



SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NORWICH, CONNECTICUT



NOVEMBER 30TH, 2025 — FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Stay Awake!

You know the time; it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep. For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed; the night is advanced, the day is at hand. Let us then throw off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves properly as in the day...

— Romans 13:11-14

Walk in the Light

PARISH STAFF

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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thurs.: 9am - 2pm

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CLOSED on Wednesday

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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

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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: 8 am Sacred Heart Church, 9 am Saint Joseph Church, Vigil 6 pm Saint John Mission

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MASS INTENTIONS

SAT 11/29: VIGIL FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

4:00 pm † Bronislaw, Anna, Bennie Jr. & Tom Jurczyk
from Dennis & Reggie Burke

SUN 11/30: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00 am † Charles & Helen Slowikowski Lewsi
from Lori Cubanski Carlo

NEXT SUNDAY: SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SAT 11/29: 4:00 pm † (3rd Anniversary) Gertrude (Czujko) Muratore

with love from Daughter, April & Family

SUN 11/30: 9:00 am † Kempesta Family: Stanley Orese, Joseph, Ronald, Stephen, Barbara, Chad & Elaine

STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Offertory November 22/23: \$ 1,988.
Maintenance: \$ 285.; Memorial: \$ 191.

Thank you for supporting Our Beloved Parish!



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is lit for
Health for

John Dziengiel III

from sister, Mariannei

Please remain Prayerfully Silent before the Mass.



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday, December 24th Christmas Vigil

4 pm Saint Joseph 4 pm Sacred Heart
10 pm Saint Joseph Christmas Mass at Night

Thursday, December 25th Christmas Day Mass

9 am Sacred Heart
11 am Saint John Mission

Christmas Decorating of St. Joseph Church

DEC
14TH

Setting up the trees and manager scene will be Sunday, December 14 (3rd Sunday of Advent) 1 - 4 pm in the church.

Please come and help with the decorations!



Christmas Pierogi Sale Fundraiser

Assistance in making the Pierogi is requested. Pierogi making and boiling will be Dec. 6th and 13th. Contact Ewa Kidala or Ewa Newman for more information.

Pierogi order forms have been collected!

Pick-up dates for your orders are: Sat. Dec. 20th 3-5pm and Sun. Dec. 21st 10am-noon in the Parish Center!

DEC
20/21

Saint Joseph Christmas Bake Sale

St. Joseph's Christmas Bake Sale will be on Sat., Dec. 20th 3-5:30pm, Sun., Dec. 21st after Mass, 10-11am. Contact Jania for special orders 860.367.2365



PARISH NEWS

DEC
1ST

St. Joseph Parish Bible Study

Our Advent Bible Study continues this Monday, 6-7pm @ St. Joseph Parish Center. The Second of Four sessions devoted to reflections on the

Advent Season presented by Norman Gauthier. No fee or book required. This promises to be an interesting and informative look at the introduction of the liturgical year. Coffee/tea will be available.

Please Keep in Your Prayers the Priests of the Diocese of Norwich as they gather together with Bishop Riedy for their annual Convocation this week.

DEC
5TH

Special Movie Night

Come enjoy a special presentation of the inspiring film "Triumph of the Heart"- story of St. Maximilian Kolbe, on Friday, December 5th at 6 pm at **Sacred Heart Parish Hall**. Free admission!



DEC
7TH

Coffee Hour!

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

DEC
7TH

Saint Joseph Rosary Society

The next Rosary Society meeting is Sunday, December 7th at 11 am. This will be the last meeting for nominations and voting. All board positions are open for election. Please consider running for a position and make every effort to attend this important meeting..

DEC
17TH

Knights of Columbus COR Program

Dec. 17th, 6:30-8 pm. the Knights of the Columbus will have a COR program meeting in the **St. Joseph Parish Center**. The meeting is open to all Catholic men. Attendees do NOT have to be current Knights.

DEC
17TH

Rorate Mass

"Rorate" comes from the Latin Rorate caeli — "Drop down, ye heavens." This beautiful Advent tradition honors our Blessed Mother, who leads us in hope toward the coming of Christ. Please join us for this peaceful candlelight Mass, celebrated by Bishop Reidy, on Wednesday, December 17th at 6 pm at **Sacred Heart Church**. May Our Lady help us prepare our hearts to welcome Jesus.

THANK YOU ♥ Dziękuję

The Knights of Columbus Council #13 wishes to thank the Saint Joseph Parishioners for supporting our Baby Bottle Fundraiser. Your efforts made the fundraiser a big success. The Baby Bottle Drive raised \$ 2,100 for Caring Families of Willimantic.

Waiting for Christ

The word Advent derives from the Latin word Adventus, meaning "coming" or "arrival." Advent prepares us for the coming of Jesus Christ in all ways, from His birth to our lives now to His Second Coming. Advent is the first season in our Liturgical Year. Starting this Sunday, we begin the 2026 Liturgical Year and move from reading the Gospel of Luke in cycle C to the Gospel of Matthew in cycle A. Wednesday, November 30th, is the Feast Day of St Andrew, disciple of Jesus and brother of Peter. Andrew, too, was waiting for Christ, and when he found him, he brought his brother to him as well. This Advent, let us not simply wait. We should remember Andrew's Joy in knowing Jesus and bring others to Him as Andrew did.