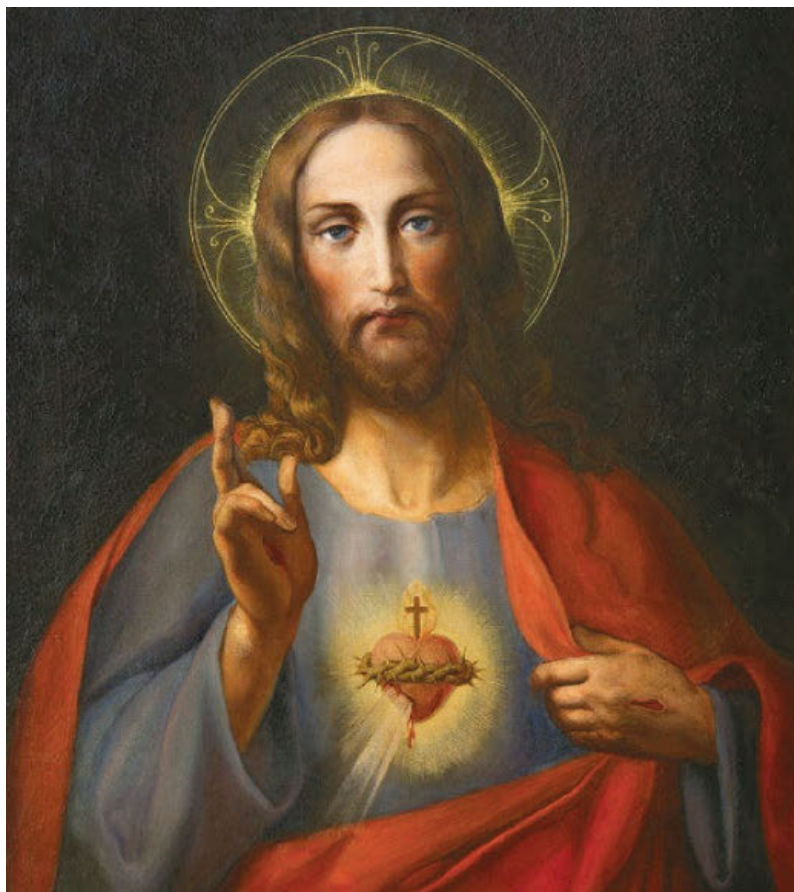




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**FEBRUARY 20, 2022**

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**Sunday Mass: 11:00 am**

**Weekday Mass: Monday, Tuesday &  
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**Confessions: Monday 6:00pm-7:00pm**

**Monday after 8:00am Daily Mass**

**Adoration & Holy Hour: Monday 6:00pm-7:00pm**

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# **St. Junípero Serra Parish**

## **BIBLE STUDY**



**This Lent we will be studying the Gospel of Matthew Chapters 17-28.**

**The Lenten session will cover the second half of Matthew, including Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, his Crucifixion and Resurrection. Classes consist of recorded professional lectures, small group discussion, and independent reading at home during the week using a study guidebook. All are welcome, regardless of your Bible study experience.**

**Bible Study will start Monday, March 7th and meet weekly for 4 weeks until March 28th, from 7:15 to 8:30 pm in the St. Margaret Mary Church Hall.**

**To preregister call Dan Peck at 860-436-5933**

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# WELCOME TO ST. JUNÍPERO SERRA PARISH

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We extend a special welcome to new parishioners. We hope you will find our parish community a place where your faith-life will grow. We also hope you will share your special gifts with your parish family.

Your presence, your talents and your prayers are always welcome. **Please introduce yourself to Fr. Castro**, after one of the Masses and also please formally register with the parish through our website at [www.saintjuniperoserra.org](http://www.saintjuniperoserra.org) or by contacting the office.

**The churches are open for private devotions:**

St. Francis of Assisi: Monday thru Friday 9:00am-4:00pm

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## Pastoral Staff

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Offices located at 80 Hayes Rd, Hours are Monday thru Thursday 9 am to 3 pm

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## Important Information

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**Baptisms:** Parents must attend a pre-baptismal class and sponsor certificates for the godparents must be received before a baptism can be scheduled. Please call the parish office to register.

**Prayer Line:** For prayer requests or to join the Prayer Line, please call Donna, 860-938-4864, Ida, 860-289-2826 or Mary, 860-644-0766.

**Weddings:** At least six months preparation is necessary. Please call Fr. Castro at x109

**Ministry to Those in the Hospital or Homebound:** Your parish priests, deacons and ministers are eager to help anyone who is unable to celebrate with us because of age, illness or handicap. There is no problem visiting private homes if we are notified. If you, or a relative living in the South Windsor Catholic Community would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick or would like to receive Communion, please call the parish office so that we may be of assistance.

**Winter Snow Policy:** Please check our website, channel 3 or Facebook page for possible cancellation.

**Bulletin Submissions:** The deadline for the bulletin articles is noon on Friday. Email your submissions to: [bulletin@southwindsor.cc](mailto:bulletin@southwindsor.cc)



**SATURDAY VIGIL, February 19**

4:00 p.m. Carole Snyder by Billy, Janette, Matthew, Josephine & Christina

**SUNDAY, February 20**

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 a.m. Anthony Melluzzo by Santo & Alfina Milluzzo

9:00 a.m. Mary & John Taylor by Rosaleen & Ed Meyer & Family

11:00 a.m. Stanley & Zofia Grivers by Family

**MONDAY, February 21**

8:00 a.m. Edward Palauskas, Jr. by Annamae Davis

**TUESDAY, February 22**

8:00 a.m. Bill Davis by Wife

**WEDNESDAY, February 23**

8:00 a.m. Michael Zagorski by Family

**THURSDAY, February 24**

8:00 a.m. David Magazu by Pendergast Family

**SATURDAY VIGIL, February 26**

4:00 p.m. Joe & Barbara Kennedy by Family

**SUNDAY, February 27**

**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 a.m. JoAnn Mecca by Her Sister

9:00 a.m. Dora. L( Lamagna) Krivickas by Mary Lou & Walter Kupchunos, Jr.

11:00 a.m. John Fidler & John Fidler II by Family

**SANCTUARY LIGHTS**

If you would like to have the Sanctuary Light burn at St. Francis of Assisi or St. Margaret Mary Church for the intention of a loved one, please call the parish office 860-644-2411.



**REMEMBER**  
*in your prayers*

**Please remember in your prayers the following parishioners who are ill** Thomas Russo, Giacomo Ghasa, Scott Mosher, Anne Mosher, Rosemary

Saad, Lydia Mele, Barbara Mansini, Tammy Cross, Mary Caswell, Linda Pratson, Beth Jamieson, Helen Palmer, Teresa Foran, Marie Donnelly, George Rousseau, Charles Flick, Joyce Abrahams, Kay Vuono, Pat Hendrickson, Carmen Rosa Chilicki, Karen Cerrato, Bertha Brasfield, Mark Weyrauch, Robert Billig, Adam Johnson, Taina Marquez-Johnson, Luca and Nicolas Marquez-Johnson, Simone Tedford, Frances P. Medina, Paula Musgrave, Richard Mazur, John Ferrante, Michael Chappell, Rebecca-Lynn Scullion, Dylan McBreen, Susan Degennaro, Lisa Feinstein, Sylvia Gonsalves, Louise Hynes, Ginette Collin. Please call the parish office to add a loved one to our parish prayer list.

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

February 20, 2022 | 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sometimes, Jesus' teachings don't seem to make practical sense. When we hear things like love your enemies and do good to them, turn the other cheek when



struck, give to anyone who asks, do to others as you would have them do to you, be merciful, stop judging, forgive, and give to others, we get a bit unsettled. After all, it's okay for God to do all of these things, but does He really want us to do them, too? Many good-hearted Christians really draw the line with some of these ideals and say, "No way!" They even remark that if someone did something hurtful to someone they loved, they would have no reservations seeking severe retribution. There is still this persistent thinking, even among those who consider themselves Christian, that a violent action deserves a violent response. Somehow, we continue to justify this.

Yet, it is most clearly against the very grain of the Gospel. Part of our difficulty has more to do with understanding God's love. We wrongly think that sinful or hurtful actions and evil people somehow are seen as lesser in God's eyes. They are not. God loves the sinner as much as He does the saint. And, both of these inclinations exist in every human being, even those who consider themselves holy. Both the capacity for good and the disposition toward evil exist in every one of us. Viktor Frankl has this to say when reflecting on the Holocaust: "Our generation is a realistic generation because we have learned what a human being really is. When all is said and done, man is that same creature who invented the gas-chambers of Auschwitz; but he is also that being who walked upright into those chambers with the prayer 'Shema Yisrael' on his lips."

If we believe in God, we have to act like God. Whether we like that idea is another issue. If we don't then perhaps, we need to reconsider our faith and whether we really believe in Jesus Christ. We are made in the image of God, not the image of ourselves. The Christian must, at all costs, leave resentment and the need for retaliation behind, lose defensiveness and bring into the mind and heart the realization of who we represent in this world.

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# TEACHING THE ROSARY

Would you like to learn how to pray the rosary and its' sacred mysteries? I would love to teach you. Please leave a message for Allison at the office at 860-644-2411 x101 to set up a convenient time at church, weekends or evenings. God Bless!



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Want to know more about volunteering or attending a meeting? Please email [president@societyhelpline.org](mailto:president@societyhelpline.org). Have kitchen items or good used furniture to share? Please post your donation at [www.societyhelpline.org](http://www.societyhelpline.org). Need help or know someone else who needs help? Post a request for assistance on our website [www.societyhelpline.org](http://www.societyhelpline.org) or call 860 648-0216.

## Leadership Team Needed

### ST. JUNIPERO SERRA SUMMER BIBLE CAMP

Leadership Team of 3 Individuals Needed to lead and coordinate other adult and teen volunteers for the Summer Bible Camp of 2022.

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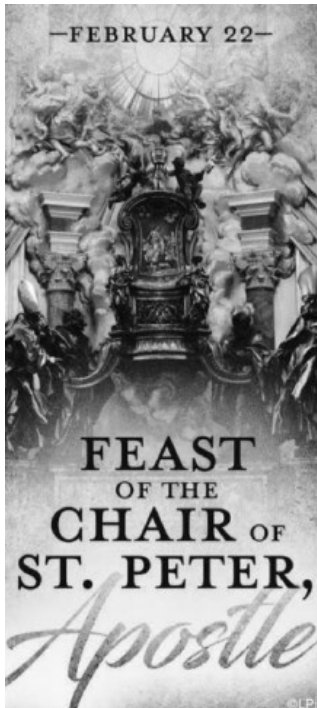
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### Chair of St. Peter



A feast for a chair? It might seem surprising, but this week on February 22nd we celebrate the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter. The Latin word for "chair" is cathedra. From there we get the word "cathedral" to designate literally the "seat" of the bishop. Cathedrals - and the bishop's chairs inside - are symbols of the bishop's authority.

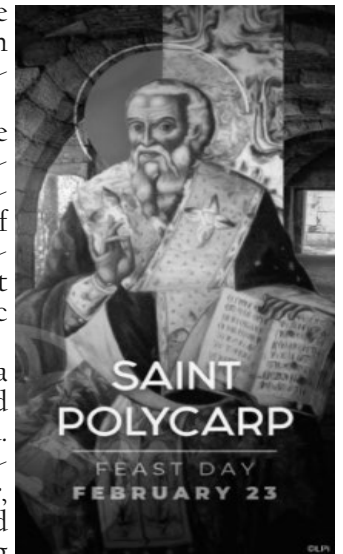
So on this feast we don't celebrate where the Apostle Peter sat down, but we celebrate the Church and her apostolic origin. As Pope Benedict XVIII said, "it is a symbol of the special mission of Peter and his Successors to tend Christ's flock, keeping it united in faith and in charity" (Angelus Message, February 19, 2012).

### St. Polycarp of Smyrna | February 23

As a disciple of St. John, the Evangelist, St. Polycarp was able to hear about Jesus' life, death, and resurrection directly from those who witnessed it. Because Polycarp was ordained as Bishop of Smyrna by St. John, he is one of three chief Apostolic Fathers, along with Clement of Rome and Ignatius of Antioch.

During his life Polycarp defended the Church against heresies. His important writing, the Letter to the Philipians, quoted the Gospels and Acts of the Apostles, stressing Paul's authority in the Church and setting out clear arguments against the gnostic heresy that denied Christ's divinity.

The early period of the Church was a dangerous time to be a Christian and like many, St. Polycarp was martyred. He was captured by Romans and sentenced to burn at the stake. However, the fire did not touch him, instead rising up like sails around him. Seeing that the flames would not injure Polycarp, the Romans stabbed him instead. The Martyrdom of Polycarp is perhaps the earliest fully preserved account of a Christian martyr.



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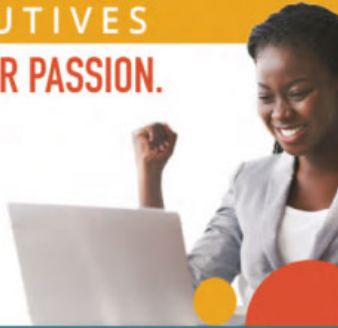
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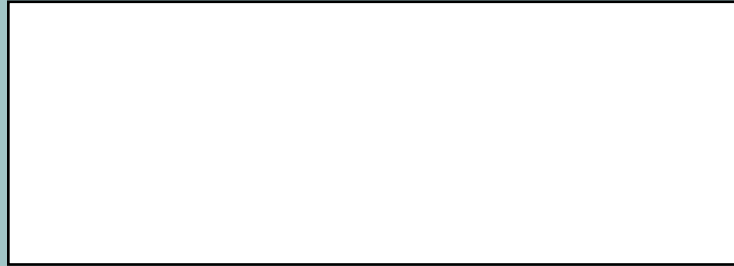
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