



SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
NORWICH, CONNECTICUT



JANUARY 4TH 2026 — THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Come! Let Us Adore Him!

Caravans of camels shall cover you,
dromedaries of Midian and Ephah;

All from Sheba shall come
bearing gold and frankincense,
and heralding the praises of the LORD.

Isaiah 60:6



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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

Holy Days of Obligation: 9 am Sacred Heart Church

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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

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT 1/3: VIGIL THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

4:00 pm Sage - Birthday Blessings
from grandmother, Elaine Kempesta

SUN 1/4: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

9:00 am † Irena Olszewski
from Family

NEXT SUNDAY: THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

SAT 1/10: 4:00 pm † In memory of Peter Woyasz (8th Anniversary)

from Bernie Wlodkowksi

SUN 1/11: 9:00 am † 35th Anniversary Remembrance, Walter Trawczynski

from Janina Trawczynski & family

STEWARSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Christmas Offertory: \$ 885.

Offertory December 27/28: \$ 647.

Memorial \$ 190.

Thank you for supporting Our Beloved Parish!

Please call the Rectory at 860.887.1565 if you would like
to receive an end of year tax statement.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is lit
in memory of

Albert & Gertrude (Czujko)
Muratore

with love, daughter April & family

Please remain Prayerfully Silent before the Mass.

DIOCES NEWS

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Epiphany & Closing of the Holy Year

The Jubilee Year proclaimed by Pope Francis will end on Epiphany. Special graces, called Indulgences, are available to pilgrims at Saint Patrick Cathedral. On Sunday, January 4, 2026, at 2:00 pm. we will have Adoration and pray the Liturgy of the Hours along with confessions so the faithful may have one last opportunity to participate in the Holy Year graces. Please join Bishop Reidy and our priests on Epiphany at the Cathedral. Please see the Diocesan website, norwichdiocese.org, for more details.

Stewardship Reflection...

"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." Matthew 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.



PARISH NEWS

Christmas Oplatiki Potluck

Please join us on Sunday, January 4th at noon in the St. Joseph Parish Hall for a family potluck style dinner with caroling and sharing of the traditional Polish Christmas Oplatki.

Sign-up sheets are located in the Church entrances!

This will take place instead of our monthly coffee hour.

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Help Needed Taking Down Decorations!

Help is needed in taking down decorations and returning them to the basement on Sunday, 11 January, following the 9 am Mass. The more volunteers we have helping, the easier it will be!

Temporary Change to the Mass Schedules!

While Msgr. Janik undergoes medical treatment, our Mass schedules will temporarily change.

- ◆ **AFTER 17 January, there will not be Saturday, 4 pm Mass at St. Joseph's.** Parishioners who attend 4 pm Mass at Sacred Heart are encouraged to continue using their St. Joseph Offertory envelopes or to use the special envelopes clearly labeled with "St. Joseph's" Church located at Sacred Heart Church.
- ◆ There will be no Thursday evening Mass at St. John's Mission.
- ◆ There will be no Tuesday morning Mass at Sacred Heart.

PLEASE KEEP Msgr. Janik in your prayers...

Epiphany Tradition: Chalking of Doors

"From the EAST THE MAGI came to Bethlehem to adore the LORD JESUS; and opening their treasures, they offered costly gifts: GOLD for THE GREAT KING, INCENSE to THE TRUE GOD, and MYRRH in SYMBOL OF HIS BURIAL. ALLELUIA!"

Using the blessed chalk, mark the lintel above the main door of the house or the top of the door itself:

20 + C + M + B + 26

"The THREE KINGS - CASPAR, MELCHIOR, BALTHASAR followed the STAR OF GOD'S SON WHO BECAME MAN TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO. May CHRIST bless our home and remain with us throughout the NEW YEAR 2026 A.D. Concluding prayer: O LORD GOD, ALMIGHTY GOD, bless this house that it may become a shelter of health, charity, humility, goodness, mildness, self-conquest, chastity, obedience to the Commandments and Thanksgiving To GOD, FATHER, SON, and HOLY SPIRIT. Upon this house, and those who dwell herein, may Thy blessing remain forever.

Through Christ Our Lord. Amen."

Packs of Blessed Chalk & Incense are available this EPIPHANY DAY at the Manger Scene to bless your doors! Place an offering in the basket near the Crib. Thank you for keeping this beautiful custom in honor of THREE KINGS DAY 2026.

THANK YOU *Dziekuje*

A heartfelt thank you to Fr. James Sugolet for coming to pray Mass with us on Christmas Eve and on the Feast of the Holy Family. On the Feast of the Holy Family, Fr. James wore vestments donated last Christmas by Fr. Sebastian Hanks, OSPPE & native priest son of St. Joseph's, in memory of his Grandparents. Father Sebastian serves at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, Pennsylvania.

