



SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NORWICH, CONNECTICUT



OCTOBER 19TH, 2025 — 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saint John Paul II Pope

"It is Jesus you seek when you dream of happiness; he is waiting for you when nothing else you find satisfies you; he is the beauty to which you are so attracted; it is he who provokes you with that thirst for fullness that will not let you settle for compromise; it is he who urges you to shed the masks of a false life; it is he who reads in your hearts your most genuine choices, the choices that others try to stifle. It is Jesus who stirs in you the desire to do something great with your lives, the will to follow an ideal, the refusal to allow yourselves to be grounded down by mediocrity, the courage to commit yourselves humbly and patiently to improving yourselves and society, making the world more human and more fraternal."

— 15th World Youth Day Vigil Address of the Holy Father John Paul II (5)

Memorial, 22 October



PARISH STAFF

Clergy

Msgr. Leszek T. Janik, *Pastor*

Fr. Ray Introvigne, *Assisting Priest*

Office

Karen Abbott Morrison, *Secretary*
stjosephnorwich@yahoo.com

Dona Stankov, *Bookkeeper*
Tues. 9 am Only
st.josephnwfinance@att.net

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

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

SAINT JOSEPH

120 Cliff Street
Norwich, CT 06360
Phone: 860-887-1565
Fax: 860-889-3560

stjosephnorwich@yahoo.com
www.saintjosephnorwich.com
facebook.com/stjosephnorwich

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

52 West Town St
Norwichtown, CT 06360
Phone: 860-887-1030
Fax: 860-887-6550

SacredHeart06360@gmail.com
www.sacredheartnorwichct.org

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

WWW.SAINTJOSEPHNORWICH.COM



FACEBOOK.COM/STJOSEPHNORWICH

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT 10/18: VIGIL 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm † Rev. Walter J. Pilecki
From Bernie Wlodkowski

SUN 10/19: 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am The living & † deceased members of the
Czyzewski & Kopij Families
From loving Family

NEXT SUNDAY: 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SAT 10/25: 4:00 pm † 2nd Anniversary Albert Muratore
With love from daughter, April, and family

SUN 10/26: 9:00 am † Matthew, Benjamin, Raymond
& Alexander Zawacki
From sister, Albina Czapski

STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Offertory October 11/12: \$ 1,074.
Memorial: \$ 223.; Candles: \$ 30.

Thank you for supporting Our Beloved Parish!

Second Collection THIS Weekend is For:
Cradle Fund



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is lit
In memoriam for

Sharon Hobbs
a dear friend.

From Elaine & Dan Dzioba

Please remain Prayerfully Silent before the Mass.

Saint Luke, Feast Day, October 18

Luke was a Greek scholar, physician (Col 4:14), and "fellow worker" (Philemon 24) with the apostle Paul. He accompanied Paul on his journey to Rome and is known as the author of the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. As a Greek Gentile, he wrote for Gentile Christians. Matthew, Mark, and John all came from the Jewish tradition. Luke is the only Evangelist who, like most of us today, was a Gentile. Accordingly, Luke emphasizes the theme of universality, stressing that the Gospel is intended for all people, particularly the poor and sinners.

We have been reading the Gospel of Luke at Sunday Mass throughout our current Liturgical Year. His Gospel has several unique aspects not found in the other Gospels, including: **the Annunciation** (Luke 1:26-38), **the child Jesus in the temple** (Luke 2:41-51), **the Parable of the Good Samaritan** (Luke 10:25-37), **the Parable of the Prodigal Son** (Luke 15:11-32), and **the Ascension** (Luke 24:50-53). Luke is also the author of several beautiful hymns, including **the Magnificat** (Luke 1:46-55), **the Benedictus** (Luke 1:68-79), **the Gloria** (Luke 2:14), and **the Nunc Dimittis** (Luke 2:29-35).

Luke's Gospel repeatedly emphasizes that Jesus' entire ministry is a progression toward Jerusalem and the Cross. The traditional symbol for Luke is a winged ox or bull, due to his Gospel's emphasis on the sacrificial nature of Jesus' ministry. Likewise, we each must take up the Cross and follow Jesus on our own passage of sacrifice. This journey requires a deep life of prayer, and Luke consistently portrays Jesus in prayer, seeking the Father's will (Luke 5:16, 6:12, 23:34, 46). May we do the same, knowing that God speaks and we respond through the Prayer of the Mass.

According to one ancient tradition, Luke was said to have died in Greece, unmarried, at the age of 84, while other traditions report his martyrdom.

PARISH NEWS

NOV
1ST

Mass & Rosary at St. Joseph Cemetery

In memory of All Saints and All Souls Days, an All Saints Day Mass will be held at 8 am on Saturday, November 1 at Saint Joseph Church. Afterwards, parishioners are invited to join the Rosary Society at St. Joseph Cemetery at 10 am to walk and pray the Rosary for the deceased. Votive candles will be available for \$ 2.

NOV
12TH

All Souls Day Prayer Service

Wednesday, Nov. 12th at 6pm, Sacred Heart Church. On this special day when we remember our loved ones, you are invited to participate in an evening prayer service. This is a sacred way to honor our loved ones who have died with the Eucharist, beautiful music, reflection and ritual. You are asked to bring a framed picture of your loved ones to be placed in front of the altar - frames should not exceed 8X10. Framed pictures can be brought to any Mass (at Sacred Heart or St. Joseph's Church) on the weekend of Nov. 8th/9th. Pictures should be deposited in a box in back of the church. Please include your name and phone number on the back of the picture. All pictures will be returned following the service.

Prayer for our Faithful Departed

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

The Knights of Columbus Council # 13



Baby Bottle Drive for Caring Families

Bottles are available in the Church. Please take one, fill it with spare change, and return it on the weekend of Oct. 25th / 26th (**next weekend!**). The money collected will go towards helping women & their families during an unexpected pregnancy.

DIOCESE / COMMUNITY NEWS

Knights of Columbus Holy Hours

The Knights of Columbus - Council #13, White Cross Council will be hosting two upcoming Holy Hours:

OCT 28 Tuesday, October 28th at 6pm at Sacred Heart Church
"Holy Hour in Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus"

NOV 1ST Saturday, November 1st after the 4pm Mass the "Silver Rose Holy Hour" this relic is associated with Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Healing Service

OCT 22-24 Fr. Jim Blount will be celebrating Mass and will lead a healing service on Oct 22-24 at Immaculate Conception Church in Westerly, RI. For more info go to www.immcon.org

Come and See Retreat

NOV 7-9 For all young women discerning a call to the religious life: The Apostles of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be hosting a Come & See Retreat for single women, ages 18-35, on November 7-9 at the Sacred Heart on the Lake retreat center in Higganum. This will be an opportunity to pray with the sisters and to discover more about religious life. If you are interested, send a text message to Sr. Colleen at (860) 368-0826.

