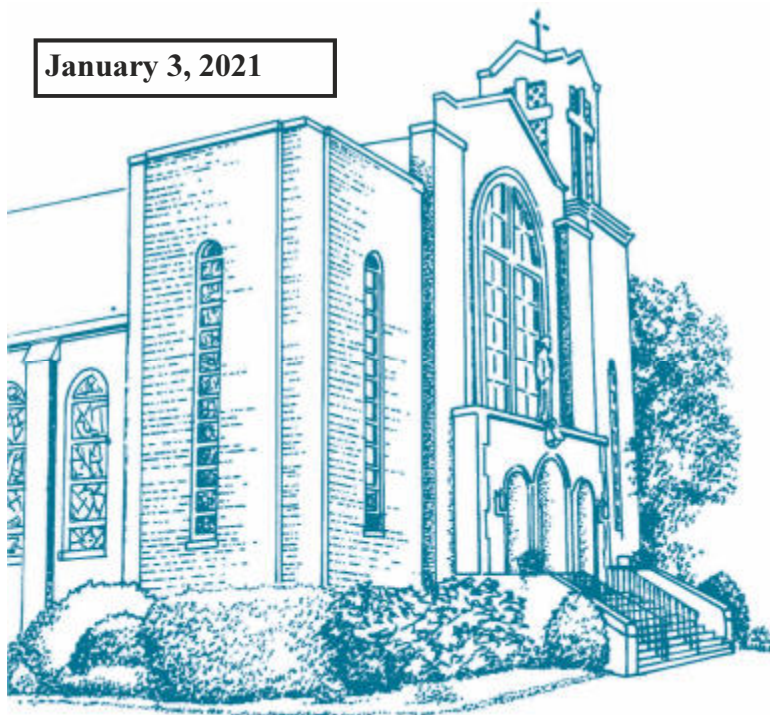


January 3, 2021



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Father Bogdan Olzacki, OSPPE, Pastor
Father Joseph Olczak, OSPPE, Associate Pastor

WELCOME... You enter this Church not as a stranger, but as a child of God, your Heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into His presence, offering Him your love and service.

Please visit our website
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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:00am*, 10:00am, 12:00 noon

(*8:00 am Mass in Polish with Polish and English Homily)

DAILY MASSES

7:30 am - Monday through Saturday

HOLY DAY MASSES

7:00 pm - Vigil,

8:00 am, and 7:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

3:00-3:45pm - Saturdays and 7:00-8:00pm on Thursdays
During Holy Hour or by appointment.

DEVOTIONS/ADORATION

Divine Mercy Novena - 6:30 pm Mondays, **(except NOT on Holidays)**

Thursdays - Holy Hour -7:00 pm-8:00 pm **(except NOT on Holidays)**

Mission Statement

The Parish of Saint Joseph Church in Rockville is a Roman Catholic faith community in the Diocese of Norwich, CT. It is united to the Catholic Church throughout the world. As a parish we invoke the Holy Spirit to put the love of Christ into action by providing for the spiritual nourishment of the community, living according to the Gospel message of Jesus Christ, reaching out to those in need, sharing with others the gifts and talents we have received from God and extending the love of Christ to all people.

REGISTRATION

New parishioners should register with the parish as soon as possible. Parishioners should notify the rectory of any change of address or phone number.

Rectory Office:

860-871-1970; Fax 860-872-0333

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday, 9:30am-12:30pm

Wednesday Evening, 5:00pm-7:00pm

Secretaries:

Jolanta Wiszniak and Nancy O'Connor

Religious Ed:

Jim Smart

Music Director:

Mark Roszczewski

Email:

info@stjosephct.org

Website:

www.stjosephct.org

FAITH FORMATION/SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

RCIA

Jim Smart, 872-7101; Tues. Classes 7:00 pm

Rel. Ed.

Jim Smart Coordinator, 872-7101

Classes Gr. 1-8; Tuesdays 4:00 - 5:15 pm

Confirmation

Tom Brown, Coordinator, 860-328-0694

Altar Servers

Matt Reardon

Bible Study

Rectory, 860-871-1970

Knights of Columbus

Tony Bifulco, 860-709-1290

Marriage Preparation

Philip & Jessica Pietras, 860-830-4542

Baptismal Preparation

Angela Atwater, 860-872-3349

3rd Order Franciscans

Jim Martucci, OFS 860-268-9764

PARISH MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Pastoral Council

Date and time TBD

Men's Club

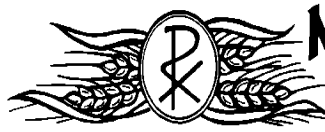
3rd Tuesday of the month, 7 pm

Coffee Sundays

Until further notice

Ladies of St. Joseph

2nd Wednesday of the month, 7pm



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 2, 2021 - St. Basil

7:30AM + Fr. Aloysius Kislik.....Stephanie Wrona
4:00pm Adele Saidak.....Helen Koniar

Sunday, January 3, 2021 - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

8:00am For Our Parishioners
10:00am **(Live Stream)**
+ Joseph Bloniarz.....Niece Mary
12:00pm + Rose Orlowski.....Philip and Sharon Cardone

Monday, January 4, 2021

7:30am + Marion WronaSister Stephanie

Tuesday, January 5, 2021

7:30am + Julie Rheinwald.....Gudrun

Wednesday, January 6, 2021

7:30am Blessings for Fr. Bogdan and Fr. Joseph...Irene

Thursday, January 7, 2021

7:30am + Dennis SchaefferWife Gudrun

Friday, January 8, 2021

7:30am + Carolyn Narkon.....Family

Saturday, January 9, 2021

7:30am + Adolf, Marianne, Fritz & Wolfram Dobler.....
.....Gudrun
4:00pm + Leonard Zbyk.....Dorothy Pacetti

Sunday, January 10, 2021 - THE BAPTISMAL OF THE LORD

8:00am + Zenon Lonski.....Andrzej Herman
10:00am **(Live Stream)**
For our Parishioners
12:00pm + Zygmunt Kaminski.....Daughter with Family



Collection for December 27, 2020 was \$ 7,062.00
Christmas Collection for Dec. 24, 2020 was \$ 4,558.00

Thank You So Much For Your Generosity ,
May God Bless You All.

St. Joseph Church's Expenditures for month of November, 2020

Operating Costs.....\$ 20,096.53
Heat/Electricity/Other Utilities.....\$ 2,601.72
Repairs/Maintenance/Furnishing.....\$ 986.51
Cathedraticum.....\$ 2,349.43

Total Expenditures for October, 2020....\$ 26,034.19

Total income.....\$ 31,993.10

Weekly Collection



Jan 03 1. Weekly
2. Annual Dues
Jan 10 1. Weekly

BAPTISMS A pre-Baptism meeting is held at 5:00 pm on the third Sunday of each month. Parents must be registered parishioners. Parents and Godparents should be practicing Catholics. Please call Angela Atwater at 872-3349 to register.

MINISTRY TO THE SICK OR HOMEBOUND Please call the rectory if you or someone you know is ill or homebound and desires to receive Reconciliation, Eucharist, and/or Anointing of the Sick. Emergencies call any time.

MARRIAGES Couples should make arrangements by registering their marriage intentions at the rectory one year in advance. The wedding date should not be set until a priest or deacon has been consulted.

BLESSED SACRAMENT—

Adoration on every **Thursday 7pm-8pm**

Come and pray with us!!!



Don't Forget To Check Our new WEBSITE -

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It is our joy to welcome new members to our community. If you are interested in becoming a parishioner, please contact parish office at 860-871-1970.

Chastisement vs. Punishment

Question:

What is the difference between a chastisement and a punishment?

Answer:

The distinction between chastisement and punishment is, in many ways, a subtle one, but which is still relevant in our Catholic tradition.

First, chastisement is a concept that is grounded in Sacred Scripture. Here, we see chastisement as a response by God to people's actions that is intended to teach a lesson. As St. John Paul II observed, "chastisement appears to be ... a kind of divine pedagogy, in which the last word is reserved to mercy: He scourges and then shows mercy, casts down to the depths of the nether world, and he brings up from the great abyss" (Tobit 13:2). The idea here is that in order to capture our attention or to highlight how we have not lived out our covenant-relationship with God as we should, there are times when God uses events in life to draw us back to the quality of relationship or faith that we should have.

The concept of punishment, however, has a different sense. The Catechism of the Church observes that punishment is the consequence of a damaging action that "has the primary aim of redressing the disorder" and to protect the community and the common good from further damage or harm (see no. 2266). Although we always hope that someone who is being punished for a crime or some other harmful action will learn from their actions, punishment isn't necessarily intended to teach a lesson in the same way that a chastisement is.

Ultimately, how we make the distinction between chastisement and punishment is a matter of discernment. As with almost everything in life, our experiences can be an opportunity for grace — or for something less — depending on how open we are to recognizing the movement of God's Spirit within them.

The Gift of Family

What a year it has been! How will we speak of these times a decade from now? As time goes by, our impressions of this past year will certainly change. How we feel today about dealing with a killer virus and all the chaos surrounding that is still fresh for all. I would assume that most of us right now are also holding those we love a little closer and hugging them a little harder. Hopefully, even if the fears and concerns of 2020 dissipate in the future, the way we feel toward our family should never leave us.

Stewardship is certainly about everything. God has given us so much, great and small, profound and common. One of the greatest gifts that all have received is family. Families take all shapes and sizes and some look very different than others. For some, family is a caretaker or temporary guardian. For others it is a friend when everyone else seems to have vanished. The bottom line is that, to quote a song from many years ago, "people need people."

***Father
Bogdan and
Father
Joseph Wish
You All a
Very Merry
Christmas and a Blessed New Year
2021***



***Szczesliwego
Nowego 2021
Roku !!!***



First Friday and First Saturday (of the month) Devotion

We would like to remind all of you about the First Friday and First Saturday Devotion after the 7:30am Mass.

All are invited!!!



MEN'S CLUB NEWS !!!!



Our St. Joseph Men's Club would like to wish everyone a Blessed and Happy New Year. Please continue to check our Parish website for more details regarding upcoming meetings, events, Parish news, and more.

Have a Blessed weekend and week ahead!

Blessings,
Chris

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Wise Men See God in the Simple Things

If you're on social media, you have probably seen a meme going around that features this quote: "God has a plan for your life. The enemy has a plan for your life. Be ready for both. Just be wise enough to know which one to battle and which one to embrace."

There were certainly two competing plans for the Magi: God's and Herod's. And, wise as they supposedly were, it wasn't entirely easy for the Magi to discern which was which.

After all, Herod posed as a friend. He offered the Magi hospitality and kindness. Though the Gospel doesn't say so, he probably flattered them and appealed to every moral weakness he could observe in them. In his palace, they must have felt great physical comfort — rest and tables of plenty on what was an otherwise long and treacherous journey.

But if the Magi were honest with themselves, I'll bet they would have admitted that, regardless of Herod's charm, they felt a gnawing sense of doubt while in his presence. When they looked upon the Christ Child, born in a stable without any of the comforts of the world or protections of wealth, they probably felt the opposite. They probably felt safe.

The Magi were lucky enough to have the right plan spelled out for them in a dream, but for the rest of us, it's enough to remember this: God's plan is often the one that leads us to places of great simplicity, great humility and great love. Let's have the wisdom to view power with suspicion, and innocence with admiration.

Calendars 2021

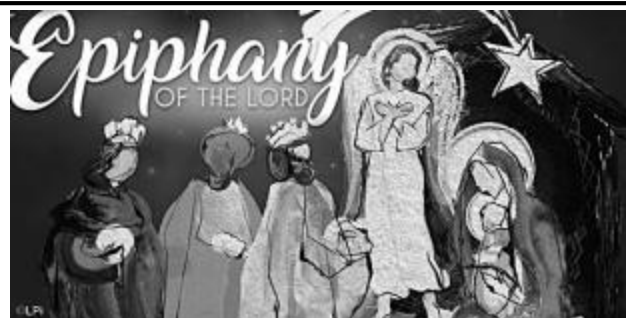
Church calendars in English and Polish are available in the parish office, while supplies last, between the hours of 8:00AM and noon each weekday.



Marriage Preparation Classes to Meet Virtually

With the uncertainty surrounding Covid-19, the Catholic Family Services Office will be offering virtual or one-on-one marriage preparation classes for engaged couples. All formal live classes have been suspended through July 1, 2021.

Couples getting married in 2021 or beyond, should contact Mary-Jo McLaughlin at the Catholic Family Services Office to establish class dates. She can be reached Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 860-848-2237, Ext 312 or by email at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

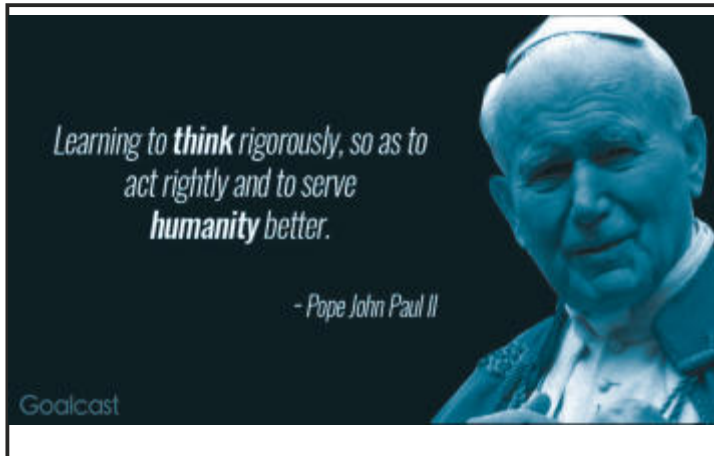


The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ is one of the oldest Christian feasts, though, throughout the centuries, it has celebrated a variety of things. Epiphany comes from a Greek verb meaning "to reveal," and all of the various events celebrated by the Feast of the Epiphany are revelations of Christ to man.





The Letter marks the 150 th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of **St Joseph** as Patron of the Universal Church. To celebrate the anniversary, Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "**Year of St Joseph**," beginning on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extending to the same feast in 2021.



In Loving Memory

Stanley & Lottie Stodolski
Anthony & Magdalen Pawelczyk & Family //
Elzear, Corine, & Paul Crepeau
Stella Strycharz
Deceased & Living Members of PRCU
John & Helen Snyder, Son John, Edward,
Stanley & Grandson Edward Jr.



Loving Father, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You would Bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love, In Jesus` name.

Amen

We pray for our sick Parishioners

Carol Dzat, Patricia Cedor, Martha Battles, Stephanie Wrona, Dorothy Pacetti, Barbara Cowan, Wanda Satkiewicz, Sophie Krajewski, Veronica Adams, Leopold Sans, Norman Beaudet, Stephen Jasek, Lottie Knybel, Janet Maciolek, Terry Grochowski, Toni Carterud, Eric Anderson, Patricia Cichon, Angela Atwater, Irene Tutko, Odette Victor, Marie Shilleh, Baby Evelyn, Maggie Lagasse, Pat Chamberlain, Richard Liszewski, Helen Koniar, Robert, Boguslaw



LECTORS

Saturday, January 2, 2021

4:00am - S. Westmoreland

Sunday, January 3, 2021

8:00am - J. Stygares
10:00 am - D. Sierakowski
12:00 Noon - M. Regan

Saturday, January 9, 2021

4:00pm - B. Reardon

Sunday, January 10, 2021

8:00am - A. Dziwiewa
10:00am - J. Smart/
G. Transki
12:00 noon - E. Adams

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