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in the Diocese of Bridgeport

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Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday: 8 am
Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 9am & 11am
Holy Days: 8am, 12 pm & 5:30 pm

Confessions

Saturday: 4:30 pm -5pm
and by appointment

Adoration

First Friday of every month. Begins
at 8:30am and ends at noon with
Benediction. All are welcome!

Baptisms

Celebrated Sundays at 12:15pm.
New parents must attend a
Pre-Baptismal class. Please make
arrangements through the Parish
Office.

Marriage

Please contact the Parish Office.

Parish Office

Address

1200 Shippan Ave.
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203-324-4634

Summer Office Hours

Tuesday 1:00 - 4:00
Wednesday 1:00 - 4:00

Parish Membership

To join our parish community,
please complete our Registration
Form. Print it from the OLSS
website and return completed
form to the church or to the
parish office.

Ministries

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OCTOBER 3, 2021

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time





This week the Sanctuary Candle burns for **Cathy Cingari** requested by her family.



27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them, "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female."
- Mk 10:3-6



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

5:30pm Thomas V. Sullivan (req. by O'Rourke family)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

9:00am John Hanna (req. by the Harrington's)

11:00am Cathy Cingari (req. by family)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4

8:00am Hugh C. Ryan (11th Anniversary)
(req. by family)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5

8:00am Dominick Gredoni (req. by Leon Taricani)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6

8:00am Michael Hourican (42nd Anniversary)
(req. by grandchildren)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:00am Special Birthday Blessings for Rosanna Cruz

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:00am Ralph Pansiero (req. by Leon Taricani)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

5:30pm Jose Pastilha (req. by Elsa Neto)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10

9:00am Richard Sullivan (req. by the Galvin family)

11:00am T. George Sheridan (req. by Annmarie Murray)

Archbishop Fulton Sheen said, "It takes three to make love, not two: you, your spouse, and God." Apart from the incarnation of God in Jesus Christ, nothing speaks better of God's incarnate love than marriage. God designed it this way. We place great value on love and rightly so. What we fail to realize, however, is that love, its very presence and place in our lives, is not simply part of the human package deal. Love comes from God. It is **one of God's greatest gifts to human beings. When we begin to realize that our very ability to love is sacred, it changes up how we see the essence of life, and purpose and sanctity of marriage.**

God is love. It stands to reason then that if we follow the path of unconditional, self-emptying love we will then stumble upon God. It is precisely this intimate wedding of God with love that gives such eloquence and honor to the love between husband and wife. **As a living sign of Christ's love for the Church and for humanity, husbands and wives speak volumes of God's unconditional incarnate love for all of his children!** The Divine power that brings unity and life to marriage is so strong that once joined, it really cannot be separated.

Admittedly, marriage covenants can be extremely difficult to **negotiate and, at times, very painful to experience.** God's perfect divinity always meets our broken and imperfect humanity. God is okay with this setup as he created it this way. Our loving **is never as unconditional as God's and often tainted by our own imperfections, needs, memories, hurts, sinfulness, and weakness.** All of this baggage negatively impacts even the most well-intentioned marriages, causing them to be hurtful and empty. We are love works in progress. God can succeed in perfecting our love only if we keep our eyes fixed on him as the **source of that love. That's why marriage is always about three and not just two.**

The Divine intimacy at the heart of marriage is what can make them celebrations of great union and happiness. Couples who are still madly in love with each other after many years, still looking at each other with that timeless twinkle in their eyes, **best tell the story of God's oneness with humanity.** Honor, celebrate, and support those who have accepted a vocation to marriage. Living in a world that easily pulls relationships apart, may they find hope and inspiration from their faith companions who are on the same journey! ©LPi

WEEKLY COLLECTION:

This Year (9/26/21)
\$3,327;

Last Year (9/27/20)
\$1,815;



Summer Everett Macari



Celebrate the feast of St. Francis of Assisi Sunday, Oct. 3rd, on the Church lawn at 12:00

All our finned, feathered, furry, flying, fluffy friends (and their owners) are welcome! Fr. Peter will give individual blessings to each of our beloved pets.

COFFEE SUNDAY IS COMING BACK!

Join us after the 9 or 11:00 Mass on Sunday, October 3rd for Coffee and Conversation! We are looking for volunteers to help staff this wonderful social time. If you are interested in baking or purchasing goodies please let us know. Hopefully we can put together a group that will handle coffee Sundays throughout the winter months.

CLICK HERE TO VOLUNTEER



SAVE THE DATES OLSS Advent Parish Mission 2021

December 6, 7, 8 – 7:00 pm with Fr. Harold Brock, CFR

Refresh Your Spirit & Prepare Your Heart for the Coming of Our Savior! (More information to follow!)



GREENWICH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Join us on October 3rd at 1 PM for an IN PERSON Open House!



Click above to RSVP for our Fall Open house on October 3rd at 1 PM! You will get to tour our beautiful campus, meet teachers, administration and current parents while learning about all of the incredible things a GCS education has to offer. See you there!



Join fellow parishioners in front of the statue of the Blessed Mother outside the Church on Sunday, October 10th at 3:45. We will begin the rosary promptly at 4:00pm.



Faith Formation

2021-2022 Formation

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) - Ages 3 - 5 years. Classes will begin in our Atrium on Sunday, October 10 from 9:00 - 10:15, allowing parents to attend the 9:00 Mass.

Faith Formation - Grades 1-8. Classes start October 17.

Confirmation - Grade 9. Classes start in November. Registration opens in October.

Register for CGS & Faith Formation



Fairfield Prep Open House 2021

Fairfield Prep is a Catholic, Jesuit high school for boys located on the campus of Fairfield University. To learn more about Fairfield Prep please join us for our in-person Open House on Sunday Oct. 3 (1:00 or 2:00 pm session) or Saturday Nov. 20 (9:00 or 10:00 am session). We ask guests to pre-register, to properly manage the size of the event. To pre-register for Open House please create (or log into) your admissions account at www.fairfieldprep.org/apply

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