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JULY 3, 2022

### ST. MARGARET MARY CHURCH

80 Hayes Road

South Windsor, CT 06074 Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm Sunday Mass: 11:00 am

Weekday Mass: Monday, Tuesday &

Thursday-8:00 am

Confessions: Monday 6:00pm-7:00pm

Adoration & Holy Hour: Monday 6:00pm-7:00pm

WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS, NEW MEMBERS, AS WELL AS ALL PARISH MEMBERS.



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OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

June 25, 2022

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

For a very long time people of upright conscience and good will have worked and prayed for an end to the scourge of abortion on demand in our country and around the world. From ancient times our forebears in the faith rejected abortion as a moral evil, and over the last half-century people of a correctly formed and upright conscience have striven to undo the *Roe v. Wade* decision which has resulted in the death of well over 60 million unborn babies in our country alone.

Now that *Roe v. Wade* has finally been set aside, it is for the people of the United States, and not the Supreme Court, to decide the protections that can and should be afforded to the unborn. We need to make every effort to ensure that this happens, and that life is respected from conception until natural death. This is all the more urgent, living as we do in a "culture of death" fueled by abortion and euthanasia, where suicide among young people, lethal violence by guns or other means, and disrespect and intolerance are increasing.

Our Catholic Church has a monumental commitment to fostering the spiritual, moral and material wellbeing of our nation and our world, beginning in our own families, communities and parishes. Outreach and care for pregnant women in difficult and trying circumstances has been an integral part of Catholic pro-life efforts, and we need to commit ourselves all the more to the Respect Life Ministry of our Archdiocese (prolifeministry.org) and to our parish pro-life groups.

I want to thank all the Faithful of the Archdiocese of Hartford who have persevered in their pro-life commitment through thick and thin and have never given up hope that one day the evil of abortion on demand would no longer be the untouchable law of the land.

The Supreme Court published its decision on June 24, the Solemnity this year of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. On the cross, contrary to all appearances, life conquered death. And as the great champion of life, Pope St. John Paul the Great, once wrote, "No absolution offered by beguiling doctrines, even in the areas of philosophy and theology, can make a person truly happy: only the Cross and the glory of the Risen Christ can grant peace to one's conscience and salvation to one's life" (*Veritatis Splendor*, n. 120).

I join you in praying that truth and love may prevail in our country and in our world.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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Most Reverend Leonard P. Blair

Archbishop of Hartford

## WELCOME TO ST. JUNÍPERO SERRA PARISH

We extend a special welcome to new parishioners. We hope you will find our parish community a place where your faith-life will grow. We also hope you will share your special gifts with your parish family. Your presence, your talents and your prayers are always welcome. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Castro, after one of the Masses and also please formally register with the parish through our website at <a href="https://www.saintjuniperoserra.org">www.saintjuniperoserra.org</a> or by contacting the office.

### The churches are open for private devotions:

St. Francis of Assisi: Monday thru Friday 9:00am-4:00pm St. Margaret Mary: Monday thru Friday 9:00am-3:00pm, Saturday 10:00am-5:30pm

### Pastoral Staff

Offices located at 80 Hayes Rd, Hours are Monday thru Thursday 9 am to 3 pm Friday: 9 am to 12pm | Parish Office: 860-644-2411 Fax: 860-644-5765

#### Administrator

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### **Deacons**

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### **Important Information**

**Baptisms:** Parents must attend a pre-baptismal class and sponsor certificates for the godparents must be received before a baptism can be scheduled. Please call the parish office to register.

**Prayer Line:** For prayer requests or to join the Prayer Line, please call Donna, 860-938-4864, Ida, 860-289-2826 or Mary, 860-644-0766.

Weddings: At least six months preparation is necessary. Please call Fr. Castro at x109

**Ministry to Those in the Hospital or Homebound:** Your parish priests, deacons and ministers are eager to help anyone who is unable to celebrate with us because of age, illness or handicap. There is no problem visiting private homes if we are notified. If you, or a relative living in the South Windsor Catholic Community would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick or would like to receive Communion, please call the parish office so that we may be of assistance.

**Bulletin Submissions:** The deadline for the bulletin articles is noon on Friday. Email your submissions to: bulletin@southwindsor.cc

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SATURDAY VIGIL, July 2

4:00 p.m. Deceased Members of The Smith Family

SUNDAY, July 3

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 a.m. Mary Estey-Joslin by Sister, Lorrie Coelho 9:00 a.m. Andrew Fulop by Knights of Columbus 11:00 a.m. Andre Veilleux by Wife, Nancy & Son, Alex

MONDAY, July 4

8:00 a.m. Ernest S. Hood, Sr. by The Puiia Family TUESDAY, July 5

8:00 a.m. Mary Dalton by Catherine Bednar

WEDNESDÁY, July 6

8:00 a.m. Elizabeth Lambert by Anton

THURSDAY, July 7

8:00 a.m. Rose St. Laurent by Family

SATURDAY VIGIL, July 9

4:00 p.m. Michael A. Fisher by Family

SUNDAY, July 10

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Andre Veilleux by Wife, Nancy & Son, Alex

9:00 a.m. Andrew Fulop by Parents

11:00 a.m. Aida Morales Velez-1st Anniversary

### SANCTUARY LIGHTS

St. Margaret Mary's Sanctuary Light burns this week for **AUDREY SZOKA** 

If you would like to have the Sanctuary Light burn at St. Francis of Assisi or St. Margaret Mary Church for the intention of a loved one, please call the parish office 860-644-2411.



Please remember in your the following prayers parishioners who are Thomas Russo, Giacomo Ghasa, Scott Mosher, Anne Mosher,

Rosemary Saad, Lydia Mele, Barbara Mansini, Tammy Cross, Mary Caswell, Linda Pratson, Beth Jamieson, Helen Palmer, Teresa Foran, Marie Donnelli, George Rousseau, Charles Flick, Joyce Abrahams, Kay Vuono, Pat Hendrickson, Carmen Rosa Chilicki, Karen Cerrato, Bertha Brasfield, Mark Weyrauch, Robert Billig, Adam Johnson, Taina Marquez-Johnson, Luca and Nicolas Marquez-Johnson, Simone Tedford, Frances P. Medina, Paula Musgrave, Richard Mazur, John Ferrante, Michael Chappell, Rebecca-Lynn Scullion, Dylan McBreen, Susan Degennaro, Lisa Feinstein, Sylvia Gonsalves, Louise Hynes, Ginette Collin, Laurie Gilligan, Joan Paterna, Linda Nott, Donna Antaya . Please call the parish office to add a loved one to our parish prayer list.

This weekend we celebrate the independence of this great country. We raise our prayers to God asking for his blessings and giving thanks to him for all his generosity and love for this nation and for all our families.

Father of all nations and ages, We recall the day when our country claimed its place among the family of nations; for what has been achieved we give you thanks, for the work that still remains we ask your help, and as you have called us from many peoples to be one nation, grant that, under your providence, our

country may share your blessings with all the peoples of the earth.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

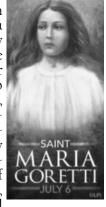
Amen.

Happy 4th of July! Fr. Jorge Castro.

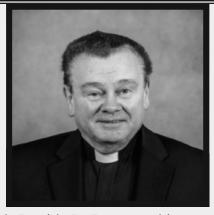


#### ST. MARIA GORETTI

Have you heard of the patron saint of purity? Born to peasant parents in southern Italy, St. Maria Goretti was a devout girl whose life was marked by difficulty. Her father died when she was nine, leaving her single mother with six mouths to feed. Two neighbors helped on the family farm, including a young man named Alessandro. He began making crude comments towards Maria. She repeatedly denied him. After several years, Alessandro attacked Maria to force himself GORET on her. She resisted and, in his anger, Alessandro stabbed her. Maria died



from the wounds' infections, but her last words were "I forgive Alessandro Serenelli, and I want him with me in heaven forever." While he was in prison, Maria appeared to Alessandro with a bouquet of roses, one for each wound he inflicted. In a true miracle of mercy, Alessandro experienced repentance, became a Franciscan brother after his release, and was later present at Maria's canonization. St. Maria Goretti, pray for us!



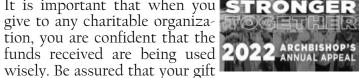
Reverend David J. Baranowski, passed away Saturday, June 25, 2022. Fr. Dave served at many parishes in the Archdiocese prior to his retirement, most recently as Pastor at our parish, St. Junípero Serra and then as Senior Parochial Vicar at St. Damien of Molokai Parish in Windsor.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Fr. Dave's family and friends at this time of loss and offer them our prayerful support. Fr. Jorge Castro & the Staff

> Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

May he rest in peace. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

It is important that when you **STRONGER** give to any charitable organiza-



to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal supports the ministries and programs indicated in the 2022 Appeal literature! Organizations such as St. Vincent de Paul Society right here in our own town received funding from the Appeal's Vicariate Outreach Program that makes a difference in the lives of our local neighbors.

Appeal visit the website www.archdioceseofhartford.org to learn more and make your gift today.

All funds contributed to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal are used exclusively for the purposes outlined in the Appeal literature, which can be found at https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/ No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.

### **STEWARDSHIP**

Total Offertory including Online Giving: 6/26/2022 Weekly Collection \$11,577.00 These numbers will fluctuate due to monthly and quarterly donations.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



Thank you to the parishioners St. Junipero Serra Parish for vour

generous donations to the June food collection! With your help St. Vincent de Paul Society will assist Head Start families in Vernon, DCF families in Manchester, local families we support and St. Ann's Church in Hartford.

We need volunteers to help with the household goods distribution for 4-5 hours on a Saturday morning - one weekend per month. If you can help please email



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- Want to know more about volunteering or attending a meeting? Please email president@societyhelpline.org
- Have kitchen items or good used furniture to share? Please post your donation at www.societvhelpline.org
- Need help or know someone else who needs help? Post a request for assistance on our website www.societyhelpline.org or call 860 648-0216.

### Dear St. Junipero Serra Parish Families,

I would like to let you all know that I have decided to leave my position as Youth Minister/Confirmation Coordinator at St. Junipero Serra Parish. My last day will be July 14th.

Thank you so much for the opportunity to work with your students to be able to teach them more about the faith. You will all continue to be in my prayers.

> In His Most Sacred & Merciful Heart. ~Emily Golec~

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE July 3, 2022 | 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Freedom properly defined is freedom properly understood. The Cambridge Dictionary tells us that it is, "the condition or right of being able or allowed to do, say, think, etc., whatever you want to, without being controlled or limited." That same dictionary defines liberty as, "the freedom to live, work, and travel as you want to." Both definitions sound very similar. Is there a difference between freedom and liberty? Many are accustomed to believing that freedom and liberty are interchangeable and simply involve possessing rights and privileges. For the Christian, however, there is a big difference between the two.

St. John Chrysostom directs that "the only person who is free is the one who lives for Christ." There are many other inspira-

tional people throughout history who see freedom as something far greater than liberty. True and properly understood freedom has little to do with entitlement or self-promotion. For the believer, it is a matter of the heart and soul. Freedom (and liberty, for that matter), seen only in terms of the world, can quickly be taken away. The freedom spoken of by St. John Chrysostom can only be lost by personal choice. When one lives for Christ, they live in pursuit of virtues that enlighten one's soul (faith, hope, and love) and strengthen one's character (justice, fortitude, temperance, and prudence). Rather than having the ability to acquire or do more things, true freedom asks us to be detached. Privileges, rights, and responsibilities are important, but they do not define us.

The world is not always open to listening to the truth. "I am sending you like lambs among wolves," Jesus tells his disciples. The secular definitions of freedom and liberty are very attractive. They promise us a great deal. It is no wonder Jesus asks his disciples to travel with very little. The Gospel is not dependent upon things or anything those with worldly power or investment can say or do. When one chooses to live for Christ, they choose to live with peace. That's what true freedom will give us. If we do not want what Christ offers, we can close the door, and the messenger will walk away. Distracted by the lure of personal liberties, we risk losing our freedom. We will not have anything truly life-giving to share with others. ©LPi

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Did you know that you can put many of your old household items in the St. Vincent de Paul bins at SMM and they will be collected and sent to Haiti? These items do not have to be new, but they should be in good condition. For example:

- Baseball caps
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- Embroidery floss and small sewing kits
- Hand lotions, shampoos and hand sanitizers (trial size from hotels)
- Flannel backed tablecloths (used for birthing pads)
- Jewelry, earrings and bracelets (given as reward in classes)
- Nail clippers
- Pillowcases (used to carry foods)
- Towels (even torn ones are cut up to make washcloths)
- Sheets (used to make diapers and baptismal dresses)
- Tackle boxes (used by midwives to carry supplies)
- Shower caps (used to cover foods), and
- Old suitcases <u>NO FABRIC SUITCASES</u> (soft) sent to Haiti packed, and after are used by people to hold their belongings.

Items may be placed in bags marked 'Haiti' for ease in sorting.

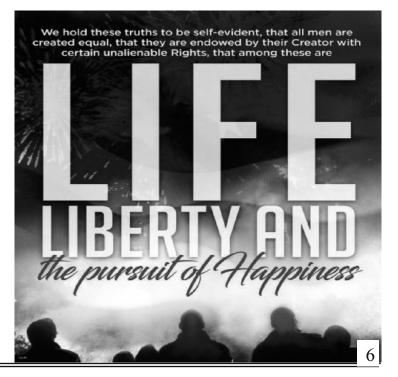
### **INCREASE YOUR FAITH**

Come to our Cenacle which meets every other Tuesday night. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, July 12th at 7:00pm at SMM Chapel.

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*7:00pm at SMM Chapel.* For more information call Mike Cianciolo 860-604-1745.





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