

ST. JOHN CHURCH

Established in 1843



JANUARY 9, 2022

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 PM

5:30 PM (St. Sebastian)

Sunday Mass: 9:00 AM

11:00 AM & 5:00 PM (St. Sebastian)

Weekday Masses (Tues. & Thurs.): 7:30 AM in the Chapel.

(Mon. Wed. & Fri.): 7:30 AM (St. Sebastian)

Eucharistic Adoration: Begins in the Chapel after the 7:30 AM Mass on the 1st Thursday of each month, and ends at 9:00AM

with Benediction. (St. Sebastian Hour Adoration 1st Friday of each month, 6:00 PM-7:00 PM)

Confessions: Heard Saturdays, 3:15-3:45 PM.

Sundays, 8:15-8:45 AM.

Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil 7:00 PM & 8:00 AM
12:10 PM & 7:00 PM (St. Sebastian)

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Please call the Rectory to register your child for Baptism.

Marriage: Arrangements must be made at least one year in advance.

Call the Rectory for more information.

Religious Education (Including First Communion, First Reconciliation and Confirmation Preparation):

Classes are held at St. Sebastian Church – Mondays, Grades 2 & 3 from 4:45pm – 6:00pm and Sundays, Grades 1,4,5,6,7,8 & 9 from 9:30am-10:50am.

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The Parish Office is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

We are closed weekends and holidays

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PARISH COMMITTEE HEADS

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Baptism of the Lord



Saturday January 8
4:00 PM Vigil Solemn Mass
 † James C., Mary E., & James J. McGrath
 by Shirley Milardo
 (St. Sebastian Church)
 5:00 PM

Sunday January 9
9:00 AM The Baptism of the Lord (Community Mass)
Rev Arkadiusz Skwarek, (Healing) by his sister and family
 11:00 AM & (St. Sebastian Church)
 5:00 PM

Monday January 10
 7:30 AM (St. Sebastian Church)

Tuesday January 11
 7:30 AM † Florence Cessario

Wednesday January 12
 7:30 AM (St. Sebastian Church)

Thursday January 13
 7:30 AM † Jane Trotta Satagaj, St. John Parish

Friday January 14
 7:30 AM (St. Sebastian Church)

Saturday January 15
4:00 PM Vigil Solemn Mass
 † John & Josephine Pasquale, by Family
 5:00 PM (St. Sebastian Church)

Sunday January 16
9:00 AM Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
(Community Mass)
 † John Cooke by St. John Parish
 11:00 AM & (St. Sebastian Church)
 5:00 PM



The Baptism of the Lord

“...John answered them all, ‘I baptize you with water; but He who is mightier than I is coming... He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...”

The Catholic Catechism states that “Jesus’ immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God’s will.”

In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus - the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

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Envelopes:

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Please keep in your prayers for those who are ill & for those with personal intentions: Dan Coyle, William J. Dillon, Rachel Panckus.



Sanctuary Lamp
January 8th - January 14th

For the Parishioners of St John Church

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To support married couples during this time of social distancing, Worldwide Marriage Encounter is sponsoring virtual marriage experiences. Some are on weekends and seven sessions are on weekdays from 7:00 - 9:30 p.m. Couples will explore their individual personality styles, improve listening and communication skills, understand God's plan for their marriage, and learn how to keep their relationship a priority. Registration is limited and a \$100 application fee is required. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or visit them at <http://www.mectw.org/>,

"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?"

Ask Mary to intercede for your marriage. Attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.



ROSARY RALLY

Please join us on January 22, 2022, at 12:00 PM for a Rosary Rally to be held at St. Sebastian Church. This public Rosary will be in defense of the unborn. These prayers and reparation are a powerful way to save our precious children from the threat of abortion.

Life is a gift and our children (our gifts) are our greatest blessing. The rally will be held rain or shine.

Notre Dame Vision: Calling All High School Students

Each summer, the **University of Notre Dame** invites high school students from across the country to spend a week on Notre Dame's campus. Participants spend Monday through Friday exploring how God calls us in our lives and how we might respond. During your week at Notre Dame, you will share in dynamic large group experiences, interactive small group time, profound liturgies, and excellent music. Notre Dame students leads this program, and participants get to experience student life by eating in the dining halls, staying in the dorms, and enjoying the beautiful campus. For more information, please contact Erin Reilly at ereilly4@nd.edu.



KNITTERS OF THE NORWICH DIOCESE "Street Ministry" to the Poor

To our gifted and talented Knitters of the Norwich Diocese, please join the Office of Faith Events in reaching out to the community during the cold winter months by donating handmade scarves. Whatever you could do to help support our new **"Street Ministry"** to the poor would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be brought or sent to the Bishop Flanagan Ministry Center, 199 Broadway, Norwich. We will be accepting donations until **February 28**. Thank you so much for donating your time and talent! Questions? Contact Marianne at 860-848-2237 ext. 304 or manicholas@norwichdiocese.net



VIRTUAL BINGO FOR ALL AGES

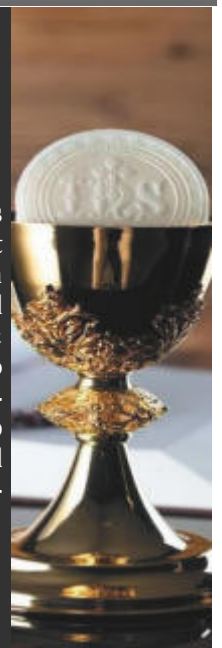
The Office of Faith Events invites people of all ages to participate in Virtual Bingo! **Bingo will take place on Sunday, January 9th from 3:30 – 5pm.** You will receive your cards online, mark them and even remark them for the next game or you can print them and play. Through video conferencing, we will call the numbers and play different BINGO games from regular bingo, double bingo, picture frame, and finally black out! It is always great fun with lots of gift certificates for prizes! We are only selling 200 cards, so act fast! The cost is \$6 per card for the whole Bingo event! To register for your Bingo card, go to: <https://bit.ly/2Laol7Y> or call Marianne at 860-848-2237 ex. 304.

4th Annual Young Adult Mass with Bishop Cote

JANUARY 30, 2022 @ 7:00 PM
St. Thomas Aquinas in Storrs

On Sunday, January 30th, St. Thomas Aquinas in Storrs is delighted to host Bishop Cote for the 4th Annual Diocesan Young Adult Mass & Reception. All Young Adults (ages 18 - 39, single & married) are invited and encouraged to attend! Young Adults are welcome to invite friends to join us! Mass with Bishop Cote will begin at 7:00PM and there will be a small reception in the Catholic Center following the liturgy.

For more information, please contact Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or Call 860-848-2237 ext. 305



VIRTUAL RACHEL ROSARY

The third Tuesday of each month at 3pm, come and pray the Project Rachel Rosary online with the Office of Faith Events. The Project Rachel Rosary focuses on an end to abortion. This month's Rosary will be on January 18th.

3rd Tuesday of Every Month at 3 PM
Meeting link: <http://bit.ly/316zdeG>
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Password: Rosary
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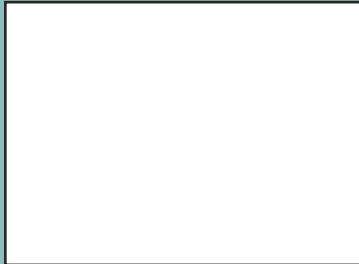
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