

SAINT LOUIS DE MONTFORT PARISH

October 12, 2025



Weekend Masses

Vigil at Our Lady of Grace Church 4:30pm

Sunday at St. Anthony Church – 8:00am

Sunday at St. Thomas Church – 9:15am

Sunday at St. Anthony Church – 11:00am

Daily Masses

Monday – Friday at

St. Anthony Church – 8:00am

Confession

Saturdays at Our Lady of Grace Church –

3:15 - 4:00pm

Adoration

Mondays at St. Anthony Church –

7:00 - 8:00pm – with the

Sacrament of Confession



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Twenty-Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time - October 12, 2025



Pope Leo's Prayer Intention For October:

*For collaboration between different religious traditions
Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions
might work together to defend and promote peace,
justice, and human fraternity.*

*LDM = St Louis de Montfort Parish; SAP = St Anthony of Padua Church;
STV = St Thomas of Villanova Church; OLG = Our Lady of Grace Church*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2025

OLG 4:30 PM + *The Fenn Family* ~ By Teresa Stack

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2025

SAP 8:00 AM + *Dick Brennan* ~ By The VanOrmer Family

STV 9:15 AM + *Rita Meaden* ~ By Charles Meaden

SAP 11:00 AM Living & Deceased of the Parish

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2025

SAP 8:00 AM For the Conversion of Sinners

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2025

SAP 8:00 AM + *Louise Moynihan*

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2025

SAP 8:00 AM + *Adele Wojtczak* ~ By Her Daughter Debra

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2025

SAP 8:00 AM + *Betty Locke*

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2025

SAP 8:00 AM For Modern-Day Apostles

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2025

OLG 4:30 PM + *The Stack Family* ~ By Teresa Stack

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2025

SAP 8:00 AM + *Ann & Joseph Frascarelli* ~ By Family

STV 9:15 AM + *Helen Loomis* ~ By Pete & Fran Lachance

SAP 11:00 AM Living & Deceased Ladies Guild Members
~ By The Ladies Guild



*Collections: THIS Weekend's will be the parish Weekly.
NEXT Weekend's will be the parish Weekly and World
Mission Sunday Collections.*

**Saint Louis de Montfort Parish
October 4th & 5th**

WEEKLY: \$ 4937.00

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Sacraments At Our Parish

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the main parish office for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Every Saturday at Our Lady of Grace Church (3:15--4:00pm); during Adoration on Mondays 7:00--8:00pm

Sacrament of Matrimony: Please call the main office at least six months in advance before making any other arrangements.

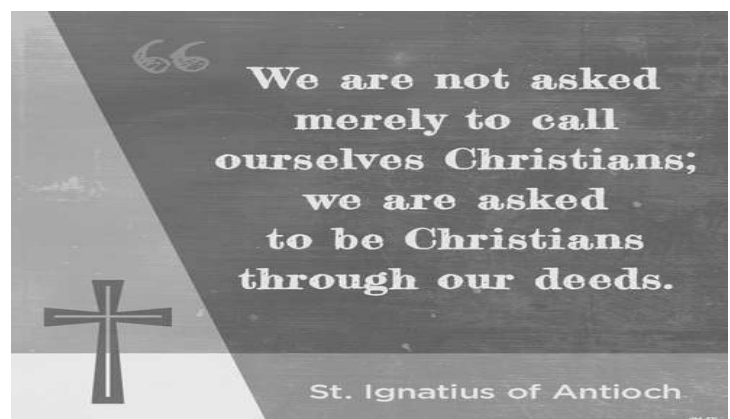
Anointing of the Sick: Please call the office.

Religious Education: Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation:
Please call Cate Corwin.

Adult Sacraments: Any adult wishing to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communions, and/or Confirmation are welcome to join the OCIA and Adult Confirmation process. Please call the office for more information.

Please add the following people to your prayers ...

- ♥ Marie Sanford ♥ Lois Buchanan ♥ Gordon Hills ♥ Fiona Riley
- ♥ John Pelchat ♥ Eileen Proveaux ♥ Bob Grosclaude ♥ Liz Carter
- ♥ Ed Perry ♥ Mary Corbo ♥ Tracey Bassos ♥ Henry Bianowicz
- ♥ Stephen Foster ♥ Lacey G & Elliott ♥ Chris Dole
- ♥ Brior Stack-Sweeney ♥ Bernard Harrington ♥ Patricia Hayes





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Carolyn's Place is a Pregnancy Care Center that assists couples and single mothers—expectant and unexpected—of the Catholic Faith. Carolyn's Place operates off of the generous donations of those who are able to support their mission. Each year during the month of October they distribute baby bottles for parishioners to fill up. This initiative begins October 4th & 5th and will end October 25th & 26th. We thank you for your continued support!

2025 Saint Louis deMontfort Parish ...

Christmas Cookie Fair

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, December 6, 2025

Our Parish Cookie Fair Team is beginning to prepare for our "sweetest" Parish Fundraiser. Choose your favorite Cookie recipe now and gather your ingredients ahead of time to bake a double batch or 120 of their favorite Christmas Cookies for our Cookie Fair on Saturday, December 6th, 2025. Doors open at 9am. This is a great opportunity for Faith Formation Students to fulfill required volunteer service hours. All Parishioners are invited to help in the many volunteer duties needed for the Cookie Fair event. Drop off for the cookies is on Friday, December 5th from 8am to 7pm. More information to follow. All Funds will go to St. Louis de Montfort Parish for community outreach.

For more information please call Cate at 860-491-2756 or email: cookiefair@stlouisdemontfortparish.org

During the Month of October, the Church encourages us to pray the Rosary. This is an easy way to meditate on the life of Christ through the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious, and Luminous Mysteries.



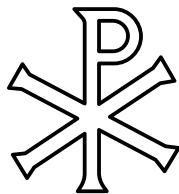
"The Rosary is the most powerful weapon to touch the Heart of Jesus, Our Redeemer, who loves His Mother."

~Saint Louis de Montfort

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Register for all events at the web address below. We look forward to seeing you!

Open Houses-10/17 tour starting at 10:00am spchs.com/openhouse

Middle School Fall Festival— 10/17 at 6:30pm spchs.com/festival

Placement Exams-10/18 or 11/22 starting at 8:00am spchs.com/placementexam

MEN'S CONFERENCE: A TRANSFORMATIVE DAY OF FELLOWSHIP, HOPE AND HEALING

Some 600 men, as young as 13 and as old as 90, gathered for the 18th annual Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference, looking for hope and healing -- and some for encouragement in their call to the priesthood.

The conference at Holy Cross High School in Waterbury centered on the theme "Jubilee Year Pilgrims of Hope" and featured EWTN hosts Dr. Ray Guarendi, psychologist and author, and Michael O'Neill, the "Miracle Hunter," along with Father Anthony Federico, Archdiocese of Hartford director of Vocations and Seminarians, and healing priest Father Jason Brooks LC, who talked about his work with the Regnum Christi Detroit Healing Ministry and prayed over men suffering from cancer, physical pain and migraines.

There were also dozens of exhibitors. The day began with a procession of 30 first-class relics. The events also included Adoration, confessions and a Vigil Mass celebrated by Archbishop Christopher J. Coyne and joined by others, including Norwich Bishop Richard Reidy, who gave the homily.

"This year's conference was unlike any we've had before," says director Ken Santopietro. "In this Jubilee Year -- a time of mercy and restoration -- we offered something truly special: a chance for

healing, both spiritual and physical. There were also a lot of young guys discerning a vocation."

Timothy Proctor, whose sons Rex, 14, and Benjamin, 13, were the youngest at the conference, said he came at their insistence, although he originally intended to complete a paper for his master's degree in philosophy at Holy Apostles College.

"Whatever the Holy Spirit wills, I am his instrument," he says. "I'm just trying to be a good Catholic dad."

For Rex, the day was a particularly important because he feels the call to the priesthood. "Every since I was 4, I wanted to be a priest," he says. "I always wanted to administer the sacraments and partake in the sacrifice of the Mass, so I'm really glad to be here."

Father Federico told the packed auditorium: "The Lord is beginning a revolution, a revival, a springtime for the Roman Catholic Church in the United States of America and somehow, some way it's beginning in the state of Connecticut."

He says there was a class of five new seminarians last year; this month, the class increased to 11. In his role, Father Federico travels to every parish and says what is most

needed is "a spirit of worship" and instructed the men to cultivate a "worship mindset" instead of a "casual mindset."

Steven Schneider of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Oxford, who has come to the conference almost every year, says, "It gets better and better. Here I get the affirmation I need and realize I'm on the right track. A lot of time I wonder whether I'm right or wrong, but around these men I realize I'm doing as good as I can and that my problems are the same as the other guys. Seeing so many younger men also gives me hope for the future of the Church."

Bill Dunn of Blessed Sacrament Parish in Vernon says coming to the conference every year gives him "a good booster shot of brotherhood and I realize there are other people of faith out there, and I'm not alone."

In his homily, Bishop Reidy urged the men to reach out to others "in need of a strong, gentle Christ-like hand."

"The men's conference is a grace for us all, but it's not just a one-day event," he says. "It's a tool in the journey to holiness, a time for us to listen, reflect, worship and share so we can deepen our faith."

- Story by Joe Pisani

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Fr. Tom will share the Catholic response to addiction and recovery, offering faith-based pathways that can be introduced in every parish and community. Addiction and the overdose crisis impact every community and most families. This evening will provide:

- Guidance on how parishes can support those seeking healing and recovery
- Faith-centered approaches to addiction and healing
- An open forum discussion on building recovery ministry in the parish
- Information on recovery programs and resources



Branches on the Vine

OCTOBER 11 - 17, 2025

THE PASTOR'S CORNER

My friends, one of the most interesting discoveries I find with a lot of people, especially young people, is the desire to KNOW Christ. This is good news! However, it could be better. What do I mean by this? Well, its good news to hear that people want to know Christ, but there is a difference is KNOWING Him and LOVING Him. To know Jesus is simply to know the historical person of Jesus - what was His impact on history. People can study what He did, said, taught, etc... and that's good, but Jesus is more than just that. Jesus is first and foremost a Person that we need to love in as much as He has loved us. To love Jesus means establishing a relationship with Him and allowing our hearts to touch His heart. This is always seen as a challenge because to actually love Jesus requires sacrifice, but it is absolutely necessary.

We need both- to KNOW Jesus and to LOVE Him! They both are essential to our own lives, however, if we were just to have knowledge of who he was we completely ostracize of who He is in our present life, and that is where love comes in. We read from our Gospel the 10 lepers. They all run to Jesus and say in hopes of being healed, "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!" They recognize and know that Jesus performed a number of miracles and they are only hoping that would be the same for them. Jesus in return says, "Go show ourselves to the priests." As they went off, they were cleansed. Their knowledge of Jesus helped them to be healed from their infirmities, however, there is something missing- the spiritual healing. We find that only one of them, a Samaritan, returns. Jesus commends Him and says, "your faith has saved you." This Samaritan, an outsider to the Jewish faith, not only returned to the High Priest, he also discovered that his love for Jesus was greater than his knowledge of Him. He was not only healed physically, but also spiritually.

There is so much spiritual healing that we all need in our world today, and much of it comes not from knowing, rather, love Jesus Christ. The question is, are you ready to love Jesus? If so, then let us move past just our knowledge of Him and embrace His heart, so he can radically change our hearts and make a difference in our lives and the world.

-Fr. Matt

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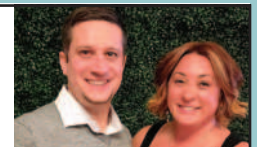
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