

Saints Aedan & Brendan Parish

112 Fountain Street, New Haven, CT 06515

FIRST SUNDAY OF

Lent

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert,
and he remained in the
desert for forty days,
tempted by Satan.

He was among wild beasts,
and the angels ministered to him.

Mark 1:12-13



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FEBRUARY
18
2018

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

DAILY MASSES

Monday - Thursday 7:30 a.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSION

Saturdays, 3:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

MARRIAGES AND BAPTISM

Please contact the parish priest for further information.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Tues, Thurs., Friday

8:00 am - 1:00 pm

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PARISH STAFF

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Mrs. Taryn Duncan
School Principal

Dr. James Acabbo, Director of
Pre-K/ Readiness Program

Christine Amendola,
School Secretary

Welcome to Saints Aedan & Brendan Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun, Feb 18	First Sunday of Lent
4:30 p.m. Sat.	Ron Pieropali Requested by Council #1
9:30 a.m.	Edward Taddei Requested by James Bamberg
11:30 a.m.	Grace Weir Requested by Cynthia Santos
Mon, Feb 19	Lenten Weekday
7:30 a.m.	Fr. McCann
Tues, Feb 20	Lenten Weekday
7:30 a.m.	Deceased Members of the William Fitzgibbons Family
Wed, Feb 21	Lenten Weekday
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
Thurs, Feb 22	The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
7:30 a.m.	Deceased Members of the James Keenan Family
Sat, Feb 24	Lenten Weekday
8:00 a.m.	Ralph Proto Requested by Ken & Marie Ackerman
Sun, Feb 25	Second Sunday of Lent
4:30 p.m. Sat.	
9:30 a.m.	Joseph & Gabrielle Canzanella Requested by Family
11:30 a.m.	Mildren & Louis Lambert Requested by Family

To Schedule a Mass Intention Please Contact the
Parish Office (203) 389-2619

Weekly Financial Summary:

February 5, 2018-February 11, 2018
Weekly Offertory: \$4232.00

GUIDELINES FOR LENT:

ABSTINENCE from meat is observed for Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years and older.

FASTING is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics ages 18 through 59 years of age. One full meal and two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs. But eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Parish Calendar

Parish Council Meeting

Monday, February 19, 2018, 7:00 p.m. Hall

Social Action Meeting

Wednesday, February 21, 2018, 7:00 p.m. Hall

Lenten Food Drive for FISH

February 24, 2018-March 18, 2018

Book Club Meeting

Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 7:00 p.m. Hall

Knights of Columbus Meeting

Wednesday, February 28, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

Knights Chamber, Lower Level School

Special Spiritual Events for Lent:

Friday Night Encounter (Every Friday)

6:30 p.m. Opportunity for Confession and Rosary

7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

7:30 p.m. Video Program in Hall: *Catholicism*

Monday Night Confession (Every Monday During Lent)

6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Church

Taizé Service, Sunday, February 18, 7:00 p.m. Church

Men's Retreat, Wednesday, March 14, 2018

6:00 p.m. Caritas Center, Hamden

Reservation Required Prior To March 7th.

Woman's Retreat, Saturday, March 17, 2018

9:00 a.m. Caritas Center, Hamden

Reservations Required Prior to Match 10th.

New News About Our School!

Last Monday and Tuesday the faculty and students, respectively, were informed about two exciting bits of news regarding our school. Mrs. Taryn Duncan has been named the new principal of our school. Mrs. Duncan has a dynamic and strong educational background coupled with a love for Catholic education. She is excited to start her new position as our principal part-time on February 26, 2018, and then full time on March 5, 2018.

The second item of exciting news also involves our future. Starting with the new academic year in August, Saints Aedan and Brendan School will become the "*Catholic Academy of New Haven*." The Education Office of the Archdiocese of Hartford and I are proud to inform you that with a new name, we will have a new modern academic model as our school will become a STREAM school. Employing the progressive STREAM educational model will richly augment all learning experiences by incorporating technology and engineering into a traditional curriculum. The STREAM curriculum includes Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, the Arts (Fine Arts, Language Arts), and Mathematics.

It is a great pleasure to look to a bright future that places a high priority on educator training, committed leadership, and the provision of a rich learning experience that will effectively prepare students for the future's challenges within a supportive context of Catholic faith.



We continue to investigate the theological meaning and purpose behind the actions of what we do in the celebration of the Mass. Every aspect of the Mass has a significance and when we know the meaning behind the action we will appreciate it a bit more and as a result make praying the Mass more meaningful.

The Homily as Part of the Liturgy Itself

The homily or sermon is part of the liturgy and is required on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. It is designed to nurture the Christian life by giving explanation of some aspects of the readings from Sacred Scripture or another text of the Church, such as the Catechism of the Catholic Church or a teaching of the Church. Technically, when a reflection is given on Sacred Scripture the talk after the Gospel is called a homily and when there is a reflection given on something other than the readings, it is called a sermon.

The practice of giving a homily during worship can be seen by the example of Jesus as he entered Emmaus, it was there that he explained the scriptures to two disciples before breaking bread with them. (Luke 24:27). After Jesus, we know about St. Paul holding a discussion with the faithful in Troas when he met with them to break bread. (Acts 20:7-12). There is evidence in the early Church that the practice of delivering a homily continued. St. Justin the Martyr (100-165 AD) describes the Liturgy of the Word in this way: "When the reader has finished, he who presides over those gathered admonishes and challenges them to imitate these beautiful things."

Due to the importance of the homily, the breaking open the word of God and encouraging all those in attendance to become more united with Christ, the Church in 1964 made the homily required for every Sunday and Holy Day and strongly recommended it at daily Mass.

A valuable practice for every Catholic who attends Mass is to anticipate what will be said in the homily. This spiritual practice begins with arriving at Mass a few minutes early so that the readings can be reviewed. After the readings are read the question to bring to prayer is, "If I was giving the homily I would say..." Then, when the homily is delivered by the priest or deacon, a comparison can be made and a more active focus can be given to the homily, seeing how the Holy Spirit is speaking to you after the proclamation of the Word of God.

Unified by One Profession of Faith: The Creed

The Creed, which is stated or sung after the homily, unifies the voices of the assembly into the common faith it professes. After the death of Jesus, it took the Church several centuries to formulate the Creed it now proclaims.

In the first 300 years of the Church there were often difficulties in how to express beliefs of the faith. With no printing press or other methods for mass communication, the teaching of the faith was left up to the local bishop and his priests. With no standard education for priests, the concept of seminaries was not developed until the sixteenth century, orthodox teaching of the faith varied from region to region.

As one can imagine, wrong teachings of the mysteries of Christ often resulted. If the bishop or priest who was teaching incorrectly was very popular, many people easily accepted and believed the wrong information about the faith. Heretical teachings were more and more numerous as the Church grew in size and by the start of the fourth century there were many notable errors being taught throughout the Church. In an effort to correct these teachings it was discovered that a creed, a statement of beliefs, was needed. The thought was that if people could memorize a brief statement of beliefs then at least there would be a common foundation explaining the faith.

The Apostles' Creed (the creed prayed with the Rosary) was first developed in the early years of the second century but because it was very brief a more detailed creed was needed to bring clarity to the faith. The Councils of Nicaea (325 AD) and Constantinople (381 AD) took up the task and burnished the version now known as the Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed, or simply the Nicene Creed.

It is interesting to place the Apostles' Creed next to the Nicene Creed because when this is done it is clear which aspects of the faith needed further explanation. In other words, when doing this, seeing how the Nicene Creed expands on the Apostles' Creed, one can imagine the heresies of the day without knowing any specific history about individual heresies.

May we always work to be one in our faith, the unity that the Creed brings and the unity that Jesus so desired.



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Just A Reminder:

The parish no longer uses the Post Office Box. Please direct all mail to "112 Fountain Street"

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