OCTOBER 1, 2017

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, “Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering into the kingdom of God before you.”

Matthew 21:31

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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WISDOM FROM FATHER WOLFE

♦ There is an ancient September tradition in Naples, Italy on the Feast of St. Januarius, where a rather miraculous thing occurs. Three times a year the dried blood of the saint liquefies again miraculously in its little reliquary that looks like a magnifying glass. The dates of the miracle are September 19, December 16, and the Saturday before the first Sunday in May. The recreation of this miracle is believed to be a good sign for the city and for the world in general. This has happened since 1389. The blood’s failure to liquefy has ‘coincidentally’ happened always before some epidemic or tragedy was close to occurring. Thankfully the blood liquefied this time around, so Naples has been in a fit of celebration since!

♦ Speaking of miracles, there is a new Eucharistic miracle that has been reported in Sokolka, Poland. On Sunday 12, 2008 the Holy Mass was celebrated at the parish church of St. Anthony at 8:30am, and a consecrated host fell from the hands of one of the priests during the distribution of Communion as he came from the altar. The priest interrupted the distribution of Communion to pick it up and placed it in a small container of water (which is one of the usual practices even in our Church if a host is dropped or damaged in some way). The host was expected to dissolve naturally in the water and then be disposed of properly.

Sister Julia Dubowska, the parish sacristan, was asked by the pastor to take the vial of water with the host and move it to the sacristy under lock and key for safe keeping until it dissolved. Only she and the pastor had the keys to the safe. A week later, the pastor asked her about the host and she went to check on it. When she opened the door to the safe, she noticed a delicate aroma of unleavened bread. When she looked into the vial of water, she saw the host still there and a curved, bright red stain, like blood, that had grown in the center of the host.

The sister immediately informed the pastor and both were speechless. They kept a discreet and prudent silence about the event, but immediately informed the metropolitan archbishop of Bialystok, Edward Ozorowski, who made the trip with his entourage to see the miracle. He ordered that the host be protected while they waited to see what would happen.

On October 29, the container with the host was transferred to the Divine Mercy Chapel in the rectory, and placed in the tabernacle. The next day, by decision of the archbishop, the stained host was taken out of the water and placed on a small corporal, which was then put back in the tabernacle. The host was kept this way for three years, until it was solemnly brought to the church on October 2, 2011. During the first year, it was kept secret. During that time, the Church authorities reflected on what to do, since they were dealing with a sign from God which needed to be interpreted.

By mid-January of 2009, the altered fragment of the host had dried out naturally, and remained like a blood stain or clot; since then, its appearance has not changed. That same month, the archbishop requested histopathological studies be done on the host. On March 30, he created an ecclesial commission to study the phenomenon. A piece of the altered host was taken and analyzed independently by two experts, Prof. Maria Sobaniec-Lotowska, MD, and Prof. Stanislaw Sulkowski, MD, in order to ensure the credibility of the results. Both are histopathologists at the Medical University of Bialystok. The studies were carried out at the university's Department of Pathomorphology.

The specialists’ work was governed by the scientific norms and obligations for analyzing any scientific problem in accordance with the directives of the Scientific Ethics Committee of the Polish Academy of Sciences. The studies were exhaustively described and photographed. The complete documentation was given to the Metropolitan Curia of Bialystok.

When the samples were taken for analysis, the undissolved part of the consecrated host had become embedded in the cloth. However, the red blood clot was as clear as ever. This transformed part of the host was dry and fragile, inextricably interwoven with the rest of the fragment, which had kept the form of bread. The sample that was taken was large enough to carry out all the
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necessary studies.

The results of both independent studies were in perfect agreement. They concluded that the structure of the transformed fragment of the host is identical to the myocardial (heart) tissue of a living person who is nearing death. The structure of the heart muscle fibers is deeply intertwined with that of the bread, in a way impossible to achieve with human means, according to the declaration of Prof. Maria Sobaniec-Lotowska.

The studies proved that no foreign substance was added to the consecrated host; rather, part of the host took the form of heart muscle of a person near death. This kind of phenomenon is inexplicable by the natural sciences. At the same time, the Church teaches us that the consecrated host becomes the Body of Christ, by the power of His own words at the Last Supper, repeated by priests during the consecration of the Mass.

The results of the histopathological studies, dated January 21, 2009, were included in the dossier given to the Metropolitan Curia of Bialystok. In its official communiqué, the Metropolitan Curia of Bialystok stated: “The Sokolka event is not opposed to the faith of the Church; rather, it confirms it. The Church professes that, after the words of consecration, by the power of the Holy Spirit, the bread is transformed into the Body of Christ, and the wine into His Blood. Additionally, this is an invitation for all ministers of the Eucharist to distribute the Body of the Lord with faith and care, and for the faithful to receive Him with adoration.”

♦ Even with his busy schedule, Pope Francis continues to make time for visits to the sick. On Friday, the pontiff made a surprise visit to a Rome rehabilitation center for patients with neurological diseases. A statement from the Holy See press office said the afternoon visit was a continuation of the “Fridays of Mercy” initiative that he inaugurated during the recent Jubilee year to encourage practical gestures of solidarity with those most in need. The Santa Lucia Foundation, located to the south of Rome’s city center, is well known for its quality care of patients affected by physical or mental disabilities resulting from strokes, bone marrow diseases, Parkinson’s and multiple sclerosis.

Pope Francis was welcomed by the director and staff of the center, as well as by the patients and their family members. The Holy Father spent time talking and laughing with many of the young children, watching with particular interest as he was shown some of the exercises which help them to regain their mobility. He also met with older patients, aged between 15 and 25, many of whom suffer from severe disabilities as a result of car accidents. Before leaving the center, the pope visited a gym providing rehabilitation for the elderly and then spent a few minutes in prayer in a chapel located on the premises.

♦ This weekend marked the beatification of Father Stanley Rother, a missionary priest from Oklahoma that ministered in Guatemala particularly during the country’s civil war in 1981. His younger sister who became a nun, Sister Marita Rother, shared some thoughts on her brother for the occasion:

What are your memories of Stanley as a boy? He was shy, quiet and very ordinary. He was a down-to-earth, German-Catholic kid.

He liked to tease Mom and the kids, although he wouldn’t do that at the Catholic school we attended. In those days, if you got in trouble at school, you got in trouble at home, as well. He worked the family farm, milking the cows, running the tractor and doing whatever chores our dad thought he could handle. My younger brother still lives on the farm where we grew up. He displayed leadership qualities. He was a class officer at our parish school, he managed a sports program and served as president of the Future Farmers of America. He was a very responsible person.

You were active in your parish? Yes, we’d attend events at our church, like the Sunday evening Holy Hours. Besides Mass, we’d go for feast days. Stanley was a Mass server and knew all the Mass responses in Latin.

What did the family think when he announced he wanted to be a priest? He was just out of high school, about age 19, when he
What are your thoughts on Father Rother’s beatification? I’m grateful to the Church for recognizing him. I’m proud of him for not Peter said on the mountain during the Transfiguration: “Lord, it is good that we are here.”

How did he like working as a priest? From the letters I received at the time, I could tell he was happy with everything except interest in it. He learned that they were looking for more priests. So I think I would say he heard the call. He responded to Christ’s teaching religion at the elementary-school level. He had trouble controlling the kids.

What prompted his decision to become a missionary in Guatemala in 1968? He had talked to a missionary and took a great interest in it. He learned that they were looking for more priests. So I think I would say he heard the call. He responded to Christ’s invitation, “Come — follow me.”

In many photos of Father Rother, he is dressed as a layman and wearing a rainbow-colored stole over a plain white alb. Why is this? He was at a mission. He’d get his hands dirty working with machinery or in the fields. These were activities that would make it difficult to wear clerical garb. He’d dress differently for the liturgy. The rainbow stole was a gift from the people he served. Once he learned the language of the local Indians, they claimed him as their priest. They made him the stole, and he wore it.

You visited him twice in Guatemala. What did you see? Keep in mind that we had lived apart for many years, and we really hadn’t seen each other in action as adults. I consider it one of the highlights of my life, getting to know him better and seeing him work with the people. I was there six weeks the first time, and five the second. He was a devoted pastor, totally available to his people. He visited their huts, talked with the youth and responded to their needs. I thought it was wonderful what he was doing. He did his work with great energy. He would help them work their land, encouraging them to upgrade their equipment and try new ways of doing things. You might see him repairing their tractor or pickup truck. He’d go see them in the hospital, take them to the doctor in the city or run errands for them.

Were the people very poor? Yes. It was poverty I’d never seen before. You’d see children lining the streets, begging for food. They’d try to sell you trinkets. Many of the people were suffering from malnutrition.

He fled the country, but later returned in 1981. What do you know about the political situation there at the time? I try to avoid commenting on the political situation, but I can tell you he left because he was on the government’s death list. His bishop told him to come home to Oklahoma. But he was in love with the people. He had done so much for them and wanted to return. He believed in the saying for which he is famous, “The shepherd cannot run from the first sign of danger.” So he went back in hopes of helping the people be strong in all they had to face. He knew it was dangerous; many of the catechists he had trained had disappeared.

Knowing that his life was at risk in Guatemala, why didn’t he take steps to protect his life or wait until the political situation was more favorable to return? I don’t think he gave much thought about his safety. He cared about the people; he had given them much strength, and he was their shepherd. He believed he had to return.

What do you remember of the day you learned about his murder? I was living in Wichita. I was shocked. I didn’t think it would happen. I was very emotional and got very upset. He was my brother. But I and the rest of my family did what we could to cope. Both my parents were alive at the time. My father was the stronger of the two in coping; I don’t think my mother ever got over it. But I never heard them say, “I wish he’d have stayed home.” I think they believed he was where he was destined to be.

What do you know of his prayer life? He was very reverent at Mass. Also, once he took me up the mountain to a remote area where he loved to go to be alone. I knew that this was his place of prayer, of spiritual transformation. It reminded me of what St. Peter said on the mountain during the Transfiguration: “Lord, it is good that we are here.”

What are your thoughts on Father Rother’s beatification? I’m grateful to the Church for recognizing him. I’m proud of him for not giving up, meeting his daily challenges and trusting in God’s promise to give him eternal life. Stanley was one who lived simply, gave his best, and I’m sure has heard the Lord say to him, “Well done, good and faithful servant.”

♦ People often say that they don’t have any time to pray. Our daily lives don’t always allow the time we want for proper worship. We might not be able to make it to daily Mass, or spend time in adoration, but we can pray short powerful prayers of adoration, praise, and penance anytime, anywhere. Below are 10 short prayers that you can easily memorize, and you may even find that you have a few of your own that you didn’t realize that you rely on. Try them out. They work wonders:

- Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.
- Sacred Heart of Jesus, I trust in you.
- Jesus, Mary, Joseph, I give you my heart and my soul.
- Come, Holy Spirit.
- You are my God and my all!
- Jesus, My God, I love you above all things.
- Heart of Jesus, on fire with love for us, inflame our hearts to love you.
- Jesus, meek and humble of heart, make my heart like yours.
- Blessed be God.
- God help me, now and always.
Bethel Visiting Nurse Assoc. will hold a **FLU CLINIC** on **Sat., Sept. 30th** beginning at 5:00pm until all those interested are taken care of. The Clinic on Sunday Morning, **Oct. 1st** is from **7:00am to 1:00pm**. Both clinics are in the Church Hall. Please bring your insurance card.

On **Sun., Oct. 1st** we invite all pets and their families to join us on the front lawn of the Church at 2:00pm for the traditional **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS** in honor of St. Francis of Assisi.

**OCTOBER DEVOTIONS** to the Blessed Mother begin this **Monday, Oct. 2 at 7pm** in the Church and each Monday in October. Each devotion will have the Rosary, prayers and Litany of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

**DOROTHY DAY VOLUNTEERS** Wed., October 4: Our turn to Cook.

**NOCTURNAL ADORATION** will be on **Fri., October 6 from 9:00pm to 8:00am** in the Convent Chapel. Bring your friends, parents, children, siblings and spend time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

Our next meeting of the St. Mary **MEN’S MINISTRY** group will be on **Saturday, Oct. 7 at 8:30am** in the Parish Hall. Come share in the positive Christian fellowship and learn how you can better strengthen your personal faith journey. For more information, email Craig DeFreese at acdefreese@snet.net or Eric Keener at stmarys06801@gmail.com

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** provides a prayerful experience of mutual support and comfort for those who are confronting the loss of a loved one. Our next meeting will be on **Sat., Oct. 14 from 10:30‐noon** in the Convent. If you will be attending for the first time, please call the Rectory at 744‐5777 to confirm.

Come join the **ST. MARY CHOIRS** Adult Choir: Weekly rehearsals on Thursdays at 7pm. Contact Elizabeth at erbarnes99@aol.com or (203)994-6022. Children’s Choir (for students in grades 4 through 8): Weekly rehearsals on Wednesdays at 6:30‐7:30. Contact Karen Mattera at singstmary@gmail.com or (203)313‐3283.

Visit our **FAMILY FAITH CENTER** in the vestibule of the Church for ideas and activities to bring your faith home and enrich your faith with your family! New activities each week!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** for our **ADVENT PARISH MISSION** from the weekend of **December 9/10 through Wednesday, December 13** with Deacon Harold Burke‐Sivers. Deacon Harold, known worldwide as the "Dynamic Deacon," is one of the most sought‐after speakers in the Church today. He is a powerful and passionate evangelist and preacher, whose no‐nonsense approach to living and proclaiming the Catholic faith is sure to challenge and inspire those who hear him. He will be speaking at all the Masses on Dec. 9/10 and at 7pm on Mon.—Wed. Don’t miss this opportunity to deepen your faith during the Advent season!

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT 7PM PRAYER SERVICE** Join us for quiet prayer at on Wednesdays in the Notre Dame Center Chapel for our own personal intentions and for the whole world.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**
RCIA is here at St. Mary’s! The RCIA program prepares candidates to be received as members of the Catholic Church. Potential candidates are often found among family members of our Parish Community.

Our RCIA program meets Sundays after the 8:30am Mass. If you or someone you know is interested and has not reached out, please contact the Parish Office.

Call the Parish Office at 203‐744‐5777 for additional information and to register!!

**HELPING OUR NEIGHBOR IN NEED**
As you remember, the fire in downtown Bethel devastated many families. We have the opportunity to help get one person back on her feet. Apartments are expensive in Bethel, so for six months we are helping a young woman pay the difference between her new rent and her old rent. She works full-time and goes to school, so any contribution you would like to give would be more than welcome! Please put your donations in the house located in the vestibule. Checks should be made out to St. Mary. Thank you for your generosity!

**What if you could be debt-free with an emergency fund of 3–6 months of expenses saved, all while investing for retirement and planning for your family’s future? Sound impossible? It’s not! With Dave Ramsey’s class Financial Peace University, you CAN take control of your money. If you’re interested in learning more about the class, message me!**

**When:** September 20th – November 15th, 2017 (Wednesdays) at 7PM

**Where:** St Mary Parish Hall Bethel, CT

For More Information Contact: Jennifer McCue
Jennifer.mccue@comcast.net or 203-984-8603
**St. Mary School**

**PRE-K** - we still have a few spots available for the current school year in PK 3 & 4. Please contact Linda Garvey at LGarvey@StMaryBethelCT.org if interested.

**BINGO**

SAVE THE DATE: St. Mary’s Annual TURKEY BINGO will be held on Fri., Nov. 17th.

SAVE THE DATE: St. Mary’s WINE TASTING will be held on Saturday, November 18th.

**EFFECTLESS FUNDRAISING**: Please take a look at some of our “effortless fundraising” programs that support our school. More information and links to these programs can be found on our school website, www.stmarybethelct.org, click on Effortless Fundraising. Thank you for participating!

**REGISTRATION** for students entering Pre-school through Grade 8 is ongoing. Please call the school at 203-744-2922 or email our Director of Enrollment, Linda Garvey at lgarvey@stmarybethelct.org for information. You can also visit our website at www.stmarybethelct.org for school and registration information.

Please visit us on FACEBOOK at “St. Mary School, Bethel” to see photos and news of the latest happenings at SMS!

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**Didache Fall Series**

- **CONVOCATION** From Sunday evening, October 15 through Wednesday, October 18 all the priests in the Diocese will be attending a Convocation in Rhode Island. Therefore, there will be NO 5:30pm Mass on Sun., Oct. 15 and no 6:30am and 9am Masses Mon., Oct 16 through Wed., Oct. 18. The Church will be open for private prayers. If you still want to attend Mass, St. Lawrence O’Toole Church in Brewster has a daily mass at 8:30am.

- **4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES** All of the 4th Sunday in Advent Masses (Dec. 24) will take place in the Gym with no 5:30pm Sunday Mass. The Masses for Christmas Eve (also on Dec. 24) will all be in the Church at 4pm, 6pm and 10pm. Christmas Day (Dec. 25) Masses will also be in the Church at 7am, 9am and 11am. The reason we are having the 4th Sunday in Advent masses in the Gym is that the Church needs to be decorated for Christmas and there would be no opportunity to do that if those Masses were in the Church.

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**Kinder'word**

Learn about the Mass and hear stories of our faith! For children age 3 through First Grade. Every Sunday in the Parish Hall at 8:30am.

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**CONVOCATION**

- **Welcome to those newly Baptized**
  - Cameron William McDevitt
  - Keegan Thomas Wogksch

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**REGISTRATION**

- **Religious Education Office hours** Mon., Tues., Wed., and Thurs. 9:30am-2pm (203)743-4557

- **REGISTRATION** has begun for the 2017-18 School Year. You can download the Religious Education Registration forms from our website stmarybethel.org and return them to the Religious Ed office.
Our next meeting will be on **Mon., October 9 at 8:15pm** in the Parish Hall. We will say the Rosary at 7:45pm in the Church. For more info on the Knights, contact Grand Knight Tony Iorfino at (203)744-2714.

**COATS FOR KIDS**  
John Stocks was a Former Grand Knight of Pavia 48 who passed away far too early. One of John’s last requests at our council was to launch "Coats for Kids" in our area. Please help John’s wish come true! The Knights had the honor of distributing the coats last year in a snowstorm. We ran out of coats in two hours. There were parents and children without coats in sweatshirts or wind breakers in the storm. Broke our hearts. Help us get enough used or gently used coats to get everyone a coat this year! To donate please go to [https://fundly.com/coats-for-kids-2016](https://fundly.com/coats-for-kids-2016)

**THE POPE’S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER**  
That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

**GROW Up with Good Nutrition**  
The GROW Truck program provides:
- **30 minute workshops covering nutrition, recipes, fitness, etc.**
- **Up to 70 pounds of FREE, fresh food** (meats, fish, poultry, dairy produce).
- All at no cost to the family
- Just bring your own bags!

The program will be conducted the 1st and 3rd Mondays at St. Mary’s Church Hall, 26 Doddingtown Road, Bethel, from 10:30 am to 12 noon October 2017 through February 2018.

Participants must have a child under 18 years old living in their household or be a grandparent helping to raise a child under 16.

For more information about the GROW Truck and to sign up, call Caroline LaFleur at the United Way of Western Connecticut at (203)297-6307

or email caroline.lafluer@uwwesternct.org

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**AROUND THE DIOCESE**

**DEFENDING OUR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY**  
For four years, the Little Sisters of the Poor and many other faith-based nonprofit groups have patiently asked the government to do the right thing and let them serve the poor. In a pluralistic society like ours, people should be free to serve the common good without compromising their moral or religious convictions. The HHS mandate, requiring employers to cover contraceptive and abortion-inducing drugs and devices, has tested this country’s commitment to a healthy pluralism. Let us pray that in revising the HHS mandate, religious rights of the Catholic Church will be safeguarded.

Due to the generosity of our many donors, **OFF THE STREETS** currently has an ample supply of furniture and household goods. Therefore, we are not accepting furniture or household good donations at the present time. 1st Saturday collections at the Bethel United Methodist Church are cancelled for August and September. For more information, visit our website at [www.offthestreetsnow.com/danbury](http://www.offthestreetsnow.com/danbury) or call 203-733-5880.

**CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS OF GREATER DANBURY**
(18-35), will gather on **Oct. 3 at 6.50pm** at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, 46 Stone Street, Danbury, for a Praise and Worship Holy Hour. Dinner or Starbucks fellowship follows from 8.10pm to 9:30pm. CYAGD will gather again on **Oct. 5 from 7 to 9pm** at the Irish Cultural Center, 6 Lake Ave, Danbury, for Theology on Tap (this session is for Young Adults ONLY) with Fr. Jeff Couture. Bring any questions you may have about our Catholic Faith and ask Fr. Jeff in this first ever event. More info about either event: catholic.ya.danbury@gmail.com.

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**Offertory for the weekend of September 23/24**

Collection: $11,067.00  
On-Line Giving: $2,995.00  
Hurricane Relief: $6,329.00

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**In Church Donations at St Mary’s and St Patrick’s October 1st**

The Tootsie Rolls are Free...  
...your donation is priceless.

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday – Friday: 6:30 & 9:00am  
Saturday: 8:00am & 5:30pm (Vigil Mass)  
Sunday: 7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:30am & 5:30pm

**RECONCILIATION**

Saturday: 4:00 – 5:00pm

**STAFF**

Father Corey V. Piccinino, **Pastor**  
Father Robert Wolfe, **Parochial Vicar**  
Father Philip Phan, **Parochial Vicar**  
Deacon John DeRoin  
Kate Fitzgerald, **Parish Secretary & Bulletin Editor**  
Peggy Gavin, **Parish Secretary**  
Julie Doerner, **Business Manager**  
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Greg Viceroy, **Principal**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
Mary Ferri, **Director**  
(743-4557)  
Maggie Kent, **Secretary**

**RCIA (203)744-5777:**  
Call (203)744-5777 if you are interested in becoming a Catholic or completing your initiation as a Catholic with Confirmation and/or Eucharist.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**  
(203)744-5777

**MUSIC MINISTRY**  
Michael Ferrari, **Music Director**  
Elizabeth Barnes, **Choir Director**  
Karen Mattera, **Children’s Choir**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE (794-8512):**  
Bob Kozlowski, **Chairman**

**BAPTISMS:** Most Sundays at 12:45pm. Please call the Rectory at least six weeks in advance to schedule your Baptism and to sign up for the New Baptism Class that is required for both parents and Godparents. These classes are offered on the first Sunday of each month. Anyone requesting a Sponsorship form must be a currently registered and practicing Catholic, and they must attend one of the New Baptism Classes to receive it. There is a 3-month waiting period for a sponsorship form for the newly registered. The Catholic requirements for a Godparent/Sponsor are: you must be at least 16 years old; received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation in the Catholic Church; attend Mass regularly on Sundays and on Holy Days of Obligation; receive the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion regularly; sincerely try to follow the moral teaching of the Catholic Church; and if married, were married in the Catholic Church.

**ARRANGEMENTS FOR MARRIAGE:** All couples must meet with a parish clergyman at least six (6) months before the marriage is to be celebrated.

**PASTORAL CARE AT DANBURY HOSPITAL:** Prior to Your Hospitalization: You or a family member should notify the Rectory.

**PRAYER LINE:** If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please call our Prayer Line. Our team leaders are Maggie Kent (203-731-4738) and Deana Chamberlin (203-482-7149).

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**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**SAT., SEPTEMBER 30**  
5:30 + Al Dennis — Family

**SUN., OCTOBER 1**  
7:00 + Horton Earle — Eileen Freebairn  
8:30 + Helen Dunleavy — The Nelson Family  
10:00 + Bernadine Loya — Joe & Lynn Loya  
11:30 + Joan Czyz — The Lawlor Family  
5:30 + Carlos Torres — The Cuneo Family

**MON., OCTOBER 2**  
6:30 + Father John J. Flemming  
9:00 + Gregory Wilmott — Mom & Dad

**TUES., OCTOBER 3**  
6:30 + Gregory Wilmott — Mary Ferri  
9:00 + Alison & Tony Russo (Blessings) — Fran Ebert

**WED., OCTOBER 4**  
6:30 + James Culhane — Thomas Babcock  
9:00 + Ray Dorman — Ed & Carol Roth

**THU., OCTOBER 5**  
6:30 Residents of Summit Village  
9:00 + Efthios “Eddie” Marnelakis — The Fitzgerald Family

**FRI., OCTOBER 6**  
6:30 + The DeWitt & Sweeney Families  
9:00 + Priscilla Torres — The Cuneo Family

**SAT., OCTOBER 7**  
8:00 + Rita Dalziel — Rose & Paul Meyer  
5:30 + Bud Riesenberg — Family

**SUN., OCTOBER 8**  
7:00 + Walter Horton Earle — Bethel Park & Rec Staff  
8:30 + Sr. Alberta Sheridan, SSND — Paul & Rosalie DeMarco  
10:00 + James Hyland — Pat & Ed Ruhl  
11:30 Lu Walsh (Blessings) — The DeRoin Family  
5:30 + Ann Swiston— Steven & Eileen Zemko

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Mon.:** Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10  
**Tues.:** Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56  
**Wed.:** Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62  
**Thur.:** Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12  
**Fri.:** Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16  
**Sat.:** Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24  
**Sun.:** Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43