NOTRE DAME OF EASTON

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OCTOBER 25, 2026
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Office hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm
The Rectory Office is closed on Friday.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm *(Vigil Mass)*

Sunday: 8:00 am & 11:00 am

Monday through Thursday: 7:30 am

No Mass on Friday

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 pm

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Chair: Jeanine Pagliaro
Secretary: Mary Welch

First Friday Communion Calls or Anointing of the Sick
Please call the Rectory office.

Pre-Baptismal Classes
Please call the Rectory office to schedule a class.

Baptisms
Please call the Rectory office to arrange Baptisms.

Weddings
Please call the Rectory office at least one year in advance to arrange a wedding.

Hospital Visits
Please notify the Rectory office concerning family members who are hospitalized.

Parish Registration
Please call the Rectory office to register.

Handicapped Accessible Elevator

Parish Website: www.notredameofeaston.com **Find us on Facebook:** www.facebook.com/notredameparisheaston

Mass Intentions
OCTOBER 23 - NOVEMBER 1, 2026

Sat. **5:00pm** **Kevin Visokay**
r/b the Visokay Family

Sun. **8:00am** **Luisa & Piedro Bassani**
r/b the Family

11:00am **Deceased members of the Women of Notre Dame**
r/b Jeanine & frank Pagliaro

Mon. **7:30am** **Debbie Roche**
r/b the Family

Tues. **7:30am** **A Special Intention**
r/b Rev. Christopher Ford

Wed. **7:30am** **Jeanette Murzyn**
r/b the Buonicore Family

Thurs. **7:30am** **Dewey D. Minton**
r/b Charles & Mary Welch

Fri. **No Mass**

Sat. **5:00pm** **Daniel Coeloh**
r/b Maria Coelho

Sun. **8:00am** **Parishioners, Living & deceased of Notre Dame**

11:00am **Parishioners, Living & deceased of Notre Dame**

TTHIRTIETH Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday Reading

First Reading: Exodus 22:20-26
This passage from the book of Exodus enjoins all to adhere to specific religious and social laws. It urges all to act with justice and compassion towards others.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10
Paul praises the Thessalonians for receiving the word of God so eagerly and totally. Word of their faithfulness has spread throughout Macedonia and Greece; they have become a model for all Christians.

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40
Matthew recounts the incident in which a lawyer, seeking to entrap Jesus, asks, "Teacher, which commandment of the law is the greatest?" With simplicity and authority, Jesus responds that the first commandment is to love God with one's entire being; the second is to love one's neighbor as oneself.

Please Pray for our Parish Family & all in need

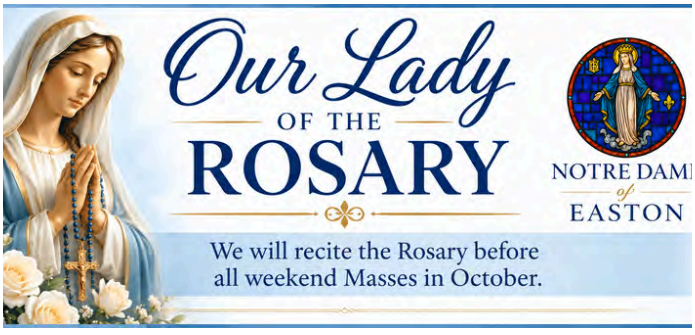
May our prayers bring peace, healing, and hope to those we remember here:

- Alice Martinich
- Pat Perrotta
- George Adams
- Vincent Esposito
- Ava Link
- Corrine Marsicano
- Douglas Fedorko
- Susan Williams
- Leah Ambrose
- Christopher Vitale
- Sal DiNardo
- Siobhan Smith
- Caryl Beseschecк
- Michael DiJulio
- Mary Majcherek
- Walter Gefford
- Ariana Engler
- Gail Stanger
- Sue Gilmore
- Michele Ambrose
- Steve Buckett

To help keep our list current, please contact the parish office with any additions or removals at Office@ndeaston.org.

Weekly Collection for:
OCTOBER 17 & OCTOBER 18, 2026

Saturday Vigil	5:00 pm	1,846.00
Sunday	8:00 am	1,835.00
	11:00 am	1,261.00
Online Giving		325.00
Other Offertory		1,532.00
Total Collection		$6,799.00
World Mission Sunday		$837.00





A Baptism at Notre Dame!



With great joy, we celebrate the baptism of **Sofia Deborah Marra** at Notre Dame of Easton. As she receives the gift of Baptism, we warmly welcome her family on this special occasion. May Sofia be blessed with God's love and grow in faith as she begins her journey in the Catholic Church.



He said to them, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. The second is like it: you shall love your neighbor as yourself." *(Mt 22:35-39)*

You shall love God, and all God's people.

BIBLE WORD SEARCH

Find all the words... left, right, up, down or diagonally.

Pharisees	S	K	D	G	R	E	A	T	E	S	T	S	A
Tested	A	C	O	M	M	A	N	D	M	E	N	T	E
Teacher	F	D	R	M	S	P	E	O	N	R	S	S	S
Jesus	L	R	E	A	T	H	S	M	I	R	S	T	T
Asking	E	S	H	H	E	A	R	T	I	N	T	E	E
Commandment	S	E	C	R	H	R	I	F	S	N	V	H	N
Greatest	R	E	A	S	K	I	N	G	A	O	D	P	T
First	U	J	E	S	U	S	G	E	L	W	E	O	E
Second	O	W	T	R	N	E	I	G	H	B	O	R	S
Love	Y	E	L	A	P	E	O	P	L	E	E	P	T
Lord	D	N	O	C	E	S	T	A	I	U	A	N	E
God	E	T	R	I	G	R	W	O	R	S	O	T	D
Heart	S	N	D	E	P	E	N	D	G	L	O	S	D
Soul													
Mind													
Neighbors													
Yourself													
Law													
Prophets													
Depend													
Two													
People													

Middle School EDGE

Our middle school students are digging into their faith with a new curriculum this year, set in the context of the Mass. Seventh and eighth graders will be preparing for Confirmation as well. It will be a busy year!

Inquisitive Young MiSunday Catechesis of the Good Sheperdnds

This week in our Sunday Atrium, the children used miniature replicas of the sacred vessels and other items found on the altar to learn their names and discover how they are used during Mass. They also learned the meaning of the word "Amen" and practiced using sign language as they sang an "Amen" song together!

It's not too late to join us! If you have a child in Kindergarten or 1st grade who would enjoy a hands-on, faith-filled learning environment, we would love to welcome them to the Atrium! Call the parish office to learn more.

Mass Tickets & Mailbox!

All Faith Formation students: Reminder that when you attend Mass at Notre Dame, please fill out a Mass attendance ticket, that you can pick up at all church entrances. Write your name, grade & if you'd like, jot a brief reflection about



what you learned at Mass. Drop your ticket in the mailbox at the main Church doors! If you go to Mass at a different church, please bring in a bulletin with your name & grade on it and give it to your catechist. Thank you!

Homestudy

Our homestudy families are online and connected to the Faith and Life series we are using in our onsite sessions. Homestudy students are welcome to return to our Tuesday classes at anytime but please let us know in advance by contacting us at faithformation@ndeaston.org

THANK YOU 5th grade Junior Girl Scout Troop #31152



Shoutout of gratitude to the 5th grade Junior Girl Scout Troop #31152 for their donations of Halloween candy goodie bags toothbrushes, toothpaste, school supplies, and non-perishable food for the Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry in Bridgeport. A big round of applause to our 5th grade Scouts for exemplifying kindness and generosity towards our neighbors!



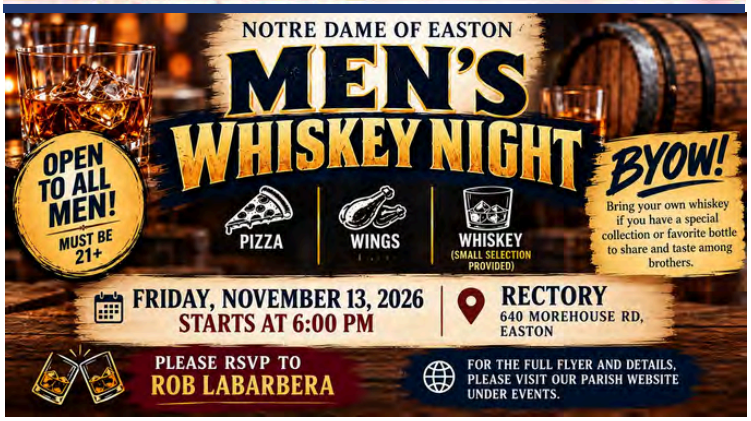
Inclement Weather Reminder

As the colder months approach, please remember that if Easton Schools are delayed or closed due to inclement weather, our 7:30 AM Mass will not be celebrated publicly for everyone's safety. Mass will still be celebrated privately for the scheduled intention. If you would like your intention celebrated again publicly, please contact the Parish Office.

If weather conditions make it unsafe to attend Mass, please stay home and know that it is not a sin to miss Mass due to unsafe conditions. We encourage everyone to use good judgment and stay safe.

Unable to attend? You may still support the parish through online giving.





Update Your Parish Information:

Have you recently moved, changed your phone number, email, or family information? Please take a momentto update your parish registration so we can stay connected by emailing the parish office or scanning the QR Code. or call the Rectory office





HANDBAG BINGO: TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

Grab your girlfriends for a fabulous night of BINGO, handbags, food, and fun!

Friday, November 13 | 6:30 PM | Deacon Sabol Hall $60 per person | Ages 18+ | BYOB

For the full flyer, registration, and event details, visit our parish website under Upcoming Events.

Winter Coat and Warm Clothing Collection Until October 27

We are collecting gently used (and new) winter coats and warm clothes for parishioners of St. Charles of Borromeo and St. George Parish in Bridgeport. **Coats can be in any size and for any gender and age: coats for babies, kids, and adults are all needed**. Used coats and warm clothing should be clean and in good condition (no stains, holes, or tears). Please leave donations on the designated tables in the lower vestibule outside Sabol Hall by October 27 and we'll bring them to St. Charles and St. George Parish. Thank you in advance for your generosity!





From Fr. Ford's Desk



Dear Friends,

Greetings from Rome!

It's been a wonderful few days here in the Eternal City, filled with prayer, good company, and some memorable experiences. I wanted to share a few highlights of my visit with you.

One of the great blessings of being here has been the opportunity to celebrate Mass at both St. Peter's Basilica and the Basilica of St. Mary Major. I also had the chance to join thousands of pilgrims in St. Peter's Square for Pope Leo's Sunday Angelus. There is something very special about gathering with Catholics from all over the world, united by the same faith, and being reminded that our little parish in Easton is part of something so much bigger than ourselves.

I've also enjoyed spending time with our seminarians who are studying here. It is always a joy to catch up with these men and see firsthand their enthusiasm for the priesthood and their commitment to preparing themselves for a lifetime of service to the Church.

By the time you read this, I will also have participated in the Dicastery for Culture and Education's International Congress on Pastoral Care in Schools and Universities, which includes an audience with Pope Leo. I'm especially grateful for this opportunity in light of my responsibilities for Catholic education in our diocese. I'm looking forward to bringing home some of what I've learned as we continue our work of strengthening Catholic education and formation throughout Fairfield County.





Through it all, I've been keeping you and our parish in my prayers, especially at the altar. As much as I enjoy these opportunities to experience the life of the universal Church, they also renew my gratitude for the particular community of faith that the Lord has entrusted to my care at Notre Dame.

Know of my prayers for you, and I look forward to seeing you all back home soon!

In Christ through Mary,
Fr. Ford

Save the Date

Saturday, October 24 at 9AM - 3PM
Blood Drive

Wednesday, October 28 at 6:30PM
Bible Study

Wednesday, October 28 at 6:30PM
Festival Choir Rehearsal

Cookie & Lemonade Saturday
after the 5pm Vigil

Coffee & Donut Sunday
after both 8:00 AM and 11:00 AM Mass

Sunday, November 1 at 10:00 AM
Festival Choir Rehearsal

Monday, November 2, at 6:00PM
All Sould Day Mass

Wednesday, November 4 at 6:30 PM
Bible Study



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