



**ST. JOHN CHURCH**  
**5 ST. JOHNS COURT**  
**CROMWELL, CT 06416**

**Mass Schedule**

**Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm**  
**Sunday: 7:30 am & 9:30 am**

**Outdoor Distribution of Communion**

**Saturday: 5:30 pm—5:45pm**  
**Sunday: 11:00 am—11:30am**

**Weekday Masses**

**Monday through Friday: 9:00 am**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**Saturday: 3:00 - 3:30pm**

**Chapel of Divine Mercy**

**24 hour Perpetual Adoration**

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**Pastor:**

Rev. Mark L. Curesky, OFM Conv.

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Jennifer Brecks - Administrative Assistant

**Parish Office Telephone:**

860-635-5590

**Parish Office Fax:**

860-635-5591

**Office Hours:**

Monday-Thursday 9:30am - 1pm

Friday—Parish Office Closed

**Faith Formation Office:**

Karen Romegialli - Director

Anne Kaiser - Administrative Assistant

**Faith Formation Office: 860-635-5156**

**Email: [sjcffdre@gmail.com](mailto:sjcffdre@gmail.com)**

**Music Director and Organist:**

Michael Mainella

**Custodian:**

Richard Hughes

**Parish Website:**

[www.saintjohn-cromwell.org](http://www.saintjohn-cromwell.org)

**December 19, 2021**

*Fourth Sunday of*  
**ADVENT**



## ST. JOHN CHURCH

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, December 18 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

4:00 † Salvatore Melluzzo, r/b his family

#### Sunday, December 19 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30 Birthday Blessings for Vivian Iloeje, r/b her family

9:30 † Janet Damiata Naples, †Joe & †Richard Damiata, r/b the family

The Rosary is prayed before Mass daily at 8:25 a.m.

#### Monday, December 20

9:00 † Isabella Gozzo, r/b her grandparents, Maria & Omelio Figueredo

#### Tuesday, December 21

9:00 † Rudolph Codino, r/b Marie Roberto

#### Wednesday, December 22

9:00 † Emanuel Magnano, r/b his niece, Nancy Shaw

#### Thursday, December 23 - No 9am mass

#### Friday, December 24 - Parish Office Closed - Christmas Eve

4:00 Living & deceased of St. John Parish

8:00 Living & deceased of St. John Parish

#### Saturday, December 25 - The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day)

7:30 Living & deceased of St. John Parish

9:30 Living & deceased of St. John Parish

#### Sunday, December 26 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

7:30 Health of Marie LaMonica, r/b St. John Rosary Group

9:30 † Rosaria Spagnulo, r/b her daughter, Marie Bedard

### St. John Prayer List

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Sarah Aresti, John Barry, Anne Bartolotta, Marie Bedard, RJ Bedard, Bob Byrnie, Maria Cabral, Ernie Cantwell, Janice Carlson, John Carlson, Melissa Carta, Frank Cartelli, Phyllis Cartelli, Mary Lou Conroy, D.F., Elisabeth DeMezzo, Laura DiDomizio, Maureen Fazzina, Janis Gianni, Amanda Jones, Maria Figueredo, Omelio Figueredo, Susan Haswell, John Haywood, Dolores Leightsinger, Jim L., Kelsey M, Susan Martin, Madeline McDermott, Rob Monnes, Jane Morello, Wynn Muller, Kelly Nardo, Judy Nocera, Nellie Nyren, Edmund O'Connell, Barbara O'Keefe, Bill O'Keefe, P.J., Jack Peterson, Donald Piskura, Raymond, Marc Revis, Damon Riddle, Daniel Rybczyk, Michael Salonia, Edward & Joan Siebert, Sue Stender, Jackie T, John P. Treschitta, Josephine Vallera & Jeremy Wilson.



"On the Baptism of your baby, may the Lord bless your lives with love, health and happiness."

**Matthieu-Bjorn Luengo Barut**

### Your Sacrificial Offering

December 12, 2021

Weekly Collection: \$6,312.00

Online Giving: \$1,635.00

Total: \$7,947.00

Thank you for your sacrificial giving.

### St. John Church Cromwell, Connecticut Schedule for Christmas and New Year's

#### Thursday, December 23, 2021

No 9:00 am Mass

#### Friday, December 24, 2021

No 9:00 am Mass

4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass

8:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass

#### Saturday, December 25, 2021

7:30 am Christmas Mass

9:30 am Christmas Mass

11-11:30 am Distribution of Communion in front circular driveway

No 3:00-3:30 pm Confessions

No 4:00 pm Mass

#### Sunday, December 26, 2021

7:30 am Mass

9:30 am Mass

11-11:30 am Distribution of Communion in front circular driveway

#### Friday, December 31, 2021

No 9 am Mass

#### Saturday, January 1, 2022

3-3:30 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Mass

5:30-5:45 pm Distribution of Communion in front circular driveway

#### Sunday, January 2, 2022

7:30 am Mass

9:30 am Mass

11-11:30 am Distribution of Communion in front circular driveway



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### Faith Formation

Office: (860) 635-5156

DRE: Karen Romegialli

E-MAIL: [SJCFFDRE@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SJCFFDRE@GMAIL.COM)

Faith Formation Office Hours

Mon, Tues & Thurs 9:30am - 1:30pm or by appointment

We wish all our Faith Formation Families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



There will be no classes Saturday 12/25 - Monday 1/3. Classes will resume on Saturday 1/8, Sunday 1/9 and Monday 1/10.

The new schedules are posted on the website and will be sent home with your child.

The Faith Formation Office will be closed starting Thursday, 12/23 and will reopen Monday, 1/3.



We wish the following faith formation students: **John & Liam** birthday blessings as they celebrate their birthday this week.

### Virtual Bingo

The Office of Faith Events invites people of all ages to participate in Virtual Bingo! Bingo will take place on Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup> 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.



### Project Rachel Rosary

Please join the Office of Faith Events staff online the third Tuesday of each month to pray the Project Rachel Rosary for an end to abortion and healing for those who have been involved in an abortion. The next Rosary will be Tuesday, December 21, 2021, at 3 P.M. Contact Liza Roach at [lroach@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:lroach@norwichdiocese.net) to receive a link for the Rosary.

### Perpetual Adoration - Divine Mercy Chapel



The Chapel is open to the general public from 7 am to 9 pm and to “committed adorers” with an access code from 9 pm to 7 am.

If you would like more information or are interested in becoming a “committed adorer,” please contact Roger Beliveau at 860-983-3648 or the Chapel’s email: [Chapel5@frontier.com](mailto:Chapel5@frontier.com).

### 4th Sunday of Advent

The Advent season is an invitation for us all to choose to set aside the fear and uncertainty that has continued this year due to the pandemic. It is a chance to be intentional about taking our focus off of the hustle of the Christmas season. We can also give to God the sadness that many may be feeling as many of us will need to again observe the holiday season differently this year. This fourth Advent Sunday we are reminded that Jesus offers us peace in every season and nothing is impossible with him.

The fourth candle of Advent is known as the “Angel Candle” and symbolizes peace. This name comes from the fact that the angels announced that Jesus came to bring peace (Luke 2:14). This week we are reminded that Jesus came to bring peace to our hearts and to our world!

*Lord, I invite your peace to rule my heart! As I end this year and reflect on your many gifts you have given me; let my heart be encouraged with the truth that you are a good God. I thank you for sending your Son to die for me. I thank you for the peace I have through you. May my words and actions be ones that glorify you.*

*Amen.*



DECEMBER 19, 2021



**Afternoon of  
Christmas  
Spirit  
12/5/21**



## ST. JOHN CHURCH PARISH POLICIES

**BAPTISM:** Parents desiring to have their daughter/son baptized must be a registered member of the Parish and need to call the Parish Office to make the necessary arrangements. If this is their first child, they must participate in a Baptismal Preparation process prior to the Baptism.

**REGISTERING AS A PARISHIONER:** To register as a parishioner, please call the Parish Office.

**SPONSOR CERTIFICATES:** To obtain a sponsor certificate from St. John Church for the Sacraments of Baptism or Confirmation, one must be a registered, active and supporting member of St. John Church for at least 6 months.

**MARRIAGE:** Arrangements for a wedding need to be made in person by the parties of the proposed marriage at least one year in advance and prior to setting any date.

**SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING:** is given to those who are seriously ill or about to undergo surgery. Please call the Parish Office, 860-635-5590 to make arrangements.

## Readings for the week of December 19, 2021



“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. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to

you by the Lord would be fulfilled.” - Lk 1:43-45

**Sunday:** Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

**Monday:** Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38

**Tuesday:** Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45

**Wednesday:** 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/Lk 1:46-56

**Thursday:** Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66

**Friday:** Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]/Lk 1:67-79

**Saturday:** Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

**Next Sunday:** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or

1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-5

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