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Whether you are a lifelong parishioner – or just visiting us for a while – welcome to St. Joseph Parish. We are blessed to have you among us in our worshipping community, where we seek to be conformed ever more closely to the pattern of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, offering right worship to the Father in spirit and truth (cf. Jn 4:24).

<u>Masses</u>

Saturday Vigil – 4:00 P.M. Sunday – 7:30, 9:30, 11:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Daily Weekday – 12:05 P.M. Saturday – 8:00 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon 3:00 P.M. - 3:45 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are on the fourth Sunday of each month. Please call the Rectory to register for pre-baptismal instruction. Classes held on the first Sunday of each month.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples should contact a parish priest one year in advance, BEFORE any social arrangements are made. NO Sunday Weddings.

<u>SICK CALLS, COMMUNION CALLS,</u> <u>ANOINTING OF THE SICK,</u> HOSPITAL VISITS

Due to the Federal health privacy laws, HIPAA, hospitals cannot issue names of patients to parishes; you or a family member must let the Admissions Office know of your desire to have a visit during your stay. If you would like a visit at home please call or have a family member call the Rectory Office: 203-748-8177.



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Saturday, September 3 8:00 AM Thomas Smith—Eileen Burdick 4:00 PM Viola & Pius Cesca—Family Sunday, September 4 7:30 AM Joseph & Joe Valente—C. Valente 9:30 AM Thomas Gansert—Eileen Burdick 11:00 AM Int. of Parishioners—Fr. Scott 5:00 PM Carol Smith—Eileen Burdick Monday, September 5 12:05 PM Nancy Cuttita—LaGratta Family **Tuesday, September 6** 12:05 PM Stacy Miskar—Sister Wednesday, September 7 12:05 PM Fred Burdick—Eileen Burdick **Thursday, September 8** 12:05 PM Int. of AI & Wanda Woodman-C.Valente Friday, September 9 12:05 PM Luigi Casciaro—Sister Saturday, September 10 8:00 AM Vincenzo Valente & Family-C. Valente 4:00 PM Russell M. Novella—Family Sunday, September 11 7:30 AM Ralph Burdick—Eileen Burdick Thomas Wilkinson—Eileen Burdick 9:30 AM Intentions of Parishioners-Fr. Scott 11:00 AM 5:00 PM Ashley Burdick—Eileen Burdick

Sanctuary Candles Sanctuary Candles The Sanctuary Candles will burn this week in memory of Joseph & Joe Valente requested by Catherine Valente. Due to an editing error, an earlier version of the Sanctuary Candles announcement misstated the name of the one memorialized. It is Marcy Cooke, not Marcy Cook Cook.

> **Please Pray for the Repose** of the Souls of:

> > Josephine Bass

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Cathleen Ross Diaz



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"The mission of St. Joseph Parish is to make Christ known."

The following programs are available to all Catholic girls in the area and will be held in the Carmen Buck Religious Education Building at Saint Joseph Church starting in September:



Little Flowers, a mother-daughter program for girls in Kindergarten through 8th grade. (divided into two age groups for most of the meeting.) Meets first Tuesdays from 6:30pm - 7:30pm. Little

Flowers is a Catholic mother/daughter club centered on learning virtues, for girls and moms who want to grow in holiness. The Little Flowers program will help you make the conscientious effort required to cultivate virtue, for the love of God and for the good of the family. Virtues are learned through lively presentations led by mothers in the group, crafts and activities. Badges and medals for the virtues are earned by completing activities at home and are worn on a blue sash, uniting the girls to the Blessed Mother. Begins September 6th.



7th BLAZE, for girls in and grades. Meets 2nd Tuesdays from 6:30pm - 8:00pm. We will use the BLAZE first year program. Each meeting, the girls will be led through an ice breaker activity and a short lesson

based on lies found in the world and truths found in Scripture concerning topics relevant to their age, such as friendship, discernment, their value as daughters of the Lord of Creation. They will learn how to base their worth on being children of God, how to pray in their own words, and how to use the Bible as a tool for spiritual growth. Time for socialization afterwards! Begins September 13th.



Beloved! High School Girls' Bible Study for girls in grades 9-12. Meets 3rd Tuesdays from 6:30pm - 8:00pm. This is a peer-led Bible study designed for young women. We will be using

the Opening Your Heart, part of the Walking with Purpose series. Begins September 20th.

Please contact Jennifer Suess at Jennifersuess1@ gmail.com to register.



The St. Joseph, Danbury CT schedule for the coming academic year, 2022-2023 is approved and ready to send out to candidates!

Do you know someone interested in becoming a Roman Catholic or hoping to complete their Sacraments? Please encourage them to attend the classes. There is no fee or obligation in inquiring! Classes follow after attending the 11:00am Sunday Mass. Formation follows the Mass in the parish hall from 12:00PM to 1:00PM. There are 15 classes, Sacraments of Initiation are administered at the Easter Vigil on April 8th. The Sacrament of Confirmation only, is administered at Pentecost by permission of the Bishop on May 28th.

Please welcome your inquiring family and friends if they seek the Sacraments to attend our first class on October 2nd from 1:00 - 2:00pm in the Parish Hall.

— Margaret Curran, RCIA Coordinator



St. Joseph Annual Tag Sale September 16, 17, and 18, 2022

Our St. Joseph parish annual tag sale is back! We appreciate your dona-

tions of toys, games, movies, CDs, DVDs (no VHS or cassettes), kitchen and household items, books (no textbooks or encyclopedias), holiday and decorative items, bedding, baby items (no car seats), lamps, picture frames, small furniture, tools and costume jewelry.

We can <u>not</u> accept: TVs, computer equipment/ printers, typewriters, suitcases. sporting equipment or clothing.

Drop off of your donated items is in the Parish Hall (beneath the Church) on the following dates/times:

Thursday, September 8 9:30am to 7	11:00am
5:30pm to	7:00pm
Friday, September 9 9:30am to 1	11:00am
5:30pm to	7:00pm
Saturday, September 1010:00am to	4:00pm
Sunday, September 1110:00am to	2:00pm
Monday, September 12 9:30am to 1	11:00am
5:30pm to	7:00pm

The Tag Sale will be held inside the Parish Hall:

Friday, Sept. 16, 2022

8:30AM-9:30AM - Advanced Admission = **\$5.00** 9:30AM- 2:00PM - General Admission = Free

Saturday, Sept. 17, 2022 - 9:30AM - 3:30PM

Sunday, Sept. 18, 2022 - 10:00AM - 4:00PM

Thank you for your support. If you have questions, please call Antonia Stalzer at 203-748-3417.

Order of Mass for the Lord's Day

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle C

PROCESSIONAL St. Michael's Hymnal #567—"How Firm a Foundation"

KYRIE "Lord Have Mercy" - Heritage Mass (Alstott)

GLORIA #192 - "Gloria," Heritage Mass (Alstott)

FIRST READING Today's Missal pg. 47—Wisdom 9:13-18b

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Today's Missal pg. 47 Psalm 90:3-4

SECOND READING Today's Missal pg. 48—Philemon 9-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Today's Missal pg. 48—Psalm 119:135

GOSPEL Today's Missal pg. 48—Luke 14:25-33

HOMILY

OFFERTORY St. Michael's Hymnal #770—"Take Up Thy Cross"

> SANCTUS "Holy"- Heritage Mass (Alstott)

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION "When we eat this Bread" - Heritage Mass (Alstott)

AGNUS DEI "Lamb of God"- Heritage Mass (Alstott)

COMMUNION

St. Michael's Hymnal #672—"O Lord, I Am Not Worthy"

RECESSIONAL

St. Michael's Hymnal #569—"How Great Thou Art"

Sell Your Gold Fundraiser Returns! September 16, 17, and 18, 2022

In conjunction with our Annual Tag Sale, we will, once again, be holding our *"Sell Your Gold Fundraiser"*.

- Friday, September 16 10:00am to 4:00pm
- Saturday, September 17 9:00am to 4:00pm
- Sunday, September 18 8:00am to 4:00pm

Please look for those broken chains, single earrings, old school rings, the jewelry you never wear anymore, and yes, that dental gold. Also, sterling silver jewelry, flatware, hollowware, platinum and palladium. Email bob@libertygoldct.com with any questions.

Parish Support

Stewardship of Time, Talent, and Treasure **Worship Offerings**

August 20-21, 2022	\$6,299.00
Air-conditioning	\$2,135.00
August 27-28, 2022	\$7,478.00
Youth Group Ministry	\$1,529.00

Many thanks for your generous stewardship. May God reward your generosity!

Saint Joseph Parish 2022 Bishop's Appeal as of 8/26/22		
ABA Goal:	\$112,000	
Total Pledged:	\$86,455 (77%)	
Donors to Date:	196 Donors	

Please join as a parish family to meet our Appeal goal. So much depends on it. Without the support of every parishioner, we simply will not achieve our overall goal, and that translates into fewer people served by our schools, houses of hospitality, counseling programs, and formation programs



To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at 2022BishopsAppeal.org, call (203) 416-1470 or scan with your phone.



The musical 'refrain' distinguishes a relatively small number of hymns from those without one. Today's recessional MUSIC hymn, How Great Thou Art, is perhaps the most well-known hymn with a refrain. The

refrain is simply a section of a hymn that is repeated either before or after each verse, consisting of the same music and words. In How Great Thou Art, the refrain appears after the verses.

Other hymns with a refrain after the verses are Immaculate Mary, Hail, Holy Queen Enthroned Above, O Come, All Ye Faithful, and O Come, O Come Emmanuel. Less frequent are hymns with a refrain at the beginning. Some good examples are Lift High the Cross, All Things Bright and Beautiful and Ye Sons and Daughters.

On a related note: many songs from Broadway musicals are known more - if not exclusively - by their refrain than by their verses.

— Mr. Robert Fertitta

Children's Rosary Ministry

Children of all ages come and join us In prayer!

Fridays 4:00-5:00 PM in the Church For more information contact: Ania Szurawski at 203-297-7110



Culture of Life- Reflection

Saint Joseph Respect Life Group

Mission Statement: The St. Joseph Respect Life Group is dedicated to heightening the awareness of the Respect Life Movement within the parish. The Group endeavors to build a **Culture of Life** through Prayer, (personal, group, national); Education, (timely topics and Catholic teachings); Discussion, (USCCB Respect Life Program, social issues); and (Advocacy, (legislation, witness and service).

In our 2021-22 year we continued our prayer services and self education by studying various Catholic clergy and writers including Saint John Paul's encyclical "Evangelium Vitae - Gospel of Life", as well as writings of Popes Benedict and Francis.

In July the group initiated a column in the Sunday Bulletin called the Respect Life Corner or Culture of Life-Reflection. The purpose of the column is to further engage the parish in Culture of Life issues. Articles have not only included summaries of the group's self study but there has been a heavy emphasis on the pro-life issue of Abortion among other important pro-life issues such as Palliative Care, Assisted Suicide, Euthanasia, Hospice and Human The column also covered pro-life Trafficking. organizations such as the Sisters of Life and Project Rachel and other religious topics such as Saints engaged in pro-life causes and current Culture of Life endeavors.

As we begin our 2022-23 year, the group invites all parishioners to attend a meeting or join the group. We meet on the first Sunday of the month at **1:00 PM** in the Carmen Buck Religious Education Building.

Please contact John at 203-797-1704 for more information.



If you are a current subscriber to Give Us This Day (for the 2022 subscription year), the September books are now available! Please see one of the ushers at the side entrance after Mass for your copy.

SEPTEMBER_4, 2022

Dear Families:



a new school year! We very much look forward to seeing you back this fall! If you need to <u>register your child(ren) for Faith Formation</u> <u>classes</u>, please stop by our office in the Carmen Buck Religious Education Building. Our office opens on August 29th, and our new hours are Monday to Wednesday from 9:00am to 4:00pm and Thursdays from 9:00am to 12:00pm. The office will be closed on Fridays.

Welcome back to the start of

Please visit our Parish website at <u>www.stjosephchurchdanbury.org/parish-life/</u> <u>education</u> for comprehensive details and contact information. Please note that a copy of the Baptismal Certificate must accompany all new registrations for students who were not baptized at St. Joseph Church.

Catechists, substitutes, and aides are needed for grades 1-8! Won't you please prayerfully consider joining the Faith Formation team? Requirements include being a practicing Catholic, having a love for the Catholic faith, and a desire to share it with the children of our parish family. Please contact our Director of Faith Formation (DRE) Maria Merino-Schweitzer at <u>mschweitzer.stjosephdanbury@gmail.com</u> if you are interested in joining the team.

IMMACULATE HIGH SCHOOL

HSPT PREP SESSION

Current 8th grade students are invited to register for Immaculate's High School Placement Test Prep Session on Saturday.



September 10 from 9-11 a.m. The fee is \$50 and includes a review of mathematics, reading, language arts skills, and general test-taking strategies, along with a textbook to continue practicing prior to the a c t u a l e x a m . S p a c e i s limited. **Register** at immaculatehs.org/hsptprep

FALL OPEN HOUSE

At Immaculate High School, academic excellence matters and our student outcomes prove it. All are invited to learn more about why Immaculate is the #1 Catholic, co-ed day school in CT and about our admissions process at our upcoming **Open House on Sunday, October 16.** Register today and choose from a number of different tour start times beginning at 1:00pm. **Register** at <u>immaculatehs.org/visit</u>.



Live Streaming Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday: Daily Mass 12:05 PM

> Saturday: Vigil Mass 4:00 PM

> > Sunday: Mass 9:30 AM

Please go to our website: www.stjosephchurchdanbury.org and click on *StreamSpot* live streaming.

Click on the

icon in the bottom right hand corner to see the Mass full screen.

If you miss the live stream of the Mass you may still go to the website, click on the *StreamSpot* logo, then click on "previous broadcasts" to find the Mass you would like to view.

Available on smart phones and tablets!

Daily Mass Readings:

<u>Monday, September 5: Weekday</u> 2 Corinthians 5:1-9 Responsorial Psalm: 5:5-6

Tuesday, September 6: Weekday

1 Corinthians: 6:1-11 Responsorial Psalm: 149:1b-2 Gospel: Luke: 6:12-19

Gospel: Luke: 6:6-11

Wednesday, September 7: Weekday

1 Corinthians 7:25-31 Responsorial Psalm: 45:11-12 Gospel: Luke: 6:20-26

Thursday, September 8: Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Feast)

Micah 5:1-4a Responsorial Psalm: 13:6ab Gospel: Matthew: 1:1-16

Friday, September 9: St. Peter Claver, Priest

1 Corinthians: 9:16-19 Responsorial Psalm: 84:3 Gospel: Luke: 6:39-42

Saturday, September 10: Weekday

1 Corinthians: 10:14-22 Responsorial Psalm: 116:12-13 Gospel: Luke:6:43-49

Saint Joseph Parish

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Saint Joseph Religious Education

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Saint Joseph School

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Saint Joseph School

Enrolling now for the FALL 2022 school year! Applications available online at www.sjsdanbury.org.

For more information visit the above website or Email: sjsoffice@sjsdanbury.org

Please keep the sick of our Parish in your prayers:

Kelli Barrett, Max Cassano, Irene Clark, Dan Colby, Joan Godfrey, Anand Gokhale, Gavin King, Carol Matzinger, Jake Meerman, William Morrison, Victor Munoz, Marjorie Nodine, Ethel Pancotti, Catherine Robinson, Rebecca Shost, Mary Ann Storms, Kenneth Towery, and all our parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals, or confined to their homes.



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To Our Welcome Visitors:

Welcome to Saint Joseph Church! May this be a sanctuary of peace and grace for you! If you attend our parish on a regular basis, will you consider registering with us? It is so helpful whenever the need arises for special sacraments, funeral masses, and sponsor certificates. Please complete the lines below. drop it in any collection basket and our staff will register you. And please be sure to introduce yourself to one of the parish priests.

** Please help us to keep our list current by informing us when we may remove a name. Thank you.

PLEASE PRINT

Mr | Mrs | Ms | Mr & Mrs (circle one) Last Name: First Name(s):

Address: _

Address: _____ City, State, ZIP: _____ Home Tel: _____ Buss Tel: _____

E-mail:

Primary Language Spoken:

Children (names, gender, & birthdates):

I am interested in: (circle) Becoming a member of St. Joseph Parish First Communion / Baptism / Confirmation Youth Programs (7th – 12th Grade) Choirs: Adults Children

Adult Religious Education

Liturgy Attending:





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