

December 8, 2019



Saint Joseph Church

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Pauline Fathers*

Father Bogdan Olzacki, OSPPE, Pastor
Father Joseph Olczak, OSPPE, Associate Pastor

WELCOME... *You enter this Church not as a stranger, but as a child of God, your Heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into His presence, offering Him your love and service.*

Please visit our website
www.stjosephct.org

REGISTRATION New parishioners should register with the parish as soon as possible. Parishioners should notify the rectory of any change of address or phone number.

Rectory Office: 860-871-1970; Fax 860-872-0333
Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:30am-12:30pm
Wednesday Evening, 5:00pm-7:00pm
Secretaries: Jolanta Wiszniak and Nancy O'Connor
Religious Ed: Kathleen Mindek
Music Director: Mark Roszczewski
Email: info@stjosephct.org
Website: www.stjosephct.org

FAITH FORMATION/SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

RCIA Jim Smart, 872-7101; Tues. Classes 7:00 pm
Rel. Ed. Kathleen Mindek, Coordinator, 860-487-1211
Classes Gr. 1-8; Tuesdays 4:00 - 5:15 pm
Confirmation Tom Brown, Coordinator, 860-328-0694
Altar Servers Stephanie Wearne 860-559-5776
Bible Study Rectory, 860-871-1970
Polish Prayer Group Boguslawa Dziewa, 860-952-4797
Knights of Columbus Tony Bifulco, 860-709-1290
Marriage Preparation Philip & Jessica Pietras, 860-830-4542
Baptismal Preparation Angela Atwater, 860-872-3349
3rd Order Franciscans Jim Martucci, OFS 860-268-9764

PARISH MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Pastoral Council Monthly.....date and time TBD
Men's Club 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7 pm
Coffee Sundays 1st Sunday of Month, Oct. thru June
Ladies of St. Joseph 2nd Tuesdays of the month, 7:00 pm

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:00*, 9:30, 11:30 am
(*8:00 am Mass in Polish with Polish and English Homily)

DAILY MASSES

7:30 am - Monday through Saturday

HOLY DAY MASSES

7:00 pm - Vigil,
8:00 am, and 7:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

3:00-3:45pm - Saturdays and 7:00-8:00pm on Thursdays
During Holy Hour or by appointment.

DEVOTIONS/ADORATION

Divine Mercy Novena - 6:30 pm Mondays, (except NOT on Monday Holidays.)
Thursdays - Holy Hour 7:00 pm-8:00 pm (except NOT on Holidays)

Mission Statement

The Parish of Saint Joseph Church in Rockville is a Roman Catholic faith community in the Diocese of Norwich, CT. It is united to the Catholic Church throughout the world. As a parish we invoke the Holy Spirit to put the love of Christ into action by providing for the spiritual nourishment of the community, living according to the Gospel message of Jesus Christ, reaching out to those in need, sharing with others the gifts and talents we have received from God and extending the love of Christ to all people.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH, ROCKVILLE, CT



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, December 7, 2019

7:30am + Maria Majdan.....Daughter
 4:00pm For our Parishioners

Sunday December 8, 2019 - 2nd Sunday of Advent

8:00am + Jan, Maria, Waclaw I Bozena Majdan.....
Dziewa Family
 9:30am + Isabelle Makowicz.....John & Family
 11:30am For the conversion of all sinners and healing in
 our families.....B. Dziewa

Monday, December 9, 2019

7:30am + Carolyn Narkon.....Family

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

7:30am For those suffering with cancer.....

Wednesday, December 11, 2019

7:30am + Eric Sarracino.....CeCe & Family

Thursday, December 12, 2019

7:30am + Eugenia & Aleksander Dziewa.....
Dziewa Family

Friday, December 13, 2019

7:30am Allegro Family.....Cyrus

Saturday, December 14, 2019

7:30am + Andrew Kuhar.....Barbara Reardon
 4:00pm + Barbara Mosca.....Daughter Judy

Sunday, December 15, 2019 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

8:00am For our Parishioners
 9:30am + Pat MytychJohn & Family
 11:30am + Jozef Galdys.....Daughter & Family



Collection for December 1, 2019 will be posted next week

Thank You So Much For Your Generosity ,
 May God Bless You All.

St. Joseph Church`s Expenditures for month of October , 2019

Operating costs.....	\$ 21,143.71
Heat/Electricity/Other Utilities.....	\$ 2,625.07
Repairs/Maintenance /Furnishing.....	\$ 3,560.74
Total Expenditures for October, 2019.....	\$ 27,329.52

Total Income for October\$ 30,013.73

Weekly Collection

Dec 8	1. Weekly / 2. Immaculate Conception
Dec 15	1. Weekly / 2. Maintenance Fund

BAPTISMS A pre-Baptism meeting is held at 5:00 pm on the third Sunday of each month. Parents must be registered parishioners. Parents and Godparents should be practicing Catholics. Please call Angela Atwater at 872-3349 to register.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK OR HOMEBOUND Please call the rectory if you or someone you know is ill or homebound and desires to receive Reconciliation, Eucharist, and/or Anointing of the Sick. Emergencies call any time.

MARRIAGES Couples should make arrangements by registering their marriage intentions at the rectory one year in advance. The wedding date should not be set until a priest or deacon has been consulted.



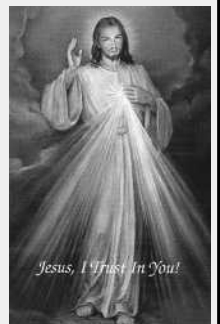
It is our joy to welcome new members to our community. If you are interested in becoming a parishioner, please contact parish office at 860-871-1970.



DIVINE MERCY

The Divine Mercy Holy Hour takes place at **6:30pm on Monday evenings** in the church. Each Holy Hour will begin with Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. We pray Chaplet of

Divine Mercy, Litany of Divine Mercy and read the passage of the Diary of St. Faustina. The hour will conclude with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.



Exciting News!!!



St. Joseph Men's Club Corner

A huge thank you to all that were able to help the last couple of weekends around the church. Several items were addressed such as the hall floors were swept and mopped, fire extinguishers checked, junction boxes addressed, and many others. The right and side front church steps have been put back into place and are open for all to use. 😊

Our December St. Joseph Men's Club meeting will be moved up one week to the 2nd Tuesday (12-10-19), as we will be performing the Creche Setup. We will start at 6:30 PM. Afterwards we will hold our monthly meeting. All men are welcome to join us.

Please continue to check our "St. Joseph Men's Club Corner" weekly for additional upcoming club news.

Blessings!
Chris

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"The season of Advent means there is something on the horizon the likes of which we have never seen before".

- Jan Richardson

Advent is a season observed in many Christian churches as a time of expectant waiting and preparation for both the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas and the return of Jesus at the Second Coming .The term is a version of the Latin word meaning "coming".

OPLATEK



Oplatek (Christmas Wafer) is now available in Convent, during office hours until Christmas.

Coffee Sunday with Santa !

Our Coffee Sunday will be on Dec. 8, 2019 following the 8am and 9:30am Masses, hosted by The Ladies of St. Joseph.



The Ladies Club will be holding their annual wreath sale and bake sale.

Santa and **Mrs. Claus** will be there Please come down and support the church.

"Giving Tree"



You are invited to join in the "Giving Tree" this Advent Season. This is an opportunity for us to share in the greater community, bringing Christmas joy to children in need. The list is from Kidsafe in Rockville. Please pick an ornament tag off of the Christmas Tree located in the main entrance of the church. Please put the gift tag with the gift you purchased, and if possible, in a Christmas gift bag. The gifts will be collected from the same spot you took the ornament tag. We will collect them until December 15th. Thank you for bringing Christmas Joy to the hearts of children.

CHOIR NEWS!!!!

Choir rehearsal will be held on **Wednesdays**, at 6:30pm. until Christmas.



2019-20 WOMEN'S RETREAT AT OUR LADY OF CALVARY, FARMINGTON, CT

Experience a weekend filled with rest, relaxation and spiritual renewal at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center in Farmington, CT. You'll have the opportunity to participate in the sacraments, to hear conference talks, to share with other women and to reflect on this year's theme, "*How Can I Keep From Singing.*" 2019-20 Retreat dates: Jan. 10-12; Jan. 17-19; Feb. 28-Mar. 1; Mar. 6-8; Mar. 13-15; Mar. 27-29; Apr. 17-19; or July 17-19. We also offer a variety of day retreat programs which can be found on our website.

For information call our office at (860) 677-8519 or visit our website at www.ourladyofcalvary.net.

The Advent wreath, or Advent crown, is a Christian tradition that symbolizes the passage of the four weeks of Advent in the liturgical calendar of the Western church. It is traditionally a Lutheran practice, although it has spread to many other Christian denominations.



Christmas Concert

"Please join us on Sunday, December 15th at 3pm at St. Margaret Mary Church on 80 Hayes Rd for our Annual Christmas Concert. The concert is **FREE** and will feature some of your favorite Christmas songs sung by the Adult Festival Choir and accompanied by a live orchestra.

We hope to see you there!"

Thank you very much!

Sincerely
Robert Dolan

Please look for the Office of Faith Events' new column: "**Faith Sparks**" in the 4 County Catholic newspaper. This past month's column is about Advent. Diocesan youth minister Liza Roach says, "Advent is a time of patient waiting, and the Lord does not want us to be stressed out!"

To read this entire article and find 5 great tips for a meaningful and memorable Advent and Christmas, visit:

NorwichDiocese.org/FaithSparks

QUESTION AND ANSWERS BOX!



Practicing Faith

Question:

I'd like to make some new resolutions about practicing the faith in our family during the new year. Do you have any suggestions?

Answer:

The family is the most essential space for the formation of values and character. Practicing your faith as a family can happen both internally and externally. Consistent prayer together builds habits that can last a lifetime. With younger children, praying together as a family in the evening or at dinnertime could be fairly doable most nights. In the evening, select a few common prayers such as the Our Father, Hail Mary, or Guardian Angel prayer. Ask each of your children to thank God for three things that day and include a time for children and adults alike to pray out loud for special needs in your family. This practice could be done with older children, committed to intentional efforts in the midst of increasingly busy schedules.

Look for other opportunities to practice the faith outside the home as well. Sunday Mass should already be part of your family's weekly routine. Consider setting other monthly goals as well. This could be a family service project in your city, attending the sacrament of Confession together, or hosting a hospitality night in your home. Get your children involved in the planning process. Ask them where they'd like to volunteer or who they think is having a hard time and might need a special night just for them. Rather than simply imposing new practices, your whole family can have a dynamic role understanding and integrating faith and life.

December 8, 2019

2nd Sunday of Advent

"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire."

- MATTHEW 3:10

Do you bear good fruit for Christ? Or, do you spend your time, talent and treasure constantly acquiring more toys, clutter and junk. Our time, our talent and our treasure are gifts that God has given us. What we do with them is our gift back to God. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?



Prayer

*How to do nothing
and still think you're helping*

New Prayer List

Beginning in December, we are going to try out a new prayer list in our bulletin. Each month anyone wishing to submit the name of a **Parishioner** who needs our prayers is asked to call the office. The list must be of parishioners only. The list will be updated **each and every month**. Although we must keep all of our loved ones in our prayers at all times, it is not feasible to list extended families and friends.



LECTORS

Saturday, December 14, 2019

4:00pm - J. Merluzzo

Sunday December 15, 2019

8:00 am - A. Gryszkiewicz

9:30 am - B. Reardon

- S. Martucci

11:30 am - F. Borysevicz



LECTORS

Counting Teams 2019 Schedule



The "**Saint Helen`s Team**" is responsible for counting the First Sunday of every month.

The "**Reardon Team**" is responsible for counting the Second Sunday of every month.

The "**Bourne Team**" is responsible for counting the Fourth Sunday of every month.



In Loving Memory

John & Helen Snyder, Son John, Edward, Stanley & Grandson Edward Jr.

Ignacy, Anna, Edward Songailo & Joseph Sawicki, Celia & Walter Bateman

Alexander & Konstancja Raczkowski & Daughter Phyllis

Patricia Cedor
Martha Battles
Bill Dlugosz
Rose Orlovski
Stephanie Wrona
Dorothy Pacetti
Barbara Cowan
Wanda Satkiewicz
Yvonne Dowgiewicz
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