

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

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Monday through Thursday 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM
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PARISH EMAIL & Bulletin Announcements

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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

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

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

St. Philip's is Handicap Accessible



April 9, 2023
Easter Sunday of The
Resurrection of The Lord
†**Mass Schedule and Intentions**†

HOLY SATURDAY April 8

11:00 Food Blessing in Center.

No Confessions Today

There is no 4:30 pm Mass on Easter Saturday.

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass. **Readings page 1213.**

EASTER SUNDAY April 9

9:00 am Mass **Readings page 1238.**

Mass Intentions: For the Parish

11:00 am Mass **Readings page 1238.**

Mass Intentions: For the Parish

Tues April 11, 8:00 am Mass
For the Sick of Our Parish

Wed April 12, 8:00 am Mass
Susan Boyce for her well-being by a Friend

Thurs April 13, 8:00 am Mass
For the Intentions of Bishop Cote

Fri April 14, 8:00 am Mass
† **Marion Banziruk by the Vertefeuille Family**
ADORATION following Mass; **Benediction 12:00 noon**

Sat April 15, 3:30-4:00 pm Confession

Sat April 15, 4:30 pm Mass

Sun April 16, 9:00 am Mass

For the continued growth of the Children's Rosary Prayer Group by the Parish

Sun April 16, 11:00 am Mass

† **Ruth Yulo by Ralph Yulo**

† **Edward Borowski, Sr., Birthday Remembrance**
By His Daughter

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.



Second Collection this week: Easter Offering.

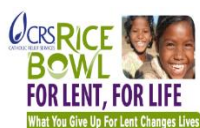
Coffee and Donuts in Parish Center after 9:00 am & before 11:00 am Sunday Mass!



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

Office closed Mon, April 10.

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



Please return your **RICE BOWLS** as soon as possible.
Thank you.



FLAG MEMORIAL FOR APRIL
Edward Borowski, Sr.
4/9/1920 – 11/5/2010
Army Veteran
Served honorably in WWII
Father of Marsha Peters

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 Narwicziks, Bob Ogden, Laura P., M.P., Terry Perkins, Pauline Picard, Emil Poirier, Heather Poulin, Dawn Pringle, Patrick Pringle, Karen Ravenelle, Mike Schwartz, Skyler Sherman, Maureen Smith, Patrick Stenglein, Mason Studley, Mary Jane Tynan, J.W., Terri Warren, Sara Zeumer.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Carla Harrington

Email: carlaharrington8@gmail.com.

1st Communion Students only, Apr 16, 9:45 am.

BOY SCOUTS: Tues Apr 11, 7pm Parish Ctr.

ADULT EDUCATION WITH ED CONLAN

"Catholic Beliefs and Practices." Masks and social distancing requested. All are welcome. **Wed Apr 12, 10am.** Topic: Scapulars, Relics.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY Tues Apr 18, 10am.

BLESSED MOTHER'S STITCHERS: Apr 25, 10am.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Next Meeting May 2.

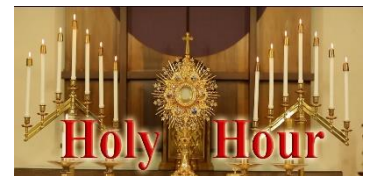


HAPPY BIRTHDAY
MARION VARGA
APRIL 8TH.

EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

at St. Philip the Apostle Church, Ashford, CT on Thursday, April 20, 2023, from 6-7 pm. Come pray for those who are called

to priestly or consecrated religious life. Pray for our seminarians and those in the process of applying to the Diocese.



NOTE: 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 need volunteers for planting, weeding, and watering plants throughout the growing season. If you can donate any time to help beautify our grounds, it will be greatly appreciated. Please call the Parish Office at 860-429-2860.



ST. PHILIP PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE



St. Philip's Church held its annual Palm Sunday Bake Sale on Saturday, April 1, 2023 and Sunday, April 2nd. The bake sale was an awesome success due to

the generous support of all the parishioners who brought baked items to the bake sale. Congratulations to the following who won the Easter items: Laura Harakaly, Emma Fillmore, and Phil Cote. As a result of the bake sale, the proceeds yielded \$1,567.00 to the church. Thank you to all who donated your commitment in order to make the event a success. God Bless 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 Parish Office at 860-429-2860.

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.



WOMEN'S RETREAT WEEKEND JUNE 2-4, 2023.
HOLY FAMILY PASSIONIST RETREAT CENTER,
W. Hartford CT 860-760-9705. Theme: A Missing Peace. Peace is something we crave and seek, but rarely find for more than a short time. Through our prayer, presentations, and discussions, we can come closer to understanding how to achieve the peace that Jesus meant for us to have and to share with our families and our world. The retreat begins with a buffet dinner 6-7:30 pm on Friday and concludes Sunday with the celebration of Mass at 10:45 am followed by brunch. Our retreat representative is Jeanne Monty. ***Two women from St. Philip will be attending, so far.***

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.



Coats for Kids

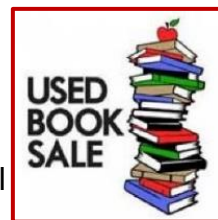
FREE: Free children's winter coats from the Knights of Columbus. Please call the Parish Office if interested.

Size 7: 2 coats in gray and black,
size 10/12: 3 coats in green, pink, and gray.

ST. PHILIP WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL BOOK SALE

May 6 – May 28, 2023.

Sorting volunteers are need in the afternoons. For more info, please call Shirley Wright: 860-455-9829.



YOU CAN HELP YOUR MARRIAGE – If communication in your marriage is a struggle, or things have become troubled, unloving, or uncaring, the Retrouvaille program can help. Retrouvaille provides tools to help you communicate better, resolve conflicts and rediscover why you fell in love. The next local weekend is May 5-7, 2023. For information, call confidentially 1-800-470-2230, email helds4marriage@gmail.com or go to our website www.helpourmarriage.org.

MEN'S FAITH GROUP- BROTHERS IN CHRIST

Brothers in Christ is a gathering of men who share faith, personal experiences, and discussion. BIC fellowship meetings are held the second Thursday of the month either virtually or on-site. Thursday-April 13th, BIC will meet Virtually from 7pm –7:45pm. If you are interested in developing fellowship and discipleship with other men devoted to Christ, please register by email Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or (860)848-2237 x305.

VIRTUAL ROSARY FOR HEALING AND PREVENTION OF CHILD ABUSE

On April 25th at 3pm online, the Office of Faith Events will be praying the Rosary for the healing and prevention of child abuse. Please join us:
Meeting link: <https://bit.ly/3FVpCJ2>
Meeting number: 2634 976 6938
Password: Mary
Or join by phone: 1-415-655-0001
Access code: 2634 976 6938





Please remove Christmas decorations at the cemetery before spring clean-up. Thank you.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Happy Easter! Let us celebrate Christ's Resurrection. Let us also celebrate our relationship. Psalm 104: "Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth." As you renew your faith, your baptismal promises, also renew your loving relationship with your spouse by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

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://www.mectw.org/>.



**BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH
INVITES YOU TO
COME PRAY WITH US!**

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
APRIL 16TH AT 3:00 PM
ST. BERNARD CHURCH,
ROCKVILLE
& LIVE-STREAMED**

REFRESHMENTS AFTER IN THE HALL

"The graces of My mercy are drawn by means of one vessel only, and that is trust." (St. Faustina Diary 1578)

**On Divine Mercy Sunday, we will gather to
recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet.**

Jesus said to St. Faustina that He wanted to make this Feast Day a special refuge and shelter for the consolation of souls. He would pour a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of His mercy on that day. This Feast Day is a continuation of the hope of Easter and the call to prayer.

Please join us as we proclaim, "Jesus, I trust in you."

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\$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.

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.



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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 April 18th, please join us:

Meeting link: <https://bit.ly/316zdeG>

Meeting number: 132 917 2663

Password: Rosary

Or join by phone: 1-415-655-0001

Access code: 132 917 2663

VIRTUAL BINGO FOR ALL AGES

The Office of Faith Events invites people of all ages to participate in Virtual Bingo! Bingo will take place on Sunday, April 30th from 3:30 – 5pm. You will receive your cards online, mark them and even remark them for the next game or you can print them and play. Through video conferencing, we will call the numbers and play different BINGO games from regular bingo, double bingo, picture frame, and finally black out! It will be great fun with lots of gift certificates for prizes! The cost is \$6 per card for the whole Bingo event! To register for your Bingo card, go to: <https://bit.ly/2Laol7Y> or call Marianne at 860-848-2237 ex. 304.

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.

The Four County Catholic is now a bi-monthly 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>



**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.



You Can Make a Difference this Easter Season

Easter, a time for celebrating joy, new life, and hope. Many of us will spend Easter surrounded by friends and family. There will be love to fill our hearts and food to enjoy. However, for some this Easter, it is another day of hardship and longing for a positive change in life.

Every day, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Norwich makes a difference in the lives of people in need. Assisting individuals and families to raise themselves out of poverty, providing immediate relief with food and shelter in times of crisis; Catholic Charities always answers the call of the most vulnerable in our community.

Sacrifices that are made in love can change our community and the world. Over 2,000 years ago, a perfect Sacrifice made on a cross forever changed the future for all of us. Easter season, challenges us to follow Christ's example by making small acts of sacrificial love. By addressing these urgent needs, we serve as witnesses to the Gospel in the lives of those less fortunate.

Please consider making a Tax-Deductible Lenten gift to Catholic Charities, Diocese of Norwich.

By Mail: Catholic Charities Diocese of Norwich 331 Main Street, Norwich, CT 06360

Online: Visit <https://www.ccfns.org> and click on the donate button.

You honor Christ by giving to those in need. Your support will make a difference in the lives of children, Veterans, families in need, senior citizens, homeless, people in recovery and those in crisis.

Gratefully Yours in Christ,

Kathy Capon
Interim Director
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Norwich



THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL- THE EUCHARIST, DID YOU KNOW?

So, what does a change of substance mean? Transubstantiation tells us that what happens with the bread and wine through the act of consecration, is a change in their substance brought about by the action of God's Holy Spirit. After the consecration, the bread and wine are no longer the same things (substances they were before. Before the consecration, their substance was that of bread and wine, after it their substance is the person of Jesus Christ. As St. Augustine said, "The bread that you see on the altar is the body of Christ as soon as it is sanctified by God's word. The chalice, or better what is contained in the chalice, is the blood of Christ as soon as it is sanctified by God's word." St. Ambrose, the Bishop of Milan and Augustine's teacher, also noted that, "The Lord Jesus himself proclaims. 'This is my body.' Before the blessing of the heavenly words, something of another character is spoken of; after consecration it is designated 'body'. He himself speaks of his blood. Before the consecration it is spoken of as something else; after the consecration it is spoken of as 'blood'. And you say, 'Amen', that is, 'It is true.' What the mouth speaks, let the mind within confess; what the tongue utters, let the heart feel." *Used with permission from God's Real Presence, by Steve Mueller. Published by Living with Christ. All rights reserved.*

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

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.

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.

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 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.

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@retrovaille.org or visit the national website at: <http://helpourmarriage.org>.

REMINDER: 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.

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.

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

"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? Don't worry, 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, 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. www.ccli.org.

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 norwichdiocese.org/newsletter.

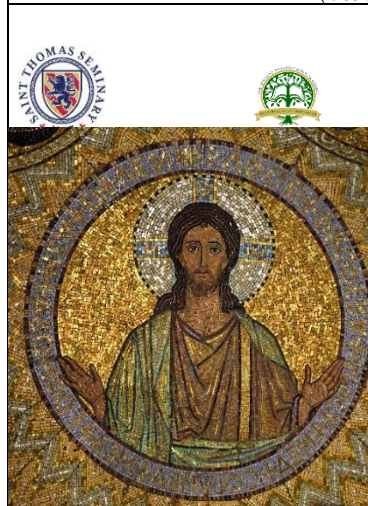
DID YOU KNOW!?

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
16 Stack St., Middletown: 860-346-0060
Spanish Speaking Case Workers available.

PARENTS DIVORCING AND/OR RESOLVING CHILD CUSTODY ISSUES 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.

"Pay attention and come to me; listen, that you may have life."
(Is 55:3 NABRE)



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 four-year 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

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 third Sunday of every month
with Fr. Ray Introvigne and Fr. Michael Philippino
Music by Joe D'Ambrose



All will be celebrated at the Church of the Holy Family
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 faithevents@norwichdiocese.net

Or 860-848-2237 ext. 203



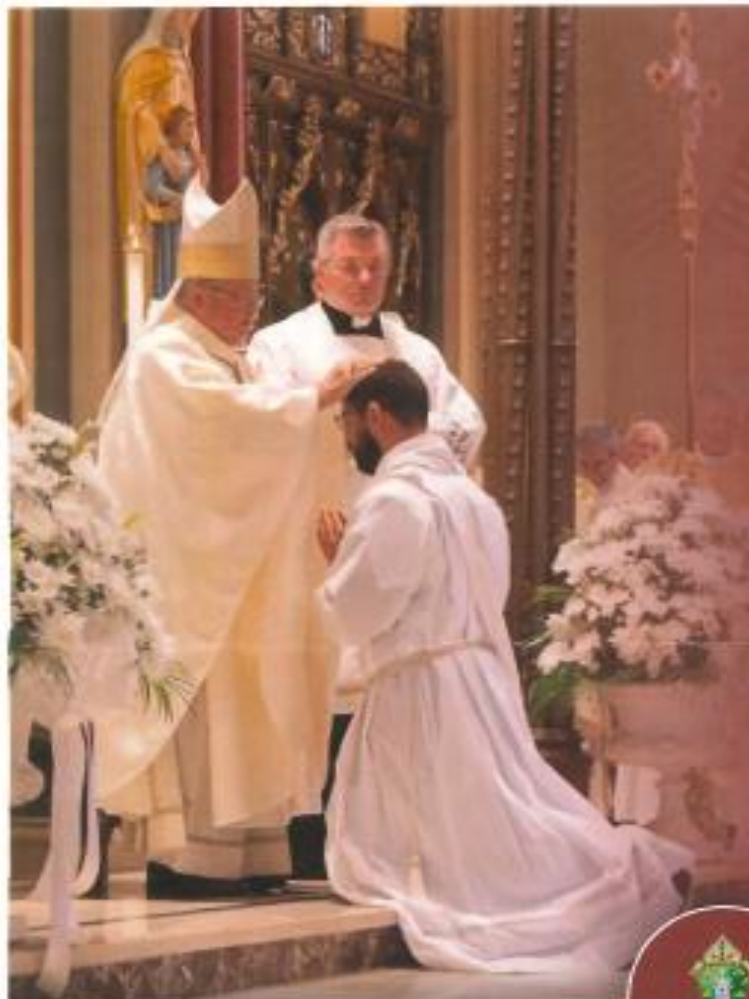
Since 2002, the Catholic Church in the U.S.A. has followed a set of rules initiated by the bishops of the country and approved by the Vatican for dealing with sexual abuse of minors by priests or deacons: The Essential Norms for Diocesan/Eparchial Policies Dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of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

Join us each month to pray a Eucharistic Holy Hour for vocations led by Bishop Cate. These hours of adoration are a wonderful opportunity to pray for vocations to priesthood and religious life, to pray for our seminarians, and for our priests and religious already serving our diocese.

*Holy Hours begin at 6 p.m.

2022

August 11	St. John, Old Saybrook
September 15	St. Catherine of Siena, Preston
October 20	Our Lady of Lourdes, Gales Ferry
November 30	St. Joseph, Rockville
December 15	Christ the King, Old Lyme

2023

January 19	SS. Peter & Paul, Norwich
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JOHN 13:15

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