

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH

A ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN DANBURY

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MASSES

Saturday Vigil – 4:00 P.M.

Sunday – 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 A.M.,
12:00 Noon and 5:00 P.M.

Daily – 7:00 A.M. and 12:05 P.M.

Saturday – 8:00 A.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 11:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon

3:00 P.M. - 3:45 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The second and fourth Sundays of each month.

Please call the Rectory to register for pre-baptismal instruction. Classes held on the first Sunday of each month.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples should contact a parish priest one year in advance, **BEFORE** any social arrangements are made. **NO** Sunday Weddings.

SICK CALLS, COMMUNION CALLS,

ANOINTING OF THE SICK,

HOSPITAL VISITS

Due to the Federal health privacy laws, HIPAA, hospitals cannot issue names of patients to parishes; you or a family member must let the Admissions Office know of your desire to have a visit during your stay. If you would like a visit at home please call or have a family member call the Rectory Office: 203-748-8177.



Saint Joseph Church is wheelchair accessible. Parking for the physically challenged is located at the side of church.

We thank you for turning off all personal electronic devices before entering the church.

**Saturday, November 17**

8:00 AM Giovanni Mariani—Daughter
 4:00 PM Ann Marie Gremler—Eileen Burdick

Sunday, November 18

7:30 AM Salvatore Boccia—MaryEllen Pagano
 9:00 AM Mr. & Mrs. Kordoski—Ziegler Family
 10:30 AM Mary, Anthony, Stephen Milano—Claire
 12:00 PM Deceased Parishioners
 5:00 PM Lucia Passamonti (1st Ann.) - Family

Monday, November 19

7:00 AM Thomas A. Smith—Eileen Burdick
 12:05 PM Brendan, Carra and Lillyana—Marcus

Tuesday, November 20

7:00 AM Ralph Burdick—Eileen Burdick
 12:05 PM Maria Lam—Marcus Vas

Wednesday, November 21

7:00 AM Int. of Elizabeth Eisenberger—Dottie
 12:05 PM M/M Jose Fernandes & Amana - Marcus

Thursday, November 22 Thanksgiving Day

9:00 AM Jessica Ireland—Ann McCarthy
 No 7:00 AM or 12:05 PM Masses

Friday, November 23

7:00 AM Bruce Eisenberger—Wife
 No 12:05 PM Mass

Saturday, November 24

8:00 AM John Rosasco-Rosasco & Cuneo Families
 4:00 PM Christine Gremler—M/M Frank Sullivan

Sunday, November 25

7:30 AM Ilka Quade—Quade Family
 9:00 AM Edward & Bernadette Satkowsky-Family
 10:30 AM Elizabeth McGovern—McGovern Family
 12:00 PM Joseph & Joey Lanphier—M. Lanphier
 5:00 PM Intentions of Parishioners

	<u>Mass</u>	<u>Presider</u>
Saturday, Nov. 24	4:00 PM	Fr. Scherba
Sunday, Nov. 25	7:30 AM	Fr. Scherba
	9:00 AM	Fr. Franklin
	10:30 AM	Fr. Scott
	12:00 PM	Fr. Franklin
	5:00 PM	Fr. Scott

Sanctuary Candles

The Sanctuary Candles will burn this week in memory of Joseph DiDomenico requested by the Mastracchio Family

If the Mass intention is for a relative or friend and you would like to bring up the gifts in the Offertory Procession, please see one of the ushers before Mass begins and make your request known to him/her. Thank you.



Dear parishioners and friends of St. Joseph Parish,

Season Three of **ARISE** will conclude later this month. In order to nurture the seeds planted during this season, we are hosting our first annual "Stewardship Sunday" **this weekend**, November 17th and 18th. This new initiative was prayerfully organized by our **ARISE** Core Team.

Like "Prayer Commitment Sunday," Stewardship Sunday is an opportunity for us to examine our lives as disciples of Christ and acknowledge the source of our blessings. Stewardship Sunday focuses on the ways that we can share our time, talent, and treasure with our Parish family and with those most in need.

All of the Church's teachings on stewardship come directly from the Gospels, the Old Testament, and the letters of the New Testament.

Stewardship is living a life of gratitude -- taking the time every day to recognize the gifts that God has given and to be grateful for them.

Stewardship is also returning a portion of our gifts to God. The gifts we return are our time, our talent, and our treasure. We return these gifts not because God needs them, *per se*, but because we feel an overwhelming need to show our love and gratitude to God and His Church on earth.

Stewardship is not only "giving back," it is also a "love response" to the experience of God's abundant love for us.

The experience of being a member of our Parish is life-changing. We see miracles everyday in our lives together because of the gift of God's grace at work in our souls and in our community through the power of the Holy Spirit. Embracing a life of Stewardship is transformative. When we embrace the stewardship message it changes the way we see every decision we make. Stewardship becomes a way of life.

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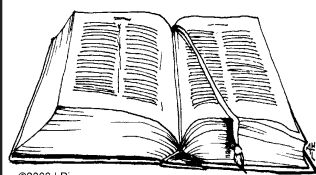
After each of this weekend's masses, we are hosting a **Stewardship/Ministry Fair** in the Parish Hall (underneath the Church) to facilitate "life change." We will offer "coffee and," so that you can visit the tables/booths and meet with parishioners representing the many service groups and ministries here.

Please visit and sign up for service as a way of giving thanks for the blessings you have received. You and I are the stewards of St. Joseph Parish, our campus and our community of faith. May we be responsible stewards, grateful stewards, and joyful stewards so that mysteries of God may flourish in our city and in our world.

Devotedly in Christ,
Rev. Samuel V. Scott
 Pastor

Bethany Mass

This Sunday, November 18th, at the 12:00 PM Mass we will remember our deceased parishioners: **Ida Mirkovich, Vincent Keilty, and Samuel James LiVolsi**. Although we miss these parishioners' physical presence, we celebrate their eternal life with Jesus. We want their loved ones to know that we are here to support them. Please continue to pray for all deceased parishioners and their families and friends.



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Walking with Purpose
 A Women's Catholic
 Bible Study

Do you desire to grow in your Catholic faith? Would you like to connect with other women in our Parish community? Are you searching for purpose? You are invited to consider joining *Walking With Purpose* at St. Joseph Church. Walking with Purpose transforms the hearts and lives of women by providing Bible studies that enable women to know Christ through scripture and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. We will do a six-week study of God the Father entitled *Living in the Father's Love*. This study reveals how deeply relevant the Gospels are to our relationships, both with God and those we love. No previous Bible study experience is necessary. Come as you are! Six meetings will take place on Thursdays from 7:00-8:30 PM in the Parish Center beginning January 10, 2019. For questions or to RSVP, contact Colleen Slaiby: colleenslaiby@yahoo.com

Order of Mass

**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Cycle B**

ENTRANCE

St. Michael Hymnal # 547 - "Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"

KYRIE

"Lord Have Mercy" - Heritage Mass (Alstott)

GLORIA

"Gloria," Heritage Mass (Alstott)

FIRST READING

Missal pg. 83 - Daniel 12: 1-3

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Missal pg. 84

SECOND READING

Missal pg. 84 - Hebrews 10: 11-14, 18

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Missal pg. 84

GOSPEL

Missal pg. 84 - Mark 13: 24-32

HOMILY

OFFERTORY

St. Michael Hymnal # 450 - "Be Not Afraid"

SANCTUS

"Holy"- Heritage Mass (Alstott)

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

"Save Us Savior of the World"- Heritage Mass (Alstott)

AGNUS DEI

"Lamb of God"- Heritage Mass (Alstott)

COMMUNION

St. Michael Hymnal # 759 - "Soul of My Savior"

CLOSING HYMN

St. Michael Hymnal # 538 - "God of Our Fathers"

Nativity Play



Christmas Pageant

Calling all boys and girls of the Parish ages 4 to 10! We are looking for actors, actresses, and readers to be in our annual Christmas Pageant. The Pageant will be presented at the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday, December 16th. All children of the parish, ages 4 to 10, are welcome to participate. An organizational meeting and auditions will be held on **Tuesday, November 27th, from 5:30 to 6:30 PM in the Church**. For more information please call Mrs. Maria Schweitzer at 917-664-9757.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Stewardship of Time, Talent, and Treasure
Worship Offerings

November 10 - November 11, 2018 \$7,844.00

2018 Special Parish Annual Collection

Goal: \$40,000.00
Amount raised thus far: \$21,836.00

Many thanks for your generous stewardship!

Dear Friends in Christ,

We offer profound thanks to all who are helping with the unfinished work that is necessary for the preservation of our physical plant. The Phase One repaving of the asphalt parking lot is meant to help us make a start on a big project, and we are grateful for all who have contributed thus far to the Special Parish Annual Collection.

If you have not done so, please prayerfully consider making a contribution before the end of the year. Please simply designate your gift for the "Special Parish Annual Collection."

You may be wondering about the impact of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA) passed in December 2017 on your charitable contributions. Please be advised that you can still save capital-gain taxes! When you make a charitable gift using assets owned more than a year, you still receive a charitable deduction for the market value and you are not taxed on the capital gain. Because of this double benefit, giving an appreciated asset can greatly reduce the net cost of the gift.

Please be as generous as your means will allow.

Devotedly in Christ,
Rev. Samuel V. Scott

Catholic Campaign for Human Development
This week, our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.

Thanksgiving Day Mass

You are invited to join us on Thursday, November 22nd, at 9:00 AM for a special Thanksgiving Mass. There will be no 7:00 AM or 12:05 PM Masses on that day. Have a Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving!



Carmen Buck
Religious
Education Building
203-778-1920

The Religious Education Catechists and Staff wish all parishioners a blessed and bountiful Thanksgiving holiday!

The last November class for Sunday Level I and II students will be held on November 18th in the school.

The last November class for Wednesday Levels I and II classes will be on November 28th.

Our Office is located in the Carmen Buck Religious Education Building. Our hours are Monday - Wednesday from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM and Friday from 9:00 AM - 12:00 Noon. We are closed on Thursday.

Sunday Mass is expected for all of our students. Please sign the book at the back of the Church following Mass.



St. Joseph School News

To keep up with the latest School news, like us on Facebook.

Visit our website www.sjsdanbury.org for information on upcoming events.

Newly Baptized

Please keep in your prayers this newly baptized and her family:

Leona Josephine Godlove



Saint Joseph Music Notes

Our Adult and Children's Choirs will be joining forces this Sunday at the 9:00 Mass. They will be singing an uplifting piece by English composer John Rutter, entitled Look at the World. It has a Thanksgiving message, and also images of nature's bounty and beauty, which seem to be so apparent at this time of year in our beautiful state of Connecticut. Thank you to all of our choristers for making this special effort!

NOVEMBER 18, 2018

The Giving Tree

Please take the stars from the baskets only not from the tree!

The gifts for the children need to be placed under the tree no later than **12/02**. This **DEADLINE** is VERY

IMPORTANT in order for the gifts to be distributed on time (Dec. 3rd). All the information from the stars (age, gender, agency initials, & #) should be written on the gifts. *After copying all the information from the star to the gift, decorate the star and place it on the tree.* Please make a point of having the gifts there on time. If you do not make this deadline you will have to go to the Religious Education Office, and they will tell you where to drop off your gift.

Stars coded DCF and LP are gifts that should be brought back unwrapped and placed in gift bags. Please make sure all information from the star is written on the gift before placing under the tree.

We would again like to thank you all for participating!



Knights of Columbus



Knights of Columbus McGivney Council #29 is the K of C chapter for much of Danbury; St. Joseph is its home Parish. Men (18+) are welcome to join. For information, please pick up the flyer in the pamphlet holder in the back of the church, or visit the Knights' web sites KofC29.org and facebook.com/kofc29.

Keep Christ in Christmas

This is the last weekend the Knights will be selling Christmas cards, ornaments, pins, seals, and "Keep Christ in Christmas" car magnets and yard signs. All items have a religious theme. Stop by and help celebrate the real reason for the Season!

Patronize our advertisers for their support! It is our advertisers that make our Bulletin possible.

Daily Mass Readings:

Monday, Nov. 19: Weekday

Revelation 1: 1-4, 2: 1-5
Responsorial Psalm 1
Gospel: Luke 18: 35-43

Tuesday, Nov. 20: Weekday

Revelation 3: 1-6, 14-22
Responsorial Psalm 15
Gospel: Luke 19: 1-10

Wednesday, Nov. 21: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Revelation 4: 1-11
Responsorial Psalm 150
Gospel: Luke 19: 11-28

Thursday, Nov. 22: Thanksgiving

Sirach 50: : 22-24
1 Corinthians 1: 3-9
Responsorial Psalm 113
Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19

Friday, Nov. 23: Weekday, [St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr; St. Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miquel Agustin Pro, Priest & Martyr]

Revelations 10: 8-11
Responsorial Psalm 119
Gospel: Luke 19: 45-48

Saturday, Nov. 24: St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs

Revelations 11: 4-12
Responsorial Psalm 144
Gospel: Luke 20: 27-40

Come join us for a celebration of motherhood!

St. Joseph Church is hosting an event for all mothers on Saturday, February 23, 2019 during the week of the Feast of St. Margaret of Cortona, the patron saint of single mothers. The event is meant to address the spiritual and material needs of our churched and unchurched mothers. The event will begin with a 30 minute prayers service including the traditional blessing of candles followed by food and information on support services in Danbury. If desired, childcare will be provided at St. Joseph School so mothers can attend the event without disruption.

We encourage everyone to sponsor a candle for a struggling mother and to accompany them to the event where the candles will be distributed. Please fill out the envelopes available near the bulletins and drop in the basket. A donation of \$10 is suggested.

McGivney 29 of the Knights of Columbus, the council representing most of Danbury, is supporting the event. The Knights of Columbus was founded in 1885 to ease the burden on widows and orphans. The need to support women who chose life may no longer result from a society with treacherous work conditions, but mothers face many other obstacles brought on by our secular society.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saint Joseph Parish

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 Email: recstjoseph@yahoo.com
 Office Hours: Mon.– Fri., 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Receptionist: Mrs. Kathee Meerman

Director of Music: Mr. David Baranowski, 203-778-1920
Adult Choir: Mr. David Baranowski - 203-778-1920
Children’s Choir: Mrs. Jennifer Doherty, 203-748-6615
Youth Ministry: 203-778-1920
Altar Servers: Mrs. Kathee Meerman, 203-748-8177
Eucharistic Ministers: Kathee Meerman, 203-748-8177
Lectors: Mrs. Kathee Meerman, 203-748-8177
Ushers: Mr. George Ziegler, 203-743-1634

Saint Joseph Religious Education

Director of Religious Education : Mrs. Lynn Smierciak,
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Secretary: Mrs. Claire Anderson, 203-778-1920
R.C.I.A.: Mrs. Margaret Curran, 203-792-1132
Adult Education Lectures: Dr. Joan Kelly, 203-227-8928

Parish Contacts

Bereavement Ministry: Deacon Donald & Mrs. Stephania Naiman, 203-748-8177
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 Dr. Roger LaGratta: rlagratta@comcast.net
Carmelites: Mrs. Joan Ledoux, 203-743-7813
Coffee Hour: Mrs. Anne Savino, 203-744-5567
Council of Catholic Women: Mrs. Barbara Whitlock
 203-791-0232
Finance Committee Chairman: Mr. Gerald Palanzo, Jr.,
 203-733-0124
Knights of Columbus: Mr. Tom Mahalik
 203-744-9562
Men’s Group: Mr. Mark Azzara, 203-947-4012
Parish Corporation Trustees:
 Mr. George Godfrey, III, M.B.A.
 Mrs. Constance LaGratta, M.A.
Parish Council: Mr. John Fisher, 203-792-5447
Respect Life Group: Mrs. Anne Leclercq, 203-790-6074
Scouts (Boy): Dr. Gerald Gibson, 203-797-1788

Food Drive



The Knights of Columbus Council #29 has been working to collect food for Catholic Charities here in Danbury. On the Third Sunday of each month (**November 18th**) we will be placing bins at each entrance at the Church for donations of non-perishable foods. These donations are hand delivered by the Knights to Catholic Charities. These donations are then given out too many needed families in the greater Danbury area. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

To sign-up for online giving, go to www.stjosephchurchdanbury.org and click on the Online Giving logo and create an account.

Saint Joseph School

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 Office 203-748-6615—Fax 203-748-6508
 Website: www.sjsdanbury.org
Home School Association: Mrs. Kate Gibowicz,
 203-748-6615
Advisory Board President: Dr. John Pitrelli
 203-748-6615



Please remember the sick of our Parish in your prayers: Barbara Baker, Kelli Barrett, Max Cassano, Tyrone Freitas, Anne Gallagher, Robert & Alberta Greeley, Leslie Johnson, Gavin King, Teresa O’Connor, Phillip Palanzo, Jr., Ethel Pancotti, and all our parishioners currently in nursing homes, hospitals, or confined to their homes.

To Our Welcome Visitors:

Welcome to Saint Joseph Church! May this be a sanctuary of peace and grace for you! If you attend our parish on a regular basis, will you consider registering with us? It is so helpful whenever the need arises for special sacraments, funeral masses, and sponsor certificates. Please complete the lines below, drop it in any collection basket and our staff will register you. And please be sure to introduce yourself to one of the parish priests.

***** Please help us to keep our list current by informing us when we may remove a name. Thank you.***

PLEASE PRINT

Mr | Mrs | Ms | Mr & Mrs (circle one)
 Last Name: _____
 First Name(s): _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, ZIP: _____
 Home Tel: _____
 Buss Tel: _____
 E-mail: _____
 Primary Language Spoken: _____
 Children (names, gender, & birthdates):

I am interested in: (circle)
 Becoming a member of St. Joseph Parish
 First Communion / Baptism / Confirmation
 Youth Programs (8th – 12th Grade)
 Choirs:
 Adults
 Children
 Adult Religious Education
 Liturgy Attended: _____