

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

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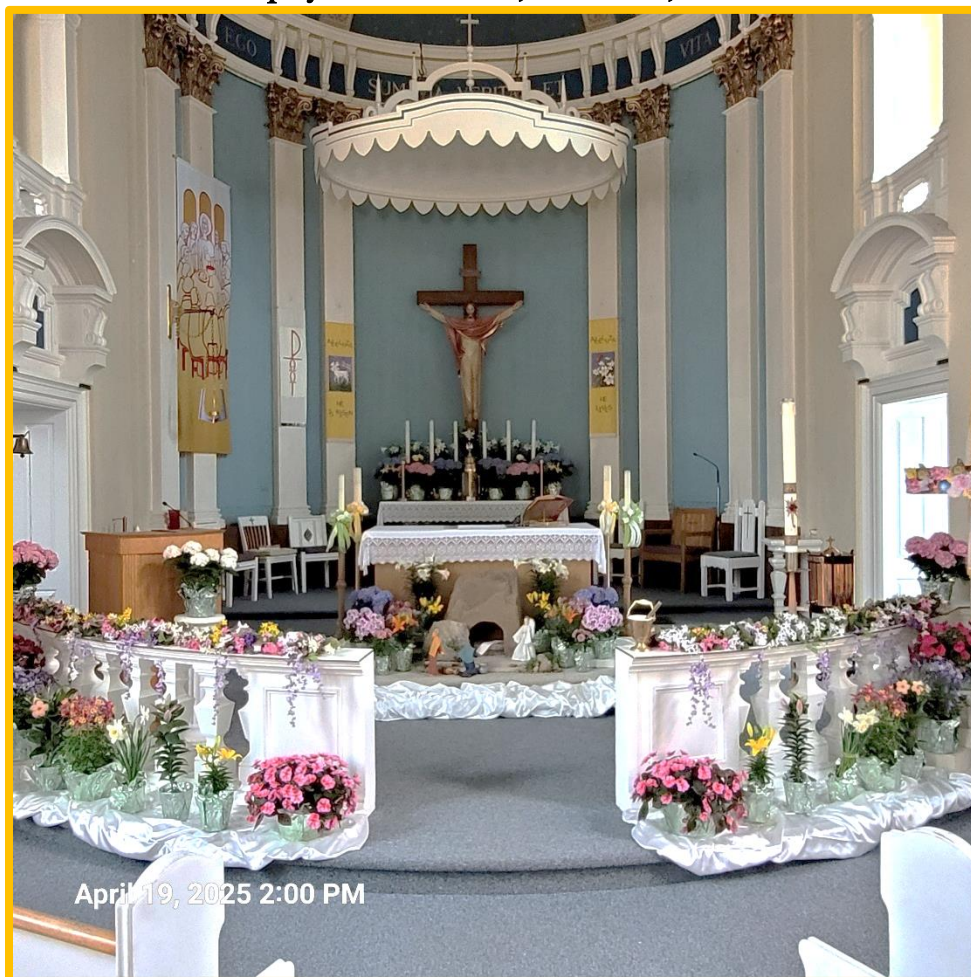


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Father Michael Giannitelli, Pastor

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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

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.

ADORATION Fridays 8:30 a.m. to Noon

CONFESSION: Saturdays 3:30-4:00 pm

SACRAMENTS

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Please contact the Parish Office for assistance

*St. Philip's is Handicap Accessible and
Air Conditioned*



May 4, 2025 ~ 3rd Sunday of Easter

† **Mass Schedule and Intentions** †

Mass Readings start on page 1112

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

Sat May 3, 4:30 pm Mass

Maureen Fleming will speak about the ACTS retreat

† **Colette Bora** by Her Friend, Marie Heaney

† **Andrew Shih** by The Manning Family

Sun May 4, 9:00 am Mass, Deacon Dave ACTS retreat

Denise Pillion will speak about the ACTS retreat

† **John & Catherine Postemski**

Healing & Guidance of the Studley Family

by John Studley

Sun May 4, 11:00 am Mass, Deacon Dave ACTS retreat

Denise Pillion will speak about the ACTS retreat

† **David & Linda Spencer** by Norbert & Julie Saegaert

† **Leola Surprenant** by Ralph Yulo

Sun May 4, 12:00 Noon Baptism **Luke LaMarre**

Tues May 6, 8:00 am Mass

† **Ray McCaughey, Birthday Remembrance**

by Shirley McCaughey

Healing & Guidance of Robert & Denise Burgess

by John Studley

Wed May 7, 8:00 am Mass

† **Vincent Ouellette, 8th Anniversary**

by Caroline Doughty

† **Maurice Dionne** by Yvette Dionne

Thur May 8, 8:00 am Mass

† **Bernadette Lavigne, Birthday Remembrance**

by Shirley McCaughey

Healing & Guidance of Robert & Denise Burgess

by John Studley

Fri May 9, 8:00 am Mass

† **Liam P. Boyce, Mother's Day Remembrance**

by Mom & Dad

† **Michael Lynn, 2nd Anniversary** by Mary Udal

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

Sat May 10, 11:00 am Exchange of Sacramental

Marriage Vows, **Deysy Escobar & Randall Owen**

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

Sat May 10, 4:30 pm Mass

Sun May 11, 9:00 am Mass

Sun May 11, 11:00 am Mass

First Holy Communion for Joseph Joon-Soo Murphy

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 the 9:00 am & before 11:00 am Mass.



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

"**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! BIRTHRIGHT** will sell Roses and distribute baby bottles after Masses on Mother's Day, May 11 weekend!

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

PRAYER LIST: Cassidy A., Theresa Agosta, Lynne Allevo, Brian Berry, Rick Brennan, Robert & Denise Burgess, Candy C., Lorraine Carty, Elizabeth Clifford, Yvette Dionne, Cindy Ford, Sharon Godere, C.H., Carol and Tim Hall, Maria Jednaki, Andrew Jendrysik, Kristine Jengone, Joshua, John K., JoAnn Kepple, Steven King, Steven Moran, Nick Mucha, Barbara O'Reilly, J. P., Joan P., Diane Peed, Mariela Porcello, Gail Ricca, Al St. Louis, John Studley, Sgt. Ed Thompson, Amanda V., J.W., Jocelyne & Greg Wakefield, Lynn (Hnath) Warren, Sue Wilcox, Cal Williams.

CHOIR REHEARSAL: Sunday, May 4, 6:30 pm.

Boy Scouts Leadership Mtg. Mon, May 5, 7 pm.

Women's Bible Study Tues, May 6, 9:30 am.

Finding God in Suffering, by Fr. Christopher Mahar.

Knights of Columbus meet Tues, May 6, 7 pm.

Boy Scouts Tues, May 13, 6:30-8:00 pm.

Cor-Faith Formation for Catholic Men Wed, May 14, 6:30 pm, meeting room in Parish Center.

Blessed Mother's Stitches Tues, May 27, 10 am.

2024-25 Theme: In My Love, Abide

Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center,

W. Hartford, CT. Upcoming Women's

retreat date: May 30-June 1. Men's

retreat date: June 6-8. Visit: holymfamilyretreat.org.



Blessed Mother Candel is lit for

Caroline Wilcox, Birthday Wishes

Requested by Caroline Doughty



Flowers in Mary's Chapel are in memory of **Jules & Colleen Girardet**

A special thanks to **John Patton** for refurbishing the bench and chair in front

of the Blessed Virgin Mary's statue

during the week. Thank you.



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 10/11th**. 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.

Diocesan Pro-Life Mass Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich, Sat, May 3, 8:30 am. Please join Rev. Brian Maxwell 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.

Save the date!




St. Philip Catholic Community presents a **WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT ~ June 5-8, 2025**
Adoration, Community, Theology, Service

St. Philip The Apostle Church will be sponsoring a **Women's ACTS Retreat June 5-8, 2025**, at the Immaculate Conception Center, in Putnam, CT. Catholic women present this weekend retreat under guidance of clergy. This is a simple, reverent, Catholic retreat with goals of renewing yourself spiritually, strengthening your faith in your daily life, and creating lasting and supporting friendships within your church community. All women are invited to attend. For more information contact the retreat director, Maureen Fleming, at 860-338-1392 or team member Denise Pillion at 860-617-3642 or email denisepillion@sbcglobal.net.

You're invited


DIOCESE OF NORWICH
HOMESCHOOL
MASS AND PICNIC



Event sponsored by the Office of Vocations
FR. JEFFREY ELLIS
DIRECTOR OF VOCATIONS
Principal Celebrant

MAY 21 **9:30 AM**
WEDNESDAY HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS
CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PATRICK
213 BROADWAY

PLEASE RSVP ON OR BEFORE MAY 15, 2025

SCAN ME 

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Homeschooling families with children of all ages are invited to the Cathedral for Mass with other homeschoolers from around the Diocese. After Mass all are invited to bring your own lunch to the Field Pavilion at Mohegan Park for a time to connect with one another. Ice cream will be provided by the Diocese. Outdoor games and activities to share are welcome!

See you there!

Your RSVP via the Form below is requested by May 15, 2025: <https://forms.gle/hEZqqo4drvzbma2q6>

The Baltic, CT Sisters of Charity have a Share-A-Day for girls in grades 2, 3, and 4 on Sat, May 3, 2025, 10:30 am to 4:30 pm. The Theme is "Let's Honor Our Lady with a May Crowning." No Charge. Meals and snacks are included. This special day includes recreation, talks, activities and prayers with the Sisters. Telephone (860) 822-8241 or email srmaryjacinta@gmail.com.

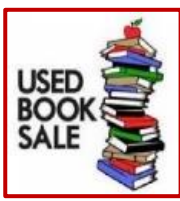


The United States flag will be flown for the month of May in honor of the military service of the Supina family.

Sgt. Rudolph J. Supina, WWI Army & Marines; Pfc. Peter Supina, WWII US Marines; TSCT Stephen Supina, WWII US Army; Pvt. John Supina WWII US Army; Thomas Supina, Nat. Guard; Lt. Angelina Supina, RN, WWII Navy; Cpl. Leo Supina, WWII US Army Air Force; Pvt. Alfred Supina, WWII Army; AT3 Rudolph J. Supina, Korea, US Navy, Seaplane Div.; Sgt. Stephen M. Supina, Enduring Freedom, Iraq & Afghanistan, Marines; SrA Angela Supina Bear, Enduring Freedom, Iraq & Qatar, USAF; Cpt. Marlene Supina, War on Terror, Japan, USAF.



URGENT NEED: Adorers are needed on Fridays for one hour from 8:30 am to 12:00 noon as a regular adorer or as a substitute. Please sign up in the vestibule if you are able.



ST. PHILIP'S ANNUAL BOOK SALE

May 10 – 25, 2025
Sat/Sun: 8 am – 7 pm
Mon-Fri: 2 pm – 7 pm

40,000+ books: Fiction, History, Cookbooks, Children's, Art, Religious, Handyman, Science, Science Fiction, Antique Books, Reference and More. Hardcover \$1, Softcovers \$.50 and some specially priced. Credit Cards are accepted. VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!
If you are interested in helping sort books in the Parish Center for the Book Sale in May, we are starting now, during parish office hours from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm, Monday through Thursday. Call Shirley Wright (860) 455-9829, if you can help.

St. Philip, The Apostle Church is sponsoring **A Barbecue Chicken Dinner** to help provide Funds for feeding the hungry and housing the homeless in our community and surrounding towns. Please join us on Sat, June 7, 2025, for a delicious meal, following the 4:30 pm Mass. Raffles will be donated to help raise funds and to raise awareness of the need. Tickets will be sold after each Mass, beginning the weekend of May 3, 2025. \$15.00 per ticket. Thank you in advance for supporting this needy cause. *Bernice & Charlie King.*

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FRIDAY, MAY 16 FROM 4-7PM &
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AT ST. MARY - ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL
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For any questions, please call
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geraniums, petunias, marigolds, hanging baskets, cemetery
logs & much more! Plants provided by Ladd's Nursery.

3rd Sunday of Easter "...Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'" (John 21:17). How often do you say "I love you" to Jesus, to family members, or friends? We are made to be in relationship with God and each other. Sincerely telling someone that you love them is the best gift you can give them because it comes from your heart. We all were made by love and for love. Tell someone you love them every day.



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donna@vertefeuille.org



GIFT CARDS ARE NEEDED Please consider donating a card from Walmart, Stop & Shop, Big Y, or Gas station Cards 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*

DIocese OF NORWICH HOMESCHOOL MASS AND PICNIC Wed, May 21st at 9:30 am, Cathedral of St. Patrick Norwich. Homeschooling families with children of all ages are invited to the **Cathedral of Saint Patrick** for Mass. After Mass all are invited to bring your own lunch to the **Field Pavilion at Mohegan Park** for a time to connect with one another. Ice cream will be provided by the Diocese. Outdoor games and activities to share are most welcome! **Your RSVP via the Form below is requested by MAY 15, 2025:**

<https://forms.gle/hEZqgo4drvzdma2q>

Event sponsored by the Office of Vocations
FR. JEFFREY ELLIS, Director of Vocations,
Principal Celebrant

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 contact Ann in the office 860-429-2860.



Invitation to the Norwich Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Annual Layette – May 18th

1 PM to 3 PM, at St. John School gym. Parking and gym access are via 161 Main St., Old Saybrook, CT. All women of the Diocese are welcome to come and contribute to the Layette. Please bring baby items such as baby clothes from Newborn to Toddler 3, as well as blankets, diapers (especially larger sizes), baby wipes, formula, baby food, etc. Baby items are greatly needed by families in the Norwich Diocese. The items will be donated to Catholic Charities of the Norwich Diocese to distribute. Representatives of Catholic Charities will be in attendance to gratefully accept our donations. Light refreshments will be served.

"HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! BIRTHRIGHT will sell Roses and distribute baby bottles after Masses on Mother's Day, May 11 weekend! We ask that you take the bottles home, fill them with coins, cash, or check and return them to the Birthright volunteers stationed after Masses on Sat - Sunday, June 15 Father's Day weekend. As you will see from the insert inside the bottle, you may make a donation in honor or in memory of a loved one. Birthright will send an acknowledgement card or if you provide an email for your gift acknowledgement. This is an opportunity for our church families to have hands-on involvement in a project that saves the lives of unborn children and makes a lasting difference in the mothers' lives. Thank you for any help you can give."

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. Thank you.

If you would like to add a name to the memorial altar in the cemetery, please contact the Parish Office.



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: 860-429-2860, during office hours. Thank you to all our veterans who have served, living and deceased.

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

ADVERTISE IN OUR BULLETIN

\$200 for six months for a small ad.
 \$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 to the Parish email: stphilipstjude@gmail.com. If you or someone you know would like to advertise and support the Church bulletin, please contact us.

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.

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.

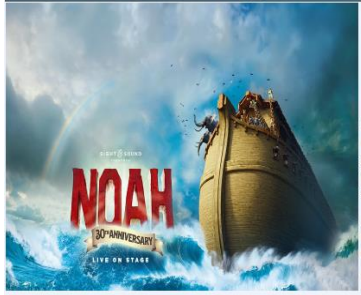
A NOTE ABOUT PARISH REGISTRATION If you regularly worship with us, please register with St. Philip parish to provide accurate census data to the diocese. Return registration forms (orange) from the vestibule to the office.



Go Green: There are many easy ways to help our environment and reduce your carbon footprint. Here are a few easy ones you could implement today! **Lower the temperature on your hot water heater. Unplug unused chargers and appliances. Avoid single use plastics and collect rainwater, and use it to water your houseplants and garden.**

How to Evangelize: Sharing the gospel isn't a one-time event. It's something we ought to do every chance we get. We should always be prepared to take advantage of the *unplanned* opportunities we have to speak about the gospel to the people in our lives. It was the apostle Peter who told us to be “ready at any time to give a defense to anyone who asks [us] for a reason for the hope that is in [us]” (1 Peter 3:15)—and that applies to the everyday conversations we have with others. Inevitably, during a car ride, talking over coffee, or in response to an injustice they've observed, people will ask, “Why?” and “How?” and “Why me?” And when they do, make sure you're ready to engage them truthfully and compassionately, pushing them—graciously and by the Spirit—to Jesus and his gospel, which can make sense of all they're experiencing. Be the person in their life who has the answer-FAITH!

Reserve your spot before
the tickets are gone!



JOIN US FOR A
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FAMILY TRIP TO SEE "NOAH"
AT THE SIGHT & SOUND THEATER
IN LANCASTER, PA
AUGUST 14-16, 2025

**We have 40 available tickets
(first come, first serve)**

\$50 deposit is due at registration, the remaining deposit of \$100 is due before May 16th and the final payment is due before June 26th. You may make gradual payments that fit your family's budget.

We will also visit some Amish families and experience their way of life as we tour the beautiful heart of the Amish Country.

To register, scan the QR Code:



COST (Based on 40 tickets):

\$610 per person 4 to a room

\$634 per person Triple

\$684 per person Double

\$834 per person Single

Child Rate (12 & younger): Less \$43 per child

Please refer to the flyer containing all the details including the cancellation policy, by scanning this QR code.



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DAY OF RECOLLECTION: STAR OF THE SEA

with Maureen O'Brien

May 14, 2025

Program Price (per person):

\$75.00 (includes hot lunch)

This day-long retreat invited you to deepen your connection to the Blessed Mother through scripture, prayer, and her many titles –Mystical Rose, Star of the Sea. Through the Rosary, journaling, and contemplative movement, you'll encounter her presence on the Island be led to her Son.

RELICS OF THE SAINTS - A DAY OF EXPLORATION, VENERATION, A TRANSFORMATION

with Fr. Demetri Belsito

June 4, 2025

Program Price:

\$75.00 (includes hot lunch)

Join us to learn why the Church venerates relics, and you will have the chance to venerate some relics towards the end. Relics are truly a great grace given to men and women by God! We have various relics of different saints such as Sts. Peter and Paul, St. John the Evangelist, St. Joseph, and more!



The Office of Faith Events

is now accepting donations of

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Thank you!





NORWICH DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

47th Annual Layette Event

Sunday May 18th from 1 PM to 3 PM

**Hosted by Saint Pio Parish Ladies Guild
and Father Hussion Columbiettes**

**Saint John School Gym
Parking and Gym Access at
161 Main Street
Old Saybrook, CT**

**All Women of the Diocese are invited to bring
Baby Clothes – Newborn to Toddler Size 3
Diapers (especially large size), Wipes, Crib Blankets,
Formula, Baby Food, etc.**

**Donated Items will go to Norwich Diocesan Catholic Charities
and Representatives of Catholic Charities will be in attendance**

Light Refreshments will be served

**For more Information contact:
June Getchius 959-239-1490**



**MOST REVEREND
RICHARD F. REIDY**

Diocese of Norwich
Office of the Bishop
201 Broadway
Norwich, Connecticut 06360
(860) 887-9294

May 1, 2025

Dear Father,

Here is the schedule of Masses in the Diocesan cemeteries on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, 2025.

THE NORWICH DEANERY

In Saint Joseph Cemetery, Boswell Avenue, Norwich, Rev. Msgr. Leszek Janik will celebrate this Mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. In case of inclement weather this Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral of St. Patrick, 213 Broadway, Norwich. All priests are invited to concelebrate. Please bring alb and white stole.

In Sacred Heart Cemetery, Harland Road, Taftville, Reverend Christopher Zmuda will celebrate this Mass at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, May 26, 2025. In case of inclement weather, the Mass will be celebrated in Sacred Heart Church, Taftville. All priests are invited to concelebrate. Please bring alb and white stole.

In Saint Patrick Cemetery, Depot Road, Montville, Reverend Frank Gilbert will celebrate this Mass at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, May 26, 2025. In case of inclement weather the Mass will be celebrated in Saint John Church, Uncasville. All priests are invited to concelebrate. Please bring alb and white stole.

THE NEW LONDON DEANERY

In Saint Mary Cemetery, Jefferson Avenue, New London, Bishop Richard Reidy will celebrate Mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. In case of inclement weather this Mass will be celebrated in St. Mary Church, New London. All priests are invited to concelebrate. Please bring alb and white stole.

THE OLD SAYBROOK DEANERY

In Resurrection Cemetery, Route 145, Westbrook, Reverend Michael Bovino will celebrate Mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. In case of inclement weather this Mass will be celebrated in St. Mark Church, Westbrook. All priests are invited to concelebrate. Please bring alb and white stole.

Please invite your parishioners to attend one of these Masses. I suggest a bulletin announcement for the weekends of May 17-18 and May 24-25, 2025.

God's blessings on you!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop of Norwich

**MORE SPRING OFFERINGS AT
SACRED HEART ON THE LAKE RETREAT CENTER
194 Candlewood Hill Rd. Higganum, CT. 06441**

**NEW DAY SEMINAR FOR THE BEREAVED
9 Thursdays from April 24 through June 19, 2025 From 10:00 – 11:00 am**

The New Day Seminar is a nine week series that helps those who have lost a loved one with the tasks of grieving. Each session provides a place and time for individuals to share their grief story and to learn about the grieving process and its tasks for healing. The cost of the book that is used is \$15.00. To register or for further information contact Sr. Patricia Cigrand, ASCJ at 203-606-4830 or email: cigrandpatricia@gmail.com or online at- www.sacredheartonthelake.org

**SPIRITUALITY OF THE GOSPELS
7 Wednesdays from April 30 through June 11, 2025 From 10:00 to 11:30**

Scripture invites us to become Christ like in all we are and do. This seven week series on the Spirituality of the Gospels leads us to a deeper relationship with Christ and to a deeper understanding of His message. The sessions include a book that you can order from us or purchase on your own. There will be discussions and a follow up DVD. Suggested donation is \$10.00 per session. To register or for further information you can email or call Sr. Patricia at email: cigrandpatricia@gmail.com or 203-606-4830 or register online at- www.sacredheartonthelake.org



**THE MEANING OF LOVE- Retreat Day
Saturday, May 3rd from 9:30am to 3:00pm**

This Retreat Day is open to all men and women of Faith. We will pray together with what is real human Love? What is Divine love, really? How far will both go for the “Beloved”. How do they come together in the Incarnation? How and why does LOVE change us and why this really matters. Presenter- Sr. Lany Jo Smith, ASCJ-

Donation asked \$35.- Includes a Continental Breakfast and a Full Lunch. To registrar online go to sacredheartonthelake.org or call Sr. Lany Jo at 203-606-9102.



CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

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Office of Faith Events

Diocese of Norwich

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-May 8th, BIC will meet virtually from 7 – 7:45P.M. Alex Soucy, executive director of Crossroads 4 Christ, will be speaking. If you are interested in developing fellowship and discipleship with other men devoted to Christ, please register by emailing Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or call (860) 848-2237 ex. 305.

THE BIBLE AS A TOOL FOR CATECHESIS, VIRTUAL WORKSHOP

• Join us for an enriching workshop on Tuesday, May 6th from 7-8:00P.M., where participants will rediscover the Bible as a living and dynamic tool for catechesis. More than just a book, Sacred Scripture is the heartbeat of the Church's teaching — filled with God's Word, speaking to every age and heart. Our speaker, Gina Czerwinski, will explore how to make Scripture come alive in our classrooms, parish programs, and small groups. To register, contact Alvania at faithevents@norwichdiocese.net or call 860-848-2237 ex.304.

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THE BIBLE AS A TOOL FOR Catechesis

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TOGETHER, WE'LL EXPLORE HOW TO MAKE SCRIPTURE COME ALIVE IN OUR CLASSROOMS, PARISH PROGRAMS, AND SMALL GROUPS. THROUGH PRAYER, REFLECTION, AND CREATIVE METHODS, THIS WORKSHOP EQUIPS CATECHISTS TO USE THE BIBLE NOT JUST FOR INSTRUCTION, BUT FOR TRANSFORMATION.

VIRTUAL ON TUESDAY MAY 6
7:00 - 8:00 P.M.
With Speaker Gina Czerwinski


To register, contact Alvania Tejada at Faithevents@norwichdiocese.net or call 860-848-2237 ex. 304

A MEN'S VIRTUAL FAITH, PRAYER, AND DISCUSSION GROUP

BROTHERS IN CHRIST

EVERY SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, NEXT ONE MAY 8, 2025 | THE MEN'S GROUP IS A VIRTUAL EVENT ON WEBEX FROM 7:00PM - 7:45PM

WITH ALEX SOUCY AS SPEAKER



To Register email Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or call (860)848-2237 ex. 305

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There is a new initiative to assist our **Adult Autistic Catholics** by providing a platform for them to gather (virtually), share life experiences, and pray together. Join us on Wednesdays...



Meetings are every Wednesday at 7 PM

Click link below to join the meeting:

[Autistic Catholics Weekly Community Meeting](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82083448595?pwd=JzazDHDtt7yMljJDubIzn08oUDn5cK.1)

Password: 291327

Join teens from across the U.S. for three days of fellowship, faith, and worship at Steubenville East in Springfield, MA, from Friday, July 25 to Sunday, July 27.

This event is open to 8th–12th graders.

For any questions, contact Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net or call 860-848-2237 ext. 305.

STEUBENVILLE

EAST



July 25 - 27, 2025

Join us for an unforgettable weekend!

The Diocese of Norwich is organizing a trip to Steubenville East, a powerful Catholic youth conference in Springfield, MA for rising 9th through 12th graders. Experience inspiring talks, powerful worship, and an opportunity to grow in faith with thousands of other young Catholics.

Cost:

\$300 – Conference, food, and transportation from pick-up points

\$150 – Housing for two people (2 nights)

\$75 – Housing for four people (2 nights)

To register, send \$100 deposit per person by Feb. 27th to:

Office of Faith Events

Liza Roach

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CALLING ALL YOUNG ADULTS • AGES 18-39

Are you a young adult seeking authentic community?
Are you looking for a place to deepen your relationship with
Jesus and increase your understanding of the Catholic faith?

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NEW HAVEN**

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The Quiet Corner Chapter of the Disabled American Vets



Are you a Veteran who has combat or service related disability and need assistance with filing for Veterans Administration Benefits? Are you interested in learning more? We are looking for you.

Contact:

Rocky Daigle 860 – 918-0532

Barry Bernier 860 – 830-5443

The Disabled American Veterans are dedicated to a single purpose: empowering Veterans to lead high quality lives with respect and dignity. We accomplish this by making sure Veterans and their families can access the full range of benefits available to them; fighting for the interest of America's injured heroes on Capitol Hill and educating the public about the great sacrifices and needs of Veterans returning to civilian life.



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