



SAINT JOSEPH



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
NORWICH, CONNECTICUT

MARCH 15TH, 2026 — FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

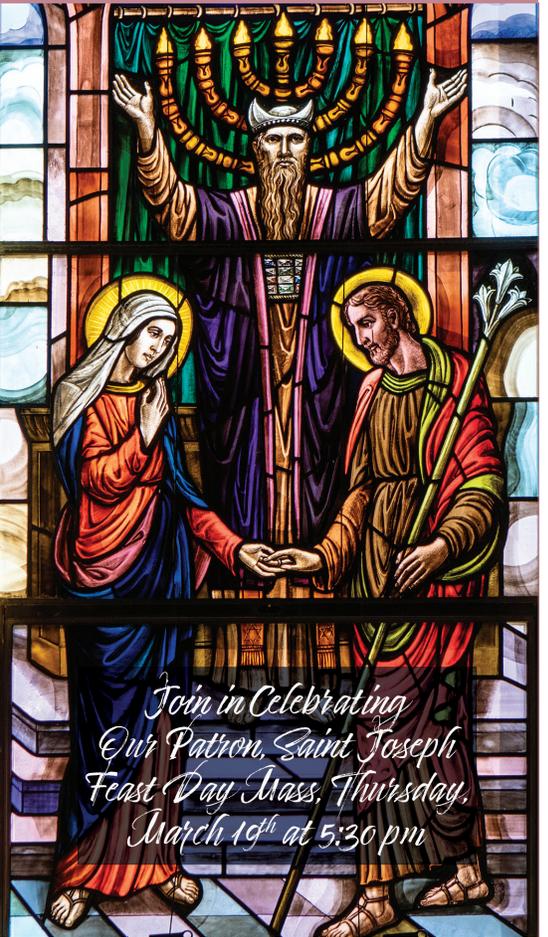


L A E T S U R D A Y

*I will raise up your offspring after you, sprung from your loins, and I will establish his kingdom. He it is who shall build a house for my name, and I will establish his royal throne forever...
2 Samuel 7:12-13*

S O L E M N I T Y

*I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind.
— John 9: 39*



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RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thurs.: 9am - 2pm
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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 3/15: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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

NEXT SUNDAY: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

SUN 3/22: 9:00 am † Kazimierz & Anna Grabowski
from Family

CELEBRATED AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

SAT 3/14: VIGIL FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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

SAT 3/21: VIGIL FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

4:00 pm † Joseph & Viola Burke
from Dennis & Reggie

STEWARDSHIP AT ST. JOSEPH

Offertory March 7/8: \$ 1,198.;
Memorial: \$ 195.; Maintenance: \$ 165.; Ash Wed.: \$ 30.

Thank you for supporting Our Beloved Parish!



SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary candle is lit in memory of

Eugene Podeszwa

with love from Family

Please remain Prayerfully Silent before the Mass.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Tuesday, March 31, 10:30 am **Chrism Mass** at Saint Patrick Cathedral

April 2, **Holy Thursday** Mass, 7 pm at Sacred Heart Church, Adoration until 9 pm

April 3, **Good Friday** Liturgy, 3pm at St Joseph Church Stations of the Cross, St Joseph Church 5:30 pm

Stations of the Cross, Sacred Heart Church 6 pm

April 4, **Holy Saturday**, Blessing of Easter Baskets: 10am, 12 noon St. Joseph

Easter Vigil Mass, 8 pm Sacred Heart Church

April 5, **Easter Sunday**, 9 am Mass at St. Joseph 7:30am, 10:30am Mass at Sacred Heart

PLEASE KEEP *in your prayers...*

Rosary Society Member, **Janet Kowalewski**, who died March 1, 2026. Her Funeral Mass will be Monday, March 16th at 11am, burial at St. Joseph Cemetery following Mass.

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.

PARISH NEWS

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Laetare Sunday

This Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Lent, marks the midpoint of our Lenten fast. It is a day of joyful celebration. *Laetare* means "Rejoice" in Latin and it comes from the opening entrance antiphon, "*Laetare Jerusalem*" (Rejoice, O Jerusalem). It is a reminder to persevere to our full rejoicing at the Resurrection!

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2026 Annual Catholic Appeal

This 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."

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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..

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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 our 3 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Chaplet of Divine Mercy, lead by Bishop 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
(Lenten Soup Supper following Stations at SH)



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.

Operation Rice Bowl

By participating in CRS Rice Bowl, we're helping young people in Timor-Leste find opportunities and support to fulfill their dreams of becoming leaders in their communities. Visit crsricebowl.org/week-4 to read about Adriana's dream of becoming a doctor in this week's Story of Hope. We will collect filled Rice Bowls starting on Palm Sunday, March 29th.



Stewardship Reflection...

"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance, but the Lord looks into the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7

How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure here on earth.