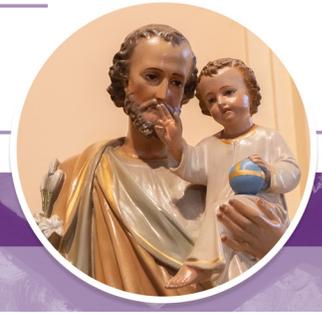


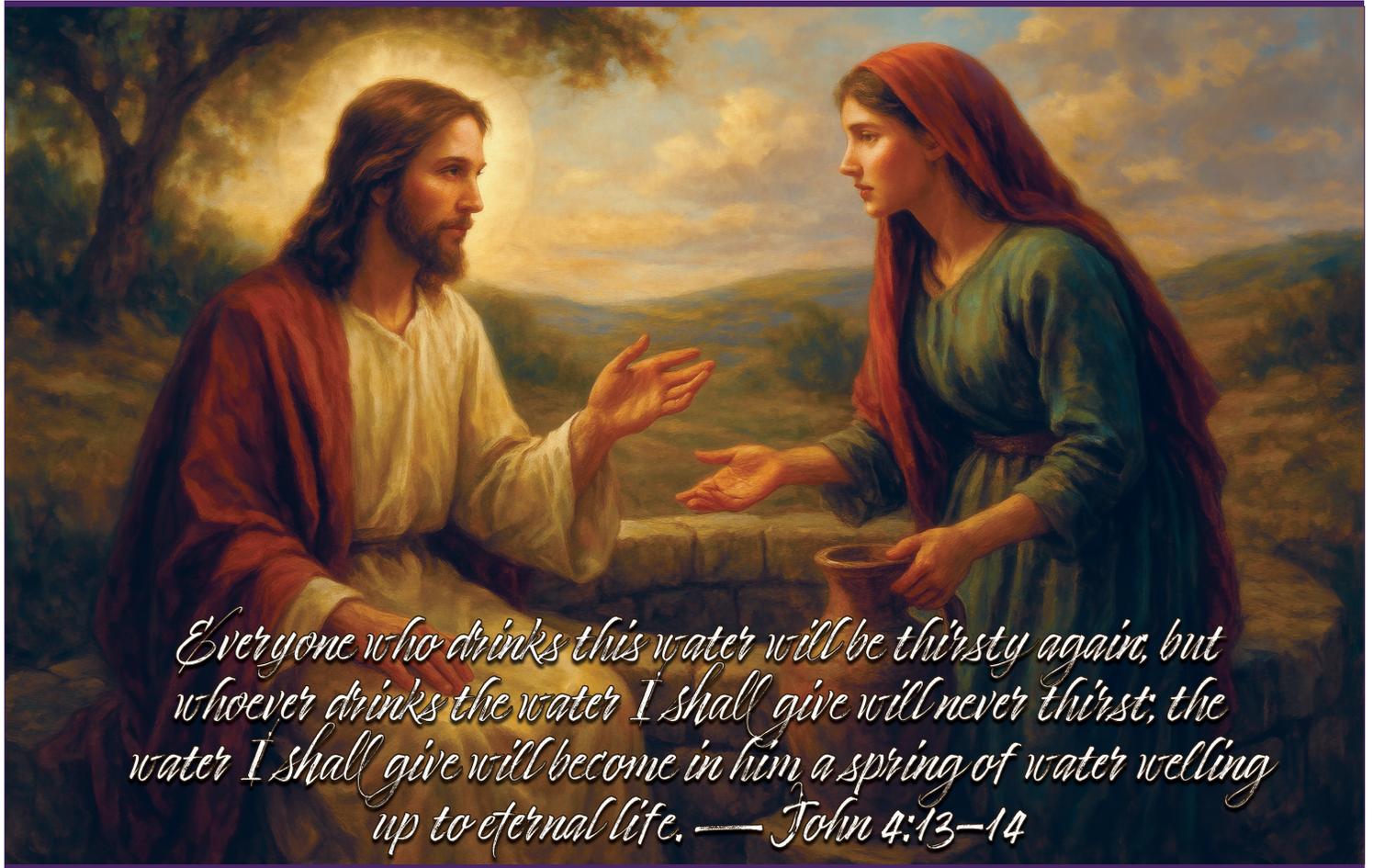


# SAINT JOSEPH



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH  
NORWICH, CONNECTICUT

MARCH 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2026 — THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



*Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life. — John 4:13-14*

## 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  
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### Masses

**Sunday:** 9:00 am (*English & Polish*)  
*Temporarily there is no Saturday Vigil*  
*Mass at St. Joseph's.*

### Lenten Reconciliation

**Sunday:** 8:30 am—9 am

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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



# MASS INTENTIONS

## SUN 3/8: THRID SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 am † **Michelina & Stanislaw Sieczkowski**  
from *Sieczkowski Family*

## NEXT SUNDAY: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

SUN 3/15: 9:00 am † in memory of **Joseph, Josephine & Tillie Pysyk**  
from *Donna & Jim Homiski*

## THU 3/19: ST. JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF MARY FEAST DAY

5:30 pm **For the People of the Parish**

## CELEBRATED AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

## SAT 3/7: VIGIL THRID SUNDAY OF LENT

4:00 pm † **Stacia & William Izbicki**  
with love from *April & Families.*

## SAT 3/14: VIGIL FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

4:00 pm † **Lewis & Izbicki Families**  
from *Deacon Tom Lewis*

## STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Offertory February 21/22: \$ 956.;  
Ash Wednesday: \$ 372.; Memorial: \$ 150.

Offertory February 28/ March 1: \$ \$ 703.;  
Maintenance: \$ 471.; Memorial: \$ 30.

*Thank you for supporting Our Beloved Parish!*



## SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is lit for health for

*John Dziengiel III*

from sister, Marianne

**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...*

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

**Msgr. Leszek Janik, Leandra LeClair**

*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.

## Stewardship Reflection...

*"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again."  
JOHN 4:13*

Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us over the long run. When we build our lives around material possessions we will always want more, and no amount will ever satisfy our desire. True joy and peace only come when we follow Jesus - when we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered."

# PARISH NEWS

MAR  
14/15

## 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal

Next weekend, March 14 and 15, our parish will view the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal video and conduct the in-pew collection for the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal, "One Faith, One Family."

MAR  
19<sup>TH</sup>

## St. Joseph Feast Day Mass

Please join us for a Special Mass in Honor of our Patron, Saint Joseph, on Thursday, 19 March at 5:30 pm..

MAR  
22<sup>ND</sup>

## Coffee Hour in Honor of St. Joseph

Please join us following the 9 am Sunday Mass in the Parish Center for a Special Coffee Hour in Honor our Patron, Saint Joseph's Feast Day.

**NOTE:** We will not have a Coffee Hour on April 5, Easter Sunday. Instead, we will have a reception following Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Chaplet of Divine Mercy, lead by Biscop Reidy, on Divine Mercy Sunday April 12.

## Toiletries for Those in Need

St. Joseph Rosary Society will be collecting toiletries for the SVDPP soup kitchen as a mission to help those in need throughout Lent concluding on Palm Sunday, 3/29. Items Needed: toilet paper, soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, razors and shaving cream, feminine hygiene items and socks. Place items at the side entrance of the Church or in the crying room.



## Fridays of Lent - Stations of the Cross

St. Joseph Church 5:30 pm in Polish  
Sacred Heart Church 6 pm in English

## Stations of the Cross & Lenten Soup Suppers

Come for Stations of the Cross at 6 PM **Sacred Heart Church**, followed by Lenten Soup Suppers – it is a good will donation and all are welcome – proceeds will go towards the Food Pantry Expansion Project. Dates for soup suppers as follows:

- Friday, March 13 hosted by Frank Alessio
- Friday, March 20 hosted by Betty Girard
- Friday, March 27 hosted by SJM RAS

## Sacrament of Reconciliation During Lent

During Lent, the presiding priest will be able to hear confessions on Sunday before Mass (8:30 to 9am).



## Gorzkie Zale - Bitter Lamentations

Sundays of Lent after the 9 am Sunday mass with Exposition & Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

# DIOCESE NEWS

MAR  
9-11

## Cathedral Lenten Mission

The Cathedral of St. Patrick's in Norwich, CT is pleased to welcome Fr. Herald Joseph Brock, CFR(Franciscan Friars of the Renewal), for the 2026 Lenten Mission, March 9-11 at 6:30 pm each evening. **The Mission is open to all—Presentations and Reflections will be followed by opportunities for Confession.** A Lenten Mission is an invitation to "put out into the deep," embrace deeper conversion, anchor ourselves more firmly in Christ, and rediscover our mission in Him. We look forward to gathering as a diocesan Church for these grace-filled evenings of clarity, encouragement, and renewal.

This year's Mission, entitled **Lifeboat: A Radical Reorientation for Catholic Survival**, will offer three evenings of reflection and prayer focused on the present moment in the Church. Together, we will consider the call to personal and communal conversion, repentance, renewal, and seek to strengthen our faith and resolve in hope.