

# COMMUNITY COMING EVENTS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Today (Sunday) Peregrination of the figurine of Our Lady of Grace to the parish members & families begins today. Every Sunday we will draw one name of the person who takes the figurine home for one week.
- 10/6 (Sunday) Blessing of the rosaries will take place at the end of the Mass. Throughout October we will pray on Sundays one decade of the Holy Rosary in the church.
- 10/7 (Monday) Solemnity—Holy Mother of the Rosary. We gather in our church to pray the Holy Rosary at 5pm.
- 10/17 (Thursday) Meeting of the Parishes of the Southwest Seniorate at 6pm in Plantsville, CT. The upcoming Special Synod and other diocesan matters will be discussed along with the dinner. We need to know ASAP how many parishioners would like to attend this meeting to organize transportation & to let Fr. Senior know.
- St. John’s CALENDAR for October is ready to take home in the back of the church.
  - Today’s THREE MINUTE LITURGICAL CATECHESIS about: “Sign of the Cross”
  - We would like to remind you about the possibility to offer a Holy Mass in your own, particular intention! Take one of the envelopes from the back of the Church, write down your intention and return it to Fr. Adam. Thank you!

## Church Mice



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# BEHOLD

PARISH BULLETIN

## XXV SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTION - 10am

*For the benefactors of St. John’s parish.*

### INTROIT

C: The Lord protects the stranger, sustains the orphan and the widow, but thwarts the way of the wicked.

R: The Lord shall forever; your God, Zion, through all generations. Hallelujah!

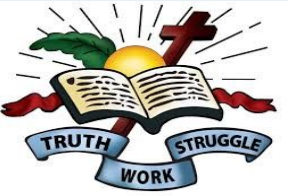
C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

R: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.



## HOLY MASS

. 10.00 am



## MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like to have a Mass said for a particular intention, you must stop by the Parish Office or the sacristy in the Church before/after Sunday mass. Masses can be said for a deceased person or as a special intention for the living. You may reserve a Sunday of your choice, and your intention will be published in the parish bulletin.

We encourage you to offer a Mass on the occasion of a birthday, anniversary or special personal (family) need.

READING 1

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Amos.

Thus says the LORD the God of hosts:  
Woe to the complacent in Zion!  
Lying upon beds of ivory,  
stretched comfortably on their couches,  
they eat lambs taken from the flock,  
and calves from the stall!  
Improvising to the music of the harp,  
like David, they devise their own accompani-  
ment.  
They drink wine from bowls  
and anoint themselves with the best oils;  
yet they are not made ill by the collapse of  
Joseph!

AM 6:1A.4-7

Therefore, now they shall be the first to go  
into exile,  
and their wanton revelry shall be done away  
with.

**This is the Word of the Lord.**  
*Thanks be to God.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM  
*„Praise the Lord, my soul!”*

PS 146

READING 2

A reading from the First Letter of St. Paul to Timothy.

But you, man of God, pursue righteousness,  
devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentle-  
ness. Compete well for the faith.  
Lay hold of eternal life, to which you were  
called when you made the noble confession  
in the presence of many witnesses.  
I charge you before God, who gives life to all  
things, and before Christ Jesus,  
who gave testimony under Pontius Pilate for  
the noble confession,  
to keep the commandment without stain or  
reproach

until the appearance of our Lord Jesus  
Christ that the blessed and only ruler  
will make manifest at the proper time,  
the King of kings and Lord of lords,  
who alone has immortality, who dwells in  
unapproachable light,  
and whom no human being has seen or can  
see. To him be honor and eternal po-  
wer. Amen.

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*Thanks be to God.*

1 TM 6:11-16

GOSPEL

LK 16:19-31

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

*Glory be to You, Lord.*

Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.' Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.' He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.' But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.' He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.'"

**This is the Gospel of the Lord.** *Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.*

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Wealth and poverty could be the focus of today’s readings, but so could the attitude one has towards possessions or the lack thereof. Amos condemns the complacency of the rich of his day who seek only fine things for themselves at the cost of others. The Responsorial Psalm reminds us that GOD cares for the lowly, the poor, and the suffering. In the Second Reading, Paul encourages his protégé, Timothy, to pursue the virtuous life. Jesus, in the Gospel, relates the parable of the rich man who fails to even meet the basic needs of the poor Lazarus, and then realizes, all too late, that Lazarus enjoys eternal riches while he suffers eternal want because of the attitudes each had on earth and their actions resulting from their attitudes.