



# ST. JOHN XXIII CATHOLIC PARISH

WEST HAVEN, CT



Sunday, April 20, 2025  
Easter Sunday of the  
Resurrection of the Lord

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lunes a jueves | Monday to Thursday  
4:30 - 6:00 PM

## Mass Schedule | Horario de Misas

**Saturday Vigils | sábados:**  
4:00 PM (English), St. Louis Church  
4:30 PM (English), St. John Vianney Church  
**Sundays | domingos:**  
8:30 AM (English), St. John Vianney Church  
9:00 AM (English), St. Louis Church  
10:30 AM (English), St. John Vianney Church  
10:30 AM (español) en la Iglesia San Luis  
12:30 AM (español) en la Iglesia San Luis  
**Monday to Friday | lunes a viernes**  
12:00 PM (English), St. Louis Church

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

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**Mondays | lunes**  
7-8 PM with Adoration of the Most Blessed  
Sacrament in St. Louis Church  
**Saturdays | sábados**

3-4 PM in St. John Vianney Church  
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### MASS INTENTIONS | INTENCIÓNES DE MISAS

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 19 — *Holy Saturday; Easter Vigil in the Holy Night*

12:00 PM St. John Vianney **Blessing of the Easter Food**  
7:30 PM St. John Vianney **† Crystal Zecua Herrera**

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 20 — *Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord*

8:30 AM St. John Vianney **† Ernest and Rita Pimer**  
9:00 AM St. Louis **† Andrew and Mike Fioramont**  
10:30 AM St. John Vianney **† Maryann and William Eminger**  
10:30 AM St. Louis (*español*) **† Jacinto Olvera, Angelina Toríz, Cirila Perez, & Alejandro Sanchez**  
12:30 PM St. Louis (*español*) **† Intención de Misa disponible**

#### MONDAY, APRIL 21

12:00 PM St. Louis **† Julia Hernandez**

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 22

12:00 AM St. Louis **† Wilberforce Egbunike**

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23

12:00 PM St. Louis **† Veronica Egbunike**

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 24

12:00 PM St. Louis **† Victor Corvari, Sr.**

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 25

12:00 PM St. Louis **† Elizabeth Gilliam**

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 26 — *Vigil, Second Sunday of Easter*

4:00 PM St. Louis **† Robert and Ann Shields**  
4:30 PM St. John Vianney **† Jimmy Gabriel**

#### SUNDAY, APRIL 27 — *Second Sunday of Easter*

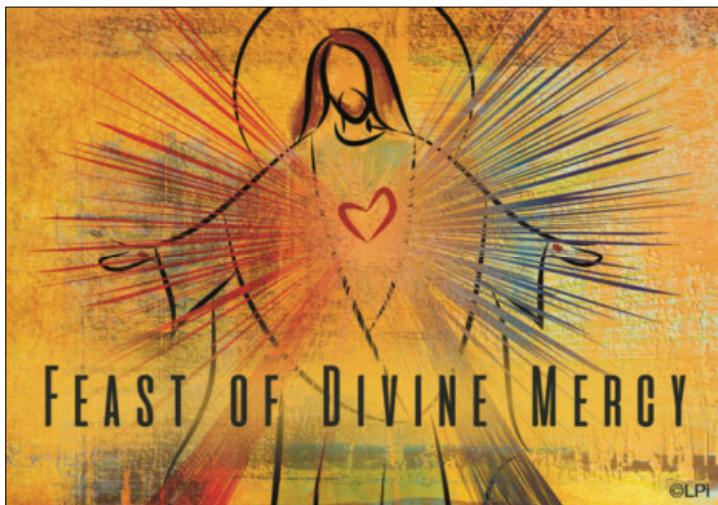
8:30 AM St. John Vianney **† The Fernino Daddio and Zuppardi Families**  
9:00 AM St. Louis **† Gisele Saucedo**  
10:30 AM St. John Vianney **† Cosmo Perrelli**  
10:30 AM St. Louis (*español*) **† Brittney Hernandez; Noah Cortes**  
12:30 PM St. Louis (*español*) **† Raquel Sanchez; Marco Meneses**

### Remember a Loved One

You may honor a loved one with a Mass Intention for weekday or weekend Masses which take place at St. Louis Church, or weekend Masses which take place at St. John Vianney Church.

Donations for **daily Mass intentions** are \$20;  
**weekend Masses**, \$30.

**The Sanctuary Candle** is available: donation is \$20;  
To reserve **weekday or weekend** Masses  
at **St. Louis Church or St. John Vianney Church**:  
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## Prayer Service

**Sun., April 27 / 2:30 PM / St. John Vianney**

We invite you to pray with us, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, combined with Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament. The prayer service will be held Sunday, April 27, at 2:30 PM at St. John Vianny Church.

On this Divine Mercy Sunday, remember that God's love and mercy are boundless, extending to all, especially sinners, and that through trust and seeking His mercy, we can experience His grace and forgiveness.

## Free Meals: First Wednesdays

On the first Wednesday of each month, the Elks Club of West Haven run a free soup kitchen -- all are welcome. Join us at 5:30 PM, 265 Main St.



## Clergy Appreciation Dinner For Our Parish Clergy

Join the Knights of Columbus as we enjoy an evening honoring the clergy of St. John XXIII Parish. We will be celebrating at Lorenzo's Ristorante on Elm St., on Tuesday, May 6 at 6:30

PM. We'll dine on a delicious buffet dinner and dessert.

**Cost:** \$50 per person (includes tax, gratuity);

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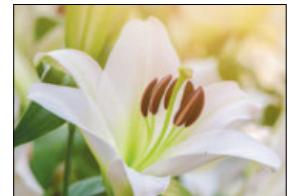
**Meal:** Includes appetizers, Chicken Parm and pasta, Pork Roast, vegetables, stuffed breads, beverages and more.

**RSVP:** Contact Rich Antosca by April 27; (203) 809-8032



## Easter Season Reflection Books

The "Little White Books" contain 6-minute reflections for the Easter Season and are available at the entrances to the church in English or Spanish. The books are free!



The insightful meditations of the right-hand pages can help to deepen your prayer experience. On the left-hand pages, you will find quotes, timely thoughts and some interesting tidbits of information.

## Charismatic Prayer Group: Join us!

**Thursdays / 2:30 PM**

The Lord of Peace Charismatic Prayer Group has resumed on Thursdays in the St. John Vianney Church Hall at 2:30 PM. Please join us for silent meditation followed by praise, worship, scripture, sharing and fellowship. For information, contact Dolores Libow at (203) 937-8136. **Please join us!**

## Wednesday Night Rosary Prayer Group

**St. John Vianney / 6 PM**

We have resumed the Wednesday Night Rosary Prayer Group on April 2 at 6 PM at St. John Vianney Church. Please consider joining us to pray for all people to return to Jesus through Mary!



## In Loving Memory ... En memoria de...

*Our Parish extends sympathy  
to the family and friends of:*

**Victims in War-Torn Countries,  
Those Lost in Natural Disasters,  
Those Who Died While Homeless,  
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## In Our Thoughts & Prayers / En nuestros pensamientos y oraciones

*Out of respect for whom we pray, only family  
members may add names to this list. To include your  
prayer requests for healing, support, or gratitude for the  
next two weeks, contact the Parish Office (see below).*

*Por respeto por quienes oramos, sólo los familiares inmediatos pueden agregar el nombre a esta lista.  
Para incluir tus peticiones de oración de sanación, apoyo o gratitud durante las próximas dos semanas, comuníquese con la Oficina Parroquial:*

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## WE REMEMBER ALL INTENTIONS PREVIOUSLY BROUGHT BEFORE GOD IN THIS SPACE.

### FOR HEALING AND SUPPORT:

Gene Amato, Sr., Christopher Amato,  
Danielle Boros, Louise Cardinali, Linda Cronk,  
Donald Durand, Luann Eminger, Pope Francis,  
Nancy Goudemant, Tom Halligan,  
Patricia Iovene, Petria, Donald Robillard,  
Andrew Stocker, Jairo and Amparo Villegas

### IN GRATITUDE FOR:

Volunteers who serve in our Music Ministry.

**Bold** = New additions this week.

## To: The Men of the Parish

All men of the parish are invited to a program of fellowship (including donuts), formation, and prayer from 9:30-11:00 AM on April 26 in the St. John Vianney Church hall. We will be praying the Stations of Light. The program is free of charge and will be conducted in English. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

## Medical Equipment Available

The parish has many durable medical goods and supplies available. If you or a loved one, need any equipment or supplies, please call us. We may have, hospital beds, wheelchairs, walkers, toilet risers, incontinence pants, IV, cleaning supplies and more. **Contact Clare (203) 430-7226; If you need it, we might have it.**

## Please Pray for Those Serving in Our Military

*Parishioners are invited to add the names of  
armed forces personnel on active duty to this list by calling  
the Parish Office.*

Lance Cpl. Trevor Connelly USMC  
Jeffrey Batres, USMC | Staff Sgt. Adam Dudek  
Staff Sgt. Danielle Luby | 2nd Lt. Jared Carlson  
Lance Cpl. Connor Davis USMC  
PFC Jena Berglund USMC  
SGT Giovanni Gigola | Capt. William Austin  
Sr. Airman Gabriella Gigola  
Sr. Airman Aaron Butner | Airman Sean Hufcut  
Pvt. Christopher Miller | Sgt. Alexander Capuras  
Pvt. David Bayusik | 1st Lt. Pilot Michael Dupliesse  
Connor Quinn, 82nd Airborne  
Cpl Chase Davis, USMC | Cpt. William Malcolm  
Private Army Specialist Mark Russell  
Cpl Jared Pliszka, USMC | Sgt. Kyla Parker, US Army  
US Marine Staff Sgt. Eric Pang  
Sgt. Derek Daigle, US Army  
1st Lt. Timothy J. Simoes, US Army

## Leave a Legacy of Faith | Deja un legado de fe

Remember St. John XXIII Parish in your will or when making a gift in honor or in memory of a loved one. Thank you!

Recuerde la Parroquia de San Juan XXIII en su testamento o cuando haga un regalo en honor o en memoria de un ser querido. Gracias.

# Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



As we celebrate the glorious resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, I extend my heartfelt Easter blessings to each and every one of you in the Archdiocese of Hartford. This holy season is a time of hope, renewal, and joy—a reminder that no matter the darkness we may face in the midst of daily life, the light of Christ shines brightly, offering us the promise of eternal life.

The resurrection of Jesus is the foundation of our faith. It is through His victory over death that we are given new life, and with it, the strength to overcome the challenges of this world. In this time of celebration, we are reminded that God's love is unfailing and His mercy knows no bounds.

As we gather in prayer and worship, let us also reflect on the ways in which we are called to share this gift of hope with those around us, those known to us and those unknown. In a world that often seems divided, it is our calling to be instruments of peace and reconciliation, offering the love and compassion of Christ to all we encounter.

I encourage each of you to live this Easter season with a renewed commitment to faith, service, and charity. May the peace and joy of the risen Christ fill your hearts and homes, and may you carry that peace into your communities and the world.

Know that you are always in my prayers. Please keep me in yours. May God bless you and your loved ones with His abundant grace and peace this Easter and always.

With Easter joy and blessings,

*Christopher J. Coyne*

**Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne  
Archbishop of Hartford**



# Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,



Al celebrar la gloriosa resurrección de nuestro Señor y Salvador, Jesucristo, extiendo mis sinceras bendiciones de Pascua a todos y cada uno de ustedes en la Arquidiócesis de Hartford. Esta temporada santa es un tiempo de esperanza, renovación y gozo, un recordatorio de que, sin importar la oscuridad que podamos enfrentar en medio de la vida diaria, la luz de Cristo brilla intensamente y nos ofrece la promesa de la vida eterna.

La resurrección de Jesús es el fundamento de nuestra fe. Es a través de Su victoria sobre la muerte que se nos da una nueva vida, y con ella, la fuerza para vencer los desafíos de este mundo. En este tiempo de celebración se nos recuerda que el amor de Dios es inagotable y Su misericordia no conoce límites.

Al reunirnos en oración y adoración, reflexionemos también sobre las formas en que estamos llamados a compartir este don de la esperanza con los que nos rodean, con los que conocemos y con los desconocidos. En un mundo que a menudo parece dividido, estamos llamados a ser instrumentos de paz y reconciliación, ofreciendo el amor y la compasión de Cristo a todos los que encontremos.

Animo a cada uno de ustedes a vivir este tiempo de Pascua con un compromiso renovado por la fe, el servicio y la caridad. Que la paz y la alegría de Cristo resucitado llenen sus corazones y sus hogares, y que lleven esa paz a sus comunidades y al mundo.

Sepan que siempre están en mis oraciones. Por favor, manténganme en las suyas. Que Dios los bendiga a ustedes y a sus seres queridos con su abundante gracia y paz en esta Pascua y siempre.

Con la alegría y  
las bendiciones de la Pascua,

*Christopher J. Coyne*

Reverendísimo Christopher J. Coyne  
Arzobispo de Hartford



## Proclaiming the Risen Christ

By Deacon Frank Bevvino

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is the most sacred of feasts in Christianity. Without belief in the Resurrection, we cannot claim to be Christian. Our faith needs to be strong based on what was handed down to us from scripture. In the words of Pope Francis, "We cannot give up in the face of evil. God is Love and he has defeated evil through Christ's death and resurrection."

As we celebrate this most sacred day, we hear in all the Gospel accounts the astonishment at Christ's empty tomb. We can only imagine the thoughts that went through the minds of the disciples as they came to realize what Jesus said to them when He was alive. It was only then that Jesus' words became clear. Jesus' appearance to Mary Magdalene in the empty tomb is a touching encounter of surprise and joy. According to the Gospels, Jesus appeared to Peter and the others three times after His Resurrection. In His appearances He showed His love and mercy despite His disciples abandoning Him at the time of His arrest and cru-



cifixion. Subsequently, on the road to Damascus, God encountered St. Paul who persecuted the early followers of Jesus. St. Paul would come to experience the living Christ and go on with the others to proclaim Christ Risen.

The Gospels are testaments to the experiences and events surrounding Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. As Christians we carry on the tradition of Peter, Mary Magdalene, Paul and all the others in proclaiming Christ RISEN. The Resurrection of

Jesus is not an event that occurred 2,000 years ago. As Jesus proclaimed before His Ascension, He would not leave us alone. Through the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism and Confirmation) the Holy Spirit empowers us to look to the Gospels as a guide to imitate Christ in our lives. Just as the disciples came to realize the message of Christ in the Resurrection, we, too, in our Easter celebration, need to become empowered to profess Christ by incorporating His deeds in our everyday life.



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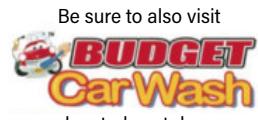
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