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**Mass Schedule**

**Chapel**

Monday & Tuesday..... 7:30 a.m.  
 Thursday & Friday ..... 12:10 p.m.  
 Saturday ..... 8:00 a.m.

**Church**

Saturday Vigil ..... 4:00 p.m.  
 Sunday ..... 7:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

**Reconciliation**

Saturday ..... 2:30 p.m.  
 or by Appointment  
 Mondays during Lent..... 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

**Holy Hour (Chapel)**

Tuesday (for vocation)..... 11:00 a.m.  
 Thursday (with Benediction)..... 11:00 a.m.  
 Eucharistic Adoration ..... 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**Miraculous Medal Novena (Chapel)**

Tuesday..... 7:00 p.m.

**Sponsor Certificates**

Sponsor Certificates are available in the sacristy of the Church or the rectory office. You must be an active parishioner, registered with our parish for 6 months or more. The use of the envelope system assists in verifying that you are an active parishioner.

**Baptism**

Parents are asked to contact Jean Moriarty at the rectory to arrange for a Baptism.

**Marriage**

The Archdiocese requires a minimum of 6 months for marriage preparation. Couples should contact Fr. Nick at the rectory.

**RCIA - The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

If your faith journey has led you to think about the Catholic Church or to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation, please join us in the RCIA. For more information contact Sr. Marie Roccapriore, M.P.F. at the Convent.



**SATURDAY, APRIL 22**

4:00 Julia and Thomas Martin, req. by family

**SUNDAY, APRIL 23**

7:30 Vincenzo Cusano, req. by his wife and family  
 10:00 Mark F. Lepore and Henry Szyzkowski, req. by Ken and Kathleen Baldwin and family

**MONDAY, APRIL 24**

**St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen**

7:30 David A. D'Agostino, req. by Rose Tedesco and family

**TUESDAY, APRIL 25**

**St. Mark**

7:30 Parishioners of St. Thomas Church

**THURSDAY, APRIL 27**

12:10 Richard L. Brown, Req. by family

**FRIDAY, APRIL 28**

**St. Peter Chanel and St. Louis Grignon de Montfort**

12:10 Antonio, Giuseppina and Pietro LaCioppa, req. by Aurelia Lionetti and family

**SATURDAY, APRIL 29**

**St. Catherine of Siena**

8:00 Richard Riccio, req. Annie O'Hara  
 4:00 Frank Casale, req. by family

**SUNDAY, APRIL 30**

7:30 Francis Gualtieri, req. Jerry and Nancy Cassella  
 10:00 John Kopcha, req. by Emil and Kathy Kopcha

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

Welcome! We are delighted to have you join our parish. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Nick after Mass. Parish registration forms are available in the sacristy after Mass or at the rectory office during the week.

**BULLETIN**

All bulletin announcements must be submitted *in writing* no later than the **Monday** prior to publication. It is best to send by email to [stchurchre@gmail.com](mailto:stchurchre@gmail.com). Submitting well in advance is greatly appreciated.

**BULLETIN ADVERTISERS**

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**SAFETY AT ST THOMAS**

The safety of all is a priority here at St. Thomas. Anyone who notices a safety concern is asked to submit a Safety Observation Form. These forms are available in the church sacristy and at the rectory.

**ST. THOMAS PRAYER LINE MINISTRY**

To make a request for prayer contact the rectory at 860-628-4713 or, the Sisters at the Convent: 860-621-1904.

**EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS—IN MEMORY OF:**

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| M/M Michael Siemiatkoski        | Staff Sgt Stephen Suchar Jr. |
| Eugene & Julia Manware          | Ralph Salerno                |
| The Zacchia and Mercaldi Family | Peter Nemic                  |

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**UGANDA FRIEND-RAISER TICKETS**

Purchase your tickets now for the Uganda Friend Raiser! The event will be held on Fri, May 5 at 6:30pm at Testa's Banquet Facility and features a live/silent auction. **The proceeds of the auction and monetary donations up to \$25,000 will be matched, dollar for dollar through two matching gifts.** So for example, if \$20,000 is raised \$60,000 will be donated! The ticket cost is \$50 per person and includes dinner with wine at the table. Tables of 10 may be reserved. Get your tickets now as only 200 tickets are being sold. To order tickets call Jean at 860-628-4713 or email her at [stthomassouthington@gmail.com](mailto:stthomassouthington@gmail.com). Please make checks payable to **St. Thomas Church**.



The Church Sanctuary Candle is offered this week in memory of **Yvonne and Raymond Allaire, Richard Pelletier and Don Richardson**, requested by family.

**PRO-LIFE MINISTRY MASS OF REMEMBRANCE**

The Mass of Remembrance will take place on Tues., April 25th at 5:30pm at Our Lady of Fatima Church in Yalesville. The Mass, sponsored by the Pro-Life Ministry of the Archdiocese of Hartford, is an opportunity to remember children who have died as the result of miscarriage, abortion, accident or illness and is an important step in healing, remembering and recognizing the precious gift of life.

**COMMON GOOD GARDEN**

Bread for Life is in need of volunteer gardener groups to sign up for one week's worth of gardening on a strip of land adjacent to the new Bread for Life building at 31 Vermont Ave. Each group would be responsible for various garden tasks to be completed during a one week period. Tasks may include watering, weeding, crop-harvesting, composting, mulching, and/or trimming. The produce grown will be used at the Bread for Life soup kitchen. If interested, please call or email Bread for Life. 860-276-8389 or email [missy@southingtonbreadforlife.org](mailto:missy@southingtonbreadforlife.org).



**MOTHER'S DAY**

**SPIRITUAL BOUQUET ~ MASS REMEMBRANCE**

**Please remember at the Mother's Day Masses, the Special Intention of:**

(please print)

**Mother's name** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Living**                      \_\_\_\_\_ **Deceased**

**Requested by** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Offering \$** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return to the collection basket or to the rectory no later than May 7nd.*

**PASTOR'S CORNER...**

As part of our Uganda Friend- Raiser, Fr. John Vianney Kamari will be arriving this week and will stay with me at the rectory through May 23rd. I thought it might be nice for him to visit with St. Thomas families. If anyone would like to host him for dinner, call the rectory with your name, phone number and preferred dates. Please, nothing fancy. Just a normal family dinner!

**Fr. Nick**

**CHURCH WOMEN UNITED**

Church Women United presents **2017 May Friendship Day** to be held at the Manor Inn Restaurant, 1636 Meriden-Waterbury Turnpike, Plantsville, on Wednesday evening, May 3rd at 5:30pm. All are invited to attend as we honor Laura Larson. Tickets for the event are \$20 per person and may be purchased by calling Marilyn at 860-628-9564.

**ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

It is important that when you give to any charitable organization, you are confident that the funds received are being used wisely. Be assured that your gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal supports the ministries and programs indicated in the 2017 Appeal literature only! For more information please visit the Appeal website at [www.archdioceseofhartford.org](http://www.archdioceseofhartford.org).

**SOUTHINGTON CATHOLIC NEWS!**

**SCS Raffle-** Congratulations! The winners of the Southington Catholic School raffle: D. Archambault, R. Bunnell, R. Barbieri and N. DePaola. Thank you all for your support of SCS!

**Tee Time-**Join Southington Catholic for a great day of golf on Friday, May 12 at the Southington Country Club. Contact [Stephaniebenoit57@yahoo.com](mailto:Stephaniebenoit57@yahoo.com) to register your foursome. Enjoy 18 holes of golf with cart, a gift bag, continental breakfast, grilled lunch at the turn, and a sumptuous buffet dinner. For more information, call 860-628-2485.

**Register Now-**We are adding another pre-k classroom and ordering new technology to prepare for our growing enrollment. We welcome your family to join our community by calling 860-628-2485 to arrange for a personal tour or to schedule a "Shadow Day" for your K-8 student.

**FRANCISCAN EVER THERE CARE**

Franciscan Ever There Care is an affiliate of Franciscan Home Care and Hospice Care of Meriden and provides services to individuals and families who need assistance to remain safe and secure at home. We are the only faith based mission driven agency doing this type of work in Connecticut. You can call 203-630-2881 for more information or to set up a free in-home visit.

**Readings for the Week of April 23, 2017**

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-9/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35