

January 7, 2024



Saint Joseph Church

Established in 1905

*33 West Street
Rockville, Connecticut*

Father TADEUSZ ZADOROZNY, *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.*

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm Vigil
Sunday 8:00am in Polish
Sunday 10am in English
Saturday Polish Mass 6:00pm (once a month)
First Friday Mass 8:00pm

DAILY MASSES

7:30 am - Wednesday through Saturday
7:00pm - Tuesday

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.
First Friday - 7:00pm-8:00pm

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 office of any change of address or phone number.

Rectory Office:

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

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday, 9am-1pm

Wednesday Evening, 4pm-6pm

Secretaries:

Dorota Prytko and Jolanta Wiszniak

Religious Ed:

Jim Smart

Music Director:

Mark Roszczewski

Email:

info@stjosephct.org

Website:

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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

Confirmation

Tom Brown, Coordinator, 860-328-0694

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

Knights of Columbus

Tony Bifulco, 860-709-1290

Baptismal Preparation

Angela Atwater, 860-872-3349

3rd Order Franciscans

Jim Smart, 860-872-7101

Altar Servers

- Gina Transki sjcaltarservers1905@gmail.com

PARISH MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Pastoral Council

Date and time TBD

Men's Club

3rd Tuesday of the month, 7 pm

Coffee Sundays

Date TBD

Ladies of St. Joseph

2nd Wednesday of the month,
6pm

3rd Order Franciscans

3rd Sunday of the month at
1:30pm

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, January 6, 2024

7:30am + Mary DeBona.....Gerry and Family
4:00pm + Wilhelm Schon.....Daughter
6:00pm First Saturday Mass

Sunday, January 7, 2024 - The Epiphany of the Lord

8:00am For Parishioners
10:00am + Robert Messier.....Wife Dolores
.....(Live Stream)

Monday, January 8, 2024— Mass without people

7:30am + William McGovern.....Martucci Family

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

7:00pm Blessings of Health for Fr. Joseph Olczak.....Mary Bloniarz

Wednesday, January 10, 2024

7:30am + Carolyn Narkon.....Husband Glen

Thursday, January 11, 2024

7:30am + Joanna and Henryk Tomkiel.....Tomkiel Family

Friday, January 12, 2024

7:30am + Sophia Josephine Krupa.....Debbie Stein
3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena

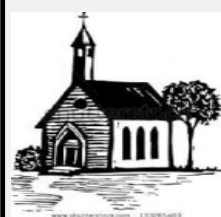
Saturday, January 13, 2024

7:30am + John Wiszniak.....Suzan Martucci
4:00pm + Helen Aitner.....Gauthier Family

Sunday, January 14, 2024 - 2 Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am For Parishioners.....
10:00am + Walter Rozman.....Sandy St. James
.....(Live Stream)

January - MONTH OF HOLY NAME OF JESUS



*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 December 17, 2023 was \$ 4,377.90

May God Bless You All.

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

Operating Costs.....\$ 20,613.00
Heat/Electricity/Other Utilities.....\$6,464.95
Repairs/Maintenance/Furnishing.....\$ 1,139.38
Cathedralium.....\$2,995.53

Total Expenditures November, 2023
\$ 31,212.86

Total income.....\$ 37,014.31

Weekly Collection

Jan 07 1. Weekly
2. Annual Dues
Jan 14 1. Weekly
Jan 21 1. Weekly
2. Maintenance Fund
Jan 28 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



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.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Step Into the Light

How strange it is to think that if not for Herod's directions, the magi would not have known where to find Jesus. They were not Jews, they knew nothing of the old prophecies. It was Herod who convened the scholars. It was Herod who pointed the way — for ulterior motives, certainly, but nonetheless, this is the part he played. It was Herod who made the Epiphany possible.

"Nations shall walk by your light, and kings by your shining radiance," writes the prophet (Isaiah 60:3). A king may keep to the shadows, suspicious of the light — he may foolishly imagine he can snatch it from the sky to keep as his own possession, and, upon finding the light cannot be governed, grow to loathe it, and even seek to extinguish it once and for all.

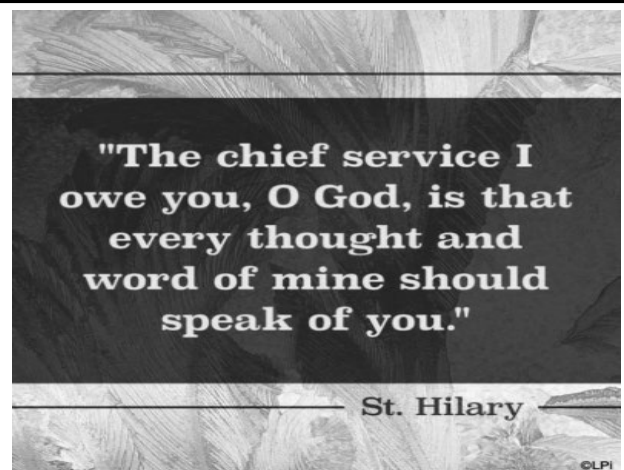
But all his grand designs will come to nothing because there is no king so powerful that he can see in the dark. And even a man like Herod — a man so jealous that he sought to kill God — cannot prevent the breaking of day.

The Epiphany marks the manifestation of Christ to the Gentiles. It is a celebration of truth reaching places it was not expected to reach, of brightness illuminating corners of the world long ago consigned to shadow. It is a reminder that the battle has already been won, the night is over. All that remains is for us to decide: will we step into the light?

"See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the LORD shines, and over you appears his glory." — Isaiah 60:2

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Sunday, January 7, 2024



Celebrate Marriage – It's not too early to begin thinking of Valentine's Day. Give your Valentine something special this year – the gift of your time. Come celebrate your marriage at a day-long enrichment that will renew your dreams, increase your passion and refresh and celebrate your marriage. This marriage enrichment aptly entitled, ***"Celebrate Marriage,"*** will take place on **Saturday, February 17, 2024**, from 9 A.M to 3 P.M. at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Hall, 1600 Main St., Coventry, CT. The cost is \$35 per couple, which includes workbooks and lunch. Registration is required. To register, call Mary-Jo McLaughlin at the Catholic Family Services Office at 860-848-2237, Ext. 312 or email her at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

Wedding Feast & Epiphany

Question:

How are the feasts of the baptism of Jesus and the account of the wedding feast of Cana related to the Epiphany celebration?

Answer:

The Epiphany season focuses on revealing Jesus to the world. Following the Christmas celebration, the liturgical year lays out a series of manifestation points in which Jesus is made publicly known. From its very beginning, the Christian community highlighted three events in the life of Jesus. These are the Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord and the wedding feast at Cana. The Epiphany discloses Jesus to the world of the Gentiles, represented by the magi from the East. The accounts of Jesus' baptism reveal his identity and mission, along with exposing him to those to whom he was sent to minister. The miracle of turning water to wine at the wedding feast of Cana, unique to John's Gospel, is the first public sign that Jesus performs, thus manifesting his public identity and his powers. Today in the Roman Church, these are usually celebrated on three successive Sundays: Epiphany, the Baptism of the Lord which is usually the next Sunday, and the wedding feast of Cana, which is proclaimed on the 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time in lectionary year C.

These feasts connect around the concept of epiphany, public manifestation of Jesus to the world. They help us get to know more intimately who Jesus is and what he is about. Spend some time delving more deeply into your understanding of who Jesus is. Continue to cultivate these "epiphany" moments in your life.



Norwich Diocesan Our Lady, Queen of Hope Award

To honor a woman in the Diocese for **Vision and Leadership in the Catholic Church**

This award will be given out by Bishop Michael Cote to a woman of faith in the Norwich Diocese. The award is named after Mary, our mother, who is our role model and in whom we place our hope.

The winner will be presented with an award and a check for \$200 made out to the Catholic charity, parish or diocesan ministry of her choice.

Nominees should...

- *Display strong faith
- *Be committed to living out Catholic values
- *Display spiritual leadership at the local or diocesan level(s)
- *Display a spirit of love and service to the Catholic Church
- *Have been part of successful initiatives that benefit the Church
- *Have moved the parish community forward through her vision

The award winner will be determined by the Women's Conference Committee.

The nomination form must be completed in full by **JANUARY 12, 2024**. Contact the Office of Faith Events with any questions or concerns 860-848-2237, ext. 304 or manicholas@norwichdiocese.net.

****To access application go to the Office of Faith Events Website****

Rosary before Mass!!!

You are invited to pray The Holy Rosary half an hour before every Saturday Vigil and before the Sunday Masses.

Over the centuries Our Blessed Mother has asked us to pray the Rosary for PEACE.

Please consider joining our parish family in honoring this request.



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, Veronica Adams, Norman Beaudet, Stephen Jasek, Janet Maciolek, Toni Carterud, Eric Anderson, Odette Victor, Marie Shilleh, Baby Evelyn, Pat Chamberlain, Matt Stein, Janet Santos, Timothy Monahan, Cecilia Prytko, Jadwiga Liszewska.

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 Faith One Family**. These services continue 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.



LECTORS

Saturday, December 30, 2023

4:00pm - S. Westmoreland

Sunday, December 31, 2023

8:00am - A. Dziewa

10:00am - F. Borysewicz

Saturday, January 6, 2024

4:00pm - ,

Sunday, January 7, 2024

8:00am - ,

10:00am - ,



In Loving Memory

Deceased Members of Rosary Society
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Anthony & Magdalen Pawelczyk & Family //
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