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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil

4:00 PM (Chester)

5:30 PM (Essex)

Sunday

8:30 AM & 12:00 PM (Essex)

10:00 AM (Chester)

Daily Mass

Monday,

Wednesday & Friday

8:30 AM (Essex)

Tuesday,

Thursday & Saturday

8:30 AM (Chester)

Holy days

Vigil: 7:00 PM (Essex)

Feast Day: 7:00 PM (Chester)

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JANUARY 30, 2022 THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

St. Josephs—Chester

Saturday January 29

8:30

4:00 † Ed McGee and Phil Anas by McGee Family

Sunday January 30

10:00 † John Magee Sr by Nelson family

Tuesday February 1

8:30 † Daniel W. O'Shea by Michael O'Shea

Thursday February 3

8:30 † Uliana & Renato Tiezzi by Dolores Scalise

Saturday February 5

8:30 † Brian Bouchard by Bouchard family

4:00

Sunday February 6

10:00 † Sandra Sumner by family

Our Lady of Sorrows—Essex

Saturday January 29

5:30 † James Coley by Walt and Regina Wiegert

Sunday January 30

8:30 † Lucy and Jim Leo by family

12:00 † George Reichman by Len and Jo Ann Dongweck

Monday January 31

8:30

Wednesday February 2

8:30

Friday February 4

8:30 † Bill Niedbala by Mary Catharine Colburn

Saturday February 5

5:30 † Donald Agostini by Mary Ann Agostini

Sunday February 6

8:30 † Elton Deckelman by Dot Deckelman

12:00 † Ziggy and Henry Cichon by Rose Papuzynski

OFFERTORY

January 22 and 23 \$3,124.00

Online \$1,594.00

Thank you for your generous support.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 1 | Strength and Tone 1:00 pm Essex

February 1 | Gentle Flow 2:30 pm Essex

CANDLES

*The Chester Tabernacle candle will burn in memory of **Stephen White**. The Essex February Tabernacle candle will burn in memory of **Elton Deckelman** and the Essex February Sanctuary candle will burn in memory of **Todd Walier**.*

† REST IN PEACE †

*Please pray for the souls of **Brian Bouchard, Raymond Fortier and Jim Leo** may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

Essex Knight's Food Drive

The Essex Knights are continuing non-perishable food collection for the benefit of the Shoreline Soup Kitchens Westbrook Pantry. A collection bin is located in the OLOS foyer. Canned goods, tomato sauce, rice, pasta, cereals, peanut butter, jelly and juices are requested. Thanks.

Chester Knights Winter Clothing Drive

The Chester Knights of Columbus have begun our annual winter clothing drive. Collection buckets are available near the main entrances to St Josephs Church. Items of winter clothing can include but are not limited to coats, hats, gloves, scarves, and sweaters. Thanks for your support.

Pope Francis' January Intention

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

Third Order of Mary

Our February meeting will be held on Monday, February 7, after the 8:30 morning Mass. Following prayers and the recitation of the rosary, we will be in Murtha Hall for the discussion of Chapter 30 in The Life of Mary book. For more information call Lorraine at 860-434-2629.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

FR. PETER'S REFLECTION

*Love never fails. Without love
gift of angelic tongues, prophecy,
knowledge, even strong faith
come to nothing and have no value.*

*God is love, and love is God.
All religions preach about love.
Love is the lubricant that brings together
hardened hearts and bone-dry souls.*

*Love is power; the force of creativity;
the meaning of life and the summit of all.
Any outcome of love remains immortal.
Giving heart is soaked and ripened in love.*

*All God-given gifts will cease to be.
All accomplishments will end up one day.
Only faith, hope, love remain;
but the greatest of these is love.*

From the Women's Guild Hats, Gloves and Socks for

St. Vincent de Paul in Middletown

In addition to the personal hygiene items that the Women's Guild collects throughout the year for the homeless in Middletown, we are now adding hats, gloves and socks during the cold weather season. A box is located in the back of both churches and items are delivered to St. Vincent de Paul on a monthly basis. Your continued support and generosity is greatly appreciated as we work to help those in need in the Diocese of Norwich.

Diocesan Pro-Life Mass

The monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass will take place at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on **Saturday, Feb. 5 at 8:30 A.M.** Please join our celebrant **Rev. Walter Nagle** at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for the healing for those who have had an abortion. Following the Mass, the Rachel Rosary will be prayed at the Cathedral. A brunch in the Cathedral Hall will follow the Rosary this month.

\$25,000 Cash Raffle

The Xavier High School \$25,000 cash raffle is winner take all. Tickets are \$100 each. Only 800 will be sold. The drawing will be at 11 a.m. on April 1 at Xavier High School. You do not need to be present to win, but you must be at least 18 years old to purchase. All tax liabilities are borne solely by the purchaser.

Tickets may be purchased by mailing a check (no cash) to Xavier High School, 181 Randolph Road, Middletown CT 06457. They also can be purchased online at xavierhighschool.org. Click on Alumni & Giving, and then click on \$25,000 Cash Raffle.

For more information, contact the advancement office at 860-346-7735. Proceeds benefit the Xavier Annual Fund.

Some She Keeps Waiting



In general, considerateness leads Mother Teresa to be on time for all appointments, no matter who is involved. The following incident proves the exception.

A friend and Mother Teresa had an appointment with the Apostolic Nuncio, and they were headed toward a punctual arrival. But, on the way to the nunciature, they drove through a really poor section where the poorest of the poor lived, and Mother Teresa asked to stop and visit.

There among the poor she found a very old and absolutely destitute man. As she took care of him, washing him and cleaning his house, Mother Teresa lost track of time. The driver became impatient, and Mother Teresa arrived very late for her appointment with the Nuncio. Only a very poor person could have made Mother Teresa so late for an appointment. For her, the poor occupy the top place in the social hierarchy.

We are touching Christ's body when we touch the poor. In them and through them, we feed the hungry Christ. It is the naked Christ whom we dress. It is the homeless Christ whom we take in. It isn't merely a case of being hungry for bread or lacking clothes or a roof for shelter. Christ is hungry today in the poor, but the rich are also hungry for love, care, for someone close to them.----Mother Teresa

PARISH NEWS, EVENTS AND MINISTRIES

NEWS AND EVENTS

Xavier Open House February 8, 2022

Xavier High School will have an Open House on **Tuesday, Feb. 8, from 6-7:30 p.m.** Come see our fabulous campus as well as meet faculty, staff, and coaches. Our students are given the tools and resources to grow and take on whatever challenge is next.

Academics. Athletics. Clubs. Activities. Faith. Friendship. This is what we're about. You can register at xavierhighschool.org. Click on Admissions and then Open House. Director of Enrollment Management Matthew McCaffrey can be reached at 860-346-7735 x743.

St. Johns School Open House Wednesday March 9, 2022

Saint John School, Old Saybrook is having Open House on **Wednesday, March 9th, 9-11am and 6-8pm.** Please register online to attend. We invite you to also visit our website to read about our PreK3-Grade 8 challenging curriculums, extra-curricular after-school programs, our competitive athletics, campus information, before/aftercare program, testimonials and more. Please also visit our Facebook page for re-cent classroom activities. You are invited to hear about "Educating the Whole Child" – we believe in educating our students academically, emotionally and spiritually. Come see our facilities and campus, talk to our staff, and learn about our challenging curriculum, enrichment & extracurricular programs including our after school sports and clubs. Registration for 2022/23 academic year will commence in February 2022. For more information see our website, www.saintjohnschool.org. If you have any questions, please call the school office at (860) 388 0849. All are welcome.

MINISTRIES & GROUPS

ADULT CHOIR

Thursday | 7:00 PM (Chester)

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CARING HEARTS

1st Wednesday | 6:00 PM (Chester)

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BULLETIN | FACEBOOK

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

1st Tuesday | 7:30 PM (Chester)

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3rd Wednesday | 7:00 PM (Essex)

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MARIAN PRAYER CENACLE

Fridays | 10:00 AM

MARTHA & MARY CLUB

2nd Wednesday | 12:00

Sue Pire | marthamaryclub@stocpct.org

PARISH COUNCIL

2nd Thursday | 7:00 PM

Kevin Brough | parishcouncil@stocpct.org

PRAYER CHAIN

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PRAYER SHAWL

1st & 3rd Wednesday | 1:30 PM (Essex)

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WOMEN'S GUILD

3rd Tuesday | 7:00 PM (Essex)

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Irene Listorti | 860-388-9884 | womensguild@stocpct.org

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Please contact the office to schedule a Baptism

MARRIAGE

Please contact the office at least 6 months in advance so we can help you start planning your big day.

CONFESSION

Chester -Tues, Thurs, 8-8:25 am
Sat 8-8:25 am 3:15-3:45 pm
Essex-Mon, Wed, Fri 8-8:25 am
Sun 11:15-11:45 am

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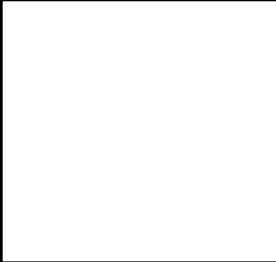
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