



# SAINT JOSEPH

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

NORWICH, CONNECTICUT

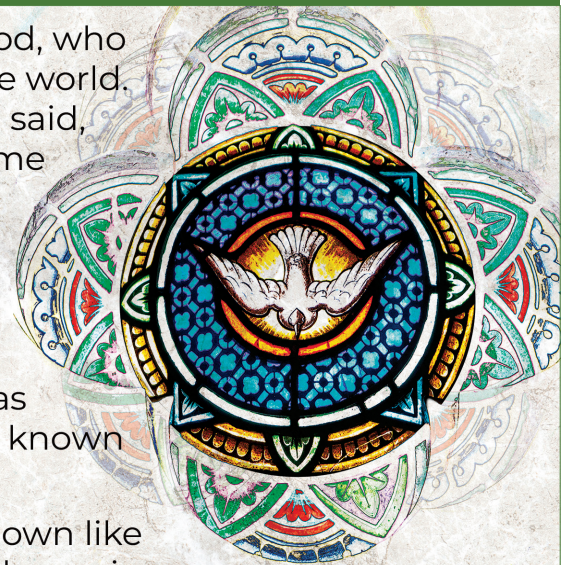


**JANUARY 18<sup>TH</sup> 2026 — SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.' I did not know him, but the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known to Israel."

"I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God." (John 1:29-34)



*Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.*

## PARISH STAFF

### Clergy

Msgr. Leszek T. Janik, *Pastor*

Fr. Ray Introvigne, *Assisting Priest*

### Office

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### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thurs.: 9am - 2pm  
Friday: 9:30am - 12:30pm  
CLOSED on Wednesday

## SAINT JOSEPH

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### Masses

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

*Temporarily, starting January 18, 2026, we not have a Saturday Vigil Mass or Reconciliation held at St. Joseph's.*

## SACRED HEART

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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

## SAT 1/17: VIGIL SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00 pm † John & Carol Kapinos  
from Eugene & Wanda Podeszwa

## SUN 1/18: SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 am † Boleslaw & Emilla Altmajer  
from Family

## NEXT SUNDAY: THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUN 1/25: 9:00 am † Marie Bielawski  
from Janina Czachor & Family

## CELEBRATED AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

SAT 1/24: 4:00 pm † Traci Fargo  
from Max, Mom and Steve

## STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Offertory January 10/11: \$ 1,321.  
Memorial \$ 170.

*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, 2025 Tax Statement.*



## SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is lit for  
In Memory of deceased members of

*The Muratore, Czujko,  
Adamcewicz, Fedorczyk Families*  
from April & Family

Please remain Prayerfully Silent before the Mass.

## 2027 Mass Intentions...

In order to accommodate all parishioners as we have limited number of Masses celebrated at St. Joseph, we are accepting 3 Mass requests per family at this time for the 2027 Mass book. Contact the office during office hours.

## PLEASE KEEP *in your prayers...*

*our dear parishioner, Albina Czapski.  
15 November 1930 — 5 January 2026  
Her funeral was at 10 am Saturday, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>  
Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon her.  
May the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

## Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life...

Jan. 22: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children



God our Creator, we give thanks to you, who alone have the power to impart the breath of life as you form each of us in our mother's womb; grant, we pray, that we, whom you have made stewards of creation, may remain faithful to this sacred trust and constant in safeguarding the dignity of every human life.

Through our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

# PARISH NEWS

## 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 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...*

Please continue to pray for strength and healing for our Pastor, Msgr. Janik, as he undergoes medical treatment.

## 2026 Offertory Envelopes...

The company who prints our offertory envelopes is having machinery issues and their production schedule has been disrupted. There is at least a 2 week delay in getting our envelopes. For now, you can put checks in the collection basket and money into an envelope. Karen will have some blank 6 3/4" envelopes at the back of the church. Please write your name or offertory number on the envelopes.

## THANK YOU *Dziękuję*

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who stayed after Mass or came to help with taking down our Christmas decorations. The extra helpers made the task go quickly and smoothly! Everyone's participation was greatly appreciated!

# DIOCESE NEWS

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## Young Adult Retreat: Encounter the Eucharist Through Friendships

Young adults ages 18 to 39 are invited to a day of prayer, fellowship, and renewal on Saturday, January 31, at Saint Michael the Archangel Church, 60 Liberty Street, Pawcatuck. Inspired by the witness of the newly canonized Saint Pier Giorgio Frassati, the retreat will explore a central question: How can young adults encounter the Eucharist through friendships?

Retreat Schedule

9:30 am: Mass (Celebrant: Fr. Jeffrey Ellis, Vocation Director)

Talk 1: Ethan Roberts, UConn FOCUS Missionary

Small-group discussion following the first talk

Talk 2 (Keynote): Angela Tafone, young adult (Diocese of Norwich)

Quiet reflection and fellowship with other young adult Catholics

Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction

Confession available

Conclusion: The retreat ends around 3:00 p.m.

Lunch: Bring your own lunch. Chips, cookies, soda, coffee, and donuts will be available.

Registration: [bit.ly/49IINUS](https://bit.ly/49IINUS) Deadline: Monday, January 26.

## Stewardship Reflection...

*"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..." ISAIAH 49:5*

God have given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do, and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be.