



# SAINT JEANNE JUGAN PARISH



SERVING THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF ENFIELD, CT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 2025 | 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## HOLY FAMILY

23 Simon Rd, Enfield, CT

### Mass Times

Thu-Fri: 9:00AM

Sat: 8:30AM

Sat (vigil): 4:30PM

Sun: 9:00AM

## ST. BERNARD

426 Hazard Ave, Enfield, CT

### Mass Times

Mon-Wed: 9:00AM

Sun: 7:30AM, 11:00AM

## ST. PATRICK

64 Pearl St, Enfield, CT

### Mass Times

Thu-Fri: 8:00AM

Sat (vigil): 4:00PM

Sun: 10:00AM

## ST. MARTHA

214 Brainard Rd, Enfield, CT

### Mass Times

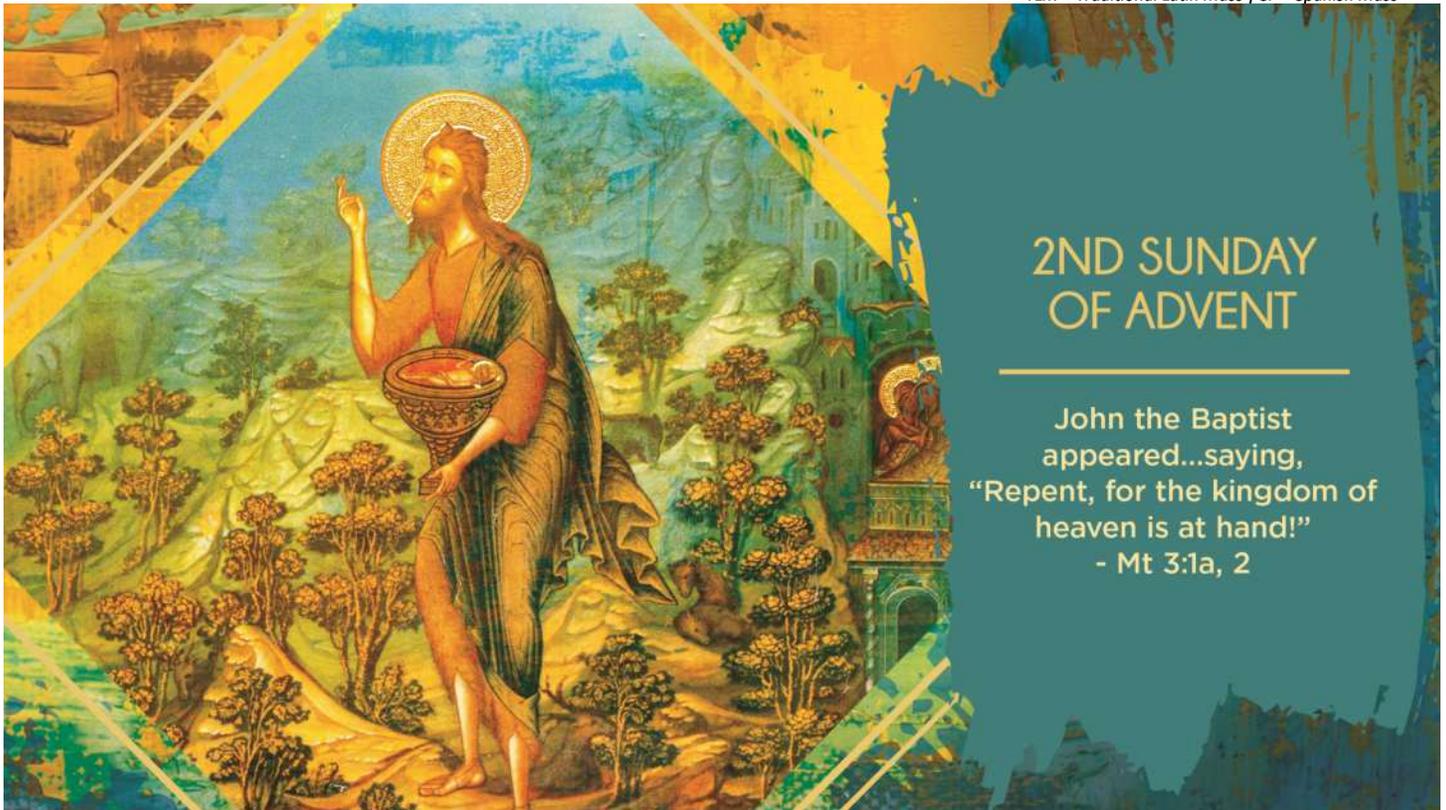
Mon-Wed: 8:00AM, Wed: 7:00PM (TLM),

1<sup>st</sup> Fri: 7:00PM (TLM), Sat: 9:00AM (TLM)

Sat (vigil): 4:00PM (SP)

Sun: 9:00AM, 11:00AM (TLM)

TLM = Traditional Latin Mass | SP = Spanish Mass



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Holy Family Office (860-962-4001): Mon-Fri 9:00AM to 1:00PM | St. Bernard Office (860-962-4001): Mon-Thu 9:00AM to 2:00PM, Fri 9:00AM to 12:00PM

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# THIS WEEK AT ST. JEANNE JUGAN PARISH

### Location Key:

HF = Holy Family Church • SB = St. Bernard Church • SM = St. Martha Church  
SP = St. Patrick Church • SBS = St. Bernard School • LA = Little Angels Preschool

## SATURDAY DECEMBER 6

2:30 pm . . . Confessions (SM)  
3:00 pm . . . Confessions (SP)  
3:30 pm . . . Confessions (HF)

## SUNDAY DECEMBER 7

\*No Events\*

## MONDAY DECEMBER 8

6:30 pm . . . Adult Faith Formation Scripture Sharing (HF Room 1)

## TUESDAY DECEMBER 9

12:00 pm . . Senior Lunch (SB Fr. Fitzmaurice Hall)  
2:00 pm . . . SJJ Legion of Mary (HF Room 5)  
3:45 pm . . . Souls in Purgatory Prayer Group (SM Classroom 3)  
6:00 pm . . . Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Prayer Group (SM St. Nicholas Classroom)

## WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 10

9:30 am . . . Adult Faith Formation Scripture Sharing (SB Religious Ed Room)  
6:15 pm . . . Bingo Sales Begin • 7pm . . . Games Begin (HF Fr. Kerwan Hall)  
6:00 pm . . . Young Adults Group (SM Fr. Goulet Hall)

## THURSDAY DECEMBER 11

6:30 pm . . . O.C.I.A (HF Room 1)  
6:30 pm . . . Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group (SM Classroom 2)

## FRIDAY DECEMBER 12

8:30 am . . . Adoration (SP)  
9:30 am . . . Adoration (HF)  
6:30 pm . . . SJJ Parish Christmas Pageant (HF)  
7:00 pm . . . 57th Chrismon Tree Celebration (HF)

## SATURDAY DECEMBER 13

2:30 pm . . . Confessions (SM)  
3:00 pm . . . Confessions (SP)  
3:30 pm . . . Confessions (HF)

## SUNDAY DECEMBER 14

After 10:00 am Mass . . Coffee, Donuts and Baked Goods (SP Fr. Weaver Hall)

## SACRAMENTS



### BAPTISM

To register for the Parish's Baptism Prep Class, please call the St. Bernard Church rectory at (860) 962-4001, ext. 121. Baptism Prep Class occurs on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00PM in the Good Shepherd Meeting Room at St. Bernard Church. Baptisms can be scheduled at the respective Church once parents have completed the Baptism Prep class. All required paperwork should be received in the Parish office where the Baptism will take place. Baptisms can be scheduled on any Sunday of the month except on major religious feasts or holidays.

### PENANCE

Saturdays from 2:30PM to 3:30PM at St. Martha Church, 3:00PM to 3:30PM at St. Patrick Church and 3:30PM to 4:00PM at Holy Family Church, and by appointment.

### EUCARIST

In the Archdiocese of Hartford, students receive their first Holy Communion in the second grade. Please contact our Religious Education office for more information.

### CONFIRMATION

In the Archdiocese of Hartford, students are confirmed in their sophomore year after a year of preparation. Please contact our Religious Education office for more information.

### MATRIMONY

Arrange with pastor at least 6 months before wedding date.

### HOLY ORDERS

Young men interested in the priesthood may visit [www.hartfordpriest.com](http://www.hartfordpriest.com), or speak with any priest for more info.

### ANointing OF THE SICK

Priests are available for anointing in the home of those in need. Please contact the parish office to arrange.



## UNDERSTANDING THE SCRIPTURE

This week we hear that John the Baptist is out in the wilderness eating "locusts and wild honey" (Mark 1:6). It's not just a strange historical detail. It's a symbolic expression of a healthy spiritual diet. The path to Christ includes both the hard and the beautiful, the gritty and the sweet. We have to learn to gulp the locusts and savor the honey.

I remember working with a young couple preparing for marriage. They were sincere, but raw — barely beginning to discover faith. Part of me wanted to rush them ahead, to fill in all the gaps, to bombard them with scripture and church documents. I swallowed that instinct. It was like eating locusts.

But I also recall them light up as they spoke about each other, about their first child, then their second. And they wanted to be close to God. Something innocent and beautiful was unfolding. That was the honey. I knew God was asking me to savor it.

This Advent, maybe we're each being invited to accept both locusts and honey. Maybe it's time to stop avoiding the difficult parts of faith — prayer that feels dry, the call to repentance, the patience with the troublesome. It's time to eat some locusts.

But we also need to notice the small gifts God gives us: a peaceful moment, a good conversation, the joy of serving someone else, new life, good intentions of our friends. That's the honey. Savor it!

John didn't avoid either. He took it all in. And so can we. What are your locusts? Your honey? If we let God feed us with both, we'll be ready — really ready — for the coming of Christ.

— Father John Muir

## DAILY MASS READINGS



**SUNDAY DECEMBER 7:** Is 11:1-10•Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (see 7)•Rom 15:4-9•Mt 3:1-12

**MONDAY DECEMBER 8:** Gn 3:9-15, 20•Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4•Eph 1:3-6, 11-12•Lk 1:26-38

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 9:** Is 40:1-11•Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13•Mt 18:12-14

**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 10:** Is 40:25-31•Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10•Mt 11:28-30

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 11:** Is 41:13-20•Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab•Mt 11:11-15

**FRIDAY DECEMBER 12:** Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab•Jdt 13:18bcde, 19•Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 13:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11•Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19•Mt 17:9a, 10-13

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 14:** Is 35:1-6a, 10•Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (see Is 35:4)•Jas 5:7-10•Mt 11:2-11

You can access the Daily Mass Readings via our parish app, at our parish website ([www.sjjenfield.org](http://www.sjjenfield.org)) or by visiting the U.S. bishop's Web site ([www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)).



At St. Bernard Church the sanctuary candle burns in memory of **Carol Dziema** at the request of Donald and Patricia Brierley.

At St. Martha Church the sanctuary lamp burns in memory of **Jill Williams** at the request of Sue Williams and Family.

## REST IN PEACE



St. Jeanne Jugan Parish mourns the loss of our parishioners

**James "Jim" Alexander**  
**Rosemary S. Bower**  
**Sandra Crough**  
**Mary Kent**  
**Heather LaLiberte**  
**Pauline Staples**  
**Craig Winchester**

*May they rest in the arms of the Lord,  
 who formed them from the dust of the earth.*

## BAPTISMS



St. Jeanne Jugan Parish congratulates the families of

**Abigail Therese Lynn**

who was baptized at St. Martha Church on Sunday, November 22nd, 2025,

**Kora Rose Dumais,**  
**Jonathan Patrick Fisk, and**  
**Ava Jean Magora**

who were baptized at Holy Family Church, and

**Viana Mae Hollens**

who was baptized at St. Bernard Church on Sunday, November 23rd, 2025,

**Jack Walter Daubitz**

who was baptized at St. Patrick Church on Saturday, November 29th, 2025, and

**Dominic Richard McCormick,**  
**Mackenzie Raye McCormick,**  
**and Elanor Rose Skawski**

who were baptized at St. Patrick Church on Sunday, November 30th, 2025.



# MASS INTENTIONS

## SATURDAY DECEMBER 6

8:30 am . . . William Fontanez† and Charles Wigmore† | Requested by the Family - HF  
 9:00 am . . . Rev. Martin Scholski† | Requested by the Salvati Family - SM  
 4:00 pm . . . Rosemary Carzelot†, 1st Anniversary | Requested by Cheryl - SP  
 4:00 pm . . . Jill Williams† | Requested by Sue Williams and Family - SM  
 4:30 pm . . . Robert and Danny Gleason† | Requested by Gayle Snow - HF

## SUNDAY DECEMBER 7 (2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT)

7:30 am . . . Joseph Figella†, 25th Anniversary | Requested by his Family - SB  
 9:00 am . . . Burnley and Bernice Madeux† | Requested by the Family - HF  
 9:00 am . . . Joseph McCants† | Requested by Susann Douglas - SM  
 10:00 am . . . Ernie Bouthiette, Sr.†, Birthday Remembrance | Requested by his Wife and Family - SP  
 11:00 am . . . Joyce Roy† | Requested by Donna Hopkins - SB  
 11:00 am . . . For the Intentions of Jane Jachim | Requested by Barbara Caldwell - SM

## MONDAY DECEMBER 8 (THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY)

7:30 am . . . For the Feast of the Immaculate Conception - SB  
 8:00 am . . . Patricia Welch†, 15th Anniversary | Requested by the Mastella Family - SM  
 9:00 am . . . Niles Stebbins†, 14th Anniversary | Requested by the Stebbins and Fallon Families - SB  
 12:00 pm . . . The Deceased Members of the Henry and Sadie Coulombe Family† | Requested by Henrietta and Ray Montagna - SP  
 7:00 pm . . . For the Feast of the Immaculate Conception - HF  
 7:00 pm . . . For the Intentions of Rev. J. Daniel McElhern | Requested by Linda and Greg Bailey - SM

## TUESDAY DECEMBER 9

8:00 am . . . For the Intentions of Jack Griffin, 90th Birthday Blessings | Requested by the Griffin Family - SM  
 9:00 am . . . Marge Orfanello† | Requested by Vito and Pina Finocchiaro - SB

## WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 10

8:00 am . . . Vincent Sowuleski† | Requested by Flo Radziewicz - SM  
 9:00 am . . . For the Intentions of the Rev Mitchell Kendrioski | Requested by Greta Tobey - SB  
 7:00 pm . . . Jackie Robinson† | Requested by Kathy and Harold Lancaster - SM

## THURSDAY DECEMBER 11

8:00 am . . . Anna Russo† | Requested by Antonia Rosato - SP  
 9:00 am . . . For the Intentions of St. Jeanne Jugan Parishioners - HF

## FRIDAY DECEMBER 12

8:00 am . . . Anna Russo† | Requested by Antonia Rosato - SP  
 9:00 am . . . Diane and Jim Falkowski, 19th Wedding Anniversary | Requested by their Family - HF

## SATURDAY DECEMBER 13

8:30 am . . . John and Jane Rucci† | Requested by their Family - HF  
 9:00 am . . . Lucille Roy† | Requested by the DiBacco Family - SM  
 4:00 pm . . . Guiseppi and M. Concetta Bosco†, Gregorio and Catarina Vandomo†, Maria Mammoli† | Requested by Connie and Michael - SP  
 4:00 pm . . . Jill Williams† | Requested by Sue Williams and Family - SM  
 4:30 pm . . . Robert Montville† | Requested by his Wife and Family - HF

## SUNDAY DECEMBER 14 (3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT)

7:30 am . . . Ernie Maynard† | Requested by Linda and Al Courchesne Jr. - SB  
 9:00 am . . . Nora Coakley† | Requested by the Coakley Family - HF  
 9:00 am . . . John Radziewicz†, Birthday Remembrance | Requested by his Family - SM  
 10:00 am . . . Henrietta Trapanese†, Birthday Remembrance in Heaven | Requested by her Family - SP  
 11:00 am . . . Julie Fallon†, 11th Anniversary | Requested by the Fallon Family - SB  
 11:00 am . . . For the Intentions of Jane Jachim | Requested by Barbara Caldwell - SM

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## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS SCHEDULE & INFORMATION

### Grades K-5:

- Saturday Mornings 9:00AM to 10:00AM at the **St. Jeanne Jugan Faith Formation Center at St. Martha Church** on Brainard Road.

### Grades 6-7-8:

- Thursday Evenings 7:00PM to 8:10PM at the **St. Jeanne Jugan Faith Formation Center at St. Martha Church** on Brainard Road starting Thursday, September 18th.

### Grade 9:

- Sunday, December 21st**, 6:00PM to 8:00PM at St. Bernard Church.

*For further questions or additional information, please contact Pat Keck at the Religious Education Office, (860) 962-4001, ext. 117.*

## TEEN MASS

**Music by: Voices for God**

The Teen Mass will be held at St. Bernard Church on the first Sunday of each month at 6:00PM. Please join us in celebration next month on **January 4th**.



## 57th Chrismon Tree Celebration

**Date: Friday, December 12th | Time: 7:00PM**  
**Where: Holy Family Church**

Come join one of our richest traditions - the decorating, lighting and blessing of our Chrismon Tree.

Our religious education students will be performing a Christmas pageant with a song filled presentation of the Christmas Story. This is not to be missed!

If you would like to make a Chrismon ornament there are sheets on the bulletin tables at Holy Family Church explaining the symbols you can make in white and gold.



**BREAKFAST WITH SAINT NICHOLAS**  
 Join us for a pancake breakfast after the 9:00 am Religious Education Mass  
**December 7**  
**Holy Family Church hall**  
**\$5 pp**  
 to benefit the Youth Group  
 Steubenville East Conference

## Adult Faith Formation Scripture Sharing

We will hold two scripture sharing groups: Monday evenings at Holy Family Church and Wednesday mornings at St. Bernard Church.

The next meetings are:

- Monday, December 8th at 6:30PM - HF Room 1**
- Wednesday, December 10th at 9:30AM - SB Religious Education Room**

*Anyone interested in examining the weekend Mass readings is welcome to join!*

## St. Jeanne Jugan Parish Christmas Pageant

For all students in Grade K-5 who are participating in our Parish Christmas pageant, please see the practice and pageant schedule below.

**Practice:** Tuesday, December 9, 2025  
 6:30PM at Holy Family Church

**Pageant:** Friday, December 12, 2025  
 6:30PM at Holy Family Church



## FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MONDAY, DECEMBER 8TH

**7:30AM - SB**  
**8:00AM - SM**  
**9:00AM - SB**  
**12:00PM - SP**  
**7:00PM - HF**  
**7:00PM - SM (TLM)**





# St. Bernard School & Little Angels Pre-School



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THEME	OBJECTS	SCRIPTURE
John the Baptist prepares the way for Jesus.	A bag of candy with a piece of candy for each child.	Matthew 3:1-12

## DISCUSSION

(Make sure that by the end of the children’s sermon, every child has a piece of candy.)

Today we’re going to talk about what it means to be ready. To help us out, I have a bag of candy. When I ask, “Are you ready?” the kids who can show me what it means to be ready will get a piece of candy.

What does it look like when we’re ready? (Allow kids to answer.)

That’s right! Being ready means that we are patient, we wait, and we watch.

Okay, are you ready to start our lesson today? (Give a few kids who are ready a piece of candy and say things like, “I see you’re ready because you are waiting patiently” or “I see you’re ready because you are watching me.”)

Are you ready for Christmas? (Give a few kids who are ready a piece of candy and affirm the way they’re ready.)

You will hear that question many times over the next several weeks. Let’s find out what people mean when they ask that question.

Raise your hand if your Christmas tree is up and your house is decorated. Raise your hand if you’ve finished your Christmas shopping. Raise your hand if you’ve been practicing for a Christmas program.

There’s another question that we should be asking ourselves today. It’s more important than "Are you ready for Christmas?" The more important question is "Are you ready for the Christ of Christmas?" (Give a few kids who are ready a piece of candy and affirm the way they’re ready.)

Many years ago, a man named John the Baptist preached about what it means to be ready for Jesus. Are you ready to answer a question? (Give a few kids who are ready a piece of candy and affirm the way they’re ready.) What do you think it means to be ready for Jesus?

John the Baptist was a different kind of man. He wore clothes made of camel's hair with a belt around his waist. His diet was rather unusual as well. He ate a diet of locusts and wild honey. Do you know what a locust is? Many of us today might call it a grasshopper. I'm not sure I would want to eat grasshoppers and honey. How about you?

John the Baptist traveled throughout the wilderness of Judea. His message to the people was to get ready for Jesus. John would shout loudly, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near."

Are you ready for Jesus? (Give a few kids who are ready a piece of candy and affirm the way they’re ready.)

Many people were ready for Jesus. So they came to John the Baptist. They confessed their sins to God and were baptized by John in the Jordan River.

After John baptized the people, he told them, "I baptize you with water for repentance. But there is one coming who is more powerful than I. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

Are you ready for Jesus this Christmas? (Give a few kids who are ready a piece of candy and affirm the way they’re ready.)

During this special season of the year as we get ready for Christmas, you and I need to make sure we’re ready for the coming of the Christ of Christmas. We need to look into our hearts and ask God to make us clean so we can walk with Jesus each day of our life. Let's ask him to do that now.

*Dear God, we want to be ready for the Christ of Christmas. Prepare our hearts for his coming. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.*

## WORD SEARCH

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# PARISH MINISTRIES

## COME PRAY

### DIVINE MERCY AND ROSARY

Come to Holy Family Church to pray the Divine Mercy and Rosary for our Archdiocesan bishops and priests on the third Thursday of each month from 2:30PM to 3:30PM.

Please join us in prayer this month on **Thursday, December 18th.**

*Our bishops and priests need our prayers and support. Please join in this hour of prayer.*

## DIVINE MERCY

### ST. PATRICK CHURCH

At St. Patrick Church, Divine Mercy is held on the first Friday of each month after the 8:00AM Mass.

Please join us in prayer next month on **Friday, January 2nd.**



## ROSARY

### ST. MARTHA CHURCH

Come to St. Martha Church to pray the Rosary after daily Mass on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.



Please join us in prayer this week on **Monday, Dec. 8th, Tuesday, Dec. 9th, and Wednesday, Dec. 10th.**

## DEVOTIONS

### DEVOTION TO ST. JOSEPH at ST. MARTHA CHURCH

Come to St. Martha Church for devotion to St. Joseph, every Wednesday after the 8:00AM Mass.

Please join us in prayer this week on **Wednesday, December 10th.**

### DEVOTION TO MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP at ST. PATRICK CHURCH

Come to St. Patrick Church for devotion to the Mother of Perpetual Help, every Thursday after the 8:00AM Mass.

Please join us in prayer this week on **Thursday, December 11th**

### ROSARY FOR OUR LADY OF FATIMA

Come to St. Martha Church to provide a Rosary in honor of Our Lady of Fatima's request, every first Saturday at 8:30AM.

Please join us in prayer next month on **Saturday, January 3rd.**

### Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group

The Spanish Charismatic Prayer Group will meet the second and fourth Thursday of every month starting at **6:30PM** in Classroom #2 at St. Martha Church.

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday Dec. 11, 2025.**



For additional info, please contact Rosa Santiago at (860) 836-9823.

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT ST. MARTHA CHURCH

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in our Chapel offers individuals the opportunity to spend quiet prayerful time with Jesus. Eucharistic Adorers commit themselves to an hour of silent prayer each week in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

The Sacred Heart Chapel is open **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00AM to 10:00PM** at St. Martha Church.

**The following hours at present have no committed person(s): Wednesday 8:00 PM to 9:00PM (1 person), Friday 1:00PM to 2:00 PM (1 person), Friday 9:00PM to 10:00PM (2 people).**

If you are called to this beautiful ministry, please call Flo Radziewicz at (860) 216-7471.

### Seminarian Christmas Gift Card Program

There is a Christmas tree set up in back of St. Martha Church with envelopes hanging from it.

If you want to give a gift to a seminarian this Christmas, please take one or as many envelopes as you wish from the tree. All instructions for givers are included in the envelope.

Return your envelope in the collection basket, or to the St. Martha Parish Office by **\*THIS WEEKEND\* Sunday, December 7, 2025.**



# CHOIR & PARISH MINISTRIES

## CHOIR MINISTRY REHEARSALS

### MONDAY:

6:30 pm . . . Voices for God (SB)

### TUESDAY:

6:30 pm . . . St. Martha - All Choirs & Free Music Lessons (SM)

7:00 pm . . . St. Bernard Adult Choir Practice (SB Choir Loft)

7:30 pm . . . St. Martha Schola Practice (SM)

### THURSDAY:

7:00 pm . . . Holy Family Church Choir Practice (HF Rooms 2/3)

### FRIDAY:

2:45 pm . . . St. Bernard Children's Choir Practice (SBS)

### SATURDAY:

3:00 pm . . . Holy Family Contemporary Choir Practice (HF)

*Meets every other week starting September 28th.*

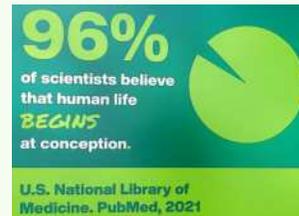
### SUNDAY:

9:00 am . . . St. Patrick Adult Church Choir (SP)

The **P.A.L. (Protect All Life)** meeting is held on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30PM in Classroom #5 at Holy Family Church. The next meeting will be on **Thursday, January 15th.**

**Coming in January 2026:** We'll be collecting diapers and wipes for local shelters and our Giving Store - please plan to help support families in need!

**Save the Date:** The CT March for Life is coming in March 2026, and we'll once again have a bus heading down - stay tuned for details!



*For more information, please call Donna at (860) 463-7826.*

The next meeting of the **St. Jeanne Jugan Prayer Shawl Ministry** will be on **Monday, January 5th, 2025** from 1:00PM to 3:00PM in the Good Shepherd Meeting Room at St. Bernard Church.

The mission of the Prayer Shawl Ministry is to provide hope, comfort, and healing to those who most need a reminder of God's love, mercy, and compassion.

Please bring any completed, or current projects with you.

*New members are always welcome!*



### **St. Martha Church Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Do you knit or crochet? Come join us!

We are looking for ladies to join our Prayer Shawl Ministry on the 3rd Monday of every month from 6:30PM to 8:00PM. Presently, we meet at St. Martha Church in Goulet Hall.

Join us this month on **Monday, December 15th.**

*For more information, please contact Betty Joaquim at (860) 745-2667.*



## Come Join Us at Senior Lunch!

**When:** Tuesday, December 9th

**Where:** St. Bernard Church

**Time:** Doors open at 11:30AM. Lunch served promptly at Noon

**Menu:** Ham and Scalloped Potatoes, coffee, tea, bread and pumpkin pie.

**Donation:** \$3 is appreciated.

*Questions? Call (860) 913-7487.*

Please join us to **meet new friends** and for **Coffee, Donuts and Home Baked Goodies!!**

**Sunday December 14, 2025**  
after the 10:00AM Mass

**St Patrick Church**  
Father Weaver Hall

There will also be a craft table for the kids!

*Hosted by the St. Patrick Church Family Society*



La Comunidad Fuerza de Dios los invita todos los Lunes de 7:00PM a 9:00PM en el Salóm St.

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*Informes (860) 265-0687.*

**Dios espera por ti para que lo conozcas como El quiere ser conocido.**



# PARISH MINISTRIES

**If you are between the ages of 18 to 39, this announcement is for you!**

Join our meeting for **Young Adults** at St. Martha Church in Fr. Goulet Hall on **Wednesday, December 10th** at **6:00PM**. Meetings will start at 6:00PM, followed by Mass and conclude with adoration and confessions. We hope to see you there!



## GIVING TREE at ST. PATRICK CHURCH

The Giving Tree is displayed at the front of St. Patrick Church and decorated with ornaments suggesting ways parishioners can help. Some ornaments invite you to donate supermarket gift cards, which will be shared between the two St. Vincent de Paul Conferences in our parish. Others represent local organizations that support those in need within our community, such as Enfield Loaves and Fishes, St. Joseph's Residence, Carolyn's Place, and more.

Please return your donated items or gift cards to the St. Patrick's office, either by placing them in the offertory or dropping them off directly at the office.

All gifts should be returned by **Sunday, December 14th**. Thank you for helping our local families in need!



The members of **Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Prayer Group** welcome you to join us in prayer, song and personal sharing every Tuesday evening from 6:00PM to 8:00PM.

Place: St. Martha Church, St. Nicholas Classroom

For further information, please contact Pegg Connor at (860) 745-9861.



## The Giving Store

ST. JEANNE JUGAN PARISH at ST. PATRICK CHURCH  
67 Pearl Street, Enfield, CT | Corner of Pearl Street & High Street

**Donation Drop-Off:**

**Tuesday, December 9th from 11AM to 12PM**

It's hard to believe Christmas is only two weeks away, and the big day will be here before we know it. As the excitement grows, we can see the Giving Store shoppers getting ready to celebrate as well. I've noticed some of them choosing items from the store as gifts.

Throughout the past year, many of our shoppers were hesitant to learn English or settle into life here in America. But with the help of our wonderful translator, they've become more comfortable and outgoing. Some are even starting to pick up a bit of English—how wonderful is that?

*Let's all take a deep breath and say a prayer that everyone stays safe and healthy throughout this magical season. God bless you all!*

## ST. JEANNE JUGAN LEGION OF MARY

**O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you**

Do you have a special devotion to our Blessed Mother, especially during the month of May? Do you feel She is calling you to a special ministry?

The Legion of Mary members cooperate with Mary by giving service to the Church and bringing individuals closer to Jesus.

**The St. Jeanne Jugan Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday, 2:00PM at Holy Family Church in Room 5.**

For more information, please contact Regina at (860) 752-0149.



## Lay Carmelite Community of Little Therese - #702

Director: Annedda Stiller | (860) 416-9600

1st Sunday of the month at St. Martha Church from 1:00PM to 3:30PM.



## OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL SOCIETY PASTA SUPPER

Join us for a home cooked Italian dinner!

**When:** Friday, December 18, 2025

**Where:** 93 Park Ave, Enfield CT 06082

**Time:** Doors open 5:00PM | Dinner is served 6:00PM

**Menu:** Pasta with red or white sauce, meatballs, salad, dinner rolls, drinks, and dessert!

**Adults:** \$12.00 | **Children 6-12:** \$6.00 | **BYOB**

Bring the whole family and friends!  
We can't wait to see you there!



## SJJ Parish Souls in Purgatory Prayer Group

We meet every Tuesday at 3:45PM at Saint Martha Church in Classroom #3.

For add'l information please call Michelle Simmons at (860) 913-9958, or Anna Betagh at (860) 306-2550.



## Website Update Notice

The Archdiocese of Hartford is unifying all parish websites under a new, standardized design. As part of this change, our site's current purple color scheme will be replaced with the Archdiocesan red theme. This update is being directed by the Archdiocese and is expected to occur within the next 30 days.

During this transition, some website features - including livestreaming - may be temporarily affected as we rebuild and update our pages. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Please reach out to [communications@sjjenfield.org](mailto:communications@sjjenfield.org) with any questions as we navigate this process.

# PARISH & OTHER MINISTRIES

## ST. NICHOLAS PROJECT

The St. Nicholas Project is a parish effort to support local families in need this Christmas. This weekend is the last weekend to pick-up tags with needed gifts. Gift tags are available in Fr. Kerwan Hall at Holy Family Church after all Masses.

All gifts must be returned no later than **Sunday, December 14th**.

Thank you for helping us help our local families in need!

If you have questions, please contact Kristen Fitzsimons at [YouthMinister@sjenfield.org](mailto:YouthMinister@sjenfield.org).



The **St. Bernard Conference of St. Vincent de Paul** will be distributing grocery gift cards for Christmas to the people in need in our community who we help throughout the year.

Parishioners who would like to donate gift cards to Target, Walmart, Stop & Shop, ShopRite, and Big Y may take tags off the trees located at the entrances of the church and leave them in the boxes located near the trees. Gift card donations may also be brought to the Rectory at St. Bernard Church during normal business hours or dropped in the lock box on the front porch of the Rectory after hours.

St. Vincent de Paul must receive cards by **Monday, December 15, 2025**, at the latest to have enough time to mail them out to those in need.



Thank you so much and God Bless!

**Knights of Columbus Washington Irving Council 50**  
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Please stop by, or call Council chambers at (860) 745-8825 if interested in becoming a member, to schedule a tour of the facilities, or to book an event in one of our 3 rental spaces.



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E-mail: [info@koc14600.com](mailto:info@koc14600.com) | The K of C meet at St. Martha on the 2nd Tuesday at 7:00PM and 4th Monday of the month at 6:00PM.

## 18 YEARS OF HONORING OUR VETERANS WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA IN ENFIELD

The American Legion John Maciolek Unit 154 Auxiliary will host this year's ceremony on **Saturday December 13, 2025 at 12:00PM**. The ceremony will take place at St. Patrick's Cemetery, King Street, Enfield. The public is invited to attend.

It is our ultimate goal to place a wreath at every veteran grave throughout Enfield. You can help us reach our goal by contacting Marlene Hoginski at (860) 749-2393 to sponsor a wreath. Or, you may sponsor a veteran wreath on-line at [www.wreathscrossamerica.org/ct0079p](http://www.wreathscrossamerica.org/ct0079p). The cost for each wreath is \$17.00.

The American Legion John Maciolek Unit 154 Auxiliary and Wreaths Across America thanks you in advance for helping in their mission to Remember, Honor and Teach by sponsoring a wreath to place at a veteran's final resting place.



**WREATHS**  
*across*  
**AMERICA**

## **Advent Presentation on St. Carlos Acutis and St. Pier Giorgio Frassati**

**Tuesday, December 9, 2025**  
**6:00PM to 7:30PM**

**Mary Gate of Heaven Parish**

St Robert Bellarmine Hall - 52 South Elm St. Windsor Locks

**Come and join us** to learn about these two extraordinary young men, Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati. On September 7, 2025, Pope Leo XVI canonized Acutis, a 15-year-old computer whiz known "God's Influencer" and Frassati, who dedicated his life to serving the poor. They were both celebrated for their deep faith and commitment to God. Bryan Mercier will share his thoughts of how these two young Saints can encourage and evangelize our young youth of today not to squander their lives but to live life to holiness. Also, how both Acutis and Frassati's parents were strongly influenced to return to practicing their Catholic faith.



# OTHER MINISTRIES

## SJJ PARISH PRAYER LINES

Are you or someone you know in need of prayer?  
Why not call one of the SJJ Parish Prayer Lines?

The lines are easy to use and the request can be as specific, or as general as you wish!

The Prayer Line works like this: the request goes out through a network of members who will then pray for and pass on the request to their individual groups, thus forming a "prayer line."

Requests can be placed through St. Patrick Church by calling the parish office at (860) 962-4001, ext. 150, through St. Martha Church by calling the parish office at (860) 962-4001, ext. 142 during office hours and through St. Bernard Church by calling the parish office at (860) 962-4001, ext. 121.



## 3 Kings Day Party Invitation – Volunteers & Donations Needed!

Join us for our annual 3 Kings Day celebration on **Saturday, January 3rd, 2026, at 10:30AM** (following the 9AM Traditional Latin Mass) in **Fr. Goulet Hall at St. Martha Church**. Followed by a visit from **THE THREE KINGS, giving gifts to the children!** We will have snacks and light fare food to celebrate. *Please bring something to share that's easy to eat, finger foods, snacks etc. On the go food, to keep things moving along.* We don't want the Three Kings to have to wait to make their entrance.

We're looking for volunteers to help with:

- Sorting and categorizing **Toys for Tots** donations (Date TBD)
- Families are invited to donate **gifts and gift wrap** to ensure every child receives at least one age/gender-appropriate present.
  - \* Ages 2 - 5 years, 6 - 8 years, 9 - 12 years.
  - \* If you are dropping off a wrapped gift, please mark the age and gender the gift is for on the outside
- **Gift wrapping and organizing** donated gifts (Dates TBD)
- **Set-up and clean-up** on the day of the party

Great opportunity for **Confirmation students** to earn **community service hours!**

**Gift drop-off dates will be announced soon.**

This is a **Potluck event**—please bring a light dish to share!

**RSVP to Chrissy DiBacco at [cdibacco@outlook.com](mailto:cdibacco@outlook.com)**

Please include the number of adults and children attending, along with the **ages of the children.**

BOX OF JOY

## Thanks to your generosity, our parish is truly helping to Spread the Joy!

We sent 472 filled Boxes of Joy which will be distributed to children living in poverty! Thank you for your donations of filled boxes and extra items! Thank you for the monetary donations you made to support this campaign! And thank you for making a difference in the lives of these children this Christmas season!



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## St. Junipero Serra Parish Christmas Choir Concert

Friday, December 19<sup>th</sup>  
**7:00 PM**

We cordially invite you to attend this **FREE** Christmas Concert featuring our choir accompanied by a chamber orchestra and organ.

**St. Margaret Mary Church**  
80 Hayes Road, South Windsor, CT

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## OPLATKI WAFERS

The tradition of the Oplatki originated in Poland during Early Christian times. This Christmas custom began with a simple white wafer, baked from flour and water. The wafers are beautifully designed to display Christmas images, such as the Nativity.

Oplatki wafers are available until Monday, December 23rd at St. Bernard Church and St. Patrick Church offices, Monday through Friday during regular office hours for \$4.00 a package.



Please call (860) 962-4001, ext. 121 for St. Bernard Church, or ext. 150 for St. Patrick Church should you have any questions.

## POLISH CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Please join us for a free concert, Wednesday, December 17th at 10:15AM at Sacred Heart Church, 446 Mountain Road in Suffield. The concert, featuring four area musicians, will perform some of the most popular Polish Christmas Carols for you. Everyone is welcome to attend this free concert and enjoy the beautiful music of this Polish Tradition.

For more information contact  
Jim Turek at (860) 668-2152.



## ST. JEANNE JUGAN PARISH SUPPORT

Please note the weekly and online amounts represent the combined totals from all churches within St. Jeanne Jugan Parish.

Collection totals below are for the week of 11/24; 11/30 collections will be included in the 12/14 bulletin.

**THANK YOU** to all those who mail their weekly offertory to the rectory office.

**ONLINE: \$4,735.40**

**WEEKLY: \$12,085.12**

**ST. BERNARD SCHOOL: \$155.00**

**HAPPY HOUSE: \$120.00**

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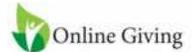
**CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEV.: \$142.00**

**OTHER: \$352.00**

Including: Holy Days (\$113), Christmas (\$106), CRS (\$103), Ret. Rel. (\$30)

Consider making your weekly offertory online. For checks, please make sure they are made out to St. Jeanne Jugan Parish. Visit [www.sjjenfield.org](http://www.sjjenfield.org), or go to [www.osvhub.com/sjjenfield/giving/funds](http://www.osvhub.com/sjjenfield/giving/funds) to learn more.

If you have any issues with your Online Giving account, reach out to OSC Tech Support at 1 (800) 348-2886, #2.



For any bulletin announcements, please reach out to Angela Skawski at [communications@sjjenfield.org](mailto:communications@sjjenfield.org). Requests are due no later than Monday at 5:00PM the week before the Event, or requested ad. \*Please Note: Dates subject to change due to holidays\*

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