



# Our Lady Queen of the Apostles Parish



Churches of St. Mary the Immaculate Conception and St. Jude

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Rev. Christopher M. Tiano, S.T.L.; Pastor

Deacon Robert C. Johnson: Office Hours, Thursdays 1-4 pm, Deacon Anthony Caraluzzi and Deacon Confesol Rodriguez

Parish Office Hours: Monday through Friday: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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January 2, 2022

### St. Mary - St. Michael School:

Mrs. Grace Torres, Principal  
14 Seymour Avenue, Derby, CT 06418  
203-735-6471

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### Parish Staff:

Janice Nagy and Mercedes "Missy" Walker

### Religious Education:

Mrs. Kathleen Brouillette, Director  
stmarycre@sbcglobal.net

### Music Ministry:

Ralph Belvedere - 203-754-7866

### Baptisms are on Sunday.

Pre-baptismal class for first time parents  
by appointment only.

Contact Parish Office to Schedule.

### Marriage Preparation

Call Parish Office for an appointment at least 6 months  
in advance and before making any other plans.

### Spanish Mass Coordinator:

Marco Alvarez  
914-447-5744

### Confessions:

Thursdays at 6:00 pm at St. Jude Church  
in the Cry Room.

**The Parish Office will be closed on  
Monday, January 3, 2022  
and  
will reopen on Tuesday, January 4, 2022  
Happy New Year!**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

### FAREWELL RECEPTION for Fr. Tiano

Sunday, January 2, 2022 following the  
10:30 am Mass, in St. Mary Church Hall.  
(see page 4 for details)



### St. Mary - St. Michael School LASAGNA TAKE OUT DINNER

Saturday, January 8, 2022  
Pickup St. Mary Church Hall  
(see page 4 for details)



### SPANISH MASS

In celebration of the Infant Jesus  
Everyone is invited to attend on  
Sunday, January 9, 2022 at 5:00 pm  
(please see page 5 for information)



### HAPPY NEW YEAR 2022

We celebrate Mass at St. Mary Church  
at the following times:

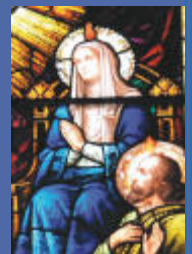
Saturday  
4:00 p.m.

Sunday  
8:00 a.m.  
10:30 a.m.

5:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

Weekdays

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday  
8:00 a.m.



**New Parishioners Welcome! Contact the Parish Office to register.**

*MASS TIMES**Saturday, January 1 2022*

**9:00 AM St. Mary - Solemnity of Mary,  
Mother of God**  
- Special Intention

**4:00 PM St. Mary-Vigil of the Epiphany of the Lord**  
- Deceased Members of the Iacomacci, Veglio and  
Pucci Families,  
by Roseann and Anita Iacomacci.

**5:15 PM St. Jude-Vigil of the Epiphany of the Lord**  
- All Deceased Members of St. Jude Church.

*Sunday, January 2, 2022*

**8:00 AM St. Mary**  
- Norman Cavallaro,  
by the Cavallaro family.

**10:30 AM St. Mary**  
- Alec Malerba,  
by Nonna and Pop.

**5:00 PM St. Mary - Misa en español**  
- Intención especial.

*Weekday Masses***MONDAY - January 3rd**

**8:00 AM - St. Mary**  
- The deceased members of the Fred and Jennie D'Amico  
Family,  
by their daughter.

**TUESDAY - January 4th**

**8:00 AM - St. Mary -**  
- **NO MASS**

**WEDNESDAY - January 5th**

**8:00 AM - St. Mary**  
- **NO MASS**

**THURSDAY - January 6th**

**8:00 AM - St. Mary**  
- Viola Marren Carroll and Alice Shea Costigan,  
by Virginia Costigan.

**FRIDAY - January 7th First Friday**

**8:00 AM - St. Mary**  
- Millie LoVerme,  
by the family.

**9:00 AM - St. Mary -1st Friday Mass**  
- Special Intention

*Saturday, January 8, 2022*

**4:00 PM St. Mary**  
- George Dunne,  
by Mike and Lynnette.

*Sunday, January 9, 2022*

**8:00 AM St. Mary**  
- Maria and Salvatore Valentino,  
by MaryAnne and Allan and family.

**10:30 AM St. Mary**  
- Charles Dorso,  
by his wife and children.

**5:00 PM St. Mary - Misa en español**  
- Intención especial.

**This weekend, January 1st and 2nd, will be the  
Solemnity of Mary Collection and  
the Weekly Collection and the Maintenance Collection.**

**Next weekend, January 8th and 9th, will be the  
Weekly Collection.**

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**December 11th and 12th Collections,  
Weekly Collection - \$6,003.00  
Retirement for Religious - \$941.00  
Online Giving - \$550.00**

**December 18th and 19th Collections,  
Weekly Collection - \$2,356.00  
Monthly Collection - \$886.00  
Online Collection - \$N/A**

If you have any questions, please contact our  
Parish Office at 203-735-3341 if you were given  
**blank envelopes please print your name on them**  
so we know who made the donation. We appreciate  
you making up your missed offerings when you can.



**NO BIBLE STUDY ON  
MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2022**

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



From the  
Pastor

Dear Friends,

I have been truly blessed to have been given the opportunity to serve in my hometown as founding pastor of Our Lady Queen of the Apostles Parish. I thank each and every one of our parishioners for your cooperation and support of our parish during these difficult times. I am especially grateful to my staff – past and present – who have shown such love and devotion to this parish and to their faith.

Leaving is difficult. This is my ninth move since my ordination 32 years ago – two of those moves across the ocean – and it does not get any easier. This move is more difficult because Derby was the town of my youth, but my parents lived here long after I left. Each week of my life as a priest, I came home to visit first my parents and then my Mom. Even though I did not live here all those years, Derby was home. In October of 2015 my Mom died and I remember thinking that this would be the final goodbye to Derby as well. God had other plans as I returned less than four months later as pastor. Now as I leave I realize the finality of this goodbye. Though Derby will always have a place in my heart, I will no longer be able to call it my home and that is sad.

I learned so much about life here in Derby. I learned how to be a leader in the Scouting movement. I learned about the faith from sisters and priests at St. Mary School. I learned about the importance of family from aunts and uncles, cousins and family friends. I learned that we are fortunate to be from a place where families are valued, where traditions are celebrated and where we stand connected as brothers and sisters and sons and daughters of those who have gone before us.

As your pastor I have learned so much from you. I have learned how much you value your faith community. I have learned the joys of ministering to family and old friends, and to new friends as well. I have learned about immigrants from around the world coming to our little burg and living their lives with us. I have learned about how much you value the school and the other traditions of our two mother parishes that joined together as OLQA. I have seen firsthand those who minister quietly in the background: teaching faith formation, taking care of property and buildings, raising money by cooking, or selling. I have learned about generosity of spirit and of treasure, I have seen my parishioners share their time, talent and treasure joyfully and wonderfully. These lessons I had learned from my parents but I was overjoyed to see the lessons taught again by this generation of people of this parish.

I not only learned, I was blessed by a wonderful staff. I am grateful to our three deacons, Deacon Bob Johnson, Deacon Confesol Rodriguez and Deacon Anthony Caraluzzi. I am grateful to Grace Torres and the staff of our wonderful school. I am grateful to Kathy Brouillette our Faith Formation director, to Missy Walker our secretary and Janice Nagy our bookkeeper. I am grateful to our Parish Music Director Ralph Belvedere. I am grateful to Mike Nash and Pat McMahon our maintenance staff. I am also grateful for J.P. Dumont who was the former music director, Maria Donofrio our former Business manager, and of course to Father Joe and Father Vin my former Assistants.

I was most blessed by the opportunity to work with my cousin, Linda Tiano Coppola who was the principal of the school. Linda was not only my cousin but a dear friend and my eyes are tearing as I think of her. There were so many faithful stewards that have helped our parish in so many ways. To them I say thank you: you all have made me a better priest.

A word about St. Jude Church: We are preparing to say good-bye to St. Jude Church. This venerable institution has been part of many of our lives for years and years. As beautiful as it is and as lovely are our memories, they are tied to the people who were part of our lives through the parish and the church. The building is important because of our parish family in Christ whose memory made it important.

I am so sorry how things worked out; our last celebrations will be as I leave the parish. I have to cede to Father Carlos the task of final goodbyes to our beloved church on the hill. After January first's 5:15 pm Mass we will only gather for funerals, weddings and Baptisms in the church. Please know that I understand how difficult this is for all of us and we will – together – get through it. For those who called St. Jude their spiritual home, I mourn with you and assure you that you will always be in my heart in a particular way.

I will pray for all of you in Derby and pray especially for Father Carlos, my dear friend and your new pastor. If I have not been the priest that you needed or wanted I am truly sorry. I hope that you will find it in your heart to forgive me.

In your charity pray for me as I pray for the good people of Derby.

Thank you for all you do for our parish.

Father Tiano  
Pastor

JANUARY 2, 2022

## Save the Date! A Farewell Reception for Fr. Tiano

On Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass

Our parish will hold an Open House/Reception to bid a fond-but-sad farewell to Fr. Tiano as he leaves us for his new assignment in Hamden. For nearly six years Fr. Tiano has served his boyhood parish as our shepherd and friend, guiding us through numerous events we never expected to face: the merger of Saint Mary the Immaculate Conception and Saint Jude Churches to form Our Lady Queen of the Apostles Parish, several changes in staff, a new principal at our School, the loss of an unusual number of beloved parishioners, and a monumental pandemic that closed our churches and required so much adjustment in procedure as we strived to maintain an online presence for our faithful ones and Religious Education for our young ones. The office staff is very aware that Father Tiano answered infinite hospital calls for Anointing of the Sick and funeral home calls for graveside services when funerals were not possible. Please take a few minutes to say good-bye and thank you for his compassionate ministry among us. As usual, our parish organizations and our school will prepare great refreshments and treats, so be sure to stop in!



The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. Confessions will be at St. Jude Church in The Cry Room.

Penitents are required to wear face masks and practice social distancing. At this time the Sacrament will be celebrated face-to-face. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available by appointment.



### Weather Cancellations!

Please take note of these Websites for any

Weather Related Cancellations of Parish Activities.

WTNH-TV in New Haven and WFSB-TV in Hartford

## St. Mary - St. Michael School News and Events

St. Mary - St. Michael School is hosting a **LASAGNA TAKE-OUT DINNER**

Saturday, January 8, 2022

St. Mary Church Hall

Pick-up time 5:00 - 6:30 pm



### MENU

Lasagna, Salad, Bread & Dessert

Price: \$14/person

Please place and pre-pay your order at [www.stmarystmichael.org](http://www.stmarystmichael.org)

Look for more details in the next bulletin.



## 2021 SNOWFLAKE RAFFLE WINNERS

December 1st	Donna Carloni	\$25
December 2nd	Rob Dolloff	\$25
December 3rd	Ed Roman	\$25
December 6th	Josh Grabiec	\$25
December 7th	Jamie Dunkin	\$25
December 8th	George Horbal	\$25
December 9th	Helen Ploski	\$25
December 10th	Liv Romano	\$25
December 13th	Lillian Norwood	\$25
December 14th	Janet Oczkowski	\$25
December 15th	Arthur Kerins	\$25
December 16th	Silvana Manchisi	\$25
December 17th	Missy Calvert	\$50
December 20th	Jan Barrett	\$100
December 21st	Steve Morosko	\$100
December 22nd	Fernando Valdovino	\$100
December 23rd	Tammy Link	\$300

JANUARY 2, 2022

*Everyone is cordially invited to attend*

*The Celebration of the Traditional Spanish Mass (in Spanish)*

*In celebration of the Infant Jesus*

*Sunday, January 9, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.*

*Our Lady Queen of the Apostles Parish*

*St. Mary of the*

*Immaculate Conception Church*



*For information, please contact*

*Marco A. Alvarez*

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The Sanctuary Lamp at **St. Mary Church**  
burns this week in loving memory of

**Viola Marren Carroll and Alice Shea Costigan**  
by Virginia Costigan

*Our next Food Drive to benefit the  
St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank*

*will take place on Sunday, January 9th  
after the 8:00 am and 10:30 am Masses*



**ATTENTION!  
NEW DROP OFF  
LOCATION**

at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception  
Rectory Parking Lot

Pull up to the rectory garage. The parish truck  
will be in the garage for easy loading.



**NO Zoom Bible Study**

on Monday, January 3, 2022

The link is the same as before:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9221017764?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9221017764?pwd=bDIXNENXL0VRNDNJQTNJeG9qbW8wdz09)

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or check out the link on the parish's Facebook page.

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*Our Lady Queen of the Apostles Parish  
2021 Annual Collection*

*We are very grateful for the generosity shown  
by so many families to our Annual Collection.  
If you have not yet had an opportunity to return  
your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible.  
Every gift is welcome and sincerely  
appreciated. Thank you!*

*As of this date, we have received pledges  
in the amount of \$46,123.75*

**RELIGIOUS  
EDUCATION**

As we celebrate the birth of our Redeemer, and look forward in hope to His coming again in glory, we are mindful of the many people whose support and understanding make it possible for us to share our faith with our young people. Thank you to our wonderful teachers who all volunteer to share their faith journeys and who give so much of their time to preparation for class and to making God's love known. Thank you to our families who entrust their children to our program, and who have been present on our "zooms" and our in-person meetings. Thank you to our wonderful young people, who surprise and teach us every single time we meet. May the Son of God, Who gave Himself as a gift for our salvation, and the Holy Family who demonstrates true family love and values bless us and inspire us during this holy season and throughout the New Year.

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