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Most Holy Trinity

568 Pomfret Street
Pomfret, CT 06258

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 11:00AM
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.)



EASTER SUNDAY

The other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived
at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. - Jn 20:8

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St. Joseph Church

18 Main Street
N. Grosvenordale, CT 06255

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00PM
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

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

MOST HOLY TRINITY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY April 17, 2022 11:00 am

Parishioners of St. Therese Parish

MONDAY April 18, 2022 8:00 am

Adelard A. & Lillian M. Ducharme by the Family

THURSDAY April 21, 2022 8:00 am

For the Protection of Kristine (L) by Michael Robert Hall by Jerry & Bonnie O'Brien

FRIDAY April 22, 2022 8:00 am

Parishioners of St. Therese Parish

SUNDAY April 24, 2022 11:00 am

Robert Hall by Noreen Chapman
Timothy Davis by Jerry & Bonnie O'Brien

Parish Support - March. - Wkly = \$5,874. Mnthly = \$432.
EFT = \$128. Ukraine = \$675.

ST. JOSEPH MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY April 16, 2022 4:00 pm

NO CONFESSIONS - NO MASS

SUNDAY April 17, 2022 10:00 am

Parishioners of St. Therese Parish

SATURDAY April 23, 2022 4:00 pm

Theresa Rice by the Family
Helen Miner by Daughter JoAnn

SUNDAY April 24, 2022 10:00 am

Beatrice Langlois (9th Anniv) by Dghtr Claire Berube & Family
Deacon Michael Darnowski by the Atwood Family

Parish Support - March. - Wkly = \$9,983. Mnthly = \$764.
EFT = \$210. Ukraine = \$1,075.



Suggested Mass Intention Donations are
\$20 for Weekend Masses &
\$15 for Weekday Masses.
\$25 for 7 day Sanctuary Lamp.

Please contact office to schedule.

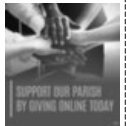
Checks can be made out to church of intention.



Covid Rapid Tests are available at the parish office. If you'd like one—please call to schedule a pick up or just stop by during normal business hours!

ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE AT OUR CHURCHES!

Authorization Forms and F.A.Q. are located at the entrances of all 4 churches as well as the parish office. Once completed, return to St. Therese Parish, P.O. Box 665, Putnam 06260 or leave in the collection basket! Thank you for your support!



EASTER



ST. MARY MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY April 16, 2022 8:00 pm

Holy Saturday—Easter Vigil
NO CONFESSIONS - NO 4PM MASS

SUNDAY April 17, 2022 9:00 am

Parishioners of St. Therese Parish

SATURDAY April 23, 2022 4:00 pm

Patricia Nelson (7th Anniv) by Lucille Nelson
Paul & Rose Cesolini by the Family
Cecile Frost by Linda Christian

SUNDAY April 24, 2022 9:00 am

Paul Lombardo by the Family
Norman & Bernice Brousseau by the Family
Nancy Pezanko by Larry Pezanko

Sanctuary Lamp will burn the week of 4/17-4/23 in Remembrance of Al Smat by Marian

Parish Support - March. - Wkly = \$13,264. Mnthly = \$690.
EFT = \$3,456. Ukraine = \$230.

ST. STEPHEN MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY April 17, 2022 8:30 am

Parishioners of St. Therese Parish

MONDAY April 18, 2022 8:00 am

The Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY April 19, 2022 8:00 am

Parishioners of St. Therese Parish

WEDNESDAY April 20, 2022 8:00 am

Names on the St. Joseph/Sacred Heart Memorial Plaques

SUNDAY April 24, 2022 8:30 am

Parishioners of St. Therese Parish

Parish Support - March. - Wkly = \$4,742. Mnthly = \$330.
EFT = \$ - - - Ukraine = \$10.

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

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

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Stephen Gulino
Bookkeeper: Claire LaFramboise
Faith Formation Coordinator: Dan Shaughnessy

GOSPEL MEDITATION

April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

There are many stones in our paths that keep us from truly living and being free. Some of these boulders have been there for a very long time. They have been there so long that they have even settled into the soil of our lives with other weeds, vines, and compacted soil keeping them firmly in place. We find them hard to move and trying to do so can be exhausting. What are these suffocating albatrosses that keep us so tethered and immobile? They are many things.

They are past childhood wounds and hurts that stem from disappointment, rejection, or abuse. People may have told us we were unwanted, that the world is frightening, that there are only some acceptable feelings you can have and others you cannot. We may have tried to love someone or struggled to figure out how and were met with rejection. Maybe we trusted someone completely and were betrayed. We come to life collecting barnacles that begin to attach to other barnacles and before you know it, we have a mass of solid matter blocking our vision and keeping us from moving. We live in fear. We are afraid of losing what we have, afraid that the future will be empty, afraid that we won't succeed and even more afraid that we will not be loved. There is so much fear. Didn't Jesus tell us not to worry and to not be afraid? Either we believe in the message of Easter, or we don't!



Go confidently into the night. Walking with God you will find the light and strength you need. Often without even knowing, God will move those boulders and stumbling blocks that bind us and, with putting one foot in front of

the other and looking forward, we will move. The resurrection of Christ is really all about receiving the gifts of trust and faith and doing new things. The rocks that bind us keep us spinning the same wheels and doing the same things. When was the last time you threw caution to the wind and actually did something totally out of character and different? This is where we find God, in the spontaneous, the adventurous, the fun, and the creative choices we make! God is not boring and stuck. God is exciting and engaging. Jesus Christ is risen from the dead! Find a way to trust that this is true and live. ©LPi

MONTHLY PRAYER RALLY --

Saturday, April 23 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 God's Divine Mercy.



**News from the PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:
DATE CHANGE!!!**

The April meeting will be held on
THURSDAY, APRIL 28TH FROM 12:30-2:30

ST. JOSEPH FOOD PANTRY- March and April:

Thank you to: The Knights of Columbus and the Boy Scouts for their very productive Food Drive. We received over 90 bags of food and over \$200.00 in cash. So thank you to them and to all of you who contributed to this drive.

Charity is a pathway to heaven. I'm always overwhelmed by the kindness of this parish.

God bless you all for your selfless generosity.

Anonymous. \$120.00. \$50.00

Each month donations. \$100., \$20., \$40., \$25.

Promised. \$25.00

Every other month \$300.00

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\$50.00 In memory of deceased members of a family

SPRING CLEANING @ THE CEMETERIES!

The cemeteries at St. Joseph and St. Mary will be tidied up from all loose objects, flowers, flower pots & plants over the next few days. If there is anything you would like to keep - please pick up now. Thank you!

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Norwich

Thank you to all who have answered our prayers and have supported Catholic Charities in the past. As many still struggle through these tough economic times, Catholic Charities continues to help those most in need. We are currently in need of, and are collecting toiletries for adults and children — toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, shampoo, conditioner, and deodorant. Donations can be brought to any one of our four locations in Norwich, New London, Middletown, and Willimantic. Visit ccfsn.org or call 860-889-8346 for more information. Thank you once again for your help in creating hope for our neighbors in need.

Connecticut Retrouvaille Weekend

Has your marriage become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring? Are you thinking of divorce or separation? The Retrouvaille program can help. Retrouvaille provides tools to improve communication, better resolve conflicts fairly, and rediscover why you fell in love.

The next Retrouvaille weekend in Connecticut is 4/22-24/2022.

For information: call confidentially 1-800-470-2230, email cherylandsteve@cox.net, or go to our website www.helpourmarriage.com for information & registration.

Stewardship Bulletin Reflections - April 17, 2022

"... He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." (ACTS 10:38)

We can't give what we don't have. Open your heart to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. Then, show the same to others. As God's adopted sons and daughters, we are made in His image and likeness. As Pope Benedict XVI says, "we are made for greatness." Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray to live a grateful and generous life. Strive for greatness! We are made for more! We are made for God!

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR



At the request of parishioners, a **Life in the Spirit Seminar** will be offered at the **Immaculate Conception Retreat Center** Wednesday evenings, **May 4 through June 22, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.** The first night will be an information night: a brief talk and a chance to ask questions. The 2nd through 5th evenings prepare you to be open to the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. On the 6th evening, each individual is prayed over to receive the Holy Spirit and awaken the Gifts. The 7th and 8th evenings orient you into the new Life in the Spirit. There is also the opportunity to follow up afterward by attending a Charismatic Prayer Group on Monday evenings from 7-9 to further develop charismatic gifts. Space is limited, so to reserve a space, please call the St Therese Parish office at 860 928-6535 or e-mail stthereseputnam@gmail.com with name and phone number to reserve a place. The presentation team is composed of members who have been through the seminar themselves.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS

- April 17 Rev. Brian Converse
- Rev. Grzegorz Brozonowicz
- April 18 V. Rev. Gregory Galvin
- Rev. Joseph Tito
- April 19 Rev. Joseph Ashe
- Rev. Edward Dempsey DBA
- April 20 Rev. Alfred Irving
- Rev. Dariusz Dudzik
- April 21 Our Holy Father
- April 22 Rev. William Flynn
- Rev. James Thaikoothil
- April 23 V. Rev. Jan Swiderski
- Rev. Stephen Gulino



Glory be to the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now and will be forever. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation and set their souls on fire with love for your people. Amen

IMPORTANT: FAITH FORMATION NEWS

May 1st: First Eucharist Celebration & Workbook Return. All Faith Formation families are invited to attend the First Communion Mass (9:00) at St. Mary's on Sunday, May 1st, then join us in the hall to celebrate. Dessert treats will be provided by the Daughters of Isabella. Please bring your student workbooks, as they will be collected at this time to give credit to all the students who engaged in home study this year. If you missed the April 10th gathering, you may also register for next year's classes at this time.



This is a great opportunity to get our young people and families back together - please be sure to attend!

The weekend of April 23 & 24, **Samer Awwad** representing the **Christian Catholic Families of Bethlehem** will be selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries- all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem, after all Masses. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the Holy Land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have "something" authentic from the Holy Land. Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and may also a help you in your personal devotion.



Easter Greeting from Fr. David & Fr. Steve

The great news about Easter is that it's not a single event that took place 2,000- years ago, but rather, it is a way of life for us. After Good Friday the apostles were hiding because of fear, discouragement and sadness. However, St. Luke's Gospel tells us the Lord appears to them and says, "Peace be with you and they were filled with joy." It so transforms them they spend the rest of their lives spreading the message of Christ's Resurrection and it's life changing power.



May the peace and joy of Easter be with you and your loved ones today and every day. God Bless you all!

*Fr. David P. Choquette
Fr. Stephen Gulino*

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES

Readings for the week of April 17, 2022

- Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or, Lk 24:13-35
- Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15
- Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-18
- Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35
- Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48
- Friday: Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/Jn 21:1-14
- Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Observances for the week of April 17, 2022

- Sunday: Easter Sunday
- Monday: Monday within the Octave of Easter
- Tuesday: Tuesday within the Octave of Easter
- Wednesday: Wednesday within the Octave of Easter
- Thursday: Thursday within the Octave of Easter; St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Friday: Friday within the Octave of Easter; Earth Day
- Saturday: Saturday within the Octave of Easter; St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr



CONGRATULATIONS!

Juanita Akridge
Mason Bourget
Violet Bourget
Cal Wolanin

Cole Bourget
Reagan Bourget
Trevor Giroux

*YOU ARE WELCOMED WITH GREAT JOY
INTO THE FAMILY OF GOD!*



Divine Mercy Sunday - April 24, 2022

Question: Where did the feast of Divine Mercy come from?

Answer: If you were born well before the year 2000, you know the feast of Divine Mercy has not always been celebrated in the Church. In the early 1900s, a young Polish nun began receiving private revelations. Jesus appeared to her during her times of prayer, speaking a message of mercy and love for the world. She received a set of prayers — the Divine Mercy Chaplet — and the request to have a feast day established to remind the Church of the mercy of God. St. Faustina died in 1938, on the cusp of war and in the midst of one of the most violent centuries in the history of the world. Her story and her diaries began circulating in Poland and beyond. It quickly became apparent that this was a holy young women, and the cause for her canonization opened. In the year 2000, she was canonized by the first-ever Polish pope, St. John Paul II. On her canonization day, he established the second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday, “a perennial invitation to the Christian world to face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind with experience in the years to come.”



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We are happy to announce that we will be starting a monthly **HOLY HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND RECONCILIATION** at all of our churches!

First Monday of the month, 6:30 –7:30 pm
5/2 - St. Mary's 6/6 - Most Holy Trinity
7/4 - St. Stephen 8/1 - St. Joseph



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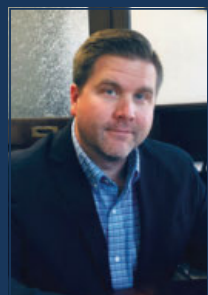
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