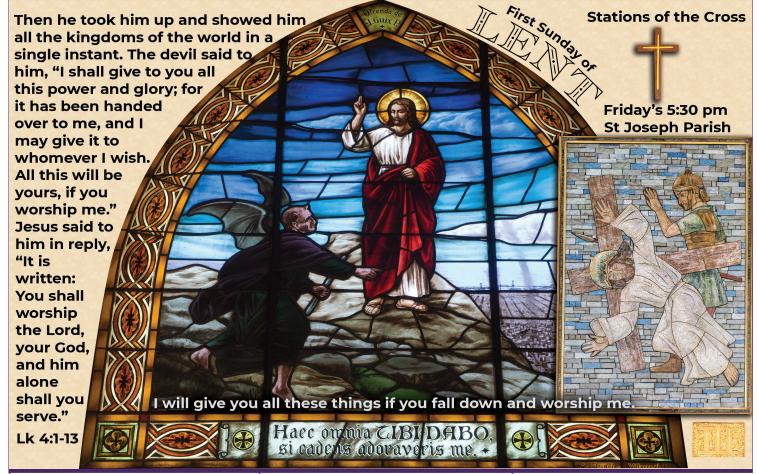


# SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NORWICH, CONNECTICUT

MARCH  $9^{\text{TH}}$ ,  $2025-1^{\text{ST}}$  SUNDAY OF LENT



# **PARISH STAFF**

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### **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

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

# SAINT JOSEPH

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#### Masses

Vigil Mass Sat. Evening: 4:00 pm Sunday: 9:00 am (English & Polish) Mon.: 8:00 am (Enter via Cliff St. door) 1st Sat. of each Month: 9:00 am

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



# MASS INTENTIONS

MAR. 8-9: JUBILEE OF THE WORLD OF VOLUNTEERING

SAT 3/8: VIGIL 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT 4:00 pm † Sophie & Ben Lukowski From Armand & Leandra LeClair

SUN 3/9: 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am † Michaelina & Stanislaw Sieczkowski

From the Sieczkowski Family

MON 3/10: 8:00 am Multiple Mass Intentions

† Lewis & Izbicki Families From Deacon Tom Lewis

† Marta Kopij

From Henry & Helen Sieczkowski

**NEXT SUNDAY: 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT** 

SAT 3/15: 4:00 pm + For the deceased members of the Dzioba & Urban Families

From Dan & Elaine Dzioba

Sun 3/16: 9:00 am + Matilda "Tillie" Pysyk

From Donna & Jim Homiski

MON 3/17: 8:00 am Multiple Mass Intentions

In honor of St. Patrick - Patron Saint of Diocese of Norwich

† Marta Kopij

From Chris & Sue Olszewski

† Genevieve Sucholet

From Dr. Jeremiah & Virginia Lowney

### STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Offertory March 1/2:: \$ 948 Memorial: \$ 200; Maintenance: \$ 677.

Thank you for supporting Our Beloved Parish!



### **SANCTUARY CANDLE**

The Sanctuary candle is lit for



# **PARISH NEWS**



### **Special Saint Joseph Coffee Hour!**

Please join us following the 9am Sunday Mass and Gorzkie Zale in the Parish Center for a Special Coffee Hour in Honor of our Patron Saint

Joseph whose Feast Day is on March 19th.

#### March: Traditional Month of Saint Joseph

During this month of March dedicated to devotions to Saint Joseph; Litany of Saint Joseph will be recited on Monday mornings after the 8am Mass and Fridays after the stations of the cross. Please join us in honoring Saint Joseph. Swiety Jozefie, Patronie Parafii Naszej, Modl sie za nami! Saint Joseph, Patron Saint of our Parish, Pray for Us!



#### **Eucharistic Holy Hour for Vocations**

On Thursday, March 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2025, come join in praying a **Eucharistic Holy Hour For Vocations** within the Diocese Of Norwich. This Holy Hour will

be at **Sacred Heart Church, Norwichtown**, from 6 to 7 pm. Come pray for those who are called to Priestly or Consecrated Religious Life. Pray for our Seminarians and those in the process of applying to the Diocese of Norwich.

# **LENTEN DEVOTIONS**

### Fridays of Lent - Stations of the Cross

St. Joseph Church 5:30 pm in Polish Sacred Heart Church 6 pm in English



#### **Gorzkie Zale - Bitter Lamentations**

Sundays of Lent after the 9 am Sunday mass with Exposition & Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.



#### **Lenten Reflections**

Monsignor Les will be giving a series of Lenten reflections on prayer, on Mondays, during Lent. The required book titled <u>"An Introduction to Prayer"</u>

by Bishop Robert Barron will be freely provided. Coffee/tea available!

The sessions will take place at Sacred Heart Parish Hall from 6 to 7pm, starting March 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> and at St. Joseph Parish Center from 6 to 7pm on March 31<sup>st</sup>, April 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. The sign-up sheet will be located at the back of the church.

### **Operation Rice Bowl: Lent For Life**

Lent is a time of opportunity for us to strengthen our faith through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. These practices bring us closer to God and demonstrate our solidarity with those in need at home and around the world. This Lent make your sacrifices become opportunities to feed the hungry poor. Please participate in CRS Operation Rice Bowl and let the sacrifices you make for the hungry poor nourish them and may these sacrifices witness to the love that disciples of Christ have for all people, especially for the least of the Lord's sisters and brothers.

# COMMUNITY & DIOCESE NEWS

### **Norwich Diocesan Cemeteries Spring Cleanup**

Please remove your winter decorations prior to March 15, 2025. Beginning the week of March 17<sup>th</sup>, we will be cleaning up winter decorations. We recommend waiting to place Spring decorations until the winter cleanup has occurred, to prevent unintentional removal of Spring decorations. Please call the cemetery office with any questions at 860.887.1019.



Lenten Retreat Day with Sr. Theresita Donach, CSFN, Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth Wed., March 12 - Enders Island, Mystic,

Ct. Holy mass at 9am in chapel; check in 9:45am Coffee/tea/pastries and hot lunch included. Sr. Theresita will be leading reflections from the book: A Lenten Hobo Honeymoon written by Edward Hays. Program price: \$75. Contact:info@endersisland.org or call 860.536.0565. LENT means "Springtime" ... Come and welcome the New Life

that God longs to bring to each of us! Hope to see YOU there!



### 4th Annual Connecticut March for Life

The fourth annual Connecticut March for Life will be held in Hartford, on Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup>. The Rally will start at 12 noon at 210 Capitol Ave,

Hartford, CT 06106 with the march starting at 1 pm. For more info visit: CTMarchforLife.org

#### **Easter Baskets Requested!**

This Easter, let us share the joy of Christ's resurrection with the children of St. Vincent de Paul Place by helping provide Easter baskets filled with love. Many of the families we serve struggle to afford even basic necessities, and a simple Easter basket can bring a moment of joy and hope to a child in need. As we celebrate the season of renewal, we invite you to donate filled Easter baskets or small toys, candy, or gift cards to help us create these special gifts. Your generosity will remind these children that they are cherished, not only by their families but by a loving community of faith. Donations can be dropped off at St. Vincent de Paul Place by April 2nd . Feel free to email Jill for more info at jcsvdpp@gmail.com. Thank you for being the hands and heart of Christ this Easter!