



SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NORWICH, CONNECTICUT

APRIL 26TH, 2026 — FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Amen, amen, I say to you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.”



Stained Glass, St. Mary Church, Norwich, CT



Feast Day April 29

Stained Glass, St. Catherine of Siena Church, Preston, CT

PARISH STAFF

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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

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

Temporarily there is no Saturday Vigil

Mass at St. Joseph's.

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Masses

Vigil Mass Sat. Evening: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am & 10:30 am

Mon, Wed, Fri: 8:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00—3:45 pm

Holy Days of Obligation: 9 am Sacred Heart Church Church



MASS INTENTIONS

SUN 4/26: FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00 am † Stainslaw & Jadwiga Olszewski
from Family

NEXT SUNDAY: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUN 5/3: 9:00 am † In Memory of John Homiski
from brother, Jim & sister in law, Donna

CELEBRATED AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

SAT 4/25: 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER VIGIL

4:00 pm † Bernie & Sophia Lukowski
from Dennis & Reggie

SAT 5/2: 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER VIGIL

4:00 pm † Helen & Stanley Socha
from Marianne Juber

STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Offertory April 18/19: \$ 1,163.
Memorial: \$115.; Candles: \$ 84.

Thank you for supporting Our Beloved Parish!

Second Collection THIS Weekend is For:

Mother's Day Remembrance

Second Collection NEXT Weekend is For:

Monthly Maintenance



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is lit
in Memory of

Paul Selens & Family

from wife, Janina

Please remain Prayerfully Silent before the Mass.

The Ascension of the Lord – A Holy Day of Obligation

MAY
14TH

Come join us in celebrating the Holy of Day of
Obligation of Our Lord's Ascension into heaven
marking 40 days following Easter.
Mass at Sacred Heart at 8 am.
Mass at St Joseph's Church at 5:30 pm.

PLEASE KEEP *in your prayers...*

*The following are in need of God's guidance and strength
during difficult times; please remember them in your prayers:*

Msgr. Leszek Janik, Joseph Kurasz, Leandra LeClair

*Lord god, we ask you bless the members of our armed
services & first responders. Give them courage, hope,
strength, and wisdom.*

Please contact the Parish Office to update names on the list.

Inspiration from the Saints...

*"All the way to heaven is heaven, because Jesus said, 'I am
the way.'"*

— St. Catherine of Siena, Feast Day April 29

*Saint Catherine of Siena is the only Lay Doctor of the Church.
She was a Third Order or Lay Dominican, active in the
secular world, not a professed Sister or Nun. She provided
critical guidance for the Church during the 14th century
including directly encouraging Pope Gregory XI to return
the papacy to Rome after 60 years of it being in France.*

PARISH NEWS

MAY
3RD

Coffee Hour!

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

Rosary Society Meeting

There will be a short Rosary Society Meeting following the
Coffee Hour.

ST JOSEPH PARISH BAZAAR 2026

JUN
26-27

Our 2026 Bazaar has been Scheduled: Friday
Evening, June 26th & Saturday, June 27th. In addition
to standard bazaar items, we will sale **pierogi** and
baked goods. We will be asking for **volunteers** and
donations!

Monetary donations can be dropped in the collection basket
in envelopes labeled "St. Joseph Bazaar." Items can be
dropped off Sundays after Mass or during normal rectory
office hours. **We will be making pierogi on May 30th.** Order
forms for pierogi will be available early May. All interested in
helping should contact Ewa Newman or call the rectory at
860.887.1565 during the weekday office hours.

DIOCESE & COMMUNITY

Annual Layette Event During May

The Sacred Heart Rosary Altar Society invites you to support
our Annual Layette Event during the month of May. We will be
collecting new baby items and new baby clothing (newborn to
3T) to share with families in need. Your generosity will
directly touch the lives of mothers and their little ones. All
donations will be presented to Catholic Charities at the
Layette Event, sponsored by the Norwich Council of Catholic
Women, on Sunday, June 7th at Our Lady of Lourdes Church.
A Pack 'n Play will be placed at the side entrance of Sacred
Heart Church throughout May to receive your gifts. Thank you
for your kindness and generosity—your support is a beautiful
blessing to families in our community. For questions, please
contact: Sue Carey: 860-537-4715 or Pat Santerre: 860-537-5027

Pilgrimage with Bishop Reidy to Stockbridge

MAY
13TH

Wednesday May 13th – Feast of Our Lady of Fatima!
Join Bishop Reidy as we travel to Stockbridge, MA
to enjoy a day with Our Lord and Blessed Mother!
Holy Mass, Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction,

Confession, Rosary for Life, Divine Mercy Holy
Hour & Chaplet, and Veneration of the Relics of St.
Faustina. And their Big Gift Store! Deluxe Datto
motorcoach. Lunch provided. Cost of the day is \$80
per person. Scan QR code for more Information!



MAY
15-16

Yard Sale!

Come browse a variety of items, enjoy great deals,
and connect with our community. All proceeds
will support Sacred Heart Rosary Altar Society
outreach efforts. We look forward to seeing you there! - Friday
and Saturday, May 15 & 16 - from 9 am to 2 pm - at 25 Mountain
View Dr., Norwich - hosted by Debbie Gaudet and the Sacred
Heart Rosary Altar Society

Stewardship Reflection...

*"And Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized, every one
of you, in the name of Jesus Christ...'" ACTS 2:38*

The word "repent" means to turn from sin - to change our
thoughts, words and actions. Change that is permanent comes
from within - a transformation or conversion of heart. This
requires prayer, discipline and perseverance. Change is hard.
The first step is recognizing that we are broken and that we need
God's help. The good news - we are not alone in our journey. Ask
Jesus daily for guidance and patiently listen for his response.