

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

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<https://saintphilipct.com>

NEW PARISHIONERS

We are delighted to welcome you and encourage you to register by filling out a registration form or emailing the office.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	9:00 a.m.
Sunday	11:00 a.m.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday	8:00 a.m.
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.
Thursday	8:00 a.m.
Friday	8:00 a.m.

CONFESSION: Saturdays 3:30-4:00 pm

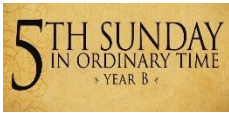
SACRAMENTS

Please call the office for information on Baptism, Marriage, and Pastoral Visits.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sundays in the Parish Center

St. Philip's is Handicap Accessible



February 4, 2024
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 †**Mass Schedule and Intentions**†

Readings start on page 1017 St. Augustine Hymnal

Sat Feb 3, 3:30-4:00 pm Confession

Sat Feb 3, 4:30 pm Mass

† **Walter Pudelkiewicz, Birthday Remembrance**

By Ann Phillips

† **Eugene Sorel, 37th Anniversary**

By Mr. & Mrs. Victor Drouin & Pauline Picard

Sun Feb 4, 9:00 am Mass

For the Sick of Our Parish

Sun Feb 4, 11:00 am Mass

† **Tony Antunes** *by Norb & Julie Saegaert*

† **Ruth Yulo** *by Ralph Yulo*

Sun Feb 4, 12:00 Noon Baptism: **Quinn E. Cronin**

Tues Feb 6, 8:00 am Mass: *St. Paul Miki &*

For the Sick of Our Parish *Companions*

Wed Feb 7, 8:00 am Mass

† **Susan Martin, 20th Anniversary** *by Robert Martin*

Thurs Feb 8, 8:00 am Mass: *St. Jerome Emiliani*

For Our Parish *St. Josephine Bakhita*

Fri Feb 9, 8:00 am Mass

† **Anthony Antunes** *by Caroline Doughty*

ADORATION following Mass; **Benediction 12:00 noon**

Sat Feb 10, 1:00 pm Baptism: **Jeremiah R. J.**

Vertefeuille

Sat Feb 10, 3:30-4:00 pm Confession

Sat Feb 10, 4:30 pm Mass

Sun Feb 11, 9:00 am Mass

Sun Feb 11, 11:00 am Mass

† **John Doughty, Sr., 2nd Anniversary**

by Caroline Doughty

† **Gerard Cloutier** *by Lorraine Cloutier & Family*

If you have a Mass Intention for a loved one, please bring up the gifts during that Mass.

If you need the **Eucharist** brought to you at Mass, please raise your hand after Communion, the Eucharistic Minister will bring it to you.

THE PRAYER BASKET is for your special intentions to be placed on the altar during Mass.



Coffee and Donuts in Parish Center after 9:00 am & before 11:00 am Sunday Mass!



Church open: Mon-Thurs, 9:30-2:30 & Fri Adoration.

Blessed Mother Candle is lit for **Delima Ouellette, Birthday Remembrance** by Caroline Doughty.



Flowers in the vestibule of the Church are available to take home.

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time "Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, 'Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also.'" - Mark 1:35, 38. In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus takes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we are given the graces needed to do what He wishes us to do. Praying before acting is a great habit to develop.

PRAYER LIST: For current requests please call 860-429-2860 or email stphilipstjude@gmail.com.

PRAYER LIST: Seth Beebe, John Bergeron, Jr., John Bergeron, Sr., Brian Berry, Megan Berry, Paula Bonin, Penny Boomer, Elizabeth Clifford, Ed Conlan, Tanner DeJesse, Tony DeMonte, Camille Delisle, Yvette & Maurice Dionne, Charles Dobrowolski, Alison Dodd, Helen Donnelly & Family, Caroline Doughty, Kyle Ernst, Agnes Flynn, Barry G., Myles Gratton, Joyce H., Henry Hansen, Kathy Hills, Mikey Harakaly, P.J., Marie James, Joshua, Tom Joyal, Melinda King, B.L., Patrice Lucas, Barry Madden, Matthew Madden, Noah Markowycz, Ray McCaughey, Jackie Mozzicato, Jesse Narwicziks, Bob Ogden, Laura P., M.P., Dan Panciera, Jane Pease, Pauline Picard, Diane Piccoli, Emil Poirier, Heather Poulin, Jim Rook, Wim S., Mike Schwartz, Skyler Sherman, Maureen Smith, Patrick Stenglein, Mason Studley, Mary Jane Tynan, Joseph Tyson, K.V., J.W., Chad W., Greg & Jocelyne Wakefield, Terri Warren, Caroline Williams.

BOY SCOUTS: Mon, Feb 5, at 7pm.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY Feb 6th, 9:30am. Studying "Walking with Mary" by Edward Sri.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will meet **Tues, Feb 6 at 7pm** in the Parish Center.

ST. PHILIP ADULT EDUCATION. Led by Ed Conlan, *The Parables of Jesus.* **Feb 7, 10:00 am** All are welcome.

Blessed Mother's Stitchers: Tue, Feb 27, 10 am. Please join us as we create Baptismal blankets and hats, scarves, and gloves for needy people.

Calling all Children of the Parish! We will pray the **CHILDREN'S ROSARY** on Sundays, at 8:25 am, BEFORE the 9 am Mass. Hope to see you there! Our Lady wants our children and parishioners to know how to pray and experience the powerful strength and graces of the Rosary. The group is geared for those 3-15 years old, but all are welcome. Bring your Rosary or use one provided. Text Donna @ 860-617-8567.





Knights of Columbus

Thank you to all who participated and supported the KofC-sponsored Roast Pork Dinner. Over \$1,400 of net proceeds will be used for Knight's programs. Special thanks to chef John Mozzicato and his hard-working kitchen crew. Great food and fellowship.

Sincerely,
Clay Wright, Council 6934
Knights of Columbus

HOLY FAMILY RETREATS FOR MEN & WOMEN

2023/2024 Retreat Theme:



The women who went on retreat last weekend experienced so much together & grew in faith & healing. We thank you for your prayers.

Three retreat dates are still open for **Women:** March 1-3; April 19-21; May 31-June 2. **Men's retreat**

dates: Feb 23-25; Mar 8-10; Mar 15-17; Mar 22-24; Apr 5-7; Apr 12-14; May 3-5; June 7-9.

For information visit: www.holyfamilyretreat.org.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH TAG SALE

"One person's junk is another person's treasure." Spring clean and make some cash by participating in our tag sale, March 2, 2024, 10 am to 3 pm. Sign up in the vestibule.



Catholic Man of the Month

Venerable Félix Varela (1788-1853)

SLIGHT IN STATURE, Father Félix Varela didn't look like the "Benjamin Franklin of Cuba." But as an intellectual, he was a giant, helping to form a generation of Cuban leaders. More than a century after Father Varela's death, Pope John Paul II praised him as "the best synthesis ... of Christian faith and Cuban culture."

Born in Havana, Varela was raised by his grandfather, a Spanish military officer, in St. Augustine, Florida. As a teen choosing between the military or seminary, Varela declared, "I want to be a soldier of Jesus Christ."

He returned to Cuba to study at San Carlos and San Ambrosio Seminary and was ordained a priest in 1811. Within a year, Father Varela joined the seminary faculty, teaching philosophy, physics and chemistry. His students called him "the one who taught us to think."

Elected to represent Cuba in the Spanish parliament in 1821, Father Varela advocated for Cuban independence and the abolition of slavery. His views incurred the king's ire, and the priest was exiled in 1823.



Father Varela found asylum in the United States, where in 1824 he founded *El Habanero*, considered the nation's first Spanish-language Catholic newspaper. The next year, Father Varela began serving as a parish priest among the down-trodden immigrant communities in New York City, particularly the Irish. His reputation for charity and administrative skills led him to be named vicar general of the diocese. He also served as a theological consultant to the U.S. bishops' committee that wrote the *Baltimore Catechism*.

Father Félix Varela died Feb. 18, 1853, in St. Augustine. His cause for canonization, initiated in 1983, has been advanced by the Cuban bishops and Archdiocese of New York. Pope Benedict XVI declared him venerable in 2012. +



Operation Rice Bowl: Our Lenten Program: For Lent, For Life

For 51 years, Operation Rice Bowl has helped to feed the hungry poor. Through Operation Rice Bowl --- a program of prayer, fasting, learning, and giving --- what you give up for Lent can give hope to the poorest of the poor. Make this Lenten season one of awareness, compassion, and reflection. Operation Rice Bowl is sponsored by Catholic Relief Services and the Diocese of Norwich. Details of this program will appear in next Sunday's Bulletin.

THE SISTERS OF CHARITY will be having a Share-A-Day for girls in grades 5, 6, 7, and 8 at Holy Family Motherhouse, 54 W. Main St., Baltic, CT 06330 on Saturday, Feb. 17th, 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. The theme is "*Lent is preparing for Easter.*" No charge, and meals are included. This special day includes recreation, talks, activities and prayers with the Sisters. Telephone (860) 822-8241 or e-mail smaryjacinta@gmail.com.



St. Philip the Apostle Church
Saturday, March 9, 2024
Corned Beef and Cabbage
dinner.

Proceeds will be used for the Maintenance of the Church.



March 16: Wine Tasting: Ecole Agape

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RCIA Retreat

The Office of Faith Events and the Awaken team will assist Candidates & Catechumens prepare to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. Discover God's unconditional love for you, learn about the gifts of the Holy Spirit, develop a meaningful prayer life, and experience God's mercy in reconciliation. The Retreat for RCIA is **Sat, Feb 24th at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Quaker Hill from 9:30am – 5pm** with Mass at 5pm. To register, contact Marianne Nicholas call 860-848-2237 ex.305 or manicholas@norwichdiocese.net.



THE PARISH FLAGPOLE is available through the kindness of some of our parishioners. Any parishioner is invited to fly our flag in honor and memory of a deceased military family member or friend, for one month. To participate, please call Ann at 860-429-2860, during office hours. Thank you to all our veterans who have served, both living and deceased.

A WALK TO REMEMBER SAINT JOSEPH'S LIVING CENTER, INC.

14 Club Rd., Windham, CT 06280, is creating a walkway with Memorial Bricks in the courtyard. It is a way to remember residents, family and friends who have been a part of St. Joseph's over the past 35 years. This will be an ongoing campaign. There is an application in the online bulletin or for more info, please contact: Gayle Ethier, Pastoral Care Director at St. Joseph's Living Center. 860-456-1107, ext. 128. Or gayle.ethier@sjlcct.org.



YEAR-END TAX REPORTING

If you would like a printout of your financial contribution to St. Philip Church for the year 2023, please fill out this coupon and place it in the collection basket.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Envelope # _____

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. Or www.beginningexperiencehv.org.

THE WAY OF THE CROSS: The Office of Faith Events invites you to join us virtually Friday nights in Lent as we pray together the Stations of the Cross through a different focus each week.

February 16: Through the eyes of the suffering
February 23: Through the eyes of the bereaved
March 1: Through the eyes of marriage
March 15: Through the eyes of Mary
March 22: Through the eyes of Jesus
The stations take place online at 7 pm. **No stations on Friday, March 8.** Registration is required. You can register for one evening or all five. To register call Mary-Jo McLaughlin, at 860-848-2237, x 312 or email: mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

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 weeks' 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.

THE 2024 NORWICH DIOCESAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE will once again be themed "Dinner with Jesus", at Georgina's Restaurant, Bolton, CT, March 13, 5:30 – 9 PM. Bring your sisters, daughters, friends, and fellow parishioners to be inspired and fed in a deep and meaningful way with women from around the diocese for this very special event. Our keynote speaker will be the 'Catholic Evangelista', Sonja Corbitt. As always, the year's recipient of the *Our Lady Queen of Hope Award* will be announced, and a silent auction and basket raffle will add to the fun! Tickets are \$75 and must be bought in advance. Main course dinner options are chicken Francaise, baked scrod, or eggplant parmigiana. To register go to <https://bit.ly/2Laol7Y>. Seating is limited so don't delay in reserving your space! Questions? Call Marianne at the Office of Faith Events, 860-848-2237, ext. 304.




**Diocese of Norwich
Catholic Family Services**

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.

GIFT CARDS ARE NEEDED Please consider donating a card from Walmart, Stop & Shop or Big Y for requests that come from the needy in our community. Put them in an envelope marked "office" and place them in the collection basket. *Thank you.*

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC CDs:



We have lots of CDs you can trust to provide correct Catholic teaching. Thank you for all your donations that help to keep the program going. Contact Donna Vertefeulle: 860-429-4508 or email donna@vertefeulle.org.

If you seek hope, strength and comfort from a loss, burden, or sorrow, join us for **A Journey with Mary Through Her Seven Sorrows**, a virtual 7-week program that will explore each of the 7 sorrows of Mary's life and the message of strength and encouragement each one contains. The program will meet online Mondays, 7-8:15 pm. Feb 5, 12, and 19, 2024. Each week will include a reflection on one of Mary's sorrows, guided prayer imagery and discussion. The program is free, but registration is required. For info, contact the Catholic Family Services Office, 860-848-2237, x 312 email: mmclaughlin@norwichdio7thcese.net.



**Find hope, strength, and comfort from
a loss, burden, trouble, or sorrow**


The Catholic Family Service Office is sponsoring

**A Journey with Mary
Through Her Seven Sorrows**

Join us for a seven-week virtual program that will explore each of the Seven Sorrows of Mary's life and the message of strength and encouragement each one contains. The program is based on the book *Your Sorrow Is My Sorrow* by Sr. Joyce Rupp.

**Monday evenings from 7-8:15 P.M.
January 8, 15, 22, 29; Feb. 5, 12, 19, 2024**

Each night will include a reflection on one of Mary's sorrows, guided prayer imagery and discussion. The program takes place online and requires participants to have an internet connection.



"Everyone can find their struggles and sadness hidden in the folds of Mary's robe of sorrows." ~ Sr. Joyce Rupp

For more information or to register, call Mary-Jo McLaughlin at the Catholic Family Services Office, 860-848-2237, Ext. 312 or email mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net

Please share your e-mail address with The Office of Faith Events of the Diocese of Norwich!

Be the first to know about all the faith enriching programs, virtual and live, that we offer throughout the year. This will also enable you to receive our bi-weekly Hope and Faith Video series. Email Marianne at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net to be added to the list today!



PLEASE NOTE: The phone number previously listed in the bulletin for **Deacon Chris** has been assigned to another person.

DID YOU KNOW!?

Catholic Charities is a SNAP Outreach agency. We help with SNAP applications and redetermination of benefits in all four offices. For assistance, please contact a Catholic Charities office near you:

331 Main St., Norwich:	860-889-8346
28 Huntington St., New London:	860-443-5328
88 Jackson St., Willimantic:	860-423-7065
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<https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/schedule>

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We're **bringing young adults** (18-39) together weekly in Chapters all across Connecticut to **develop communities of young adult missionary disciples** and **encounter the Lord**.

Join one of our Diocese of Norwich Chapters:

<p>Middletown Chapter St. Sebastian Church (155 Washington Street, Middletown) Thursdays from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM in Church Basement</p>	<p>Mystic Chapter St. Edmund's Retreat Center (1 Enders Island, Mystic) Monday from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM in St. Michael Hall</p>
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WHEN PLANNING YOUR ESTATE: Please consider putting St. Philip in your will as a way to be remembered while supporting the ongoing needs of the parish.

ADVERTISE IN OUR BULLETIN

\$200 for six months for a small ad. (See above). \$300 for a double-sized ad. Discount for an entire year is \$550 for a double ad. Funeral Homes will receive a triple-sized ad. Ads may be submitted each year in July and January to the Parish Office email: stphilipstjude@gmail.com. If you or someone you know would like to advertise and support the Church bulletin, please let us know.

Natural Family Planning is scientific, safe, and is 99 % effective for conceiving or responsibly postponing a baby. For information, call Craig and Liz Schantz at 860-464-1184. www.ccli.org.

A NOTE ABOUT PARISH REGISTRATION



If you regularly worship with us, please register with St. Philip parish to provide accurate census data to the diocese. Return registration forms (orange) from the vestibule to the office. **Thank you.**

ALTAR SERVERS: Fr. Michael would like parents to consider having their daughter or son volunteer for the privilege of serving at the altar during Mass. If interested, please leave a message with the Canavan family at 860-429-4116.



Please do not respond to any messages on the internet from Father Michael Giannitelli. He does not communicate via the internet. If you see anything that bears his name, it is fraudulent. Thank you.



WHEN PLANNING YOUR ESTATE: Please consider putting St. Philip in your will as a way to be remembered while supporting the ongoing needs of the parish.

From September to June the **Office of Faith Events: Hope and Faith video series** will ask the question, "What is your favorite part of mass and why?" If you would like to share your answer to this question in a short 2 minute video that would be shared with the whole diocese, please contact Marianne at 860-848-2237 x 304 or email: manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

Pregnant? Need help? CATHOLIC CHARITIES Pregnancy and Adoption Programs provide concrete help & answers. Call 1-800- BABYDUE, even if you simply want to talk.

RCIA RETREAT THE HOLY SPIRIT *Awaken*

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24th
At Our Lady of Perpetual Help
in Quaker Hill, CT
Retreat 9:30 - 5 PM with Mass 5-6:00 PM

Catechumens and Candidates are welcome to attend the day filled with prayer, witness, talks and more. To register, contact Marianne at Manicholas@norwichdiocese.net or call (860)848-2237 ex.305

WHY DON'T OUR ADULT CHILDREN ATTEND

MASS?" REPLAY – Did you miss the virtual presentation of “Why Don't our Adult Children attend Mass?” with Deacon Dennis Dolan and Mary-Jo McLaughlin, Catholic Family Services Coordinator? You can watch it again at your leisure from the comfort of your home by adding the link <https://bit.ly/3SR2slk> into your browser. Join Deacon Dennis and Mary-Jo as they explore the topic of adult children who stopped going to Mass. Listen to parents who are burdened by this knowledge as they reflect on the presentation. The session covers why adult children have chosen not to attend, encouragement for them to come back to church, and time for prayer and reflection.

YOU CAN HELP YOUR MARRIAGE – If your marriage has become troubled or stressed, unloving or uncaring, even if you are divorced or separated but want to try again, the Retrouvaille program can help. Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness and simply shut down. Others experience conflict and arguments in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For info, call confidentially 1-800-470-2230, email 3002r@retrouvaille.org or visit the national website at: <http://helpourmarriage.org>.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time!

Mark 1:33-35: "The whole city was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with many diseases, and he drove out many demons. "Later he went off to a deserted place to pray." Jesus preached and also went about healing those who were ill. Jesus also can heal our marriages and make them whole again. Learn the five tools for a better marriage by signing up and attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. You will be glad you did! You can find one by looking up wwme.org. Dates to sign up are:

Feb 8-March 21 Virtual (evenings twice a week)

February 9-11, 2024 in Huntington, NY

March 15-17, 2024 in Upton, MA

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or <https://wwmectw.org/>.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKEND

If you are silently grieving or suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat** which includes discussions, Living Scripture with meditations, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and Mass of Entrustment. Participation is confidential and offers an opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion, for both women and men. Call Marie at 203-631-9030 or e-mail her at mlaffin@prolifeministry.org; or visit the national website at www.rachelsvineyard.org. **"PROJECT RACHEL"** is our Diocesan ministry for anyone seeking healing and forgiveness from an abortion. Priests in the **Project Rachel** ministry are there for you with God's Grace and Mercy. Call 860-861-4439. All inquiries are confidential.

Marriage Preparation Classes to Meet Virtually

The Catholic Family Services Office will be offering virtual or one-on-one marriage preparation classes for engaged couples. Couples getting married should contact Mary-Jo McLaughlin at the Catholic Family Services Office to establish class dates. She can be reached Mon – Wed at 860-848-2237, Ext 312 or email: mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

BROTHERS IN CHRIST WITH TRANSITIONAL DEACON ALEX PANDOLFE

Brothers in Christ would like you to join us on Thursday-February 8th from 7pm – 7:45pm for our virtual session with Transitional Deacon Alex Pandolfe speaking on “The path to priesthood”. Brothers in Christ is a gathering of men who share faith, personal experiences, and discussion. Brothers in Christ fellowship meetings are held the second Thursday of the month either virtually or in - person. If you are interested in developing fellowship and discipleship with other men devoted to Christ, please register for the group by email Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or call (860)848-2237 ex. 305.

PROJECT RACHEL ROSARY AT THE

CATHEDRAL The third Tuesday of each month at the Cathedral of St. Patrick following the noon mass, join the Office of Faith Events as we pray the Project Rachel Rosary. The Project Rachel Rosary focuses on hope, healing, and forgiveness for those affected by an abortion and also for an end to abortion. Please join us for this in-person Project Rachel Rosary on Tuesday, February 20th following the noon mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich.

DEEPENING OUR FAITH THROUGH THE

SACRAMENTS Join us on Wednesday February 7th from 7 – 8:15PM virtually for a deepening of our faith through the Sacraments of Healing- Penance and Anointing of the Sick. Reconciliation is the first sacrament of healing because of our natural tendency to sin, we break our relationships. Anointing of the Sick is a powerful and effective sign of Jesus' presence that brings strength and healing to the sick, elderly and dying. Our keynote is Sr. Elissa Rinere, C.P. the former Diocesan Chancellor. Let's explore the sacraments of healing together. To register, please contact Marianne at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net or call 860-848-2237 ext. 304.

REMINDER: If you do not use our church envelopes and would like an end-of-the-year statement, please register in our parish and include your check or cash in an envelope with your name and address on it. We need this information for our software program. Thank you.

VIRTUAL LENTEN MISSION

The Virtual Lenten Mission is an opportunity for us to deepen our faith, take time for reflection, and pray. This Lent, speakers Fr. Brian Romanowski, Judy Kosteini- Director of the New England Biblical School, Fr. Michael Phillippino, and Mary Ellen Mahon- Retired Secretary for Catholic Formation in Manchester will reflect on the upcoming scriptures for our Mission. The mission will begin on Thursday, February 22nd at 7:00 – 7:45pm and continue weekly with the last session on Thursday, March 14th. To register, contact Marianne at (860)848-2237 ex. 304 or email her at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

Diocesan Catholic Schools Basketball

Tournament Come out to St. Bernard's School on Friday March 2nd after 3pm, Saturday March 3rd all day, and Sunday March 4th to cheer on your favorite Catholic Elementary Teams as they compete to see who will be the Diocesan Champion. Admission is \$5 for a game or \$10 for a weekend pass.



St. Joseph Living Center is offering family and friends who have or have had family members or friends who resided at our facility, a special way to remember their loved one through the purchase of an engraved brick to be placed in our courtyard walkway. We are calling this "St Joseph Living Center's 'A Walk to Remember'."

The proceeds of this fundraising effort will go toward the ongoing needs of our center and provide a lasting memorial of those whom we have had the privilege and honor to serve over the past 35 years.

"A Walk to Remember" Brick Campaign

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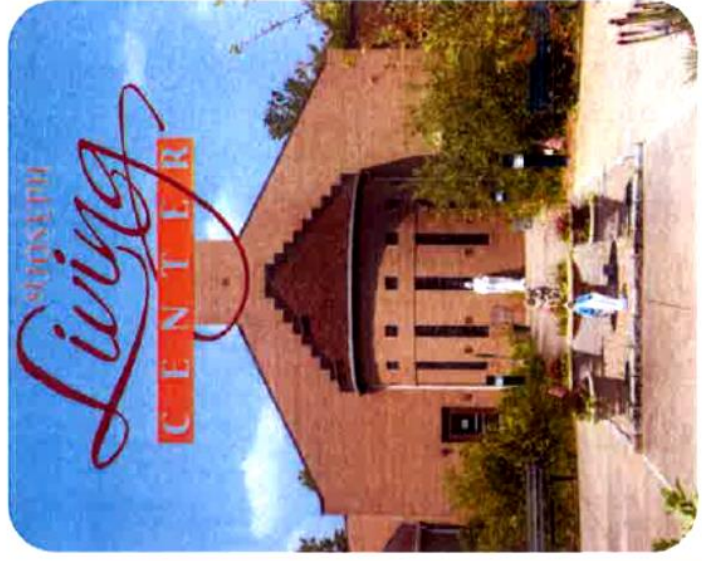
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Sacraments of Healing



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Baptism



Communion



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Holy Orders



Marriage



Reconciliation

Wednesday- February 7, 2024

7:00PM – 8:15PM

Virtual Workshop

The Lord Jesus Christ, physician of our souls and bodies, who forgave the sins of the paralytic and restored him to bodily health, has willed that his Church continue, in the power of the Holy Spirit, his work of healing salvation, even among her own members. This is the purpose of the two sacraments of healing: the sacrament of Penance and the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

Our keynote speaker is Sr. Elissa Rinere, C.P. former Diocesan Chancellor and Director of the Offices of Worship & Pastoral Planning

*RSVP to Marianne at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net
or call 860-848-2237 ext. 304 by Mon. February 5th*

*The 3rd session on the Sacrament of Marriage can be viewed at:
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*Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened,
and I will give you rest. -Matthew 11:28*

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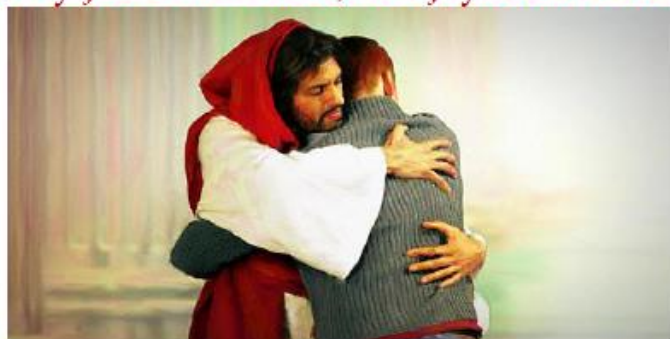
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Sonja Corbitt

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Sonja Corbitt is the Catholic Evangelista and creator of "the best modernization of lectio," the LOVE the Word® Bible study method and journal. A best-selling author and Telly Award winning broadcaster, her weekly radio and television shows and variety of other unique approaches to Scripture create space for busy Christians to hear and experience God through the scriptures. Sonja writes for Magnificat magazine and the Ascension Press blog, and widely among other internet outlets. A lively and frequent guest on a variety of national television and radio shows, Sonja studies with Holy Apostles College and Seminary, home schools, and lives with her husband and boys in Tennessee. What's an "evangelista"? Find out at biblestudyevangelista.com, where you can also catch her latest study series on *Cherished: How God Is Using Your Vocation to Heal You*.



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