



SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NORWICH, CONNECTICUT



AUGUST 23RD, 2026 — 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



St. Joseph Church will be holding a special rosary intention to St. Monica, this Sunday, August 23, before the 9 am Mass.

St. Monica, whose Feast Day is August 27, 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 Doctor of the Church!

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

"I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven..."



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*)

The 4:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass at St. Joseph Church will resume Saturday, September 5, 2026.

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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

6:00 pm Thurs. Mass at St. John Mission will resume Thurs., Sept. 10, 2026.

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00—3:45 pm

Holy Days of Obligation: 9 am Sacred Heart Church

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MASS INTENTIONS

SUN 8/23: 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am † Paul & Barbara Cubanski

From Lori Cubanski Carlo

NEXT SUNDAY: 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUN 8/30: 9:00 am † Charles & Helen Slowikowski

From Lori Cubanski Carlo

CELEBRATED AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

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

4:00 pm † Jozeph & Jozepha Byczkiewicz

From Family

SAT 8/29: VIGIL 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm † Annette & Walter Le Clair

from Leandre & Armand Le Clair

NOTE: SATURDAY MASSES RETURN TO ST JOSEPH 9/5

STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Offertory August 15/16: \$ 670.

Assumption: \$ 281.; Memorial: \$ 105..

Offertory August 8/9: \$ 684.

Maintenance: \$ 130.; Memorial: \$ 170.

Thank you for supporting Our Beloved Parish!

Second Collection NEXT Weekend is For:

National Combined Collection



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is lit in

Birthday Remembrance for

Thaddeus Czyzewski

from loving family

Please remain Prayerfully Silent before the Mass.

NEXT SUNDAY, 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, hot dogs & 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.

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:

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.

PARISH NEWS

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Bible Study Invitation

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.

DIOCESE & COMMUNITY NEWS

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Monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass

The monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass will take place at The Cathedral of Saint Patrick, 213 Broadway, Norwich, on Saturday, September 5, 2026, at 8:30 am. Please join our celebrant, Rev. Walter Nagle at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for the healing for those who have had an abortion.

Bereavement Facilitator Training

The Diocese of Norwich is offering New Day Journal Facilitator Training for parish volunteers who wish to facilitate a bereavement ministry in their parish.

Participants will explore the many faces of loss and grief, learn how to guide group discussions, and receive practical guidance for creating a supportive and confidential group environment. The training will also provide instruction on using The New Day Journal by Maureen O'Brien, O.P., a structured program incorporating prayer, Scripture, journaling, and guided sharing. Each participant must obtain their own copy of the New Day Journal by Maureen O'Brien, O.P. Because the training is interactive and each session builds upon the previous one, full participation in all sessions of one of the training options is expected.

In Person: Tue: 8 and Thurs., Sept. 10, 10 am–12 noon Church of the Resurrection, 115 Pond Hill Road, Wallingford

Online via Zoom: Tues., Sept. 8, 15, 22 & 29, 6:30–8 pm.

Pastor Approval: Volunteers must receive approval from their pastor before beginning training and starting a bereavement support group at their parish.

Please note: This training is intended for those who feel called to accompany others in their grief journey. Because the focus is on supporting grieving individuals, it is not appropriate for anyone currently experiencing significant or unresolved grief. For more information and to register: Liza Roach 860-848-2237, ext. 305 or lroach@norwichdiocese.net

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Brothers In Christ w/ Bishop Reidy

Brothers in Christ is a gathering of men who come together to share faith, personal experiences, and meaningful discussion. Virtual fellowship meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month. Our first meeting will be Thursday, September 10th, from 7:00–7:45 p.m. Guest Speaker: Bishop Richard Reidy, will speak on the importance of developing and maintaining a strong prayer life. If you are interested in joining this session and building fellowship and discipleship with other men devoted to Christ, please register by contacting: Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or (860) 848-2237 ext. 305

Executive Director Position Available

The Diocese of Norwich is seeking a full-time Executive Director for the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti ministry. If interested please contact Karen in the Parish office for more details.