



SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NORWICH, CONNECTICUT



AUGUST 16TH, 2026 — 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"It is not right to take the food of the children
and throw it to the dogs."

"Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps
that fall from the table of their masters."

"O woman, great is your faith!
Let it be done for you as you wish."

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

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MASS INTENTIONS

SUN 8/16: 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am † **Memorial Gift for Marie Bielawski**
From Zofia Rahuba

NEXT SUNDAY: 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUN 8/23: 9:00 am † Paul & Barbara Cubanski
From Lori Cubanski Carlo

CELEBRATED AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

SAT 8/15: VIGIL 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm † **Birthday Remembrance for Gertrude (Czujko) Muratore**
with love from daughter, April and Family

SAT 8/22: VIGIL 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm † **Jozeph & Jozepha Byczkiewicz**
From Family

STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Offertory August 8/9 not available at time of printing
numbers will be included in next week's bulletin

Thank you for supporting Our Beloved Parish!

Second Collection THIS Weekend is For:

Assumption of Mary



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is lit

Birthday Health & Blessings for

Michele Muratore

Love April

Please remain Prayerfully Silent before the Mass.

Come Pray the Holy Rosary for Joseph Kurasz

Join us in reciting the Rosary in English/Polish at 8:30 am
before Sunday mass at 9 am. Joe has been in a lot of pain
in his battle with cancer and has requested our prayers.

PLEASE KEEP *in your prayers...*

Paula Olenkiewicz, age 73, passed away on Wed, July 22nd
and who's funeral was Aug 4th at St. Joseph's.

Stanley Pawlak who passed away on Friday, July 31st and
who's funeral was August 6th at St. Joseph's.

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

Joseph Kurasz, Leandra LeClair, Maria, Bernie Wlodowski

*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.

St. Joseph's Faith Formation Coordinator And Safe Environments Child Advocate

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PARISH NEWS

Letter to Parishioners

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I am pleased to share some wonderful news with our parish
family. Beginning in September, we will be restoring two
Masses that were temporarily suspended.

The 4:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass at St. Joseph Church will
resume beginning Saturday, September 5, 2026. The 6:00
p.m. Thursday Mass at St. John Mission will resume beginning
Thursday, September 10, 2026.

I am deeply grateful to all of you for your patience,
understanding, and especially for your prayers during these
past months. Your kindness and support have been a great
source of strength and encouragement to me, and I thank
God for the opportunity to once again celebrate these Masses
with you.

With the restoration of the regular schedule, all Mass
intentions requested for St. Joseph Church will once again be
celebrated at St. Joseph Church, and Mass intentions for St.
John Mission will be celebrated at St. John Mission.

In addition, offertory envelopes should once again be placed
in the collection at your respective church, helping to support
the parish community where you worship.

It has been a blessing to gather together as one faith
community during this time, and I look forward to continuing
to celebrate the Eucharist with each of our parish families in
their own churches.

Thank you again for your prayers, your understanding, and
your faithful support. May the Lord continue to bless you and
your loved ones with His peace, good health, and abundant
grace.

Sincerely in Christ,
Msgr. Les Janik, Pastor

Bible Study Invitation

SEP
14TH

Msgr. Les will be holding a new class, a faith
enrichment series beginning Monday, September
14, 2026, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Sacred Heart
Church Hall. Together we will explore the spiritual
classic "The Wisdom of Meister Eckhart", discovering timeless
insights into prayer, God's presence, and the Christian spiritual
life.

A sign-up sheet is available for those who wish to participate
and purchase the book through the Church or order it
themselves online, The Wisdom of Meister Eckhart, at a cost of
\$13. Everyone is warmly welcome. We hope you will join us for
an inspiring evening of learning, prayer, and fellowship.

DATE CHANGE to AUGUST 30th!

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH SUMMER PICNIC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH — 1 - 5 PM

on the grounds of our ST. JOSEPH PARISH CENTER.
LAWN TENT WILL BE UP! RAIN OR SHINE!

St. Joseph's will provide burgers, veggie burgers, hot
dogs and beverages. We ask parishioners to bring a side/
dessert to share. Help will also be needed for setting up
and putting away the tables, chairs, etc.
Sign-up sheets are located at the Parish entrances.



ACA Update

As of July 29, 2026, Saint Joseph Parish, Norwich has
donated \$3,852.75 or 40.65% of its goal, and 18.55%
of our parishioners having donated. We are striving
for as close to 100% participation as possible. Envelopes are
still available within the church or go online to
www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org. Thank you!!