

# January 22, 2017 *Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday** January 21 Vigil Mass  
4:00pm **Shirley Crean** req. by the family  
"12<sup>th</sup> Anniv."

**Sunday** January 22 Third Sunday in Ordinary time  
8:00am **Ed Messier** req. by his daughter  
10:00am **Tom & Sandy Madden** req. by their children

**Monday** January 23  
7:00am **No Mass Intention**

**Tuesday** January 24  
7:00am **Adriene & Helene Cyr**

**Wednesday** January 25  
7:00am **A Special Intention**

**Thursday** January 26  
7:00am **Lawrence "Lar" Byrnes** req. by Daniel Kelly

**Saturday** January 28 Vigil Mass  
4:00pm **Pietro Rinaldi** req. by the family

**Sunday** January 29 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary time  
8:00am **Marcia Grenier** req. by her son  
"1<sup>st</sup> Anniv."  
10:00am **John & Antonina Gierula** req. by the Zebrowski Family

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**The second collection this weekend will support Archdiocesan Catholic High Schools. Please be as generous as possible.**

## **WEEKLY OFFERTORY**

January 15, 2017 \$6,888.00  
January 17, 2016 \$4,788.21

*Thank you for your spiritual and financial commitment of our Parish.*



**Extraordinary Ministers January 28/29**  
4:00pm: Patrick Ryan & Donald Leveillee  
8:00am: Jean Beck & Breia Pinette  
10:00am: Sue Chiovitti & Julie Cardoso

**Lectors January 28/29**  
4:00pm: Stephanie Poulin  
8:00am: Barbara Grenier  
10:00am: Ruthann Fainer

# SCRIPTURAL READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday:** Is 8:23-9:3, 1 Cor 1:10-13,17, Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17  
**Monday:** Heb 9-15, 24-28/Mk 3:22-30  
**Tuesday:** Heb 10: 1-10, Mk 3:31-35  
**Wednesday:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22, Mk 16:15-18  
**Thursday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5, Mk 4:21-25  
**Saturday:** Heb 11:1-2, 9-19, Mk 4:35-41

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

**SUN.** January 22  
 8:50am Rel. Ed. Gr. K-10  
**TUES.** January 24  
 6:15pm Rel. Ed. Gr. K-6  
 6:30pm Legion of Mary Mtg.  
**WED.** January 25  
 5:00pm Girl Scout Mtg.  
 6:30pm Choir Prac.  
 7:00pm Finance Council Mtg.  
 7:30pm K of C Mtg.  
**THURS.** January 26  
 6:30pm Cub Scout Mtg.  
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### Question of the Week:

How do I need to “step outside” myself to fulfill my baptismal mission? To what “periphery” in my world do I need to bring Christ’s peaceable, liberating love?

## March for Life 44th Anniversary Washington, DC - Friday, Jan. 27th

“The joy you will experience, through interaction with fellow marchers and the many wonderful speakers and other activities, will keep your Pro-Life lamp burning throughout the year.” CRLC This year, as last year, the bus will **leave from the Commuter Parking lot located at exit 23 on I 84 in Waterbury around 11:00 pm on Thursday, and arrive back in Waterbury on Friday, Jan. 27th around 11pm.** (Optional meal stops in both directions) The bus will arrive in Washington, DC around 7am. 1st stop: the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception (Mass or visit); 2nd stop: St. Peter’s Church (Mass or proximity to Congress); 3rd stop: the Washington Plaza Hotel (Archbishop Blair’s Mass); **12 Noon: Rally followed by March for Life; Bus departure at 4:30 pm:** from Folgers Park (2nd St.SE and D St. SE)

Cost for Bus trip is \$58.00 for Adults and \$35:00 for Students. For further information – contact: John Waite 203 509 3506 or email [jeserla@gmail.com](mailto:jeserla@gmail.com) (or check for information in the book rack at Church) Payment may be mailed to the Connecticut Right to Life Corp by Jan. 20th (check made out to CRLC) Attn: MFL 2017, P.O. Box 2343, Waterbury, CT 06722.



The Seraphic Stewards are looking for a few volunteers to help with light cleaning in the Church on Tuesday mornings.

If you can volunteer 1-2 hours please give the Parish Center a call.



Please remember those men and women who are serving.....God, keep special watch over these men and women serving in

the Navy, National Guard, Marine Corps., Air Force, Army, & Coast Guard.

**Archdiocese of Hartford Pilgrimage to PORTUGAL & SPAIN September 24 - October 2, 2017.** You are invited to join us on a very special pilgrimage to celebrate the 100 Year Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady of Fatima! Featuring the Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima Plus visit Lisbon, Santarem, Coimbra, Alcobaha Finisterre, Santiago de Compostela and Avila! Led by Archbishop of Hartford The Most Reverend Leonard P. Blair, S.T.D. Cost per person in twin from Connecticut: \$2,350 (That's \$1,925 + \$425 air taxes & fuel charge (1/17 subject to change). **TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT:** Deposit \$500+ \$105 per person for optional travel insurance by Monday, April 3, 2017. Final payment is due on receipt of invoice in June. **ANY QUESTIONS?** Please contact Fr. Ryan Lerner (Sec. to the Archbishop) Email: [fr.lerner@aohct.org](mailto:fr.lerner@aohct.org) Tel: 860-541-6491. Registration Forms are available in the book racks in the vestibule.

### **2017 MASS BOOK**

There are still Masses available for 2017. Please call the Parish Center **Mon. – Thurs. 9:00am – 2:00pm** to arrange any Masses you would like celebrated in 2017. The Mass offerings are: **Weekday: \$15.00, Weekend & Holy Days: \$20.00.**

Please remember when calling to arrange Masses, the intention is made for the deceased or for a “Special Intention” if they are living. Thank you.



Do you have a concern that causes you sadness that you wish to have lifted up in prayer? Do you have a joy that warms your heart and you want to have lifted up in prayer? Then contact the Saint Thomas Prayer Line. Allow your Church family to assist in the most powerful way we can, through Prayer. You can email your request to: [prayerline@stthomasthomaston.org](mailto:prayerline@stthomasthomaston.org).

**NEW PARISHIONERS Welcome!** We are delighted to have you join our parish. Please introduce yourself to Father Hellwig after Mass. You may register with the parish Mon. – Thurs. 9:00am – 2:00pm.

## Defending Our Religious Liberty #256 Jan. 22, 2017

With the swearing in of the new president this past week, comes the promise that the federal health care mandate will be revised to reinstate our right to religious freedom. Let us pray that our new leaders will honor our cherished First Amendment.

If you haven't done so already, please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate by calling U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445, and your elected representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.

### CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

Contribution Statements are now available by request. Please fill in the following information and drop in the collection basket.

You can also request your Contribution Statement by sending an e-mail to stc-office@sbglobal.net.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

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**A New Year; A New *Catholic Transcript***

Beginning late January 2017, the *Catholic Transcript* newspaper will be transformed into a full color magazine, which will be sent for free to more than 192,000 registered Catholic households in Hartford, New Haven and Litchfield counties. The new publication will dynamically advance the tradition of a beloved, respected, award-winning newspaper with roots dating back to 1829.

In magazine format, the *Catholic Transcript* will continue to be the communications centerpiece of Catholic news and information for our archdiocesan family of faith. Its visibility and relevance will be greatly enhanced thanks to its digital presence, social media interconnectivity, evangelizing content, and distribution 10 times a year to more than double the number of Catholic households than in the recent past.

The *Catholic Transcript's* transformation is in direct response to the Office of Pastoral Planning's *Your Voice Counts* survey.

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