



# Our Lady Queen of the Apostles Parish

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

Rectory and Parish Office: 212 Elizabeth Street, Derby, CT 06418

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

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January 16, 2022

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

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

Website: www.stmarystmichael.org

### 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

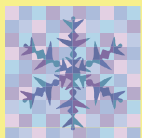
Call Parish Office for an appointment at least 6 months  
in advance and before making any other plans.

### Spanish Mass Coordinator:

Marco Alvarez  
914-447-5744

### Confessions:

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



### WINTER WEATHER

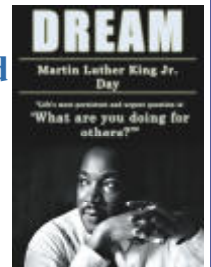
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DELAY, OR DISMISS EARLY WITH  
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### UPCOMING EVENTS



St. Mary - St. Michael School

Our Parish Office will be closed  
on Monday, January 17th, in  
observance of  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day



### SPANISH MASS

Everyone is invited to attend on  
Sunday, January 16, 2022 at 5:00 pm

WELCOME  
OUR NEW PASTOR,  
FR. CARLOS CASTRILLÓN!!!

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

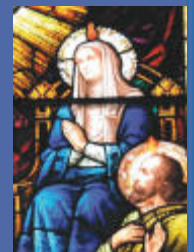
Saturday  
4:00 p.m.

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 15, 2022*

**4:00 PM St. Mary**  
- Francis DeGennaro,  
by John, Barbara, and Ken.

*Sunday, January 16, 2022*

**8:00 AM St. Mary**  
- Vincent LoVerme,  
by his family

**10:30 AM St. Mary**  
- Jose Camacho,  
by his children.

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

*Weekday Masses*

**MONDAY - January 17th**  
**8:00 AM - St. Mary**  
- Leone, Anna Maria, Teresa, Filomena, and  
Angelo DiSorbo,  
by Nattina and family

**TUESDAY - January 18th**  
**8:00 AM - St. Mary -**  
- Special Intention

**WEDNESDAY - January 19th**  
**8:00 AM - St. Mary**  
- Special Intention

**THURSDAY - January 20th**  
**8:00 AM - St. Mary**  
- Elizabeth Klubek  
by Aubrey and Samantha

**FRIDAY - January 21st**  
**8:00 AM - St. Mary**  
- Special Intention

*Saturday, January 22, 2022*

**4:00 PM St. Mary**  
- Richard Gabianelli,  
by wife, children, and grandchildren.

*Sunday, January 23, 2022*

**8:00 AM St. Mary**  
- Special Intention

**10:30 AM St. Mary**  
- Paolo Staffieri,  
his children and their families.

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

**This weekend, January 15th and 16th, will be the Weekly Collection and the Monthly Collection.**

**Next weekend, January 22nd and 23rd, will be the Weekly Collection and the Archdiocesan Catholic High Schools Collection.**

**PLEASE WRITE YOUR CHECKS TO "OLOA"**  
**January 1st and 2nd Collections**  
**Weekly/Maintenance Collections - \$ 8,596.00**

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 17, 2022**

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



My Dear Friends in Christ,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the warm welcome I have experienced these past few days. It has been a blessing to be assigned to this parish, particularly because it is so important to my friend and mentor, Fr. Tiano. This past weekend I felt the presence of our Lord in each one of you as we celebrated the Holy Eucharist together. I feel extremely blessed to be in your midst and to have had the opportunity to meet those of you who came after Mass to introduce yourselves, and I look forward to meeting all of the members of our community.

This second Sunday of the Ordinary Time, the Liturgy of the Word gives us in the Gospel of John the account of the wedding of Cana in Galilee. There is something about this gospel that strikes me every time I read it, and it is not just that Jesus made the water into wine, but that Jesus as a guest and not the host of the celebration, managed to take care of that element that was necessary so that the celebration could continue. We could say that Jesus was the “life of the party” at the wedding, and I am confident that He could be the life of the party for us if we invite Him openly into our lives, into our hearts and we have a committed personal relationship with Him. My friends, if we make Jesus a permanent guest in our lives, we can expect Him to take care of any challenge we are faced with, just like He did at the wedding of Cana.

As you go through this week, I invite you to reflect on these three points:

1. How permanent is the presence of God in your life?
2. How close and committed is your relationship with Him?
3. In what situations have you experienced our Lord as the life of the party?  
And if you haven't, how will you commit to ensure that happens?

With gratitude, your brother in Christ  
Fr. Carlos

JANUARY 16, 2022



## WELCOME TO OUR NEW PASTOR!!

Our new pastor, Father Carlos Castrillón, comes to us from St Therese Parish in Granby. Seen here with his family from Colombia, Father Carlos brings his deep faith, his love for Jesus and the Church, his hope and optimism.

He enjoys staying in shape, playing guitar, and cooking. He is friendly, energetic, and enthusiastic.

We look forward to getting to know him, to experiencing his vision for the parish, and to receiving the blessings God sends us through him!



The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.  
At St Mary Church

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 check these stations and websites for

Weather Related Cancellations of Parish Activities.

CHANNEL 8 WTNH-TV in New Haven and  
CHANNEL 3 WFSB-TV in Hartford

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

### St. Mary - St. Michael School



Art teacher, Stephen DiRienzo, is bringing back a "parents" paint night on Saturday, January 22nd, from 6 to 8PM.

This will be an adult IN-PERSON event to be held at St. Mary's Church Hall. It will also be a BYOB/Food event so feel free to bring along your choice of munchies and beverages.

We'll be painting "Full Moon Winter" on 11" x 14" canvas. Please make your payment of \$35 per painter payable to St Mary-St Michael School. All supplies will be included.

Please call the school at 203-735-6471 to reserve your spot or visit [www.stmarystmichael.org](http://www.stmarystmichael.org) and sign up under fundraisers.

Hope to see you there!!



Catholic Schools  
Week 2022  
January 30-February 5

[www.NCEA.org/csw](http://www.NCEA.org/csw)  
#CSW22

We also have a dinner, prepared by Nick DiGiovanni and family, coming up on February 12:

Menu will be Chicken Parmesan, pasta, salad, dinner roll, and dessert. Cost will be \$14 and can place orders online at [www.stmarystmichael.org](http://www.stmarystmichael.org)





JANUARY 16, 2022



If you are suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Weekend March 25-27, 2022 in Farmington, CT.

The weekend healing process includes discussions, Living Scriptures with meditations, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and Mass of Entrustment. Participation is totally confidential and offers a beautiful

opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. Both women and men have participated in past retreats and have ranged in age from teens to mid-eighties. The fee for the weekend is \$175.00 for meals, private room and all retreat materials. Scholarships are available for financial assistance.

For more information contact Marie 203-631-9030, mlaffin@prolifeministry.org, or visit www.rachelsvineyard.org



The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Mary Church burns this week in loving memory of T. Sgt. George A. Kurtyka by his son, George F. Kurtyka



TO REQUEST A STATEMENT OF YOUR 2021 DONATIONS

FOR TAX PURPOSES PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE DURING REGULAR HOURS:

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 9 A.M.—4 P.M.



NO Zoom Bible Study

on Monday, January 17, 2022

The link is the same as before:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9221017764?

pwd=bDIXNENXL0VRNDNJQTNJeG9qbW8wdz09

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

Join us on Mondays at 7:00 pm.

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 \$54,938.50



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Religious Education resumes this week. Families have been or will be contacted by the teachers with new activity

"menus" for the month of January. We plan to continue alternating Zoom meetings with in-person meetings unless Covid causes us to change that or until we are able to meet completely in person again.

Our teachers continue to be dedicated and creative, our families continue to be understanding and supportive, and our students continue to teach us at least as much as we teach them. We are blessed and grateful.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have.

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