

January 28, 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: Megan Mindek

Music Director: Mark Roszczewski

Email: info@stjosephct.org

Website: www.stjosephct.org

FAITH FORMATION/SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

RCIA
Rel. Ed.

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

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

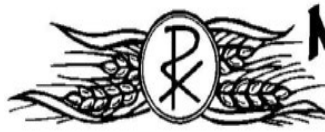
Date TBD

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 27, 2024

7:30am + John Townsend.....CeCe
4:00pm + Yvonne Dowgiewicz.....Family

Sunday, January 28, 2024 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am For Parishioners
10:00am Birthday Blessings for Anthony Rein.....
(Live Stream)

Monday, January 29, 2024— Mass without people

Birthday Blessings for Joseph Prytko.....Family

Tuesday, January 30, 2024

7:00pm + Stella Adams.....Ed and Terry and Family

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

7:30am + Barbara Stein (1st Anniv.).....Husband Matt

Thursday, February 1, 2024

7:30am + Rev. Frank Estocin..... Cece

Friday, February 2, 2024

7:30am Thomas Merton..... Cece
3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena

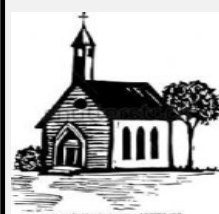
Saturday, February 3, 2024

7:30am + Fr. Edward Hermit.....CeCe
4:00pm + Genevieve and William Wajda.....Daughter

Sunday, February 4, 2024 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am + Stefania and Tadeusz Pazgan.....Gryszkiewicz
10:00am For Parishioners.....
(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 January 7, 2024, 2023 was \$
5,744.65

May God Bless You All.

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

Operating Costs.....\$ **28,270.43**
Heat/Electricity/Other Utilities.....\$ **5,146.71**
Repairs/Maintenance/Furnishing.....\$ **3,975.22**
Cathedraticum.....\$ **4,214.59**

Total Expenditures December, 2023
\$ 41,606.95

Total income.....\$ 42,451.97

Weekly Collection

Jan 28 1. Weekly
Feb.04 1. Weekly
Feb. 11 1. Weekly
Feb. 14 2. Maintenance Fund
1. Ash Wednesday



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 -**

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Beginning Experience Healing Weekend ~

Beginning Experience of Hudson Valley, invites men and women of all ages who grieve the end of a marriage or spousal relationship due to death, divorce, or separation to an in-person weekend retreat at St. Lawrence Retreat Center in Beacon NY. Upcoming dates are April 19-21, 2024, and October 18-20, 2024. For information or to register, please call *Phyllis at 914 261 5812* or *Jim at 845 220 7883*. Visit their website at www.beginningexperiencehv.org.

The monthly Diocesan Pro-Life Mass will take place at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on **Saturday, February 3 at 8:30 A.M.** Please join our celebrant **Rev. Walter Nagle** at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for the healing for those who have had an abortion. Following the Mass, the Rachel Rosary will be prayed at the Cathedral. A brunch in the Cathedral Hall will follow the Rosary this month.

The office of Faith Events is looking for silent auction items for this year's Women's Conference on March 13th. We are looking for donations like major league baseball, basketball, or football tickets; a week's vacation at a rental property, artwork, or fine jewelry. If you have an item you would like to donate please contact Marianne at 860- 848-2237 ext. 304 or manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

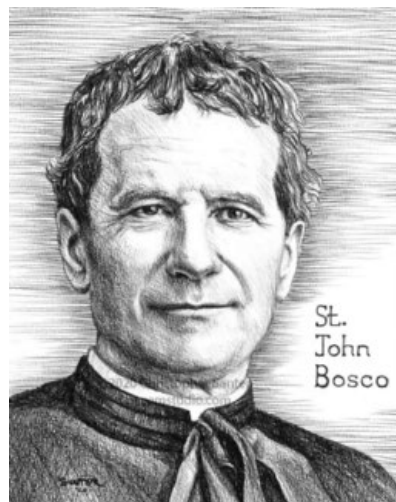
Ash Wednesday - February 14, 2024

**2024 Annual Catholic Appeal – One Faith, One Family**

Ministries and programs supported financially by the ACA are truly the hands and feet of Christ. With over 25 ministries and programs, your support of the ACA allows for the education of our seminarians and Catholic school students, the enrichment of our college age students, and the celebration of the sacraments. In addition, our social service ministries provide thousands of families with life-sustaining food and warm clothes. Our spiritual renewal, faith events, Hispanic ministry and ministry to the sick are other ways in which our ministries are the loving hands and feet of Christ. The generosity of all our parishioners, as One Faith, One Family is vital to ensuring the continuation of these much-needed services this year and beyond. To learn more, please visit the **Annual Catholic Appeal Website.**

Retreat 2024 News

To dedicate some quiet contemplative time away can bring a renewed sense of direction and purpose. There are still a few spots left for the weekend of **April 19-21** at nearby **St. Joseph's Abbey** with the Trappist monks. This is for college-age and older men and women, and includes a single private room with linens, and three meals a day. Go to our parish website, click on **"Faith Formation"**, and then, **"Retreats"**. Scroll down and use the handy link to make your reservation. If you need another weekend, use their calendar to schedule other dates for yourself and friends.



**January 31, 2024
–Wednesday
Feast of St. John
Bosco**

What Have You to Do with Me, Jesus of Nazareth?

Inevitably, when we read the story of the Garden of Eden, my children try to imagine what life would be like if Adam and Eve had not sinned against God.

“Would we have to go to school?” they ask me.
“Would we get sick? Could we eat whatever we want? Would we get older?”

I tell them the only thing I know for sure about a world without sin is that we would be happier. I can see confusion in their faces — *Why? How?* — but I have none of the concrete answers they want. I don’t know how to describe a happiness untouched by sin.

The moment sin entered the world, a chasm erupted between God and mankind. There is now a space between humanity and the divine, a cavernous and seemingly impassable void into which God calls for us, unendingly. And because we are lost in the dark, and miserable, instead of following his voice when we hear it, instead we reply: “What do you want?”

“What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth?”

Did the unclean spirit know, when he cried out all those thousands of years ago in Capernaum, that he was giving voice to a question which defined the human condition? They are the words of a demon, yes, but they are also my words. Far, far more often than I care to admit, when God is reaching for me, I look upon His hand with contempt and confusion. When I am grappling with a problem or a sin which overwhelms me, again and again I forget that I already know the solution.

The tragedy of original sin is not that we live in a world where we cannot eat what we want, where we age, and where we become sick and die. The tragedy of sin is that we have forgotten how to be happy. We look at happiness and we think: “What do you want with me?”

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.” — Psalm 95:7

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“Violence is not a good method for convincing anyone.....Even less is it so in the apostolate.”

St. Josemaria Escriva

Embracing Change in Christ

It’s officially one month since we popped the champagne, toasted 2021 and wrote down a list of resolutions. This is usually the time when we start to take a good, hard look in the mirror to assess what we have done — or have not done — with the first month of this brand-new year.

New years can be scary, can’t they? Full of promise, sure, but also full of room for failure. Full of space for our old baggage, old fears and the continuation of old mistakes.

The same can be said of Christ, and the new life he offers us, if we are brave enough to accept it. Opportunities like that can be intimidating. In that moment, we might find ourselves like the man with the unclean spirit crying out: “What have you to do with me, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us?”

Jesus is a comforter of the afflicted; he is a consoling figure, but he is also a challenging one. Sometimes we have grown attached to our afflictions. The idea of correcting bad habits or forming new ones is frankly terrifying to us. We have a voice deep inside who sees Christ and his invitation to repentance, and it cries out in fear: “I know who you are!”

When we live in the present, disavowing the baggage of the past or fear of the future, we submit ourselves to the promise of redemption. Let us be brave everyday stewards and invite Christ’s healing power into our lives. We won’t regret it — I’m sure the demoniac never did.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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World Day for Consecrated Life

God of all goodness,
you have called people to follow you faithfully.
Humans have heard that call and many choose to follow your call
in varied and faith-filled lives.

Some follow your call in private, silent lives as hermits;
some choose to follow you with lives lived as virgins and widows;

while others choose public lives of vowed men and women as religious brothers and sisters.

Abundantly give to these men and women the courage to follow their call as witnesses to your gifts and faith and service to the world.

We ask this in faith
through the name of Jesus our Savior.
Amen.



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, January 27, 2024

4:00pm - J. Smart
B. Bailey

Sunday, January 28, 2024

8:00am - A. Dziewa
10:00am - E. Adams

Saturday, February 3, 2024

4:00pm - F. Borysevicz

Sunday, Febreasry 4, 2024

8:00am - A. Gryszkiewicz
10:00am - D. Sierakowski



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