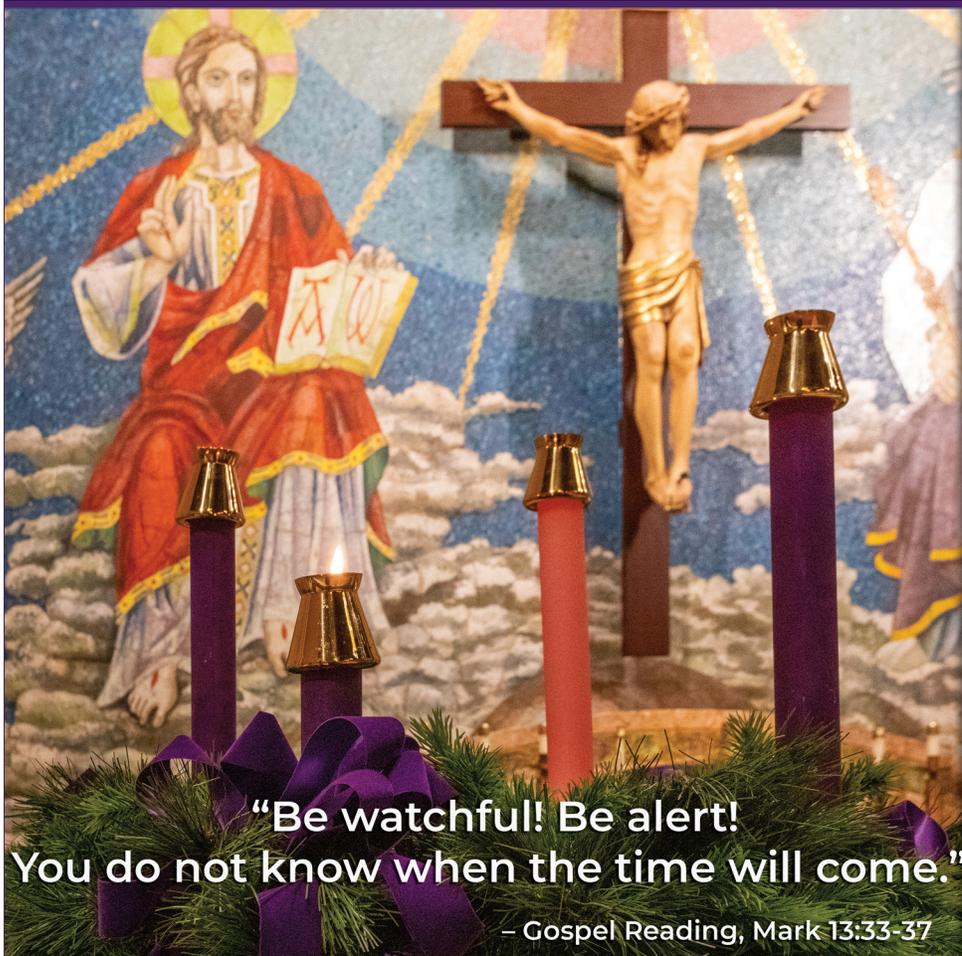


# SAINT JOSEPH



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
NORWICH, CONNECTICUT

DECEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2023 — FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



**“Be watchful! Be alert!  
You do not know when the time will come.”**

– Gospel Reading, Mark 13:33-37



**Holy Day of Obligation  
Immaculate Conception  
of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary**

**Join us for Mass at Saint  
Joseph Church, Friday,  
December 8<sup>th</sup> at 9 am!**

## PARISH STAFF

### Pastor

Msgr. Leszek T. Janik

### Parochial Vicar

Fr. James Sucholet

### Secretary

Lauren Jello-Pitkin

### Rectory Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday: 9am - 2pm  
Thursday: 9am-2pm,  
Friday: 9am - 12:30pm

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### Masses

**Vigil Mass Sat. Evening:** 4:00 pm

**Sunday:** 9:00 am (*English & Polish*)

**Mon:** 8:00 am (*Please enter through  
the Cliff Street door*)

**1<sup>st</sup> Sat. of each Month:** 9:00 am

### Reconciliation

**Saturday:** 3:15—3:45 pm

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### Masses

**Vigil Mass Sat. Evening:** 4:00 pm

**Sunday:** 7:30 am & 10:30 am

**Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri:** 8:00 am

**Thurs:** 6:00 pm at **St John Mission,  
Fitchville, CT**

### Reconciliation

**Saturday:** 3:00—3:45 pm

**Holy Days of Obligation Mass Times:** 8 am Sacred Heart Church, 9 am Saint Joseph Church, 6 pm Saint John Mission



# MASS INTENTIONS

## SAT 12/2: VIGIL FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4:00 pm + Joseph & Ida Kurasz  
From Son Joe

## SUN 12/3: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00 am + Thaddeus Czyzewski  
From Family

## MON 12/4: 8:00 am Multiple Intentions

+ Susan Anne Sucholet 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary  
From Family  
+ For Health and Blessings for the Kidala Family  
From Ewa  
+ Lewis & Izbicki Families  
From Deacon Tom Lewis

## FRI 12/8: SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

9:00 am + For the People of the Parish

## NEXT SUNDAY: SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## SAT 12/9: 4:00 pm + Paul Koziol

From Son Steve

## SUN 12/10: 9:00 am + Emilia Altmajer

From Granddaughters Zuzanna & Lucia & Families

## MON 12/11: 8:00 am Multiple Intentions

+ 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Joseph J. Czapski, Sr.  
with love from wife Albina  
+ For the Soul of Deceased Benilda Fernandes  
From Ewa  
+ For the Deceased members of the Kidala Family  
From Ewa

## STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Offertory November 25/26: \$ 1569.78  
Memorial \$ 195  
Maintenance \$ 99

Thank you for supporting Our Beloved Parish!

**Second Collection THIS Weekend is For:**  
Monthly Maintenance



## SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is lit for

*Albert & Gertrude Muratore*

with Love from Family

## PLEASE KEEP *in your prayers...*

Albert Muratore and Jozef Bujak whose funeral masses were celebrated this week at St. Joseph Church.

The Priests of the Diocese of Norwich will be attending their annual Convocation Monday afternoon, Dec. 4th - Wed. Dec. 6th. **On Tuesday and Wednesday, there will only be mass at St Patrick's Cathedral while the Priests are at Convocation.**

## CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Confirmation class will be Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> from 6 - 7:30 pm in Sacred Heart Church Hall, Norwichtown.

# PARISH NEWS

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## Coffee Hour!

Please join us following the 9am Sunday Mass in the Parish Center for Coffee Hour.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION DURING ADVENT

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration during Advent

### Mondays of Advent at St. Joseph Church

immediately following the 8 am Mass from 8:30 am to 9:30 am

### Thursdays of Advent at St. John Mission Church

from 5 pm to 6 pm before Mass

### Fridays during Advent at Sacred Heart Church

from 8:30 am to 9:30 am immediately following the 8 am Mass.



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## Holy Day of Obligation

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary was established in 1708 as a Solemnity for the entire Church. The celebration of the Feast day dates back to the 7th Century celebration of the "Conception of Mary by St Anne". Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception is the patroness of the United States of America.

**Mass Times:** 9 am Saint Joseph Church,  
8 am Sacred Heart Church, 6 pm Saint John Mission

## Christmas Decorating of St. Joseph Church

Setting up the trees and manger scene will be Sunday, December 17 (3rd Sunday of Advent)

1 - 4 pm in the church.

Christmas altar flowers will be

delivered Friday, December 22 at 9 am.

Please come and help with the decorations!  
Gratefully, Steve Koziol & Fr. Jim



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## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Dec 23<sup>rd</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent Vigil

4 pm at Sacred Heart 4 pm at Saint Joseph

Sunday Dec 24<sup>th</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent Mass

9 am Saint Joseph 7:30 & 10:30 am Sacred Heart

Sunday Dec 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Vigil Mass

10 pm Saint Joseph 4 pm Sacred Heart

Monday Dec 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day Mass

9 am Saint Joseph 9 am Sacred Heart  
11 am Saint John Mission



## Parish Gathering during the Christmas Season

Please join us on Sunday, December 31, from 1-4pm at the St Joseph's parish hall for a potluck style luncheon with caroling and sharing of the traditional Polish Christmas wafer (oplatek).

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## DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

### Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe!

All are invited to join Bishop Cote and the Latino people of the diocese in our annual bilingual celebration of the Feast day of Our Lady of Guadalupe at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Tuesday, December 12, 2023. The celebration begins with the Rosary at 6:30pm, followed by Holy Mass at 7:00pm. Fiesta following. We look forward to honoring Our Lady with you. For more information, please contact the Office for Hispanic Ministry, Tel: 860-456-3349 / email: aposthispano@gmail.com