



# SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NORWICH, CONNECTICUT



**AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2025 — 21<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited by him, and the host who invited**



**both of you may approach you and say, ‘Give your place to this man,’ and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place. Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, ‘My friend, move up to a higher position.’**

**Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.” — Luke 14: 8-11**

## PARISH STAFF

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Fr. Ray Introvigne, *Assisting Priest*

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### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thurs.: 9am - 2pm  
Friday: 9:30am - 12:30pm  
CLOSED on Wednesday

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### Masses

**Vigil Mass Sat. Evening:** 4:00 pm  
**Sunday:** 9:00 am (*English & Polish*)  
*As of July 1, 2025, No Weekday Mass*

### Reconciliation

**Saturday:** 3:15—3:45 pm

## SACRED HEART

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





# MASS INTENTIONS

## SAT 8/23: VIGIL 21<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm † Robert Scolaro  
With love from Dolores

## SUN 8/24: 21<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am † Birthday Remembrance Thaddeus  
Czyzewski  
From loving family.

## NEXT SUNDAY: 22<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT 8/30: 4:00 pm † Jozef & Jozefa Byczkiewicz  
With love from the family

SUN 8/31: 9:00 am † Genevieve (Ruta) Lenda  
From the Sucholet Family.

## STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Offertory August 16/17: \$ 1,234.  
Assumption August 15: \$317.  
Memorial: \$ 125.; Candles: \$ 124.84

Offertory August 9/10: \$ 906.  
Memorial: \$ 205.; Maintenance \$ 90.

*Thank you for supporting Our Beloved Parish!*

### Second Collection THIS Weekend is For:

Mission Appeal/DeMatcha Catholic Mission School

### Second Collection NEXT Weekend is For:

National Combined Collection

*Please find a copy of a letter from Bishop Reidy, at the entrances of the church regarding the initiatives that the National Combined Collection supports.*



## SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is lit for

*Victor E. & Genevieve R. Lenda*

*with love from Todd & Holly Maikshilo*

## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH SUMMER PARISH PICNIC THANK YOU

Thank you to all who worked and helped out at our "4<sup>th</sup> Annual Summer Picnic" last Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. By all accounts everyone had a good time, a relaxing summer Sunday afternoon, with the opportunity to visit with each other and to spend some time together. Thank you to all from Sacred Heart Parish, Norwichtown and others who joined us. Our thanks to Ed for cooking on the grill; our ladies in the kitchen: Ewa Newman, Ewa Kidala, Janina Czachor, Sue Olszewski, Lucia Leise, all who brought so many delicious foods to share and who baked so many varieties of desserts and brought so many salads and other side dishes!

**If you brought a dish to share and left your container, please contact Karen at the rectory or pickup your container at our next Coffee Hour on September 7<sup>th</sup>!**

Our thanks to Norman Gauthier for setting up and managing the tents, tables, and chairs. And, as always, thank you to Good Saint Joseph, Patron Saint of our parish, for his constant protection of our parish and church and for keeping the summer rain off our grounds till the evening! Dziękujemy Św Józefie, patronie naszej parafii!

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Save the Date for Next Summer's Parish Picnic which will be on the Sunday afternoon following the Assumption Holy Day on: Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026! Mark your calendars and join us!

# PARISH NEWS

## 2025 Mission Appeal — August 23/24

This weekend we welcome Father Xavier Kachappilly Ouseph of the Order of the Most Holy Trinity who is visiting Sacred Heart Church and Saint Joseph Church for the 2025 Missionary Appeal. Our Missionary Appeal is aimed at providing education and evangelization through the DeMatha Catholic Mission School for Tribal children in Assam, India. Your generous support is greatly appreciated.

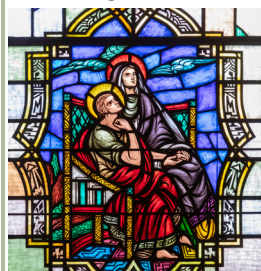
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## Special Rosary Intention on the Feast of St. Monica

St. Joseph Rosary Society will be holding a special rosary intention on Sunday, August 31, 2025, to

St. Monica, whose feast day is August 27<sup>th</sup>. St. Monica has become synonymous with persistent, unfailing prayer for fallen away family and loved ones. Born in 332, St. Monica was married to a pagan husband and had 3 children. One son fell away from the faith and was living a life under egregious sin, even fathering a child out of wedlock. Praying tirelessly and not giving up, finally, he came back to the Church. His name, St. Augustine! He became a bishop; a renowned theologian and prolific writer; and a Doctor of the Church!

Through the intercession of Sts. Monica and Augustine, may our prayers be answered.



There will be 2 boxes (1 in the front vestibule and 1 in the side door entrance) where you can place the first name or initial (respect of privacy) of your loved ones. The boxes will then be placed by the Blessed Mother on this special Sunday rosary. **Please join the Sunday group to pray the rosary before Mass for your loves ones!**

## DIOCESE / COMMUNITY NEWS

### Position Available - DIOCESAN FINANCE OFFICER

The Diocese of Norwich is seeking an experienced full-time Finance Officer to assist the Bishop in the administration of the material goods of the Diocese. This position plays a key leadership role in overseeing the financial well-being of the Diocese and ensures proper stewardship of diocesan resources. The successful candidate will be a practicing Catholic in good standing, possess a minimum of a bachelor's degree in finance, accounting, or related field (MBA/CPA preferred), and 5 years of senior-level experience in financial administration. Salary commensurate with experience. A complete job description can be found by using the QR code.



Interested applicants should send a cover letter and resume to: Diocese of Norwich; Rev. Peter J. Langevin, Chancellor; 201 Broadway; Norwich, CT 06360. or via email: [chancellor@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:chancellor@norwichdiocese.net)

The "Black Madonna of Czestochowa," also known as **OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA**, is a revered icon enthroned at the Jasna Gora Monastery on a hill in the City of Czestochowa, Poland, with a rich story rooted in history and tradition. According to Polish history, the icon was painted by Saint Luke on the tabletop built by Saint Joseph used by the Holy Family in Nazareth, and later rediscovered by Saint Helena, the mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine, reportedly found in Jerusalem, who brought it to Constantinople where it was first venerated.



— Our Lady of Czestochowa, Feast Day August 26<sup>th</sup>  
*Flowers for Our Lady donated by the Rosary Society*