



SAINT JOSEPH



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
NORWICH, CONNECTICUT

FEBRUARY 4TH, 2024 — THE 5TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him.

Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed. Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said, "Everyone is looking for you."

He told them, "Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also.

For this purpose have I come."

So he went into their synagogues, preaching and driving out demons throughout the whole of Galilee.

— Mark 1:32-39

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

SAINT JOSEPH

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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)

1st 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 2/3: VIGIL FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm + **Sophie & Ben Lukowski**
From *Leandra & Armand LeClair*

SUN 2/4: FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am + **Irena Olszewski**
From *Husband, Children, Grandchildren & Great grandchildren*

MON 2/5: MEMORIAL OF ST AGATHA, VIRGIN & MARTYR

8:00 am **Multiple Intentions**
+ **Amelia M. Kurpat**
From *the Stolaronek Family*
+ **Victoria Maximowicz Burgess**
With Love from *Merina Corby*

NEXT SUNDAY: SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT 2/10: 4:00 pm + **Benjamin & Sophie Kukowski**
From *Dolores Scolaro*

SUN 2/11: 9:00 am + **Uncle Teddy & Aunt Regina Trawczynski**
From *Donna & Jim Homiski*

MON 2/12: 8:00 am **Multiple Intentions**
+ **3rd Anniversary Memorial Mass Peter Jones**
From *Wife Sally & Family*
+ **Barbara Cubanski**
From *William & Maureen O'Hara & Family*

WED 2/14: 5:00 pm + **People of the Parish**

STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Offertory January 27/28: \$ 1129.16.
Memorial \$ 335.

Thank you for supporting Our Beloved Parish!

Second Collection THIS Weekend is For:
Monthly Maintenance



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is lit for

Angeline Henry

From *Mary Dutka*

February 14th - Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday officially begins LENT and the EASTER CYCLE on any date from FEBRUARY 4TH TO MARCH 10TH, depending upon the date of

Easter Sunday.

In 2024, Ash Wednesday BEGINS ON FEBRUARY 14TH. ASHES from burned palms saved from the previous year are placed on the foreheads of parishioners. The custom of placing blessed ASHES on the heads of people is an ancient penitential practice common among the Jewish people (Jonah 3:5-9; Jeremiah 6:26, 25:34; Matthew 11:21).

Three kinds of traditions have given LENT its particular character today: (1) those that support a somber atmosphere; (2) penitential practices, especially FASTING AND FRIDAY ABSTINENCE OF MEATS; and (3) devotions centered around the Suffering Jesus. During the past twenty years these traditions have been joined by newer ones, adding a more positive dimension to LENT.

PARISH NEWS

FEB
3/4

Feast Day Of Saint Blaise, Bishop & Martyr

Blessing of Throats - will take place immediately after the Saturday 4:00 pm Vigil masses at both St. Joseph's & Sacred Heart Churches. Also, Sunday, February 4th immediately after the 7:30 am & 10:30 am Sunday masses at Sacred Heart Church and after the 9:00 am. Sunday mass at St. Joseph Church. Plan to get yours blessed this cold winter season!

Saint Blaise, Bishop & Martyr, Pray For Us!

FEB
4TH

Coffee Hour!

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

MONDAYS
OF LENT

Lenten Spiritual Conferences 2024

Fr. Jim Sucholet will be giving a series of Lenten conferences on the Mondays of Lent.

Father will be using the book: [This Is My Body: A Call To Eucharistic Revival](#) written by Bishop Robert Barron, founder of The Word On Fire Catholic Ministries and arguably the greatest Catholic communicator of our times. Books will be provided! Coffee/tea available!

Monday Evenings 6 pm - 7 pm

February 19th & 26th & March 4th at St. Joseph Parish Center. March 11th, 18th & concluding on March 25th (Monday of Holy Week 2024) at Sacred Heart Church Hall.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has called all to Eucharistic Revival in 2024. Join us!

Operation Rice Bowl: For Lent For Life

For 51 years, Operation Rice Bowl has helped to feed the hungry poor. Through Operation Rice Bowl - a program of prayer, fasting, learning, and giving - what you give up for Lent can give hope to the poorest of the poor. Make this Lenten season one of awareness, compassion, and reflection. Sponsored by Catholic Relief Services and the Diocese of Norwich. Details will appear in next Sunday.

Pre-Lenten Traditions!

Though there is no mention on the calendar of the Church. The American tradition of Mardi Gras (French "Fat Tuesday") began as a pre-Lenten day of feasting and carnival (Latin "carnevarium," or "removal of meats"). It was a "last fling" in preparation for the severe fasting and abstinence which began the next day on Ash Wednesday. In ethnic Polish American areas the baking, selling, and eating of PACZKI (pronounced: punch-key) is very popular the day BEFORE Ash Wednesday. These are heavy deep-fried Polish pastries filled with various fruits and often with a glazed topping! They are now found in many area supermarkets.

DIOCESAN/COMMUNITY NEWS

FEB
8TH

Brothers in Christ - Men's Virtual Group

Every Second Thursday of the Month on Webex, 7 - 7:45 pm Deacon Alex Pandolfe is the speaker. To register contact Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or 860.848.2237 ext 305

FEB
17TH

Sisters of Charity

The Sisters of Charity will be having a Share a Day for girls in grades 5,6,7, and 8 at Holy Family Motherhouse, 54 West Main St. Baltic on Saturday, Feb. 17th from 9:30 am to 6:30 pm. The theme is "Lent is preparing for Easter" No charge; meals are included. There will be recreation, talks, activities and prayers with the Sisters. Call 860-822-8241 or email srmaryjacinta@gmail.com