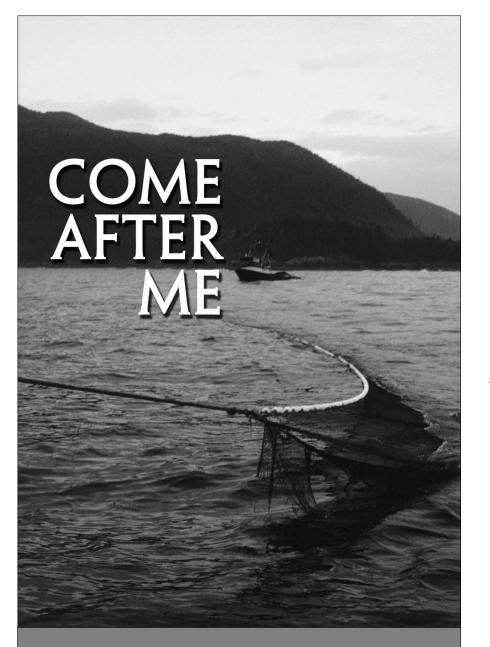
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"Let us then pursue what leads to peace and to build up one another." (Romans 14:19)

January 24, 2021 | Third Sunday of Ordinary Time



READINGS for Mass appear on pg. 5. MUSIC for Mass appears on pg. 8.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays at 7:30 AM (except Thursday) Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 AM

Weekend Mass with music can be viewed online each week by visiting our website. To attend in person, **please sign up by Friday** by visiting our Facebook page for more details (addresses below).

CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturdays, from 3-4 PM in the church. Masks must be worn; social distancing must be followed.

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> **Maintenance:** Ernie Conte, Custodian

Religious Education: LoriAnn Ruiz, Director of Religious Education

THE SANCTUARY LAMP this week honors Those Discerning

God's Call to Stewardship.



Weekly Mass Intentions

If you would like to honor a friend or family member with a Mass, please see available dates on pg. 6.

SATURDAY, January 23 — Weekday; Vigil 4:30 PM: Intentions of our Parishioners

SUNDAY, January 24 — Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM: Marie and Leo Castracane, Req. by Caesar
9:30 AM: Intentions of our Parishioners
11:00 AM: Intentions of our Parishioners

MONDAY, January 25 — The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle 7:30 AM: Bob and Louise Mazzacane, *Req. by Barbara*

TUESDAY, January 26 — **Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops** 7:30 AM: **Special Intention**, *Req. by Pat Miner*

WEDNESDAY, January 20 7:30 AM: Intentions of our Parishioners

THURSDAY, January 28 — St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church 7:30 AM: No Mass

FRIDAY, January 29 7:30 AM: **Judith Sherman**, *Req. by Christina Bradley*

SATURDAY, January 30 — Weekday; Vigil
7:30 PM: Chelso and Rose Tarini, *Req. by Cathy*4:30 PM: Intentions of our Parishioners

SUNDAY, January 31 — Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM: Annette Lovegrove, Req. by Don and Jodi Pealer
9:30 AM: Denise Nugent, Req. by her Family
11:00 AM: Patrick McLaughlin

Eucharistic Adoration

"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." (Mt 11:28)

Adoration takes place on Saturday morning for one hour, immediately following the 7:30 AM Mass.

Social distancing and masks are required as we strive to keep people safe.



Heartfelt Gratitude

A letter from Fr. Dillon

Dear Parishioners,

The month of January has been flying by and before we get any further along into the year, I wanted to take an opportunity to express some words of gratitude.

At the Christmas Masses, I acknowledged those who had put so much effort into preparing for the Feast of the Lord's Nativity and it is appropriate to recognize them here, as well. Prior to Christmas, I had mentioned that we all

needed to celebrate as normally as possible, even though we faced the challenges of the pandemic. Those who decorated the church did such a fantastic job in their efforts that what we saw on Christmas far exceeded what we could have hoped for. The arrangement of the poinsettias and placement of the Crèches really "popped" in a way that immediately caught the eye and drew people into the beauty that was before us.

Our Music Ministry, once again, added so much to the celebration of Jesus' birth. Although our choirs were small in number, they more than made up for it with their marvelous singing. I enjoy having the full choir at Mass, but having small choirs allowed us to enjoy the indi-

Weekly Offertory: January 11-17, 2020

\$5,727.00

Your financial support is appreciated as we celebrate the new year and grow our community outreach. Your offering is gladly accepted by mail, at Mass in the donation basket, or

online. Visit ww.olov.org/ OnlineGiving for information.





vidual talents that are present in our Music

Ministry. One thing I truly missed, and I know many of you felt the same way, was being able to sing the Christmas hymns. I was feeling a bit down about that, but I found that just listening to them moved me in a new way. With that said,

> I still look forward to when it will be permitted to sing at Mass once again.

I want to express my profound gratitude for all those who made our 2020 Annual Collection a

huge success. In the last three years of the appeal, each amounted to somewhere between \$19,000 - \$25,000. At the end of 2020, \$50,580 was pledged by 258 households. Thank you, thank you, thank you, for being so generous and supportive to this collection which is so important to the financial well-being and stability of the parish.

Finally, a word of great appreciation to the entire parish community. You continue to inspire me with the spirit that you possess. I am confident that because of you, once we are out of this pandemic, we will go into the future with new vigor and enthusiasm, and I greatly look forward to that day.

Sign Up to Attend Mass

Masses are reaching capacity and walkins may not be allowed to enter. The link to sign up can be found here:

Website: Go to www.olov.org

- At top of page, click on "January Sign-ups"
- At the far left, click on SignUpGenius.com
- Click on the Mass you want to attend
- Then, at the bottom, click on "Submit."
- Put in your name and email and click "Sign Up Now" then you're all set!

Facebook: @olov.westhavenct Or, call the rectory by Noon on Friday: (203) 934-6357





We pray for those who are sick.

Out of respect for whom we pray, only family members may add names to this list.

Jason Adams, Maureen Alonso, Charles Asarisi, Augliera Family, Louis Altieri, Amanda, Valeria Asperelli, Priscilla Banning, Danielle Boros, Gerard Canadeo, Danny Caudell, Michael Cote, Rosalie, Lucy Anne Criscuolo, Karen Cronan, Howard Curtis, Deanna Cusano, Jeff Davis, Dawn DellaRocco, DeNigris Family, Frank Dini Jr., Patti Dowling, Michael Duffy, Monique Ek, Sandy Eocai, Linda Foley, Tony Fusco, Maureen Freeman, Patti Fusco, Joseph Galatie, Geraldine, Therese Gill, Dee Green, Ray Guarino, Tom Halligan, Karen Hodgdon, Bill Kapinos, Hank Kowalski, Rose Jarvie, Florence Johnson, Ann LaBonia, Carmen Limauro, Claudine Lopez, Charles Maddelena, Noah McEachern, Genevieve Mieczkowski, Theresa Montz, Edwin Morales, Mary Moran, Gabby Murillo, Devin O'Connor, Judy Palmer, Joseph Pekar, Joseph R., Marsha R., John Rakos, Don Robillard, Elizabeth Ross, Rose Santilli, Mark Scecina, Elizabeth Shamaly, Jack and Joan Shea, Richard and Suzanne Smallman, Anthony Spina, Daniel Steinau, Gwen Stiewing, Anthony Terrasi Sr., Anthony Terrasi, Jr., Jessie Terrasi, Jane Thomson, Jacques Veillette, **Doris Worrell**

In loving memory, we pray for these souls.

Our Parish extends sincere sympathy to the family and friends of: Susanne Duffy, The Victims of the Coronavirus

Please pray for those serving in our military.

Parishioners are invited to add the names of armed forces personnel on active duty to this list by calling the rectory office. Ieffrev Batres, USMC

Jeffrey Batres, USMC Staff Sgt. Adam Dudek Staff Sgt. Danielle Luby Cpl. Teagan Fransen, USMC SPEC Giovanni Gigola Airman Gabriella Gigola Airman Aaron Butner Airman Sean Hufcut E3 Lexi Ronan, USN E5 Ryan Ronan, USN Pvt. Christopher Miller SPC Alexander Capuras E4 Raymond Mayberry, USMC Senior Airman, Hunter Cole, USAF Airman 1st Class Skylar Hampton 1st Lt. Pilot Michael Dupliesse 2nd Lt. Iared Carlson

Our Monthly Parish Devotion: The Holy Name of Jesus

This is a special way to grow closer to our Lord by honoring Him every day throughout the year!

The Golden Arrow

May the most holy, most sacred, most adorable, most mysterious and unutterable Name of God be always praised, blessed, loved, adored and glorified in heaven on earth and under the earth, by all the creatures of God, and by the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ in the most Holy Sacrament of the altar.



Hearing God's Call

By Deacon Frank Bevvino

Life is a continuous series of choices from the moment we are born. Decisions are made every moment and every day of our lives. When we awake in the morning, we choose our breakfast, the clothes we wear and whether we smile or frown at the first people we will meet.

As young adults our decisions become more serious; the friends with whom we associate, the decision to follow the crowd or to follow a different path. Maturity and experience have a way of enlightening us and good and bad experiences help us in those decisions. Even our past bad experiences seem helpful when we become fully aware of the consequences. However, sometimes we repeat our mistakes and it takes us time to learn from them.

In our first reading, Jonah is called by God to tell the people of Nineveh of His anger with them and their impending destruction. Jonah tries to run away from God's request and winds up in the belly of a whale for three days. Expecting to be destroyed and die, Jonah prepares for his death only to be cast onto the shore by the whale and given a second chance. Jonah, not wanting to disobey God a second time, tells the people of their imminent destruction. Surprisingly, they listen to Jonah's message and return to God. However, Jonah becomes angry after God

Please Pray for Vocations

If two of you join your voices on earth to pray for anything whatever, it shall be granted you by my Father in heaven. Where only a few come together in Christ's name on earth, Christ is present with them.

Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, religious life and diaconate.

To discern a vocation, call Fr. Michael Casey,



Director of Vocations, Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, Tel. (860) 761-7456, E-mail vocations@aohct.org or visit the web at www.hartfordpriest.com. spares the people of Nineveh. He did not initially understand God's mercy and love even after he himself was spared from death by God.

Our gospel from Mark is in sharp contrast to the story of Jonah. Simon, Andrew, James and John (the sons of Zebedee), are called by God. The call is met with an immediate reply of acceptance. James and John did not even complete their day's work, but left their father along with his workers to finish what they had started. Unlike Jonah, they did not attempt to ignore God's call or run away. Many times during our lifetime God is calling us for something. Many times, we have either not heard the call, ignored it or just avoided doing as God asked.

God is very understanding of our failure to respond to him. He is patient and knows that we are often too preoccupied to hear His invitations. His mercy and forgiveness are without end. When we do listen, His celebrates our obedience. God does not give up on us but is always ready to respond to our accepting His call. God is loving but persistent no matter how hard we try to ignore him.

Sometimes, when we fail to respond, there will be consequences that we do not like. But in all cases, God always finds a way to continue to show his mercy. Through the waters of Baptism we are all called to be "fishers of men." As Peter, Andrew, James and John and the others proclaimed Jesus's message, we are called to do the same.

Sunday's Readings: January 24

First Reading — The Ninevites turn from their evil ways in response to Jonah's message (Jonah 3:1-5, 10). **Second Reading** — The world in its present form is

passing away (1 Corinthians 7:29-31).

7.29-31).

Gospel — Jesus proclaims, "Repent, and believe in the gospel." The new disciples abandon their nets and follow him (Mark 1:14-20).





Reserve a Mass for a Loved One

You may book Mass intentions for 2021 through June by calling the Rectory Office at (203) 934-6357. Donations for daily Mass intentions are \$15; weekend Masses, \$25.

Weekends:

Vigil, 4:30 pm 8:00 am 9:30 am 11:00 am

Weekdays at 7:30 am

Sanctuary Candle:

Now reserving for 2021.



Preparation Classes

Baptism Preparation classes will be held on the second Tuesday of each month via Zoom. Please contact the Rectory office to register for the class.

Extension of Dispensation from Sunday Mass Obligation

Now through Feb. 16, 2021

Each and every Catholic in the Archdiocese of Hartford has been dispensed from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass by Archbishop Leonard P. Blair due to the potential danger of the coronavirus pandemic. In light of continued uncertainty regarding the extent and duration of the pandemic in the state of Connecticut, Archbishop Blair has now extended this dispensation from the Sunday obligation through Saturday, February 16, 2021.

The Archdiocese of Hartford continues to monitor the severity of the situation and will provide updates regarding decisions reached for the archdiocese as they are made.

Pray to End Human Trafficking

Join us as we pray together ...

January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month as declared by presidential proclamation since 2010. Pope Francis calls us to acknowledge that, "Modern slavery, in terms of human trafficking, forced labor and prostitution, and organ trafficking is a crime against humanity. Its victims...are among the poorest and most vulnerable of our brothers and sisters."

Since we are unable to host a "Prayer Service to End Human Trafficking" as in the past, the Social Justice Committee of St. John XXIII/ Our Lady of Victory Parishes invites you to be-

come aware of this travesty and to pray for an end to it through the intercession of St. Josephine Bakhita, whose Feast Day is February 8. Canonized by Pope St. John Paul II in 2000, St. Josephine was enslaved in Africa and Italy. Upon gain-



ing her freedom, she joined the Canossian Daughters of Charity and became an advocate for those enslaved.

Please join us in prayer as we remember those enslaved and pray for their release from captivity:

O St. Bakhita,

Assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery. Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity. Those whom man enslaves, let God set free. Amen.

Remembering Fr. Collins' Mother

On January 8, Mrs. Enderline Anaeche died. She is the mother of Fr. Collins who served in our parish from June 2017 through September 2018. If you would like to send Fr. Collins a card, you may mail it to:

Rev. Collins I. Anaeche St. Patrick Parish 50 Church Street Collinsville, CT 06019

Calling All Young Adults!

Crossroads 4 Christ (C4C) is a local lay apostolate working to develop and provide community for young adults. Their mission is to develop communities of young adult missionary disciples through Eucharistic adoration and Christ-centered friendship.

If you are a young adult, we invite you to come to a C4C night at any one of the six locations in CT. To find information on the meeting times and locations for our chapters, visit:

www.crossroadsforchrist.org/chapters.



Friday, January 29 at 6:00 p.m.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is sponsoring a nationwide Prayer Vigil for Life on January 28 and 29, 2021. The Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of Hartford, together with Archbishop Leonard P. Blair, will be offering Mass at the Cathedral of St. Joseph on Friday, January 29 at 6:00 p.m. Father Glen J. Dmytryszyn, Director of the Pro-Life Office will concelebrate.

More information will follow on signing up for in-person attendance and for live-stream participation. Social Justice Committee is Looking for Help!

Drivers Needed

The Social Justice Committee would like to acknowledge the work of so many during this pandemic, specifically those who have been feeding the hungry in so many ways under the awesome direction of Deacon Dean.

Now, here's where you can help: DRIVERS ARE NEEDED FOR TWO ON-GOING EVENTS:

1. **Taking food to seniors** who cannot get out, every other Saturday morning at 10:00. You

would sign up for the Saturday that you can do it. The more drivers, the less often you work.



2. Picking up salvaged food from

Cumberland Farms on Monday mornings, or possibly other mornings. Again, the more drivers we have, the less often you are scheduled.

Call Deacon Dean: (203) 521-0199

New to Our Parish?

Thinking of Becoming a Parishioner?

Welcome to Our Lady of Victory. If you'd like more information about registering with us, **complete this form** and return it the Rectory Office.

Or, send an email message to

OLOVRectory@yahoo.com. We'll be happy to connect with you:

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Welcome!



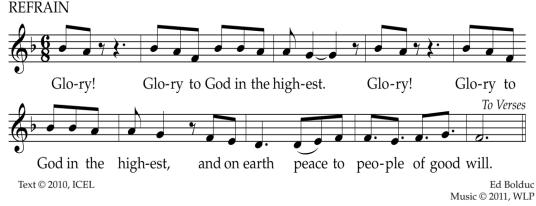
OPENING SONG:

Because of health guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID-19, we are unable to sing from the pews. The next few pages serve as your hymn book so you can follow along in silent, musical prayer.

THE GOD OF ALL GRACE

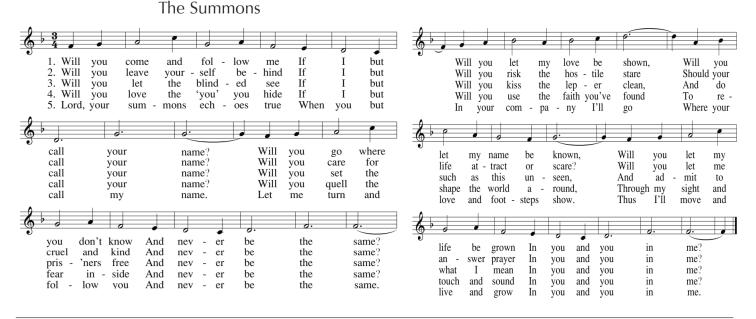








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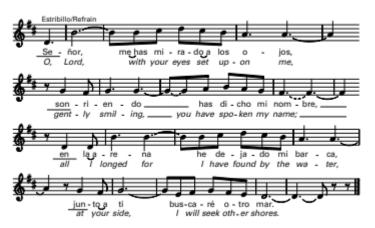


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COMMUNION:

PESCADOR DE HOMBRES/LORD, YOU HAVE COME Cesáreo Gabaráin

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 Tú sa - bes bien lo que ten - go;
3. Tú ne - ce - si - tas mis ma - nos,
 Tú, pes - ca - dor de o - tros la - gos,
1. Lord, you have come to the sea shore,
Lord, see my goods, my pos - ses - sions;
Lord, take my hands and di - rect them.
 Lord, as I drift on the wa - ters,
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the search-ing for the rich nor the wise,
 in my boat you find no pow er, no wealth.
3. Help me spend my-self in seek-ing the lost,
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2. tan só - lo re - des y mi tra - ba - jo.
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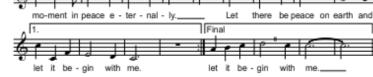
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