

**St. John Fisher  
Roman Catholic Church**  
30 Jones Hollow Rd, Marlborough, CT. 06447



*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
**OF ADVENT**

"And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy." - Lk 1:43-44

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

**NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome to the St. John Fisher Parish Family!**  
Please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or give it to Father Sas after Mass. We will send you a registration form and a welcome packet as new parishioners.

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

**WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday: 4:00pm  
Sunday: 8:30 am and 10:30am

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

8:30am Monday - Thursday

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday: 3:00pm or by  
Appointment

**PASTOR**

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**Advent Holy Hour**  
December 19

**Silently and Joyfully Waiting**



Advent is a time of quiet hope and patient waiting. Join us as we prepare our hearts for the coming of our Savior by attending an Advent Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and spending some quiet peaceful time with our Lord.

**SNOW CANCELLATIONS FOR MASS**

When Marlborough Public School is cancelled or delayed due to inclement weather, there will be no morning Mass that day. Any weekday or weekend cancellations will be listed on WFSB channel 3 and NBC channel 30.



**M A S S**  
*intentions*

**Saturday, December 18**

4:00 PM *In loving memory of Antonio Passacantando  
Requested by his family*

**Sunday, December 19**

8:30 AM *In loving memory of Richard Banbury  
Requested by Deacon John and Patty McKaig*

10:30 AM *9th year loving remembrance of  
Gertrude M. DiTaranto  
Requested by her daughter  
Marianne Matunas & family*

**Monday, December 20**

8:30 AM *Saint John Fisher Parish Family*

**Tuesday, December 21**

8:30 AM *Saint John Fisher Parish Family*

**Wednesday, December 22**

8:30 AM *Saint John Fisher Parish Family*

**Thursday, December 23**

8:30 AM *Saint John Fisher Parish Family*

**Friday, December 24 ~ Christmas Eve**

4:00 PM *Saint John Fisher Parish Family*  
8:30 PM *Saint John Fisher Parish Family*

**Saturday, December 25 ~ Christmas**

9:30 AM *Saint John Fisher Parish Family*  
**No 4PM Mass**

**Sunday, December 26**

8:30 AM *Saint John Fisher Parish Family*

10:30 AM *Saint John Fisher Parish Family*

**Please remember to schedule Masses for deceased loved ones as soon as possible. Mass cards are also available for Masses offered for a special intention such as birthdays, wedding anniversaries, dealing with illness, requests for healing, or any special needs. Please feel free to e-mail, call, or stop by the parish**

**Christmas Schedule**



**Confessions:**

Monday, December 20th 6-7 PM.

Wednesday, December 22nd  
5:30-6:30 PM.

Friday, December 24th - Christmas Eve Mass 4 & 8:30 PM.

Saturday, December 25th - Christmas Day Mass 9:30 AM  
(no 4 PM)

Friday, December 31st - New Years Eve 4 PM Mass

Saturday, January 1st - 9:30 AM Mass & 4 PM  
Epiphany of the Lord

**ADORATION  
OF THE EUCHARIST**



**Adoration will continue every Sunday from 4 pm to 4:45 pm. All safety measures apply.**



Because of HIPAA regulations, pastors and deacons are not given access to information about parishioners who are in the hospital. Please be sure to contact the parish office if you would like Father Sas or a Eucharistic Minister to visit you or a loved one who is hospitalized. Please include the patient's given name, hospital name, and dates of anticipated stay. In case of an emergency, please call Father Sas using the number on the front cover of the bulletin. Our pastoral staff is also happy to visit those who are homebound.



**DAYLINE: Cheryl & John Egazarian @ 860.798.8010**

**NIGHTLINE: Barbara Meyer @ 860.295.0756**

You may also send your prayer requests to [stjohnfisher30@yahoo.com](mailto:stjohnfisher30@yahoo.com) or call 860.295.0001 or to Deacon John @860.918.4084 or [dcn.john@cox.com](mailto:dcn.john@cox.com)



Join us for the virtual rosary on Monday mornings at 8:30am. The rosary takes about 30 minutes, and you do not need to have your camera or microphone on to participate. Please use the link on the parish website.

**“Keep Christ In Christmas”  
Knights of Columbus 2021  
Poster Contest**



**Reminder:**

All poster submissions for the poster contest need to be in by Sunday, December 19th. A drop box is in the vestibule where you can deposit your entries.

**Mary’s Magnificat Prayer:**

The Magnificat is an invitation for all of us to pray and praise God. When we pray The Magnificat, we pray with Mary to God. Consider making it part of your daily prayer practice. In this way, you will join the whole Church as it daily prays Mary’s Magnificat at evening prayer.

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; for He has looked with favor on His lowly servant. From this day all generations shall call me blessed. The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is His Name. He has mercy on those who fear Him in every generation. He has shown the strength of His arm. He has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. He has come to the help of His servant Israel for He has remembered His promise of mercy, the promise He made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever. Amen*

**Please Note**

The office will be closed from December 15th thru the 21st, and again on December 24th thru December 27th.

**A Helping Hand**

A dedicated group of teens and parents from our Confirmation Community recently spent a Sunday morning delivering donated furniture and household items to individuals transitioning out of homelessness and into secure housing in Hartford with Journey Home.



**Bringing Happiness to Others  
Holiday Season**

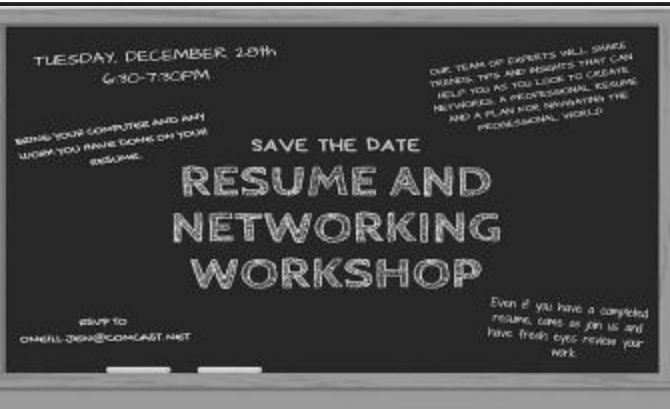
Our Confirmation Community recently gathered before class to make gingerbread houses for Marlborough Health Care Center, Marlborough Senior Center and House of Bread.



**Saint John Fisher  
Women’s  
Retreat Weekend**



Please join the women of Saint John Fisher for our parish retreat at Our Lady Of Calvary Retreat House in Farmington, January 14th, 7pm - 16th, 12pm. It is a wonderful way to connect with the women in our parish and to reconnect with God and yourself. For more information, please visit their website, [www.ourladyofcalvary.net](http://www.ourladyofcalvary.net). You can also contact Nicky Banbury @ 860.832.2047 with any questions.



**Christmas Prayer Intentions**

As a part of our Christmas decorations this year, we are decorating a tree with the prayer intentions of the St. John Fisher community. We ask that you take a dove from the basket, write the name of someone you would like remembered in prayer or a simple prayer intention on the back, and then leave the completed dove in one of the baskets at the entrances to the church. The doves will then be hung on the Christmas tree by the altar at Christmas. This is a beautiful and powerful way for us to raise our collective voices in prayer for others.





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