

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

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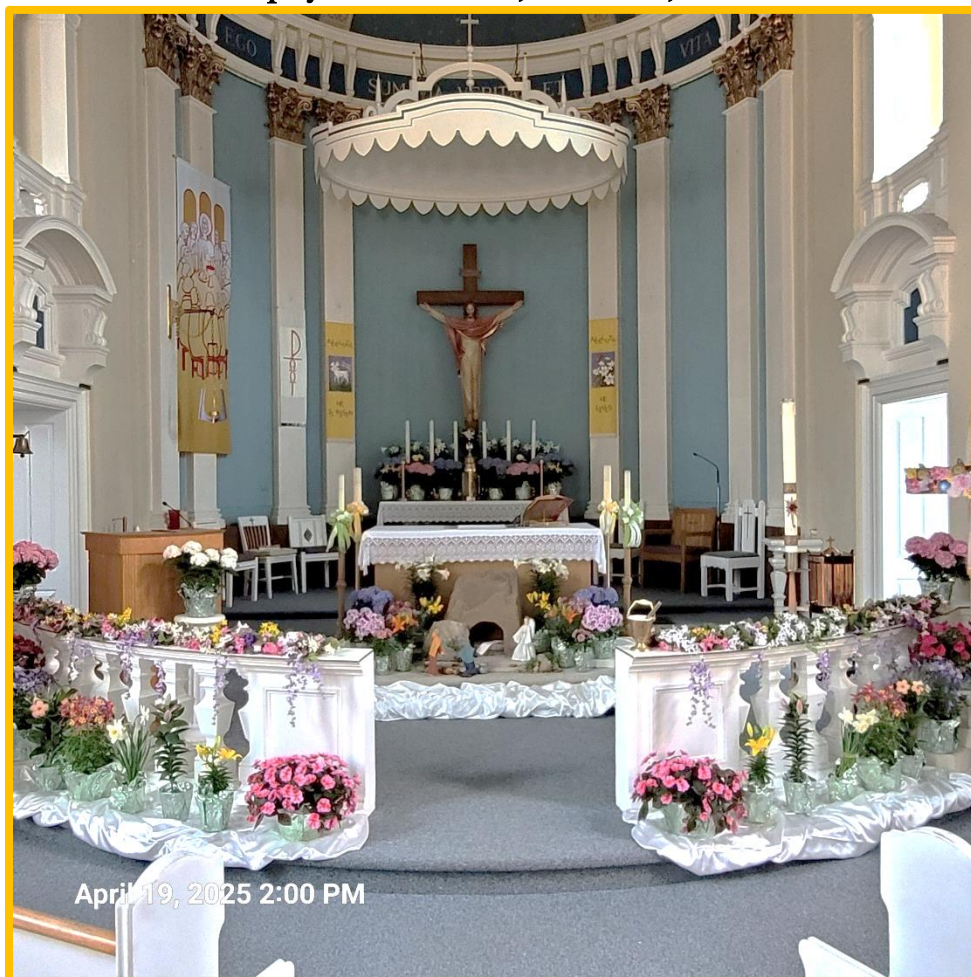


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Father Michael Giannitelli, Pastor

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TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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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

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



Press Alert

Diocese of Norwich
Office of Communications

May 8, 2025

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Bishop Richard F. Reidy Issues Statement on the Election of Pope Leo XIV

NORWICH, Conn. – Bishop Richard F. Reidy of the Diocese of Norwich today issued the following statement in response to the election of His Holiness Pope Leo XIV:

“I join the faithful across the Diocese of Norwich and throughout the world in offering heartfelt thanks to God for the election of our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV. The See of Peter once again stands filled, and with it, the Church is renewed in its visible sign of unity, continuity, and hope.

Having been appointed by Pope Francis just a few months before his passing, I carry with me a deep sense of gratitude for his paternal care and tireless witness to the Gospel. His humility, courage, and pastoral heart inspired countless souls, including my own.

Now, as we welcome Pope Leo XIV, we entrust his ministry to the guidance of the Holy Spirit and the maternal care of the Blessed Virgin Mary. May his leadership draw the Church ever closer to Christ, and may he be strengthened in his mission to proclaim the truth in love to a world in need of mercy, peace, and faith.”

Bishop Reidy, ordained to the episcopacy on April 29, 2025, was appointed by Pope Francis in early February and serves as the sixth Bishop of Norwich.

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May 11, 2025

4th Sunday of Easter

† Mass Schedule and Intentions †

Mass Readings start on page 1114

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

Tues May 13, 8:00 am Mass: *Our Lady of Fatima*

† **James J. Hurley, Jr.**, by *Jim & Cecile Hurley*

Healing & Guidance of Robert & Denise Burgess and the Studley Family by *John Studley*

Wed May 14, 8:00 am Mass: *St. Matthias, Apostle*

† **Ed Conlan** by *Nancy Conlan*

52nd Wedding Anniversary for Ed & Nancy Conlan

Thur May 15, 8:00 am Mass: *St. Isadore*

Pope Leo XIV

Fri May 16, 8:00 am Mass

† **Ken Udal** by *The Family*

† **Roger Bowen** by *The Bowen Family*

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

Sat May 17, 3:30-4:00 pm Confession

Sat May 17, 4:30 pm Mass

Sun May 18, 9:00 am Mass

† **John Ference, Jr.**, **30th Anniversary** by *Val Peppin*

† **Bernice & Normand Ravenelle** by *Rachel & Troy*

Sun May 18, 11:00 am Mass

† **Ruth S. Yulo** by *Ralph Yulo*

Healing & Guidance of the Studley Family and Robert & Denise Burgess by *John Studley*

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



MOTHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE

To remember your Mother (living or deceased) this Mother's Day, please return Mother's Day 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.

Birthright Baby Bottle Fundraiser



"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 15th, 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 or email an acknowledgement card 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."

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.

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.

Women's Bible Study Tues, May 20, 9:30 am. *Finding God in Suffering*, by Fr. Christopher Mahar.

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

Boy Scouts Leadership Mtg. Mon, Jun 2, 7 pm.

Knights of Columbus meet Tues, Jun 3, 7 pm.

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: holyfamilyretreat.org.



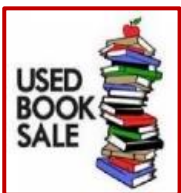
Divine Mercy Candle is lit for **John Siegal, Birthday Wishes** Requested by Caroline Doughty

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.



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!
Call Shirley Wright (860) 455-9829, if you can help.



2025 ACA UPDATE: As of May 6, 2025, Saint Philip the Apostle Parish, Ashford has donated \$20,204.83 or 66.21% of its goal, and 19.94% of your parishioners have donated. We

are striving for as close to 100% participation as possible. THERE IS STILL TIME TO DONATE! Our campaign year ends December 31, 2025. With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. If you have not made your contribution to the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal, "One Faith, One Family", or would like to make an additional gift, donation envelopes are still available in the church or you can contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928 or go online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org.

Thank you to everyone for your support!

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



PLEASE RSVP ON OR BEFORE MAY 15, 2025

SCAN ME 

<https://forms.gle/hEZqqo4drvzbma2q6>

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>



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.

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.

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FRIDAY, MAY 16 FROM 4-7PM &
SATURDAY, MAY 17 FROM 8AM-2PM

AT ST. MARY - ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL
35 VALLEY ST., WILLIMANTIC

For any questions, please call
(860) 208-0306

CASH ONLY!

Buy your Spring plants, including: flats of vegetables,
geraniums, petunias, marigolds, hanging baskets, cemetery
logs & much more! Plants provided by Ladd's Nursery.

4th Sunday of Easter: "The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." (Acts 13:52). The disciples heard Our Lord's call and were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. We, too, can experience that same joy if we make room for the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts. When we use our gifts in the way that God intends, He fills us with supernatural joy. A joy that others notice and are attracted to!

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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*

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.



**Networking Happy Hour -
Thomas Hooker Brewery
Bloomfield**



Come join Young Catholic Professionals Central CT for our 1st Networking Happy Hour of 2025! We are starting the Summer Season off with a bang! Network and connect with young adult Catholic professionals from all over Central CT. YCP Belong & Belong + Members will receive a free drink ticket as well as the first 10 people to register online. We look forward to meeting you there!

Where: 16 Tobey Rd, Bloomfield, CT

When: Thurs, May 29th from 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Who: All professionals from 18-39.

RSVP via QR code or <https://qrco.de/bfpmnQ>

E-mail info@yccpcentralconnecticut.org to learn more.

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.



LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC CDs: We

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



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.



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.



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.

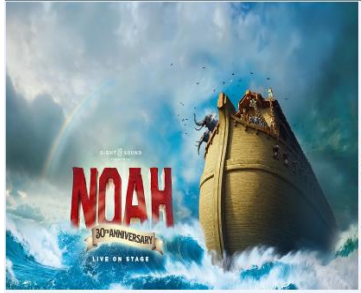
A NOTE ABOUT PARISH REGISTRATION If you regularly worship with us, please register with St. Philip parish to provide accurate census data to the diocese. Return registration forms (orange) from the vestibule to the office.



Go Green: To minimize the environmental impact of **plastic use**, focus on reducing, reusing, and recycling plastic whenever possible. Prioritize reusable alternatives for everyday items like water bottles, shopping bags, and food containers. Say no to plastic straws, bags, and other single-use items by opting for reusable alternatives. Carry a reusable water bottle and fill it with tap water or water filtered at home. Choose products with minimal plastic packaging and store food in reusable containers like glass or stainless steel. Be mindful of packaging and consider supporting businesses that offer eco-friendly packaging options.

Be An Evangelizer: *The ABC's + of evangelizing...* A – Accept the call to evangelize. B – Become holy. C – Converse from the heart. D – Dedicate yourself to holy relationships. E - Entreat Our Lady for her help. We have everything we need to proclaim the truth of Christ – we receive Christ's body into our own every Sunday- go out and share the *good news!*

Reserve your spot before
the tickets are gone!



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

JOIN US FOR A
BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH
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:



Please refer to the flyer
containing all the details
including the cancellation policy,
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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!

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/hEZqqo4drvzbma2q>

Event sponsored by the Office of Vocations

FR. JEFFREY ELLIS, *Director of Vocations,*

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to donate and arrange for pick-up

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**



HOLY FAMILY PASSIONIST RETREAT CENTER



May 14 - Couples Evening Retreat: A Messy Life Is a Holy Life

During our time together, we will explore the small ways in which we bear witness to one another and support each other. This is the path to holiness for couples living in the modern world.



[Learn more.](#)

May 16-18 - Men's Matt Talbot Recovery Retreat

We invite men in recovery into a peaceful atmosphere where you can rest, renew your spiritual life, and deepen your sobriety. Our Matt Talbot weekends are open to ALL people, from ALL backgrounds, regardless of whether or not you are a member of a church.



[Learn more.](#)

June 4 - Evening Retreat for Music Ministers

Gather with others who share in the ministry of music for an evening retreat at Holy Family. We will sing, learn, laugh, and pray together in a spirit of love and service in this program led by Fr. David Cinquegrani, C.P.



[Learn more.](#)



**MOST REVEREND
RICHARD F. REIDY**

Diocese of Norwich
Office of the Bishop
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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

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=JzazDHDtt7yMljJDuBlZnO8oUDn5cK.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

331 Main St. Floor 2

Norwich, CT 06360



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