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MASS SCHEDULE

11:00AM Sunday Monday 8:00AM Thursday 8:00AM Friday 8:00AM

ROSARY

Saturday 8:00AM



St. Mary Church of the Visitation

218 Providence Street P.O. Box 665 Putnam, CT 06260

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00PM Sunday 9:00AM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 2:45-3:30PM (Sacristy)

PARISH OFFICE 8AM-2PM (Mon. thru Thur.) 8AM-12PM (Fri.)



THE BAPTISM of the Lord

"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming, I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Uk 3:18bc

Excerpts from the Lecturery for Most (02001, 1998, 1970 CCD.



St. Joseph Church

18 Main Street N. Grosvenordale, CT 06255

> MASS SCHEDULE 4:00PM Saturday Sunday 10:00AM

RECONCILIATION Saturday, 2:45-3:30PM (Sacristy)

> **ADORATION** Tues 9AM-8PM Thur 9AM-12PM Fri 12PM-8PM



St. Stephen Church

130 Old Turnpike Road Quinebaug, CT 06262

MASS SCHEDULE

8:30AM Sunday Monday 8:00AM Tuesday 8:00AM Wednesday 8:00AM

MOST HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY January 9, 2022 11:00 am

Adelaide Coderre (L) by a Friend

MONDAY January 10, 2022 8:00 am

Parishioners of St. Therese Parish

THURSDAY January 13, 2022 8:00 am

The Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY January 14, 2022 8:00 am

For the protection of Kristine by Michael (L)

SUNDAY January 16, 2022 11:00 am

Adelaide Coderre (L) by a Friend

Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of 1/16-1/22 with special prayer intentions for Adelaide Coderre by a Friend

Parish Support - Dec. - Wkly = \$6,166. Mnthlv = \$410.

EFT = \$48.

Christmas = \$1,444.

Gentle Reminder - with the uptick in Covid cases, in all it's forms, and increased hospitalizations, the use of masks in church during Mass is strongly encouraged, regardless of vaccination status. Thank you for your consideration of fellow parishioners!

PROTECT OTHERS | WEAR YOUR MASK





Mass Intention Donations are \$20 for Weekend Masses & \$15 for Weekday Masses. \$25 for 7 day - Sanctuary Lamp. Please contact office to schedule.

Checks can be made out to church of intention.

ST. MARY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY January 8, 2022 4:00 pm

Judy Desaultes by Marian Smat

Gary Roy by Lorraine Sorel & Russ Boulet

SUNDAY January 9, 2022 9:00 am

Carolyn Maxham by Dorothy Defilippo

Jack Boyll by Jen Lombardo

Raymond Laporte by the O'Connell & Johnson Families

SATURDAY January 15, 2022 4:00 pm

Lucill Lalumiere (Anniv) by Linda Hall

Lawrence J. Bellerose (1st Anniv) by Rob & Kathryn Willard & Family Thomas Gorham (B/day Remembrance) by the Family

SUNDAY January 16, 2022 9:00 am

Leopold & Rolande Desilets by Pierre & Maureen Desilets

Annette Brunsdon by the Family

Rita Pezanko by Larry Pezanko

Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of 1/9-1/15 with special prayer intentions for Adelaide Coderre by a Friend

Parish Support - Dec. - Wkly = \$12,458. Mnthly = \$515.

EFT = \$3,111. Christmas = \$1,450.

ST. JOSEPH MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY January 8, 2022 4:00 pm

Louise (Lajoie) Robbins by Pete & Jackie

Michael Lajoie by Joyce Lajoie

Adelard & Doris LaFleur by Al & Gail LaFleur & Family

SUNDAY January 9, 2022 10:00 am

Edward "Taxi" Morin (5th Anniv) by Diane & Jen Dudek

SATURDAY January 15, 2022 4:00 pm

Michael Lajoie by his Father & Sister

Antonio & Mary Gesualdi by the Family

Anna Surozenski by the Family

SUNDAY January 16, 2022 10:00 am

Josh & Niles Deary by Paul, Eileen & Chelsea Deary Henriette Lachapelle (10th Anniv) by Aileen Witkowski

June Suleski (L) & Her Loved Ones by Susan

Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of 1/9-1/15 in remembrance of Romeo & Lorraine Beausoleil by Donat & Muriel Charron

Parish Support - Dec. - Wkly = \$10,933.

Mnthly = \$745.

EFT = \$386.

Christmas = \$2,555.

REMINDER: If there is a school delay or cancellation in Pomfret, Putnam or Thompson - weekday Masses are cancelled. Mass Intentions will be moved to the next Mass. Parish office may also be delayed in opening or closed. Please be safe, warm and cozy!



ST. STEPHEN MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY January 9, 2022 8:30 am

Parishioners of St. Therese Parish

MONDAY January 10, 2022 8:00 am

Omer LaRose by the Estate

TUESDAY January 11, 2022

The Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY January 12, 2022 8:00 am

The Names on the Sacred Heart/St. Joseph Memorial Plagues

SUNDAY January 16, 2022 8:30 am

Doris Szkutak & Son Dan by Leo & Cindy Lafortune

Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of 1/9-1/15 in remembrance of Richard Feige by Fred & Rachel Wojick

Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of 1/16-1/22 in remembrance of Joseph Wojick by Fred & Rachel Wojick

Parish Support - Dec. - Wkly = \$4,335. Mnthly = \$490. Christmas = \$802.

St. Therese of Lisieux Parish

Office Hours: 8:00 am - 2:00 pm Monday thru Thursday, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Friday.

Pastor: Very Rev. David P. Choquette Parish Secretary/DRE: Janice Lindsay

Deacons: Pierre Desilets & Wayne Sinclair

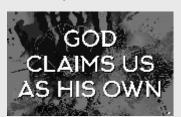
GOSPEL MEDITATION

January 9, 2022 The Baptism of the Lord

"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ."

— Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these



types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism

gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

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Faith Formation Coordinator: Dan Shaughnessy

Stewardship Bulletin Reflections - January 9, 2022

"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming... he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...'" (Luke 3:16)

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The Catholic Catechism states that "Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will." In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

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4th Annual Young Adult Mass Sunday, January 30th, 7:00pm.

St. Thomas Aquinas in Storrs is delighted to host Bishop Michael Cote for the 4th Annual Diocesan Young Adult Mass & Reception. All Young Adults (ages 18 - 39,

single and married) are invited and encouraged to attend! Young Adults are welcome to invite friends to join us! Mass with Bishop Cote will begin at 7:00pm and there will be a small reception in the Catholic Center following the liturgy.

St. Joseph Food Pantry report

Thank you to:

Monthly donations: \$20.00. \$40.00. \$25.00. \$50.00 x2

A promised \$25.00

\$50.00 from a former parishioner

Christmas donations: \$60. \$100. \$20. \$250. \$100.

From friends \$500.00

\$100.00 in memory of Ronald Blain \$300.00 in memory of Bruce St.Cyr \$250.00 in honor of David and Linda Plaza

A special thank you to all of you who worked so diligently to get cranberry sauce, gravy and especially turkeys. We met our quota thanks to your efforts. And may God bless you all for the wonderful people you are. Your generosity as parishioners or friends often brings me to tears because of your overwhelming caring and concern for your fellow men.

May 2022 be a better year for all and in every way. Please pray for the end of Covid and all its variants. Pray for the Church and her hierarchy. And most of all let us pray for one another.

January 22, 2022 marks the 49th anniversary of the Supreme Court's infamous abortion-on-demand ruling. Because of that decision, millions of pre-born babies have been denied their most basic right - their right to life. On Friday, January 21, 2022, people from across the nation will assemble in Washington, D.C. to visibly express their opposition to abortion.

On Thursday, January 20, 2022 at 9 P.M., buses sponsored by the Connecticut Right to Life Eastern Chapter will leave from the Norwich Municipal Parking Lot (Exit 11, I-395) and travel to D.C. to attend the March For Life on Friday, January 21, 2022. Bus fare is \$57 per person.

If you are unable to attend the March For Life, please consider sponsoring a seat on the bus. For further information and/or to reserve a seat or to sponsor a seat, please call Margaret Becotte at 860-822-1362.

Prayer Shawl Group:

Finished Slippers will be collected at

January 28th meeting.

Request that the finished slippers are put in clear baggies labelled; Child or Adult and size S-M-L-XL



To our gifted and talented **Knitters** of the Norwich Diocese, please join the Office of Faith Events in reaching out to the community during the cold winter months by donating handmade scarves. Whatever you could do to help support our new "Street Ministry" to the poor would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be brought or sent to the Bishop Flanagan Ministry Center, 199 Broadway, Norwich. We will be accepting donations until February 28. Thank you so much for donating your time and talent! Questions? Contact Marianne at 860-848-2237 ext. 304 or manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

Virtual Marriage Enrichment – For Valentine's Day this year, give your spouse the gift of your time and re-energize your marriage by attending a virtual enrichment entitled The Joy of Love on Saturday, Feb. 12, 2022, from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. Based on Chapter 4 of Pope Francis' Amoris Laetitia: the Joy of Love, the enrichment will feature four talks on Daily Love, Conjugal Love, Passionate Love and Transformation of Love. Each talk will include practical insights from Pope Francis' wisdom on marriage and family life. This enrichment is for married couples of all ages and years married. There is a \$15 fee that covers workbooks for each couple. Registration and payment are due by Feb. 1. The program takes place online and requires participants to have an internet connection. To register, send your names, address, telephone number, email address and check made payable to the Annual Catholic Appeal to Mary-Jo McLaughlin, Catholic Family Services, 199 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06260 or call her at 860-848-2237, Ext. 312, or email her at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

Please Save the Date and join us March 26, 2022 for the Virtual Spring Norwich Diocesan Women's Conference. Keynote speaker, author, and certified spiritual director Liz Kelly will present ideas from her book Love Like A Saint. The morning will also include a message from Bishop Cote, the naming of this year's Our Lady Queen of Hope Award recipient and much more all from the comfort of your own home! For more information, please contact The Office of Faith Events at 860-848-2237, or manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

January 9 Priest who have left ministry

January 10 Rev. Izydor Sadowski SDB

Most Rev. Daniel Reilly. DD

January 11 Rev. Augustine Naduvilekoot

Rev. John Ashe

January 12 Rev. Aguirre Palacio

Rev. Timothy Roth MIC

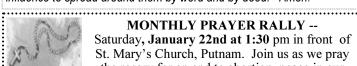
January 13 Rev. Michael Segueira Msgr. Richard LaRocque

January 14 Rev. Michael Giannitelli

Rev. Brian Romanowski January 15 Rev. Mark Curesky OFM Cv

Rev. Jonathan Ficara

Precious Blood of Jesus, cover our priests and protect them from the snares of the enemy. Bless them and make them guardians to watch over Your sheep. May the Blood of Jesus always help them. May each day of this New Year bring our priests more souls to save and more holy influence to spread around them by word and by deed. Amen.



MONTHLY PRAYER RALLY --

Saturday, January 22nd at 1:30 pm in front of St. Mary's Church, Putnam. Join us as we pray the rosary for an end to abortion, peace in our country and in thanksgiving for all our blessings.







'Called to Holiness' Silent Retreat: January 28-30, 2022

The Immaculate Conception Center in Putnam, CT is pleased to offer a retreat for Catholics seeking to renew and deepen their faith. The "Called to Holiness" silent retreat weekend provides participants with an opportunity to encounter the Lord's

presence in an atmosphere of contemplation and prayer. Reflections and Scriptural meditations will be offered by a team of lay and religious retreat guides. Spiritual direction will be available throughout the weekend for those who desire it.

The cost of the retreat is \$160 per person (\$80 for commuters). Space is limited, call 860-928-7955 or

visit immaculateconceptioncenter.org to secure your reservation.

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of January 09, 2022

Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 Sunday:

1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20 Monday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28 Tuesday:

1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39 Wednesday:

1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45 Thursday: Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17 Saturday:

Observances for the week of January 09, 2022 Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday:

Thursday: St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Friday: Saturday:







A very special "THANK YOU!" To all of you for your well wishes, blessings, cards and gifts throughout this Christmas Season.

Your love, care & support is most appreciated! May God Bless you and grant you and your families a very happy & healthy 2022! Fr. David, Fr. Steve, Janice & Claire

THANK YOU!

We, the parishioners of St. Therese Parish would like to extend a huge THANK YOU! to all the volunteers who gave of their time and talent to gather, setup, takedown, clean and store all the holiday decorations at all our churches this Advent & Christmas season.

We appreciate your efforts and our churches were decorated beautifully in anticipation & celebration of our Saviors birth!



Shout outs to: Lucille Langlois, Steve, Dale, Linda & Jean Froehlich, Ray & Gerry Lotter, and Mary Beth Jolda

Jackie Lajoie and the decorating angels; Normand, Dan, Rene, Nick, Raymond, Matthew, Dolly, & Jackie Lebeau.

Jessica DiCostanzo

Jennifer Lombardo, Casey and the Daughters of Isabella



YOUNG ADULT MASS WITH BISHOP COTE

JANUARY 30, 2022 7:00PM St. Thomas Aquinas In Storrs

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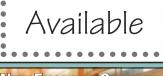


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