

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

64 Pompey Hollow Rd., Ashford, CT 06278



Father Michael Giannitelli, Pastor
Cell: 860-334-5306 (for emergencies only)

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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| Main Office | 860-429-2860 |
| Parish FAX | 860-429-2860 |
| Deacon Chris Deskus (Cell) | 860-490-1539 |
| Ann Phillips | Secretary |
| Patricia LaBonte | Bookkeeper |
| Paula Vincent | Bulletin Editor |

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM
Closed Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and also Monday Holidays.

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

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

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

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| 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



April 23, 2023
Third Sunday of Easter
† Mass Schedule and Intentions †

Readings start on page 864 in St. Augustine Hymnal

Sat April 22, 3:30-4:00 pm Confession

Sat April 22, 4:30 pm Mass

† **Jytte Holm-Pedersen** by Jack Manning

Sun April 23, 9:00 am Mass

Our Parish

Sun April 23, 11:00 am Mass

† **Edward Mas** by Ralph Yulo

Tues April 25, 8:00 am Mass *St. Mark, Evangelist*

Mikayla Wilcox for Her Well-being by Caroline Doughty

Wed April 26, 8:00 am Mass *St. Isidore*

For the Sick of Our Parish

Thurs April 27, 8:00 am Mass

For the Intentions of Pope Francis

Fri April 28, 8:00 am Mass

St. Peter Chanel, St. Louis Grignon de Montfort

Jason Wellings, Jr. for His Well-being

by Caroline Doughty

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

Sat April 29, 3:30-4:00 pm Confession

Sat April 29, 4:30 pm Mass *St. Catherine of Siena*

Sun April 30, 9:00 am Mass

Sun April 30, 11:00 am Mass

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.



2nd collection this week: Maintenance & Fuel.

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.



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.

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.



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 23, 9:45 am.

First Holy Communion will be on Sunday, May 7th at the 11:00 am Mass.



CHOIR REHEARSAL: Sundays, April 23 & 30 at 6:30 pm

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

BOY SCOUTS: Tues Apr 25, 7pm Parish Ctr.

ADULT EDUCATION WITH ED CONLAN

"Catholic Beliefs and Practices." Masks and social distancing requested. All are welcome.

Wed Apr 26, 10am. Topic: Why I am a Catholic.

LADIES BIBLE STUDY Tues May 2, 10am.

Ladies Bible study will be starting, "*The Holy Spirit*" by Fr Mitch Pacwa @ our next meeting.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Next Meeting May 2.

A MOTHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE

There are Mother's Day Offering envelopes available to remember your Mother (living or deceased) this Mother's Day. Please return the envelopes before Mass begins on the weekend of **May 13/14th**. The envelopes will be placed on the Altar on Mother's Day weekend as a special way to honor them at those Masses. You may include an offering, but it is not necessary.



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.



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.



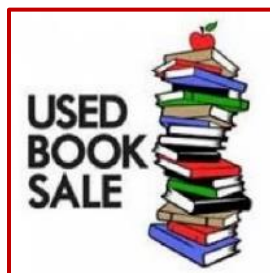
FREE: Free children's winter coats from the Knights of Columbus. Please call the Parish Office if interested. Size 7: 2 coats in gray and black, size 10/12: 3 coats in green, pink, and gray.



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

ST. PHILIP WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL BOOK SALE

May 6 – May 28, 2023.
 Sorting volunteers are needed in the afternoons. For more info, please call Shirley Wright: 860-455-9829.



Windham Theatre Guild, 779 Main St, Willimantic, CT 06226, (860) 423-2245, will present a concert called "**Getting to Know You**" held on Friday, April 28th and Saturday, April 29th,

both days at 7:30 P.M. We will be singing songs from "Fiddler on the Roof", "Mary Poppins", "The King and I" and "Hamilton". Performers include St. Philip parishioners. info@windhamtheatreguild.org



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.

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



Worldwide Marriage Encounter - The Walk to Emmaus

Let us take that walk to Emmaus! Luke 24:13-14 and 30-32: "Two disciples were walking when Jesus joined them", but they did not know it was Jesus. "When he sat down with them at the table, broke bread and said the blessing, their eyes were opened, and they recognized him." They said, "Were not our hearts burning within us while Jesus spoke to us on the way.." We can make our hearts burn within us in our marriage. Take your spouse on that walk to Emmaus by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. You will learn new ways/tools to renew and revitalize your relationship.

June 2-4, 2023 in Upton, MA

Jun 23-25, & Sept 22-24, 2023 in Huntington, NY

August 11-13, 2023 in CT

October 20-22, 2023 in VT

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. Limited registration, \$100 application fee. Info or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or <https://www.mectw.org/>.

Diocesan Pro-Life Mass

at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on Saturday, May 6 at 8:30 A.M. Please join our celebrant Rev. Martin Noe at Mass as we pray to end abortion and for healing for those who have had an abortion. Following the Mass, the Rachel Rosary will be prayed at the Cathedral. Refreshments in the Cathedral Hall will follow the Rosary this month.

SAINT EDWARD LADIES GUILD POLISH DINNER

Saturday, May 20, 2023



St. Edward Hall

27 Church Street

Stafford Springs, CT 06076

Dinner served at 5:15

Donation: \$15.00 per person

**For Tickets call Pat at 860-306-9419
or at the parish office, 860-684-2705**

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.

COUPLES' HAPPY HOUR – The next virtual Couples' Happy Hour will be Friday, May 12 from 7-8 P.M. Make your couple relationship a priority by joining other couples for an evening that will include a presentation on a topic relevant to today's couples. Couples will have time to share privately on questions pertinent to the night's topic. To register, call Mary-Jo McLaughlin at 860-848-2237, Ext. 312, or email her at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net. If you have registered for past Happy Hours, you will automatically receive a link for the May hour.

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.

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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.

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.



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VIRTUAL BINGO FOR ALL AGES The Office of Faith Events invites people of all ages to participate in Virtual Bingo on Sunday, April 30th, 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.

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>

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.

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE PARISH
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WINE & FOOD PAIRING
to benefit HAITI

Fun & Informative Night
Enjoy Sampling 6 Different Wines
Paired With 6 Different Foods
Silent Auction & Raffle
All Proceeds Benefit
Les Palmes, Haiti School Project

Where: St Mary's Church Hall 1600 Main Street Coventry
When: April 22nd - 5:00pm auction viewing; 5:30pm program start
Tickets: \$40 per Person

TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE
(no tickets sold at door)

Call: Lou Friedrich – (860) 872-4189; Denise Pillion – (860) 617-3642

Come Have Fun, Enjoy A Taste of Wine
Other Beverages Also Available (Coffee, Tea, Soda)

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.

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.

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.

THE EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL- THE EUCHARIST,

DID YOU KNOW? But what about the accidents of the bread and wine? The change in the substance does not affect the accidents at all. After the consecration, the shape, color, taste- everything except the substance- remains exactly the same. There is no way by analyzing the bread and wine for example though chemistry or atomic analysis, to discover any difference. So we cannot just “take a good look” at the consecrated bread and wine and conclude that they have undergone a change of substance. Only our “eyes of faith” can perceive the change. As St. Francis of Assisi reminds us, “Just as Christ appeared before the holy apostles in true flesh, so now he has us see him in the sacred bread. Looking at him with the eyes of their flesh, they saw only his flesh, but regarding him with the eyes of the spirit, they believed that he was God. In like manner, as we see bread and wine with our bodily eyes, let us see and believe firmly that it is his most holy body and blood, true and living.” St. Cyril of Jerusalem also teaches us that “Since Christ himself said in reference to the bread: ‘This is my body,’ who will dare remain hesitant? And since with equal clarity he asserted: ‘This is my blood,’ who will dare entertain any doubt and say that this is not his blood? You have been taught these truths. Imbued with the certainty of faith, you know that what seems to be bread is not bread but the body of Christ, although it seems to be bread when tasted. You also know that what seems to be wine is not wine but the blood of Christ although it does taste like wine.” Used with permission from God’s Real Presence, by Steve Mueller. Published by Living with Christ. All rights reserved.

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.

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

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.

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.



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>.

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.

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.

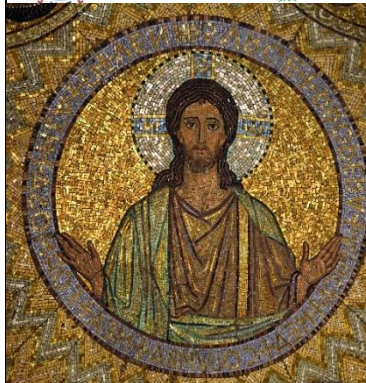
PARENTS DIVORCING AND/OR RESOLVING CHILD CUSTODY ISSUES

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

Women's Day Retreat

Danielle
BEAN



APRIL
29
9AM-3PM

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WORTH IT!**

Change the way you feel about yourself by
discovering how Jesus feels about you.

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TODAY!



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Discover the truth about
your worth through a
deeper relationship with
Jesus.

A DAY OF:
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REFLECTION
LUNCH
TAKE HOME JOURNAL
CONFESSION



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Danielle Bean is the editorial director for Knights of Columbus, the host of the *Girlfriends* podcast, and co-host of *The Gist* on CatholicTV. Bean is the author of several books including *Whisper*, *Small Steps for Catholic Moms*, *You Are Enough*, and *Giving Thanks and Letting Go*, among others. She is a retreat leader and a popular speaker on a variety of subjects related to Catholic family life, education, marriage, and motherhood. She lives in New Hampshire with her family.

St. Vincent de Paul Place May Raffle

31 CHANCES FOR 31 PRIZES!

PRIZES INCLUDE

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Dan Topalls Fashion Collection
A Painting by
Green Apple Artist, Christen Brewer
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the Mohegan Sun Golf Club
An Overnight Stay for 2
at the Norwich Inn & Spa

The pandemic-era SNAP benefits (food stamps) that have helped so many vulnerable families cope have recently been cut, on average \$90 per month.

For seniors and the underemployed, these cuts are even more drastic, resulting in a new groundswell of food insecurity. **We're bracing for a 10% increase in requests for food, hygiene, and other services.**

Your ticket purchase means you'll make a difference in the lives of countless people experiencing these difficult financial times.



Stop by SVdPP or

Scan to get tickets!

A prize winner will be chosen 2pm daily in May!

Raffle sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul Place
120 Cliff St. Norwich, CT 860-889-7374

All entrants are eligible for each daily drawing. Ticket holder does not need to be present to win. Gift cards may not be redeemed for alcoholic beverages.

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ANNOUNCING AN UPCOMING RETROUVAILLE **MARRIAGE HELP PROGRAM**



MARRIAGE HELP PROGRAM
WEEKEND DATE: May 5th - 7th, 2023
Location: Hotel near Bradley International Airport

**NO LONGER FEELING HAPPY IN YOUR MARRIAGE?
MANY COUPLES CONTINUE TO STRUGGLE IN THEIR MARRIAGE
BUT ARE NOT WILLING TO GIVE UP ON EACH OTHER.
THERE IS HOPE!**

If you are reading this, it is time to make a change. Ask your spouse to consider attending a Retrouvaille program. Retrouvaille is a communication-focused program designed to help struggling marriages. After the initial weekend, there are a series of weekly sessions that continue to help a husband and a wife rediscover the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is an international peer-based Christian ministry and is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples who have already separated or divorced.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT REGISTRATION TEAM: CHERYL & STEVE AT

1-800-470-2230 OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE: **HELPOURMARRIAGE.ORG**

Meet the Starting Line Up

Franciscan Sports Banquet and Silent Auction

Benefiting Franciscan Life Center and Franciscan Home Care and hospice Care

Aqua Turf Club

June 6, 2023

Honoring

Mike “Coach K” and Mickie Krzyzewski

Saint Francis and Saint Clare Honorees



Bill Ghio

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Jim Calhoun Community Service Award*



Tim Tolokan

*Retired Associate Director
of Athletics UCONN
Dean of Sports Award*



Gretchen Rossi

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Mother Shaun Appreciation Award*

Athletes, Special Olympics Connecticut

Join us for a Great Evening!

Reservations required. Cost \$75.00/person. Call 203-237-8084 or visit franciscansportsbanquet.org to register.

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



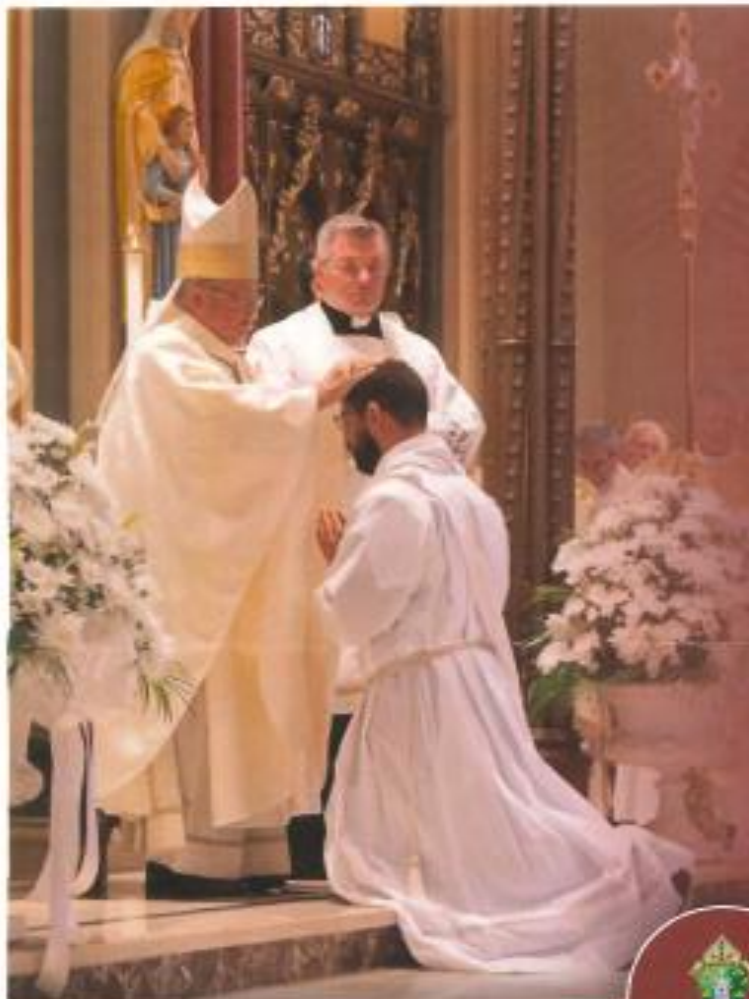
Since 2002, the Catholic Church in the U.S.A. has followed a set of rules initiated by the bishops of the country and approved by the Vatican for dealing with sexual abuse of minors by priests or deacons: The Essential Norms for Diocesan/Eparchial Policies Dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of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



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| 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 |

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| April 20 | St. Philip, Ashford |
| May 11 | St. Andrew, Colchester |
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