ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

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PARISH EMAIL & Bulletin Announcements stphilipstjude@gmail.com

PARISH WEBSITE

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

4:30 p.m. Saturday 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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays At 6pm During Lent, followed by Soup in the Parish Center

St. Philip's is Handicap Accessible



March 26, 2023 Fifth Sunday of Lent +Mass Schedule and Intentions+

St. Augustine Hymnal readings page 846. Sat Mar 25, 3:30-4:00 pm Confession 4:30 pm Mass: Annunciation of the Lord Sat Mar 25. † Margaret Pudelkewicz, 19th Anniversary by Ann Phillips Mar 26, 9:00 am Mass Sun For the Sick of our Parish Sun Mar 26, 11:00 am Mass Brandon King for his well-being by a Friend Tues Mar 28, 8:00 am Mass Cameron Wilcox for his well-being by Caroline Doughty Wed Mar 29, 8:00 am Mass *†* Joan Chamberlain by the Udal Family Mar 30, 8:00 am Mass Thu For the Intentions of our Parish Mar 31, 8:00 am Mass Fri *†* Joseph Cydylo, Jr. by Betty & Joe Cydylo ADORATION following Mass; Benediction 12:00 noon Mar 31, 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross Fri STATIONS OF THE CROSS at St. Philip will be on Fridays during Lent at 6pm. All are invited for soup, in the Parish Conter of the Cont Parish Center after Stations. Sat Apr 1, 3:30-4:00 pm Confession Apr 1, 4:30 pm Mass Sat **†** Helen R Ference, 100th Birthday Remembrance by James, Louise & Thomas Ference † Laurette Drouin, 7th Anniversary bv Victor & Lori Drouin Sun Apr 2, 9:00 am Mass † George Nagy, Birthday Remembrance by Peter & Jean Piecyk Apr 2, 11:00 am Mass Sun *†* Amalia Zaicek by Zaicek & Zabik Families *†* Henry Krapf, Birthday Remembrance by Ethel Krapf

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

Please note: If during Mass you need the Eucharist



brought to you, please raise your hand after Communion so the Eucharistic Minister can bring Communion to you at your seat.

Next week:

Easter offering for sick & infirmed Priests.

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.

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



The American flag flies during March for John Rauert, Sr. DOB: 12/9/1919 World War II Gunner's Mate on a Landing Ship Tank in the Philippines By His Daughter, Carol Olsen

PRAYER LIST: For current requests please call 860-429-2860 or email stphilipstjude@gmail.com. PRAYER LIST: Seth Beebe, John Bergeron, Sr., Ed Borowski, Bruce Ceramicole, Helen Donnelly & Family, Kyle Ernst, Myles Gratton, P.J., Marie James, Joyce H., Melinda & Brandon King, Patrice Lucas, Ray McCaughey, Jackie Mozzicato, Jesse Narwiciziks, Laura P., M.P., Bob Ogden, Terry Perkins, Pauline Picard, Emil Poirier, Heather Poulin, Dawn Pringle, Patrick Pringle, Karen Ravenelle, Skyler Sherman, Maureen Smith, Patrick Stenglein, Mason Studley, Ruth T., Phil Tripoli, Mary Jane Tynan, J.W., Terri Warren, Sara Zeumer.

CHOIR REHEARSAL Sundays, March 26, and April 2 at 6:30 pm.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Carla Harrington Email: carlaharrington8@gmail.com. CCD Class for First Communion students only,

March 26, 9:45 am. All Students meet Apr 2.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a combined Parish **Council** and **Finance Committee** Meeting after the 11 am Mass on Sunday, March 26, 2023 in the Parish Center.

BOY SCOUTS: Tues Mar 28, 7pm Parish Ctr. ADULT EDUCATION WITH ED CONLAN

"Catholic Beliefs and Practices." Masks and social distancing requested. All are welcome. Wed Mar 29, 10am. Topic: Advent and Lent.

BLESSED MOTHER'S STITCHERS: Mar 28, 10am. LADIES BIBLE STUDY Tues Apr 18, 10am.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS April meeting is cancelled due to the celebration of Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter. Next Meeting May 2.



LENTEN CROSS Yellow crosses are for children, violet for adults. Each week you are encouraged to remove a cross in a spirit of reparation. Once you read the Lenten practice, place the cross in the basket on the altar railing and carry out the practice. The next week, when you have done the practice, place a paper flower, on the large Lenten cross. By the end of Lent our Cross will have "blossomed" into a beautiful

cross of flowers, a visual sign of our Lenten sacrifices, prayers and practices, offered in reparation for our sins and the sins of the world.



Please return your **RICE BOWLS**

on Palm Sunday weekend which is April 1 and 2 in the baskets in the vestibule of the church. Thank you.

NOTE: We are currently asking if you have children that are participating in the **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

program, please register your child now for 2023/2024.



Registration forms are in the vestibule of the church.



NOTICE: We are in need of volunteers to help with the planting, weeding and watering of flowers and plants throughout the growing season. If you are able to donate any time to help

beautify our grounds, it will be greatly appreciated. Please call the Parish Office at 860-429-2860.

GOOD FRIDAY PASSION WALK

Participants of all ages are needed. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the church. Rehearsal will be Sunday March 26th after the 11:00 Mass. We need someone to portray Jesus.



As the 2023 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL "One

Faith, One Family" continues, we are grateful to the parish families that have already made their gift or pledge. For us to achieve our overall goal, it will require the personal sacrifice of all members of our faith community. If you have not yet responded to the Appeal, please know your gift, no matter the amount, will help enable our ministries to provide essential pastoral, educational, and humanitarian needs to many. Pledge envelopes are in the vestibule or you may visit

www.norwichdiocesedevelopment or call (860) 886-1928 for alternate ways to give. Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

ST. PHILIP PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE



The annual Bake Sale will take place on Saturday, April 1st from 9am to 6pm. Baked goods can be dropped off at the Parish Center on Friday, March 31st from

6 to 8 pm. Please list ingredients on all food items, highlight peanuts and nuts. Salt-free and gluten-free items have been requested. Any baked goods left over will be on sale after the 9 and 11 am Masses on Palm Sunday. Thank you.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BEING BAPTIZED?



There is an opportunity for people who are interested in receiving baptism for themselves or their child. If interested, please call the BAPTISM Parish Office at 860-429-2860.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE APRIL 2-9, 2023 Palm Sunday Apr 2: Mass at 9:00 and 11:00 am. Masses: Tues & Wed at 8:00 am. Holy Thursday Apr 6: Mass 7:00 pm. No Adoration on Good Friday, April 7 Good Friday Apr 7: 2:30 pm Passion Walk 3:00 pm Good Friday Service 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross Holy Saturday Apr 8: 11:00 Food Blessing in Center. 8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass. Note: There is no 4:30 pm Mass on Easter Saturday. Easter Sunday Apr 9: Mass at 9:00am and 11:00am.

HOLY SATURDAY "BLESSING OF THE FOOD"

The Blessing of the Easter Basket is an Eastern European tradition. Various countries and villages have slightly different traditions. The basket typically



contains a sampling of the foods to be eaten on Easter. The foods are placed in a wicker basket lined with a white linen or embroidered cloth. It is often decorated with colorful ribbons and sprigs of greenery. Typical foods included are Easter bread (babka), butter, horseradish, colored eggs, kielbasa, ham, bacon, sweet cheese, salt. The basket is brought to be blessed on Holy Saturday, April 8th at 11:00 am at the St. Philip Parish Center and the foods are to be eaten on Easter Sunday.

Join us Sunday mornings for the Children's Rosary Prayer Group at 8:30 am. Led by children, the Rosary is a powerful prayer, second only to the Mass. 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 for info.

CHRISM MASS: This year, Bishop Michael R. Cote, D.D., invites you to the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Tues, Apr 4, 2023, at 10:30 am. The Chrism Mass is the Liturgy during which the sacred Chrism is consecrated and the Oil of the Sick and the Oil of the Catechumens are blessed. These oils are sanctified for use at the Cathedral and in all parishes in the Diocese of Norwich for Baptism, Confirmation, the Anointing of The Sick and the Ordination of Priests. Together, the three oils symbolize the sacramental life of the Church. Since the Chrism Mass is truly a Diocesan event ALL parishioners are invited.



Bereavement Support Group Coping with the loss

of a loved one

WEDNESDAYS STARTING MARCH 29th 10:15AM - 11:45AM ST. MATTHEW CHAPEL TOLLAND, CT

Living through grief is not easy but it does not have to be done alone. Blessed Sacrament Parish will offer a 9 week support program called, "New Day", for those who have suffered the loss of a loved one. The goal of this program is to provide a sense of community where support is given and received.

The program is led by trained facilitators and includes prayer, discussion, and journaling. Although New Day is a faith-based program, it is not restricted to Catholics and all are welcome.

In order to accommodate individual needs, the group size is limited to a minimum of 6 persons and a maximum of 9. It is recommended that it has been at least 6 months since the loss and that family members not attend together. Masks are recommended but not required.

Registration is required. The deadline to register is: March 22nd

For further information or to register for the program, please call:

Sue Gilbertie at (860) 371-1111 or

Carol Freedman at (860) 268-0966

If there is no answer, please leave a message.

ATTENTION ALL KNIGHTS



There will be a Patriotic (4th degree) Exemplification that will be conducted in St. Mary's Church 5 Hillhouse Ave New Haven, CT on

SUNDAY APRIL 23

Following the 10:30 Mass.

Any Brother Knight who has not attained the rank of Sir Knight (4th Degree) please contact your Grand Knight OR contact Sir Knight Joseph Sean Aparicio at ADMINISTRATIVEAIDE@ASSEMBLY2459.ORG or Sir Knight Frank Quadrino at scribe@assembly2459.org for further details.

CONFIRMATION NEWS:

Any adult that desires to receive Confirmation in the Spring, has the following options for preparation: 1. Attend six classes at the Parish Center following the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday.

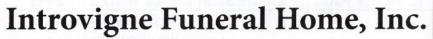
2. Complete a self-directed homeschooling program. The Parish provides a workbook. Any further questions, please call the Parish Office at 860-429-2860.





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



Pre-Need Arrangements - Traditional Services or Cremation

Directors: Joseph R. Introvigne, Joseph R. Introvigne, Jr., Michael J. Introvigne

www.introvignefuneralhome.com 860-684-2538

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someone vou know would like to advertise and support the Church bulletin,

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The Office of Faith Events is sponsoring **The Make a Memory Easter Basket Project**. We invite every family to make an Easter basket that will be delivered to a soup kitchen/shelter in the Norwich Diocese for children and families who would not otherwise receive one. Please fill with Easter treats (small toys, candy, etc.) and wrap it in a cellophane bag. Homemade cards are encouraged. Some safety details...*make sure all candy is packagedbig or small- no loose candy please*, no candy with nuts or peanut butter for allergy reasons. Please deliver to the Bishop Flanagan Ministry Center, 199 Broadway, Norwich **by March 27**th to ensure delivery to the soup kitchen/shelter before Easter. Questions, call Andrea at 860-848-2237 ext. 203

The Norwich Office of Faith Events invites you to join them (*virtually*) Friday nights in Lent to pray the Stations of the Cross through a different focus each week.
March 24: Through the eyes of the family
March 31: Through the eyes of social justice The stations will begin at 7 pm. The stations take place online and requires participants to have an internet connection. Registration is required. You can register for just one evening or all six. To register Call Mary-Jo McLaughlin, at 860-848-2237, Ext 312 or email her at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

A Festival of Scripture, Music and Dance for Lent and Easter Sunday, April 2, 2023 2:00 pm St. Andrew Church 128 Norwich Ave, Colchester, CT Featuring St. Andrew Choir, Soloists and Lectors from the Parish Community. Special Guest Performers: Studio 22 Dancers East Lyme, CT Refreshments & Fellowship Immediately Following the Concert in the Parish Hall *Free Remission*

VIRTUAL BASKET RAFFLE will culminate on Sunday, April 2 at midnight. Go to

https://go.rallyup.com/2023baskets today to view 17 lovely baskets, chances are only \$1 each! Winners will be notified April 3. Questions? Call the Office of Faith Events @ 860-848-2237, Thank you!!

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

DIOCESE OF NORWICH CATHOLIC FAMILY

SERVICES Prodigal Son Retreat ~ Take time away from the busyness of the world this Lenten season and spend quality time with Jesus by attending a retreat on the Parable of the Prodigal Son Sat, March 25, 2023, at St. Mary Church, 45 Freestone Ave, Portland, CT. Join us as we take a deeper look at this well-known parable from the perspective of each of the three main characters: the prodigal son, the elder brother, and the father. How are each of us like these characters? What is the lesson this parable has for all of us in living our call to be in relationship with Jesus and His Father? How do we cultivate and deepen these relationships? The retreat, which will run from 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M., will include time for guided imagery prayer and personal reflection. For info, or to register, please call Mary-Jo McLaughlin at Catholic Family Services, 860-848-2237, Ext. 312 or email mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net The retreat is free and registration is required.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Romans 8:8-11: Since Christ is in you, the Spirit is alive because of righteousness. Just like Christ gives life to your mortal bodies, he will give your marital relationship new life. Trust in Him and sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. You will be glad you did. Check out the WWME.org website. There are many experiences out there. One of them is happening on:

Jun 23-25, 2023 in Huntington, NY 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/.

The Four County Catholic is now a bimonthly magazine. So, you might miss some timely, weekly news and events going on across the Diocese. Get the latest news and announcements from around the diocese emailed right to your inbox. It's informative, it's weekly and it's free! Connecting area Catholics to church, faith and the common good with news, upcoming events and spiritual reflection, the new digital newsletter will keep you updated. Discover the good work being done in our two dozen ministries as well as learning about employment and volunteer opportunities. Sign up today! Your email address is safe with us. https://www.norwichdiocese.org/newsletter

Marriage Preparation Classes to Meet Virtually

With the uncertainty surrounding Covid-19, 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.

THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL- THE EUCHARIST,

DID YOU KNOW? What is the doctrine of transubstantiation? In response to several theological controversies sparked by the Protestant Reformation, the doctrine of transubstantiation was officially adopted by the Council of Tent (1545-1563) as an attempt to guide our thinking about the real presence of Christ in the Eucharistic elements of bread and wine. The doctrine of transubstantiation tells us that to understand the difference between the bread and wine before the Eucharistic prayer at Mass and after it, the change can best be described as a change of substance not of accidental features. St. Augustine helps his catechumens understand this by explaining that "On the altar you are looking at the same thing as you saw there last night. Your eyes are looking at bread and cup. This is the evidence before your physical sight. But your faith must be instructed concerning it- this bread being Christ's body and the cup containing his blood." Used with permission from God's Real Presence, by Steve Mueller. Published by Living with Christ. All rights reserved.

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**. The weekend healing process 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. Both women and men have participated in past retreats. For info, call Marie at 203-631-9030 or e-mail her at <u>mlaffin@prolifeministry.org</u>; or visit the national website at <u>www.rachelsvineyard.org</u>.

"**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. **<u>REMINDER</u>**: If you do not currently 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.

A NOTE ABOUT PARISH REGISTRATION

If you regularly worship with us, we invite you to register with St. Philip parish. This allows us to provide accurate census data to the diocese. Registration forms (green) are in the vestibule. Please return them to the office. 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.

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.

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.

VIRTUAL PROJECT RACHEL ROSARY

The third Thursday of each month at 3pm, come and pray the Project Rachel Rosary online with the Office of Faith Events. The Project Rachel Rosary focuses on putting an end to abortion and healing for those who have been involved in an abortion. Our next Rosary will be **March 21st**, please join us: Meeting link: <u>https://bit.ly/316zdeG</u> Meeting number: 132 917 2663 Password: Rosary

Or Join by phone: 1-415-655-0001 Access code: 132 917 2663

<u>"WHY DON'T OUR ADULT CHILDREN ATTEND</u>

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? Don't worry, you can watch it again at your leisure from the comfort of your home by adding the link <u>https://bit.ly/3SR2slk</u> 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, options that may help you encourage them to come back to church, and time for prayer and reflection.

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. <u>www.ccli.org</u>. **PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS/POSTULANTS**

Take a Post Card from the vestibule for any or all of our seminarians/postulants. Pray, write a brief note if you choose and drop it in the mail. Let your future priests/sisters know you are supporting them and ask them to pray for you. May God continue to send us shepherds after his own heart.

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 Vertefeuille: 860-429-4508 or email donna@vertefeuille.org.



NORWICH DIOCESE Newsletter will keep you updated with news, upcoming events and spiritual reflection. Discover the good work being done in our two dozen ministries as well as learn about employment and volunteer opportunities. It's informative, it's weekly and it's free! Visit <u>norwichdiocese.org/newsletter</u>.

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
860-889-834628 Huntington St., New London:
860-443-5328
88 Jackson St., Willimantic:
860-346-0060
Spanish Speaking Case Workers available.

<u>Caregiver resources and prayers</u> are available through the Office of Faith Events. To receive **caregiver information** monthly, send your email address to <u>manicholas@norwichdiocese.net</u> and we will add you to the distribution list. If you know someone who could use support please add them to our distribution list.

VIRTUAL LENTEN MISSION

The Virtual Lenten Mission is an opportunity for us to deepen our faith, take time for reflection, and pray. We invite you to join us to enhance your Lenten Journey. The mission will begin on Thursday, March 2nd at 7:00 – 7:45pm and continue weekly with the last session on Thursday, March 30th. To register, contact Marianne at (860)848-2237 ex. 304 or email her at manicholas@norwichdiocese.net

PARENTS DIVORCING AND/OR RESOLVING

<u>CHILD CUSTODY ISSUES</u> Are you concerned about the effects of divorce, separation or family disruption on your children? Catholic Charities offers ongoing, monthly one day Parenting Classes in Norwich, Rockville and Middletown. A monthly 2- part Spanish/bilingual parenting education class is held in Willimantic.

Attendance at both sessions is required for the certificate of completion. Fees are determined by the State of CT. Call 1-860-889-8346 x 260 info.

The Teen Pro-Life Club at Holy Family Academy

in Baltic, CT at 54 W Main St, Baltic is hosting their annual Top Life Cafe on Sat., March 25 from 5-8pm. Please come and support these young prolife teens and enjoy an evening of food and entertainment. Admission is free (donations are accepted) and an RSVP is requested. See flier in the online bulletin.

"Pay attention and come to me; listen, that you may



Each day we let either the world or God's Word shape our lives. Who is influencing your life? Whose voice are you allowing to shape who you are? The New England Catholic **Biblical School offers** accredited two-year and fouryear certificates in Biblical Studies for adult learners and is now enrolling virtual classes for the 2023-24 academic year. Find out more at www.CatholicEdAOHCT.org, or contact us: catholic.biblical.school@aohct .org

Please join us at the Academy of the Holy Family for our annual



TOP-LIFE CAFE! TEENS OF PRO-LIFE



FREE ADMISSION - DONATIONS ACCEPTED SPEAKERS, FOOD, AND ENTERTAINMENT PROVIDED

Saturday, March 25 | 5pm - 8pm 54 W Main St, Baltic, CT.

RSVP to <u>admissions@ahfbaltic.org</u> or <u>860-383=5427</u> by March 15 Parking available across the street in St. Mary's Church parking lot.

The Office of Faith Events is sponsoring... <u>The Make a Memory</u> <u>Easter Basket Project</u>

We invite every family to make an Easter basket that will be delivered to a soup kitchen/shelter in the Norwich Diocese for children and families who would not otherwise receive an Easter Basket.

You can make a large family basket, small individual baskets or small individual buckets. You fill up the basket or bucket with Easter treats (small toys, candy, etc.) and wrap it in a cellophane bag (available 2 for \$1at the Dollar Tree) and drop it off at a designated place in your parish or at **the Bishop Flanagan Ministry Center, 199 Broadway, Norwich**

It would be nice to include a homemade Easter card from your family to theirs if you are comfortable with that.

Some safety details...*make sure all candy is packaged- big or small- no loose candy please, *no candy with nuts or peanut butter for allergy reasons.

Please have all completed baskets delivered by March 27th so we can get them to the soup kitchen/shelter, and they will be given to the families/children before Easter.



Any questions or concerns contact Andrea at OFE, 860-848-2237, ext.203



UNBOUND

A Practical Guide to Deliverance!



Do you want to be FREE of... anxiety- fear- anger- unforgiveness- jealousy?

March 29, 2023 7- 8:30 PM

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Quaker Hill Presented by Father Ray Introvigne

"I know well <u>the plans I have in mind for you</u>, says the Lord, plans for your welfare, not for woe, plans to give you a future full of hope. When you look for Me, when you go to pray to Me, <u>I will listen to you</u>. When you look for Me, you will find Me. Yes when you seek Me with all your heart, you will find Me with you, says the Lord and I will change your circumstances." Jeremiah 29: 11- 14b



Any Questions or concerns contact the Office of Faith Events Ahoisl@norwichdiocese.net

Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. -Matthew 11:28

Come join us for a

Healing Mass & Healing Service

2:00-3:00 pm 3:00-4:00 pm

2 PM the <u>third</u> Sunday of every month with Fr. Ray Introvigne and Fr. Michael Philippino Music by Joe D'Ambrose



All will be celebrated at the <u>Church of the Holy Family</u> 185 Church St, Hebron

January- no healing mass/ service February- no healing mass/ service March 19 April- Divine Mercy Sunday, no healing mass/ service May 21 June 18 July 16

For more information contact Andrea Hoisl at <u>faithevents@norwichdiocese.net</u> Or 860-848-2237 ext. 203



Since 2002, the Catholic Church in the U.S.A. has followed a set of rules initiated by the bishops of the country and approved by the Vatican for dealing with sexual abuse of minors by priests or deacons: The Essential Norms for Diocesan/Eparchial Policies Dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Priests or Deacons.

Every U.S. diocese/eparchy is required...

- To have a written policy for dealing with sexual abuse of minors by priests, deacons and other Church personnel
- To appoint a victim assistance coordinator, who is available for the immediate pastoral care of persons who report having been sexually abused as a minor by a priest or deacon
- To report allegations concerning child sexual abuse to civil authorities and to cooperate with the civil investigations
- To establish a review board of at least five persons, mostly members of the laity, who counsel the bishop on allegations and review local policies dealing with sexual abuse of minors

- To investigate promptly and objectively any allegation of sexual abuse of minors by a priest or deacon
- To remove offending priests or deacons permanently from Church ministry
- To prohibit the transfer of offending priests or deacons for ministerial assignment in another diocese or eparchy
- To receive necessary background information before permitting a priest or deacon to exercise ministry in a diocese or eparchy
- To protect the rights of accusers and of the accused

For more information and to read the full text of the norms, visit: http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/child-and-youth-protection/charter.cfm

2022-2023 Vocations Holy Hours

Agenus each exent h to pray a Eacharistic Holy Hour for vocations set by Biologi Cotte. These hours of adoration are a wonderful opportunity to pray for vocations to presthood and religious life, to pray for our seminarians, and for out private and religious almosty terming out docume.

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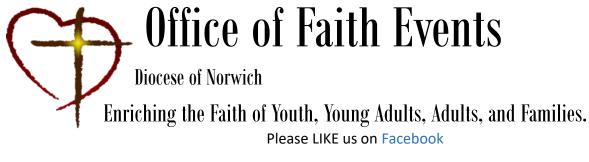


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