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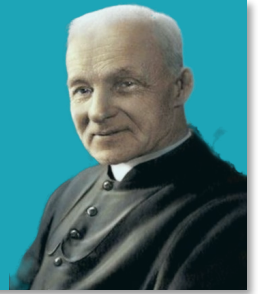
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All Hallows, Moosup

St. Augustine, Canterbury

St. John the Apostle, Plainfield



WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil:

4:30 p.m. - St. Augustine

Sunday:

8:00 a.m. - All Hallows

10:30 a.m. - St. John

Monday - No public Mass

Tuesday - No public Mass

Wednesday - 6:00 p.m. Mass followed by Novena to St. Peregrine and Benediction-St. John

Thursday - 7:30 a.m. at All Hallows and 6:00 p.m. at St. Augustine (*Holy Hour to follow the 6 p.m. Mass*)

Friday - 8:00 a.m. at St. John (*Adoration after the First Friday Mass*)

Holy Days will be announced in the bulletin.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30-4:00 p.m. at St. Augustine or by appointment.

Hospital & Home Visits: Please notify the priest of family illness. Please be advised that some institutions have an onsite chaplain.

Sacrament of the Sick: Anytime by request, in the home of the sick.

Baptism: Please contact the office for an arrangement.

Marriage: Couples should call the office at least one year in advance to reserve a date and make arrangements.



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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“Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.” - Mt 25:34

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NOVEMBER 25 & 26, 2023

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY



All Hallows
126 Prospect St, Moosup



St. Augustine
144 Westminster Rd, Canterbury



St. John the Apostle
15 Railroad Ave, Plainfield

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Greg Jednaki
Deacon: Timothy Marshall
Secretary: Adele Comeau
Bookkeeper: Patricia LaBonte
DRE: April Gibson

Parish Contact Information

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Parish Office Hours

Adele: Mon-Fri.. from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Patricia: Wednesday 8:30 a.m. -2:30 p.m.

Sites of Worship Groups

All Hallows K of C: Meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Basement

St. John: Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Guild meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:15 p.m. in St. John's Church Hall. *No meetings in January, June, July or August.*

St. John & St. Augustine: K of C meets the 4th Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at St. John's Church.

St. Augustine's Ladies Guild: Meeting dates and times to be announced.

Please make all checks payable to: St. André Bessette Parish

Online Giving: 11/12/23- \$ 750.01

Offertory (11/12/23):	\$4,312.00
Fuel:	\$ 22.00
Immaculate Conception:	\$ 1.00
Christmas Flowers:	\$ 1.00
Christmas:	\$ 1.00
All Saints:	\$ 35.00
Total:	\$4,372.00
Online: \$750.01 + Weekly: \$4,372.00 =	\$5,122.01

Diocesan Collections- 11/12/23

Mission Combined:	\$ 1.00
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The bulletin company had an early deadline. The collection totals for the weekend of Nov. 19th will appear in the Dec. 3rd bulletin.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

The second collection this weekend (11/26):

No 2nd Collection

The second collection next weekend (12/03):

Fuel Collection



STEWARDSHIP

"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me." – MATTHEW 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But, real generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient to us, when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's timeline.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 25th

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr

4:30 p.m. – St. Augustine: For all the souls of deceased loved ones listed on the altar; and †Leo Farland *by his family*

Sunday, November 26th

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 a.m. – All Hallows: For all the souls of deceased loved ones listed on the altar; †Joseph, Sr. & Allison Collelo, Steven Collelo, and Robert Goyette *by Ward*

10:30 a.m. – St. John: For all the souls of deceased loved ones listed on the altar; †Ron Combies (8th anniversary) *by his wife, Priscilla*; †Zenon Zawadzki *by his wife & family*; and †Wilfred (Billy) Boulanger *by Emily LeMasters*

Monday & Tuesday-No public Mass

Wednesday, November 29th

6:00 p.m. at St. John: For all the souls of deceased loved ones listed on the altar; †John Smey *by the Petrides family*; and A special intention *by family*

Thursday, November 30th

St. Andrew, Apostle

7:30 a.m. at All Hallows: For all the souls of deceased loved ones listed on the altar; A Mass of thanksgiving *by a parishioner*; and Health & Blessings for Pam *by a parishioner*

6:00 p.m. at St. Augustine: For all the souls of deceased loved ones listed on the altar; and †Josephine Maclure *by Jim & Eileen*
Eucharistic Adoration after the 6:00 p.m. Mass

First Friday, December 1st

8:00 a.m. at St. John: †The Holy Souls in Purgatory *by a parishioner*; and †Jay LeBlanc & †Fr. Michael Reder *by Deb LeBlanc*

First Saturday, December 2nd

First Sunday of Advent

4:30 p.m. – St. Augustine: †Ann Morin *by the St. Augustine Ladies Guild*

Sunday, December 3rd

The First Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. – All Hallows: †Ray, Henriette & the deceased members of the Deojay family *by their children & grandchildren*; and †Jack Daoust *by Richard & Mary Poitras*

10:30 a.m. – St. John: †Rita Holmes (12th anniversary) *by Sue & Bill*; and †Edgar & Cecile Bodo and the deceased members of their family *by friends*

MASS ATTENDANCE

November 11, 2023

4:30 p.m. – St. Augustine: 81

November 12, 2023

8:00 a.m. – All Hallows: 115

10:30 a.m. – St. John: 147

The bulletin company had an early deadline. The Mass Attendance totals for the weekend of Nov. 19th will appear in the Dec. 3rd bulletin.

HOLY HOUR

Adoration every Thursday after the 6:00 p.m. Mass at St. Augustine. *Come, spend some time with our Lord!*

THERE WILL BE NO 6:00 PM MASS OR NOVENA AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6TH.

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

DEC. 8, 2023

Vigil Mass– Thursday, Dec. 7th

6:00 pm in St. Augustine Church.

Feast Day Mass– Friday, Dec. 8th

8:00 am in St. John's Church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY:

Cecile Bachmann, Tyler Belfleur, William Perreault, Anne Marie Messier, Claire LeNoir, Tyler Bixler, Marion Cole, Adam Koprowski, Betty Ann Dailey, Molly Hoffman, Brock Nowicki, Bev Nickerson, Carrie Grzywacz, Earl Huber, Roy Ernest Cote, Mr. & Mrs. Leo Roberts, Robert Frederick Civardi, David Chartier, Pauline Moreneau, Carol Beebe Cartino, Linda Lussier, Mary Smith-Ridgway, Scott Wozniak, Ernest Charron, Robert Bernier, Rick Wheary, Susan Wallace & Robbie. *If you have someone you would like to add to the prayer list, please call the office (860) 564-3313 or send an email to: standreparish@gmail.com.*

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK/LAST RITES

If a loved one is in need of the Sacrament of the Sick/Last Rites, please do not wait until the last minute to call if possible. You may call in advance and make an appointment. Please call the office during business hours (860) 564-3313 or call Fr. Greg (860) 839-0664 to schedule a date and time.

ST. MICHAEL PRAYER

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Lectors Wanted- All Hallows is in need of lectors. If you are interested, please contact Deb Tavernier at 860-428-0508.

THANK YOU!

Father Greg would like to thank the Pastoral Council and their Charitable Giving Outreach Committee chair, Louisa Trakas, for organizing our second gift card fundraiser. Also, thank you to Nancy Hill, Mary Poitras, & Diana Comeau for their help in organizing and distributing the cards. This year's fundraiser was a huge success! Louisa reports:

2022: 115 customers; 1258 cards sold; card value \$41,200; profit \$2,834

2023: 132 customers; 1831 cards sold; card value \$56,125; PROFIT: \$3,594.67

Louisa thanks Adele and Pat for all of their help and thank you to all who participated and helped in any way. We will definitely continue this event in 2024!

EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES

- ☐ Dec. 10th bulletin information due by Nov. 30th.
- ☐ Dec. 17th bulletin information due by Dec. 4th.
- ☐ Dec. 24th bulletin information due by Dec. 11th.
- ☐ Dec. 31st bulletin information due by Dec. 18th.
- ☐ Jan. 7th bulletin information due by Dec. 22nd.

TOYS FOR KIDS

We are going to participate in the Toys For Kids program again this year. This program serves families in Plainfield, Sterling, and Canterbury. There will be 150 tags between our 3 churches.

Please donate toys only– no clothing

All items must be unwrapped and placed in a bag.

All items are due by Dec. 12th.

DECEMBER

3	Walmart Cards for St. Vincent De Paul due
6	NO 6 PM MASS AT ST. JOHNS
8	Immaculate Conception– HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Office Closed
10	Christmas Flower Envelopes Due
12	Toys For Kids Due

ADVENT WREATH WORKSHOP

Come join our Advent Wreath Workshop for Families on Sunday, Nov. 26th after the 8:00 am Mass at All Hallows.

Please bring evergreens to share.

Frames, candles, wires & ribbons will be supplied.
Sponsored by St. Andre Besette Religious Ed.

Feel free to bring snacks and hot cocoa!



In **December and January**, the Spiritual Book Club will be reading The Stories of Padre Pio (\$7) by Madame Katharina Tangari. It is a small, fun book that is an easy and light read with about 20 stories/miracles of Padre Pio. In **February and March**, we will be reading The Dolorous Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ (\$5) visions from Blessed Anne Catherine Emmerich. This book was used for Mel Gibson's movie, The Passion. It is a collection of visions that Blessed Anne Catherine had of Jesus' passion and death. It is a great book to read during Lent. **See or email Deacon Tim if you are interested in one or both books.**

ST. ANDRÉ BESSETTE MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

The Men's Spirituality Group will meet once a month on the 3rd Sunday for the next few months at All Hallows following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. The group ends by 9:40 a.m. Come join us!

ST. ANDRÉ BESSETTE ROSARY GROUP

The group meets at 10:00 a.m. in St. John's Church. **All are welcome to join us!** *Occasionally, the date/place must change (in the case of a funeral or Special Mass). Please contact the parish office to confirm.*

****Next dates:** Wednesdays: Friday, Dec. 1; Wednesdays: Dec. 6, 13, 20 & 27.



Please help!

While reading the Sept./Oct. issue of the Four County Catholic magazine, Sharon LeBeau found an article on Mary's Children (a new Pro-Life Group of a tri-parish community within the Norwich Diocese - see pages 14 & 15). This group was contacted by St. Vincent de Paul's food pantry with a request for help in acquiring baby formula and baby food. As a member of St. Augustine's Ladies Guild, she contacted St. Vincent de Paul, and learned that they can get a 10% discount at Walmart and thought maybe St. Andre Besette parishioners might be able to help by purchasing Walmart gift cards. **You can drop your donation in the collection basket in an envelope labeled: St. Vincent de Paul– Attn: Sharon. All donations are due by December 3rd.** Contacts: Sharon @ 860-556-9213, Laurie Dancik @ 860-949-2239, or Mary Poitras @ 860-213-1631. Thank you!



BINGO EVERY MONDAY NIGHT!

All Hallows Church Hall (Basement Entrance)

126 Prospect Street Moosup CT

Doors open @ 5:30 pm | Game starts @ 7:00 pm

Food and Drinks are available for sale!

Entrance is handicap accessible.

Parking is available behind the school.

Hosted by K of C Council 270

VOLUNTEERS WANTED- Volunteers are needed at St. Augustine to arrange the tables for Religious Education students in the sacristy and in the overflow area after Mass on Saturday. This would include: set up a table and 8 chairs in the sacristy, move out the temporary walls in the back for the 5th grade and set up a small table across the room.

THANK YOU!

"The Pastoral Council would like to thank all those who participated in writing letters to our military at home and abroad as part of the "A Million Thanks" no-fund fundraiser. We are mailing 180 cards and letters to our servicemen and women. Special thanks to the students at Arlington Elementary School in Cranston RI who sent in over 170 of those letters! We will do this again next year and will be reaching out to our local teachers to encourage their students to participate. We also collected \$18.00 to donate to "A Million Thanks" for their postage needs."



There will be a Christmas Pageant this year. More details to come soon...

K of C Council 6999

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY
DEC. 17TH
8 AM to 12 PM

St. John's Church Hall

Pancakes, Tater Tots,
Scrambled Eggs, &
Sausage, Coffee,
Juice, Tea

Any donations will be
gladly accepted!

Donations to benefit the
ASAP (Aid & Support After
Pregnancy) Program



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If you have a birthday or anniversary, please let Fr. Greg know before Mass. He will acknowledge it during Mass.

Just a reminder...at this time, we are not collecting bottles and cans. If you, or someone you know, are interested in this ministry for our parish, please contact the parish office (860) 564-3313. Thank you.



The Sisters of Charity will be having a Share-A-Day for girls in grades 2, 3, and 4 at the Holy Family Motherhouse, 54 West Main Street, Baltic, CT 06330 on **Saturday, December 2nd from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** The Theme is "Advent is preparing for Christmas". No charge and meals are included. This special day includes recreation, talks, activities and prayers with the Sisters. Telephone (860) 822-8241 or email srmarijacinta@gmail.com.

ATTENTION

When using any of the buildings in all 3 sites of worship for meetings, etc., please be sure to turn off all the lights and lock the doors before leaving. Thank you.

Regular Sunday Masses

Saturday, Dec. 23rd

4:30 pm at St. Augustine

Sunday, Dec. 24th

8:00 am at All Hallows

10:30 am at St. Johns

2023 Christmas Masses

Sunday, Dec. 24th- Christmas Vigil

4:00 pm at All Hallows

6:00 pm at St. Augustine (Jingle Bell Mass)

Monday, Dec. 25th- Christmas Day

10:30 am at St. Johns



2023 ACA update: As of October 31, 2023, **St. Andre Bessette Parish, Plainfield** has donated **\$29,056.45** or **98.13%** of its goal, and **13.62%** of your parishioners have donated. We are striving for as close to 100% participation as possible. **THERE IS STILL TIME TO DONATE!** Our campaign year ends December 31, 2023. With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. If you have not made your contribution to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal, "One Faith, One Family", or would like to make an additional gift, donation envelopes are still available within the church or you can contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928 or go online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org. **Thank you to everyone for your support!**

YOUTH AND FAMILY EXPLOSION- The Family and Youth Explosion will take place on December 3rd from 1 -4pm at Mercy High School in Middletown with speaker, song writer, and musician Jesse Manibusan. Jesse has that knack to build instant rapport, connect to his audience, and create life-giving memories that help deepen faith and cultivate the joy that inspires service, sacrifice and the celebration of life. He works with any and every age group, so everyone is invited to attend! Tickets will be \$5 per Person, \$25 for a family or \$4 per person for a youth group. For more information or to buy tickets go to: <https://youthexplosionct.weebly.com/> Questions? Email Liza at lroach@norwichdiocese.net

Awakening: How is the Holy Spirit at work in your life? Join us for a 4-part Mission designed to help deepen your faith! Rediscover God's Unconditional Love, Learn more about the Holy Spirit's Gifts, Develop a deep and meaningful prayer life, Experience the mercy of God through a deeper understanding of reconciliation. For two weeks, November 28th, 30th and December 5th and 7th from 7:00-8:30 pm, St. Mary parish, Coventry. Register online by emailing manicholas@norwichdiocese.net or call Marianne at 860-848-2237, ext. 304. Sponsored by the Office of Faith Events.

Bereavement Day of Prayer ~ The Diocesan Catholic Family Services Office is sponsoring a workshop for the bereaved entitled: *Praying Your Goodbyes* on **Saturday, December 2nd** from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M. at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick Hall, 213 Broadway, Norwich, CT. It will include time for private reflection, prayer, and journaling and give participants suggestions on how to navigate the upcoming holiday season and discover ways to grow through the experience of their loss. There is no cost, but registration is required by November 27 by contacting Mary-Jo McLaughlin at Catholic Family Services, 860-848-2237, ext. 312 or by email at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

The monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass will take place at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Saturday, December 2nd at 8:30 A.M. Please join our celebrant, Rev. Ray Introvigne, at Mass as we pray for an end of abortion and for the healing for those who have had an abortion. Following the Mass, the Rachel Rosary will be prayed at the Cathedral.



Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe! All are invited to join Bishop Cote and the Latino people of the diocese in our annual bilingual celebration of the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Tuesday, December 12, 2023. The celebration begins with the Rosary at 6:30pm, followed by Holy Mass at 7:00pm. Fiesta following. We look forward to honoring Our Lady with you. For more information, please contact the Office for Hispanic Ministry, Tel: 860-456-3349 / email: aposthispano@gmail.com

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

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1 Year Memorial Candles in St. John's Church

St. Joseph Candles (red)- If you are interested in a memorial candle, or would like to renew one, **you must contact the parish office.** You may place the \$100.00 donation into the collection basket marked: Attn. Adele at the parish office, or bring it directly to the parish office. **The candles are on a first come, first serve basis.**

We are recruiting children in second grade and above who wish to become Altar Servers. Please see Deacon Tim if you or your child or grandchild would like to serve.

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