

Saint Joseph Church

Established in 1905

33 West Street Rockville, Connecticut

Father <u>TADEUSZ ZADOROZNY. pastor</u>

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.

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New parishioners should register with the parish as soon as

possible. Parishioners should notify the office of any change of

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm Sunday 8:00am*, 9:30am, 11:00am (*8:00 am Mass in Polish)

DAILY MASSES

7:30 am - Wednesday through Saturday

HOLY DAY MASSES

As announced

RECONCILIATION

After 7:30am Mass on Saturdays 3:00-3:45pm on Saturdays (before 4pm Vigil) and 7:00-8:00pm on Thursdays (during Holy Hour) or by appointment.

DEVOTIONS/ADORATION

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

Divine Mercy Novena - 3:00pm Fridays, (except NOT on Holidays)

Saturdays - Holy Hour after 7:30am Mass until 9:00am.

7:00pm - Tuesday

Rectory Office: Office Hours:

REGISTRATION

address or phone number.

860-871-1970; Fax 860-872-0333 Monday-Friday, 8am-12pm

Wednesday Evening, 5pm-7pm Jolanta Wiszniak and Nancy O'Connor

Secretaries: **Religious Ed:** Jim Smart

Music Director: Mark Roszczewski Email: info@stjosephct.org Website: www.stjosephct.org

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.

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; Wednesdays 4:00 - 5:15 pm

Tom Brown, Coordinator, 860-328-0694 **Confirmation**

Classes - Tuesdays 6:00pm-7:15pm

Knights of Columbus Tony Bifulco, 860-709-1290 **<u>Baptismal Preparation</u>** Angela Atwater, 860-872-3349

<u>3rd Order Franciscans</u> Jim Smart, 860-872-7101

PARISH MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Date and time TBD **Pastoral Council**

3rd Tuesday of the month, 7 pm Men's Club

Coffee Sundays

2nd Wednesday of the month, Ladies of St. Joseph

6pm

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 15, 2023

7:30am Holy Souls in Purgatory.....Rose Ann and Larry 4:00pm + Helen Aitner.....Family

Sunday, April 16, 2023 - Divine Mercy Sunday 8:00am + Teddy Lorenc.....The Bill Family 9:30am For Our Parishioners.....(Live Stream) 11:00am + Stephanie J. WronaFamily 3:00pm Divine Mercy

Monday, April 17, 2023 - No Mass

Tuesday, April 18, 2023

7:00pm + Anna Baron.....Grand Daughter Barbara

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

7:30am + Stanley Trombecky.....Brother Frank

Thursday, April 20, 2023

7:30am + Sabina and John Ruggiero.....Zofia Madrak

Friday, April 21, 2023

7:30am + Isabella Dang Hang......Family Member

Saturday, April 22, 2023

7:30am + Walter Rozman.....St. Joseph Men`s Club 4:00pm + Margaret Andreo and Loren Andreo....Family 6:00pm Polish Mass......Birthday Blessings for Joanna Gryszkiewicz

Sunday, April 23, 2023 - Sunday 8:00am + John and Rose Novak......Bill Family 9:30am + Mary DeBona......Gerry DeBona (Live Stream)

11:00am For Parishioners

APRIL -

MONTH OF THE HOLY **EUCHARIST**





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.*



Collection for April 2, 2023 was \$ 8,570.86

May God Bless You All.

St. Joseph Church's Expenditures for month of February, 2023

Operating Costs\$ Heat/Electricity/Other Utilities	L9, 254.98
Heat/Electricity/Other Utilities	8,301.16
Repairs/Mainténance/Furnishing	\$ 3,979.17
Cathedraticum	2,346.43

Total Expenditures February, 2023 \$ 33,881.74

Total income......\$ 28,921.90

Weekly Collection

April 16

- 1. Weekly
- 2. Mainténance Fund

April 23 April 30

- 1. Weekly
- 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—

Adorations and Confessions on every Thursday 7pm-8pm and every Saturday after 7:30am Mass until 9am.

All are welcome!





Don't Forget To Check Our new WEBSITE -

st.josephct.org

Openings For Lectors

We are looking for additional Lectors for weekend Masses to proclaim the Readings from Sacred Scripture, with the exception of the Gospel.

The Lectors may also announce the Intentions for the Universal Prayers and read the weekly announcements. If you are interested in serving in this Sacred Ministry, please contact Jim Smart, Angela Atwater or call the parish office.



Calling all Pierogi Lovers!!

The Ladies of Saint Joseph are looking for 10 volunteers willing to help make pierogis! All Pierogi "veterans" and first timers are welcome!! We will be using our Special "secret" recipe!!!

When: Saturday April 29th; 9AM -12PM Where: Saint Joseph Church Hall Kitchen (aprons will be provided!)□

If interested: Please contact: Church Office at: 860.871.1970 or by emailing Ladies St. Joseph at: ladiesofstjosephct@gmail.com

We would love to see new faces and make new connections at this event.

REMINDER: We are always looking for new ladies to join our group! We meet the second Wednesday of every month at 6 PM in the church hall.



Sunday, April 16 -Divine Mercy at 3pm

All are welcome!!!!!

The Doors We Lock

As a child, and even for a while as a teenager, I experienced an enormous amount of anxiety whenever I went to confession. For so many years I feared it. For so many years I waited in the confession line trembling, feeling sick to my stomach.

In the upper room after Christ's Passion and death, the anxiety of the disciples was so strong that they locked themselves away. But still Christ found a way into their midst. He would not be prevented from bringing mercy and hope to a place shrouded in despair. No door barred in a moment of fear could keep him out.

This is the genius of the sacrament of Reconciliation—and of all sacraments, really. Here we are, restricted in so many ways by an existence that is woefully physical. We feel fear, and our body reacts, just as we feel anger and our body reacts.

How can God deliver mercy to us in this flesh-bound state? Through that very flesh which can feel so confining. Through confession, which requires a physical action, and the physical participation not just of the penitent but of the priest.

I don't know how or why my anxiety around the sacrament has lessened over the years. Sometimes, I still feel it come roaring back unexpectedly, and maybe one day it will come back to stay. It doesn't surprise me: after all, I am in the flesh, and I will, as Peter says today, "suffer through various trials." But in all of them Christ will find me. He will not be kept away.

Let the house of Aaron say, "His mercy endures forever." — Psalm 118:3

Men's Club Schedule

The Saint Joseph's Men's Club meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00PM in the church hall. We are dedicated to our parish and seek to gather, for fellowship and plan events that will support our church community in various ways. Please drop by for one of our meetings and prayerfully consider becoming part of our Saint Joseph's Men's Club.



Confession & First Communion

Question:

Do children need to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before their First Communion?

For centuries the Catholic Church has taught that a person needs to be in a state of grace (free from mortal sins) in order to worthily receive the Eucharist. To that end, Catholics should make an effort to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation any time they recognize the need for the sacrament (and in keeping with the precept of the Church that asks that we celebrate this sacrament at least once each year). In the case of children preparing for their First Communion, the Code of Canon Law is very clear that they should also celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving the Eucharist for the first time: "It is the responsibility, in the first place, of parents and those who take the place of parents as well as of the pastor to see that children who have reached the use of reason are correctly prepared and are nourished by the divine food as early as possible. preceded by sacramental confession" (Canon 914). While some might question the significance of the Sacrament of Reconciliation — especially in the case of children who might not fully understand the reality of sin or the meaning of the sacrament itself — a child's "First Confession" can be a wonderful time for families to reflect together on the quality of their relationships, how they put their faith into practice. and, when it is possible, to celebrate the sacrament as a family. In the end, the celebration of these two sacraments marks important moments in the spiritual journeys of children and we hope their "First Confession" and "First Communion" help instill in them a love of the sacraments of the Church.

Parish Retreat News 2023

Ender's Island, Mystic

Spots are still available for the Day-Trip Bus retreat to Ender's Island in Mystic, June 28th. Cost is \$100. Per person and includes Motorcoach transportation, Mass, a hot-served lunch and 2 conferences, on a beautiful 11 acre island surrounded by views of Long Island Sound.

Go to our parish website, www.StJosephCT.org and click on "Faith Formation" & "Retreats".

St. Joseph's Trappist Abbey, Spencer, MA

We have three retreats open for -

May, 19-21 – Women's weekend retreat

June 16-18 - Mixed weekend

July 21-23 - Men's weekend

Cost is \$250 per weekend and includes a comfortable private room, 3 meals a day, and 2 daily retreat conferences on beautiful, peaceful monastic grounds, 50 minutes from Rockville.

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Annual Catholic Appeal Update

The Diocese of Norwich counts on our participation in the ACA. With the money collected, the diocese can provide many important ministries to our parishioners in a variety of ways. It is in working together that we can provide food for those in need, faith education for the young and compassionate care for the elderly. We need to work together as One Saith One

throughout the year. If you have not donated, please prayerfully consider participating. Place your donation in an envelope marked ACA and place it in the collection basket any Sunday. Most of us have been so blessed in life. Please remember those who have not been as fortunate.

You Can Help Your Marriage -

If communication in your marriage is a struggle, or things have become troubled, unloving, or uncaring, the Retrouvaille program can help. Retrouvaille provides tools to help you communicate better, resolve conflicts and rediscover why you fell in love. The next local weekend is May 5-7, 2023. For information, call confidentially 1-800-470 -2230, email helds4marriage@gmail.com or go to our website www.helpourmarriage.org.

MATTIE'S TOGS

Spring is coming upon us and we at Mattie's Togs have a great selection of Summer and Winter boys and girls clothing available sized from Preemie to size 16 and larger. You can fill a bag for \$5. We also have 1st Communion dresses. We welcome you on Saturdays from 9-1 and are located on the Dunn Hill side of St. Matthew Church here in Tolland and look forward to seeing you.

"Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you." JOHN 20:19

Are you good at making people feel welcome? When you meet someone new, like a new neighbor, a new work colleague or a new parishioner, do you make them feel at home? When we make people feel welcome, we make them feel like they are included instead of being excluded. We are made for relationships – with God and each other. When you see yourself as a beloved son or daughter of God, you tend to see others the same way, too – just as God, Our Father, sees us.



Alexander & Konstancja Raczkowski & Daughter Phyllis
Bruno & Mary Liszewski //
Thomas & Mary Strycharz
Stanley Zira // John & Julia Kanski



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

Martha Battles, Dorothy Pacetti, Barbara Cowan, Wanda Satkiewicz, Sophie Krajewski, Veronica Adams, Norman Beaudet, Stephen Jasek, Janet Maciolek, Toni Carterud, Eric Anderson, Odette Victor, Marie Shilleh, Baby Evelyn, Pat Chamberlain, Richard Liszewski, Matt Stein ,Janet Santos, Timothy Monahan, Dorothy Pacetti



LECTORS

<u>Saturday, April 22, 2023</u> 4:00pm - J. Smart

Sunday, April 23, 2023

8:00am - A. Dziewa 9:30am - F. Borysevicz 11:00am - M.Regan

Saturday, May 6, 2023

4:00pm - S. Westmoreland

Sunday, May 7, 2023

8:00am - A Gryszkiewicz 9:30am - J. Smart 11:00am - E. Adams



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