wife

SATURDAY VIGIL - August 18

5:00 P.M. + Joe Falk (6th anniversary)
Requested by his wife & family

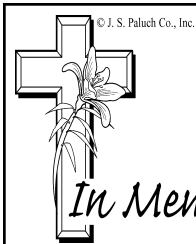
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY - August 19

7:30 A.M. + Frank Donohue
Requested by Jim Michels

10:00 A.M. + Claire Brennan, Ann Granata &
Adeline Savoir
Requested by their daughters

* NOTE: the Sunday 5:00 pm Mass returns on Sept. 2



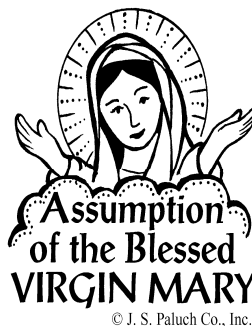
St. Francis sends a final
farewell
to our dearly departed:
Stanley Kwasniewski
Fred Mrazik
Andrew Sherwood, Sr.



The Sanctuary Lamp for the week
burns in memory of
Jimmy & Danny Philip
Requested by
Their Mom

THIS IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

**The Assumption of the Blessed
Virgin Mary Mass Schedule**

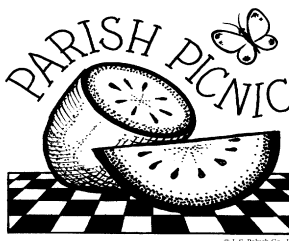


St. Francis Xavier:
Vigil Mass is Tues., 8/14 at 6:30 pm
Mass is Wed., 8/15 at 8:00 am &
6:30 pm

Our Lady of the Lakes:
Mass is Wed., 8/15 at 9:00 am &
6:00 pm

**FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Will be held at St. Francis Xavier on the odd months
(January, March, May, July, **September** and
November), following the Friday 8:00 am Mass.
And it will be held at Our Lady of the Lakes on the
even months (February, April, June, August,
October and December), following the Friday 9:00
am Mass.



SAVE THE DATE

The annual St. Francis
Xavier Parish Picnic will be
held on Sunday, September
9th.

Note:


Please contact the ushers at the back of Church; if
the Mass is being said for your loved one and you
wish to bring up the gifts! Thank you.

A Summer Evening at Montfort House

This fund-raising event to benefit the Shrine of Lourdes in Litchfield, will be held on the terrace and grounds of Montfort House, Rte. 118, 83 Montfort Rd., (top of the hill), Litchfield, CT 06759 on Saturday, August 18, 2018.

This delightful evening will feature cocktails and select wines and fine hors d'oeuvres from local products. Delectable desserts will also be served. This event will be held with live music from 6 pm until 9pm with food being served throughout the evening. Guests may arrive anytime between 6pm and 8pm. The price for this fundraiser is \$50 per person; reservations should be made and payment received by **Saturday, August 11th**. For details or to purchase tickets, call 860-485-0279 or email: gbuchas@snet.net.

Sponsored by our
 Knights of Columbus
 Every Monday night
 VFW Hall (Avery Road, New Milford)
 Doors open at 5:45 p.m.
 BINGO begins at 6:30 p.m.



Knights of Columbus

The next Knights of Columbus meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 21st at 7:30 p.m. in the St. Francis Xavier Church Hall. For more information about the meeting or about joining the Knights please call Dan Sullivan at 860-354-4913

BEQUESTS

We appreciate the thoughtfulness of parishioners who have made a bequest to St. Francis Xavier Parish. These charitable gifts build our parish endowment to help pass on our Catholic faith to future generations.

ONLINE GIVING

Online Giving is a convenient, secure and confidential way to make your contributions on a weekly, monthly or single time basis. You may contribute using direct withdrawal (ACH) or credit card. You select the date and amount of your donation and it will process automatically.

How Do I Get Started?

1. Visit our parish website: www.sfxnewmilford.org OR visit and sign up with the Parish App

2. Click on the Online Giving link

3. Click on the Create New Account link

If you have any questions or need help, please call Jocelyne, our bookkeeper for assistance at 860-354-2202.



OFFERTORY -	= \$4,122.00
5 ½ % CATHEDRATICUM	= \$226.71
5 ½ % CATHOLIC SCHOOLS	= \$226.71
ST. FRANCIS' SHARE	= \$3,668.58
Monthly Collection	= \$2,237.00

SOCIETIES/MINISTRIES/ORGANIZATIONS

Parish Pastoral Council President - Christine Zona 860-210-7892

Liturgical Ministries:

- Altar Servers** - Peter Tagley 860-868-7821
- Children's Liturgy** - Jessica Higgins 860-354-5372
- Eucharistic Ministers** - Deacon Al Gambone 860-946-9776
- Greeters** - Noreen Fanella - nafanella@att.net 860-355-2625
- Lectors** - Barbara Mullen 860-354-6436
- Music Ministers** - Doreen Gray, Tina Oviatt, Christian Martirano
- Ushers** - Herman Izzard 860-354-0430

Prayer/Catechetical/Service Ministries:

- Confraternity of the Rosary** - First Monday - Noon, Church Hall
- Knit for Life** - please contact the office for further information
- Knights of Columbus** - For info call Dan Sullivan 860-354-4913
- Lay Missionaries of Charity** - Joan Kick 860-354-1323
- Maintenance Ministry** - Tom and Cathy Valedes 914-843-5193
- Our Lady Queen of Peace Prayer Group** - Thurs., 2:00 p.m. Church Hall
- Parish Prayer Line** - Terri Lucente 860-355-8143; Debbie McLachlan debhmcl@gmail.com
- Prayer Shawl Ministry** - Jo DeCosa 860-355-0342
- Pro-Life Ministry** - Deacon Roland Miller 860-355-3737
- R.C.I.A.** - Robert & Barbara Mullen 860-354-6436
- Women's Guild** - Second Tuesday of Month - 7 p.m., Church Hall
- Youth Ministry** - Sue Pullen 860-354-5372
- LIFETEEN** (High School Youth) (Gr. 9-12)
- TRIBE** (Jr. Youth Group) (Gr. 6 - 8)

Outreach Ministries:

- Beautification Committee** - Joe Caruso 860-355-0670
- Community Garden Ministry** - Steve Fugardi 203-770-4103
- Mass Taxi** - need a free ride to Mass? Mark Speede 860-210-0289
- Martha & Mary Community Care** - Chris Grenier 860-354-2202
- Meals Ministry** - Chris Grenier 860-354-2202

Affiliated Groups:

- Recovery Anonymous** - 7 pm, Thursday, 3rd Floor Parish Center
- Boy Scout Troop 66** - Darrin Thorndike 860-799-0730
- Cub Scout Pack 66** - Steve Morris 203-526-6254

VOLUNTEERS:

Teachers and assistants still needed for K-5:

Tuesday - Northville - 3:30 -5:00 pm
 First grade - 3 catechists

Wednesday - Sarah Noble - 3:30 - 5:00 pm
 Third grade - 2 catechists
 Fourth grade - 3 catechists
 Fifth grade - 1 catechist

Sunday - 11:30 am - 1:00 pm
 Fourth grade - 1 catechists

Sunday - 2:45 - 4:15 pm
 *the afternoon session ONLY will be multi age grade level classes

Kindergarten / First Grade - 2 catechists
 Second grade / Third Grade - 2 catechists
 Fourth grade / Fifth Grade - 2 catechists

If you wish to become involved with any of the above classes please call Jessica Higgins @860-354-5372.

Teachers and assistants still needed for 6-10:

Monday - Confirmation - 3:00 - 4:15 pm
 Ninth grade - 1 catechist and 1 assistant

Tuesday - 6:30 - 8:00 pm
 Sixth grade - 1 assistant
 Eighth grade - 2 assistants

Sunday - 2:45 - 4:15 pm
 Sixth grade - 1 assistant
 Ninth grade - Confirmation - 2 catechists & 2 assistants

If you wish to become involved with any of the above classes please call Sue Pullen @860-354-5372.

Please make note that we will have a mandatory Catechist / Assistant training for ALL new and repeating, as well as parents who are choosing to home school to attend, because we are switching programs. This training is on Wednesday, September 5th at the Parish Center (school building) at 10:00 am or 6:00 pm with Chris Adams from Pflaum publishing. Refreshments will be served, please don't forget to RSVP to Sue or Jessica so we'll have enough goodies.

CALLING ALL HIGHSCHOOL TEENS:

Save the date: Sunday, Sept. 30 for ***Catholic Youth Encounter***. Theme - "Too Blessed to be Stressed". This is a fun day of friendship, live music by "Revive", games, guest speaker, Roy Petitfils (check out his TED TALKS), exhibitors, Adoration, Confession and Mass with Archbishop Blair. The cost is only \$30 for this day. Please contact Sue Pullen by Aug. 15 to register. spullen@sfxnewmilford.org

Faith Formation 860-354-5372
Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 9:00am - 5:00pm
We are closed for lunch (12:30-1:30pm)
The offices are closed on Fridays.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Will start up on Sunday, September 9th at the 5:00 pm Mass.

Wish List:

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| Hard pencil cases (10) | Glue sticks (150) |
| #2 pencils (800) | |
| Colored pencils (15 sets) | T.V.'s with remote |
| DVD player with remote | White chalk (17 boxes) |
| C.D. players | |

We are in need of the above items for use in our Parish Center classrooms. If you can donate any of the above items, please drop the item(s) off in the Church hall clearly marked for use in the Faith Formation program or you can drop them off at the Parish Center during office hours (see above). Thank you.

Protecting God's Children

We will have a Protecting God's Children course on Tuesday, September 4th from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. This is a mandatory course for ALL volunteers in the Church. (This is only for those who have NOT taken this course already). It is a training program to help us keep our children and vulnerable adults safe. This course will be held at the St. Francis Xavier Parish Center and presented by Sue Pullen. Please register at the Faith Formation Office on go online to VIRTUS and register there. Any questions please call Sue.

Parent Orientation

We will have parent orientation take place on Wednesday, September 12th at 10:00 a.m. OR 6:00 p.m. for grades K-8 in the St. Francis Xavier Church Hall.
 We will have parent orientation take place on Thursday, September 13th at 10:00 a.m. OR 7:15 p.m. for Confirmation (grades 9 & 10) in the St. Francis Xavier Church Hall.

SAVE THE DATE: Mandatory retreat for Confirmation year 1 (9th grade) is Sunday, September 16 from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

- Together
- Radiate
- Inspire
- Belief
- Experience

This is a group for Youth in grades 6,7 & 8 to belong. This is their **TRIBE**. We will provide meetings to foster faith, friendship, fun, service and inspiration. We will gather once a month. Become part of the St. Francis Xavier **TRIBE!!** Leader: Sue Pullen spullen@sfxnewmilford.org 860-354-5372 (office).
TRIBE kick off will take place on Saturday, September 29th following the 5:00 p.m. Mass. We will start the year off with a bonfire, games, food, fun and faith.

PLEASE HELP US UPDATE OUR RECORDS!

WE need your help, so please fill out this coupon and put it in the collection basket. We must update our data base at this time and need every family to cooperate. This summer will be our opportunity for new beginnings. We will begin by cleaning up our census. All the information you provide will be kept strictly confidential and for our parish use only, your mailing address and phone numbers, etc. will stay within our parish. Please complete this coupon, even if your personal information has remained the same. NOTE: if you have any young adults (21 years of age and over), they must be registered on their own. This is also in effect for those new to our parish and any others who wish to register as members of St. Francis Xavier. If you have any questions please feel free to call Chris in the office at 860-354-2202.

FAMILY LAST NAME: _____

FIRST NAME: _____

(*if married please include your maiden name)

(**include children living at home (under the age of 21)

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: HOME: _____

CELL: _____

WORK: _____

EMAIL: _____

Thank you for your help. We wish you a blessed Summer. Fr. Gerry

VOCATION REFLECTION

Jesus is the bread of life. Our world still hungers. Who will feed the multitude? Consider a life of ministry, or encourage others to do so. Call **Fr. Michael Casey**, Director of Vocations, Archdiocesan Center at St. Thomas Seminary, Tel.860-761-7456, email vocations@aohct.org or visit the web at www.hartfordpriest.com.

You're Invited:

2018 Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference

The 2018 Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference will take place on Saturday, October 20, at St. Paul High School, Bristol. This year's theme is "go into the whole world" (Mark 16:15). The program will include a host of speakers, as well as Mass with CCMC Chaplain Fr. James Sullivan, and a Q&A with Archbishop Blair. For more information and to register, please visit: ctcatholicmen.org.

St. Marguerite's Parish

In Brookfield is now accepting applications for the Fall Festival. This annual fundraiser in its 26th year will feature crafts, jewelry, food, imported items, rosaries, clothing, essential oils, paper goods, direct sales, and so much more! For an application, visit "Breaking News" at stmarguerite.org or call 203-775-5117 ext. 213. St. Marguerite's is located at 138 Candlewood Lake Road in Brookfield. The Festival is on Sat., Nov. 3rd from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm & Preview Night: is Fri., Nov. 2nd from 5:00-8:00 pm.

EUROPEAN MARIAN SHRINES PILGRIMAGE

Fr. Philip Schulze of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Washington Depot is planning and has looked into the possibility of having a parish pilgrimage trip to visit some of the European Marian shrines and has created a possible itinerary with Unitours for a trip to take place in the fall of next year (2019).

Shrines to be visited during a 13-day period would be Fatima, Santiago de Compostela, Lourdes and Montserrat, with extended time also spent in Lisbon, Santander, Zaragoza, Gerona and Barcelona.

The trip could commence on Sunday afternoon, 20 October with an overnight flight our of JFK to Lisbon and parishioners would return from Barcelona to JFK on Friday afternoon, 1 November.

The cost would be approximately \$3,900. per person, based on double occupancy, with a single supplement possible. This includes all airfare, transportation, accommodations and breakfasts and dinners.

The Unitours-guided trip would be limited to the first 20 parishioners to sign up. If you have an interest in being a part of this pilgrimage, please contact their parish office at 860-868-2600 for more information.