

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.

Parish Staff:

Jennifer Brecks - Administrative Assistant

Parish Office Telephone:

860-635-5590

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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

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Music Director and Organist:

Michael Mainella

Custodian:

Richard Hughes

Parish Website:

www.saintjohn-cromwell.org

January 9, 2022



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

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After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. - Lk 3:21-22a

St. John Church

BMass Intentions

Saturday, January 8 - The Baptism of the Lord

4:00 Ann (Passamano) Bellobuono (6th month anniversary) & Tony Bellobuono (16th anniversary), r/b their niece, Betty Jean, Fred & Rick Terrasi

Sunday, January 9 - The Baptism of the Lord

7:30 Dario & Bettina Cecchini, r/b Ron & Johanne Cecchini

9:30 Physical healing for Veronica Pedemonti, r/b Jean Roncajoli

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

Monday, January 10

Tuesday, January 11

9:00 Part Mele, r/b Ed & Marie Stim

Wednesday, January 12

9:00 Living and deceased members of the Cabral family, r/b Maria Cabral & Paul Luis

Thursday, January 13

9:00 P Salvatore, Pinuccia & Nellina Marino, r/b sister Anna

Friday, January 14 - Parish Office Closed

9:00 Remembering & Joseph Spagnulo on his birthday, r/b his daughter, Marie Bedard

Saturday, January 15 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 Pat Alsup, r/b Donna Mattei

Sunday, January 16 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 Phyllis Marella, r/b John & Jackie Haywood

9:30 \$\footnote{\text{T}} \text{ Stephen Ondrick Sr & \$\footnote{\text{Robert Ondrick, r/b}} \\ \text{their family}

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, Jasmine Masse, 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 & Rosi Wittman.

Our prayers and heartfelt sympathy go out to the family of



Stanley Szymkowicz

brother of Joyce D'Angelo & Cheryl DeFurio;

Please keep him and all our departed in your prayers

Your Sacrificial Offering

January 2, 2022 Weekly Collection: \$5,280.00 Online Giving: \$6,935.00 Total: \$12,215.00

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Pastor's Musings

This weekend is a transition from the birth of a baby and all that surrounded his birth to his mission as an adult (doing what God the Father asked of him).

In the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist, we are presented with the involvement of our triune God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Note that Jesus presents himself to John the Baptist and asks to be baptized. At first, John hesitates to baptize Jesus. It is Jesus who insists that John baptize him.

John leads Jesus into the River Jordan and dunks Jesus into the water of the River. Being dunked under water is said to have us recall the story of Noah and the great flood when the water of the flood crushed evil in the world and initiated a new beginning. Jesus being dunked and then re-emerging from the water is the crushing of evil and a new beginning through Jesus.

Note the participation of the fullness of God at work. The Spirit of God descends upon Jesus and the Father proclaims Jesus to be his Son, the one he has sent into the world to end what separates us from God and to manifest what loving God and our neighbor looks like in the eyes of God.

While we do not experience Baptism in the same way (we do not go down to the Connecticut River to be immersed in the waters of the River), we are meant to understand our experience of Baptism as initiating a way of life introduced by Jesus and energized by the life of the Spirit of God who is present within us through Baptism.

God bless, fr. Mark

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Faith Formation

Office: (860) 635-5156
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Faith Formation Office Hours
Mon, Tues & Thurs 9:30am - 1:30pm or by appointment

Given the increase in positive Covid-19 cases, faith formation classes will not take place in person for the following 2 weeks.



We wish the following faith formation students: Christian, Giuliana, Owen, Hayden, Stephen, Sara & Taylor birthday blessings as they celebrate their birthday this week.

Young Adult Mass with Bishop Cote



On Sunday, January 30th, St. Thomas Aquinas in Storrs is delighted to host Bishop Michael Cote for the 4th Annual Diocesan Young Adult Mass & Reception. All Young Adults (ages 18 - 39, single and 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 following the liturgy there will be a social in the Catholic Center.

For more information, please contact Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or call (860)848-2237 ex. 305.

Open House at St. John Paul II



Please join us for an open house on Sunday, January 30th from 12pm to 3 pm at St. John Paul II Catholic School - 87 South Main Street in Middletown, CT.

Please note: Face masks are required while inside the building.



Please join us on January 22, 2022, at noon, for a Rosary Rally to be held in front of St. Sebastian Church in Middletown. 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.

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.

Middlesex Hospital Vocal Chords Awarding Scholarships



The Executive Board of the Middlesex Hospital Vocal Chords is requesting applications for its annual scholarships to be awarded to students from Middlesex County pursuing a career in nursing or music who have been accepted at an accredited college or university. The

review committee will consider academic records, extracurricular and community service activities, the student's ability to articulate his/her career goals and the recommendations of references. The \$1,000 scholarships will be paid directly to the recipients at the Spring Concert at Portland High School, Saturday May 7th, 7:00 pm at Portland High School. Applications are available at the school guidance office or by calling Dianne at 860-344-0743. Deadline is Tuesday March 8th. Visit us on the web at vocalchords20.org for more information.

Middlesex Hospital Vocal Chords Looking for Singers

Like to sing but can't read music? No problem! The Middlesex Hospital Vocal Chords has many members just like you who love to sing. No auditions necessary! Just a love of music, singing and a commitment to rehearse every Tuesday night. New members in voice parts alto, tenors and basses are especially welcome! Proof of Covid 19 vaccination required for all members.

Rehearsals start Tuesday February 1st at 6:45 pm at St. Francis Church, Msgr. Fox Parish Hall, 10 Elm St. Middletown, in preparation for our spring concert on May 7th, Portland High School at 7:00 pm.

We are proud and very excited to welcome Samuel Tucker, the current music teacher and choral director at Portland High School, as our new Music Director. Samuel brings a wealth of choral experience to his first season as Music Director of the Middlesex Hospital Vocal Chords.

For more information, visit www.vocalchords20.org, check us out on Facebook (Middlesex Hospital Vocal Chords-and don't forget to Like us when you're there) and Instagram

(mhvocalchords) or call Joyce (860-342-3120) or Diane (860 -347-2787). We're looking forward to having you join our Vocal Chord family!



JANUARY 9, 2022

Official Approved Notice from the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Connecticut

Sexual Abuse and General Claims in The Roman Catholic Diocese of Norwich, Connecticut Bankruptcy

The Norwich Roman Catholic Diocesan Corporation, a/k/a the Roman Catholic Diocese of Norwich ("Diocese" or "Debtor") has filed bankruptcy in order to restructure its nonprofit organization. Please read this notice carefully as it may impact your rights against the Diocese and provides information about the case, *In re The Norwich Roman Catholic Diocesan Corporation* (Bankr. D. Conn.). This notice is a short summary.

Who Should File a Sexual Abuse Claim?

Anyone who was sexually abused, on or before July 15, 2021, and believes the Diocese may be responsible for the sexual abuse must file a claim. This includes sexual abuse in connection with any entity or activity associated with the Diocese. Sexual Abuse Claims include but are not limited to: sexual misconduct, touching, inappropriate contact, or sexual comments about a person or other behaviors that led to abuse, and regardless of whether you thought the behavior was sexual abuse or not.

When Should I File a Sexual Abuse Claim?

Regardless of how old you are today or when the sexual abuse occurred, you need to file your claim so that it is received by 5 pm (prevailing Eastern Time) on March 15, 2022.

If you do not file a timely Sexual Abuse Claim, you may lose rights against the Diocese and against Diocese Related Entities, including any right to compensation.

Your information will be kept private. For a list of names of clergy that have been identified n connection with sexual abuse claims, go to https://www.norwichdiocese.org/Find/Accused-Clergy. For more information on the bankruptcy case, go to https://dm.epiq11.com/case/rcdn or call 1-855-654-0902.

The Sexual Abuse Bar Date of March 15, 2022 is not subject to further extension, even if there is a change in the applicable statute of limitations. You should consider submitting a proof of claim even if you believe your claim may be subject to an affirmative defense such as a statute of limitations.

When Should I File a General Bar Date Claim?

If you have a non-sexual abuse claim, you will need to file so that it is received by 5 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on March 15, 2022. More information is available at https://dm.epiq11.com/case/rcdn.

ACT NOW Before Time Runs Out:

You can download and file a claim at the website or call the toll-free number listed below for help on how to file a claim by mail.

File a Proof of Claim. Have questions? Call or visit the website for more information. https://dm.epiq11.com/case/rcdn 1-855-654-0902

If your claim is approved, you may receive compensation from the bankruptcy.

Notificación oficial aprobada del Tribunal de Quiebras de los Estados Unidos para el Distrito de Connecticut

Reclamos por abuso sexual y reclamos generals en la quiebra de la diócesis católica romana de Norwich, CT

La Norwich Roman Catholic Diocesan Corporation, también conocida como la diócesis católica romana de Norwich (en adelante, la "Diócesis" o el "Deudor") ha declarado la quiebra con el fin de reestructurar su organización sin fines de lucro. Por favor, lea detenidamente esta notificación, ya que se refiere a sus derechos contra la Diócesis y proporciona información sobre el caso *In re The Norwich Roman Catholic Diocesan Corporation* (quiebra, Distrito de Connecticut). Esta notificación es un breve resumen

¿Quién debe presentar un reclamo por abuso sexual?

Cualquier persona que haya sido abusada sexualmente hasta el 15 de julio de 2021 inclusive y crea que la Diócesis puede ser responsable del abuso sexual. Esto incluye el abuso sexual relacionado con cualquier entidad o actividad asociada a la Diócesis. Los reclamos por abuso sexual pueden comprender, entre otras cosas: conducta sexual inapropiada, tocamientos, contacto inadecuado o comentarios sexuales sobre una persona u otros comportamientos que derivaron en un abuso, independientemente de si usted pensó que el comportamiento constituía abuso sexual o no.

¿Cuándo debo presentar un reclamo por abuso sexual?

Independientemente de su edad actual o de la fecha en que se produjo el abuso sexual, debe presentar su reclamo a más tardar a las 5 p.m. (hora del Este vigente) del 15 de marzo de 2022.

Si no presenta un reclamo por abuso sexual dentro de dicho plazo, puede perder sus derechos contra la Diócesis y contra las entidades relacionadas con la Diócesis, incluido cualquier derecho a indemnización.

Se mantendrá la privacidad de su información. Para ver una lista de nombres de clérigos que han sido identificados en relación con demandas por abuso sexual, visite https://www.norwichdiocese.org/Find/ Accused-Clergy. Para más información sobre el caso de quiebra, visite https://dm.epiq11.com/case/rcdn o llame al 1-855-654-0902.

La fecha límite para presentar reclamos por abuso sexual, el 15 de marzo de 2022, no está sujeta a una nueva prórroga, incluso aunque se modifique la ley de plazos de prescripción aplicable. Usted debería considerar la posibilidad de presentar una prueba de reclamo incluso si cree que su demanda puede estar sujeta a una defense afirmativa como la prescripción.

¿Cuándo debo presentar un reclamo con fecha límite general?

Si tiene un reclamo que no es por abuso sexual, deberá presentarlo a más tardar a las 5 p.m. (hora del Este vigente) del 15 de marzo de 2022. Para obtener más información, visite https://dm.epiq11.com/case/rcdn.

Actúe ahora antes de que se agote el tiempo:

Puede descargar y presentar un reclamo a través del sitio web o llamar a la línea gratuita que figura a continuación para obtener ayuda acerca de cómo presentar un reclamo por correo.

Presente una prueba de reclamo. ¿Tiene preguntas? Llame o visite el sitio web para obtener más información. https://dm.epiq11.com/case/rcdn 1-855-654-0902

Si su reclamo es aprobado, puede recibir una indemnización por la quiebra.

ST. JOHN CHURCH PARISH POLICIES

<u>Baptism</u>: 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.

<u>REGISTERING AS A PARISHIONER:</u> 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.

<u>MARRIAGE</u>: 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 January 2, 2022



"I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16bc

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14 -20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11





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