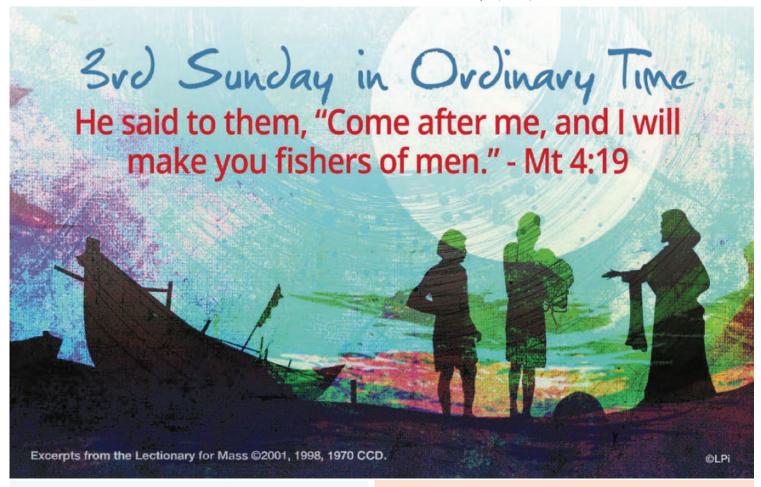


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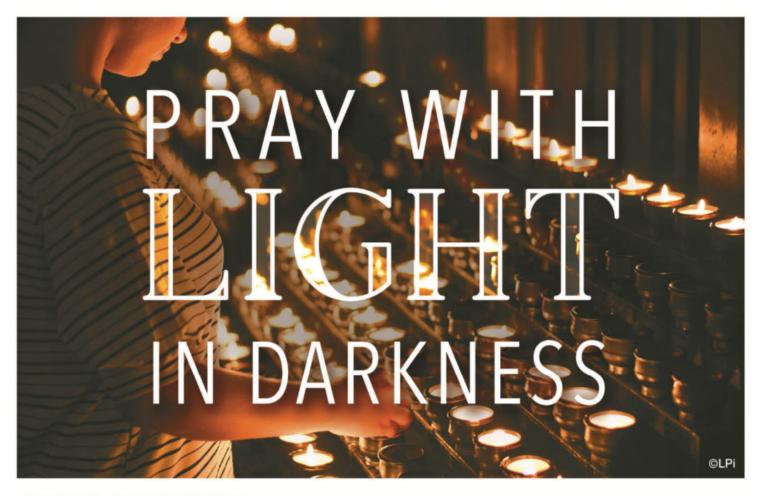
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When I was a young seminarian, I asked a wise old priest how to pray better. He said simply, "Don't lie when you pray." He helped me to see how much energy I waste in trying to appear acceptable to God when I pray. For me, prayer was showing off for God and hiding what was ugly.

It's stunning that the Gospel of Matthew tells us of Jesus, "He left Nazareth and went to live in Capernaum by the sea, in the region of Zebulon and Naphtali..." This isn't just the Lord's relocation up north. It's his moving into places of shame and defeat. This region was where the enemy invasion of Israel began centuries before. Jesus left the comfortable confines of Nazareth and sought out

a place of darkness, not to bring shame, but to announce the dawning of his light.

When we pray, we usually prefer Jesus to stay put in our little Nazareths — where we feel comfortable, successful, and in control. But he moves. He re-locates into the Zebulons and Naphtalis of our shame, embarrassment, fear, and sense of being defeated. The question for us is: will we allow him to take up residence in those places in our prayer time? Will we talk to him honestly about our places of darkness? If we do, we're no longer lying when we pray.

- Father John Muir

On those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death light has arisen.

From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

- Mt 4:16b-17

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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

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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.

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SATURDAY VIGIL, January 21

4:00 p.m. Arthur Joseph Healey-40th Anniversary & Joseph Healey-1st Anniversary by Family

SUNDAY, January 22

Third Sunday in Órdinary Time

7:30 a.m. Nicole Abbate Babcock

by John, Shirley & Allison Zaczynski 9:00 a.m. John & Jo Hughes by Brennan Family 11:00 a.m. Dan Bomaster by Wife, Lois & Family

MONDAY, January 23

8:00 a.m. Louise Galvin by Women's Club

TUESDAY, January 24

8:00 a.m. Elaine Burnham by Friend

WEDNESDAY, January 25

8:00 a.m. Father Dave Baranowski by Women's Club

THURSDAY, January 26

8:00 a.m. Nina Tamiso Quinlan by Friend

SATURDAY VIGIL, January 28

4:00 p.m. Deborah Shea Foley by Shea Family

SUNDAY, January 29

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Georgette Creagan by Family 9:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving of The Baby Jesus

by Obregon Family

11:00 a.m. Angelo Commisso by Ginger & Mike

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

St. Francis of Assisi's Sanctuary Light burns this week for PETER P. BLUME, SR. & PETER P. BLUME, JR.

St. Margaret Mary's Sanctuary Light burns this week for REAL TURGEON

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.

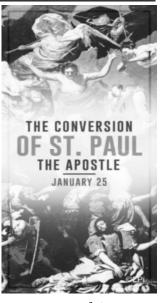
Please remember in your prayers the following parishioners who are ill Thomas Russo, Giacomo Ghasa, Scott Mosher, Anne Mosher, Rosemary Saad, Lydia Mele, Barbara Mansini,



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, 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, Ron Krug, Roy Hauck, Matthew Hornish. Please call the parish office to add a loved one to our parish prayer list.

St. Paul, named Saul at his circumcision, a Jew of the tribe of Benjamin, was born at Tarsus, the capitol of Cilicia. He was a Roman citizen. He was brought up as a strict Jew, and later became a violent persecutor of the Christians. While on his way to Damascus to make new arrests of Christians, he was suddenly converted by a miraculous apparition of Our Lord. From a fierce persecutor he became the great Apostle of the Gentiles. He made three missionary journeys



which brought him to the great centers of Asia Minor and southern Europe, and made many converts. Fourteen of his Epistles are found in the New Testament. He was beheaded in Rome around 66 A.D., and his relics are in the Basilica of St. Paul Outsidethe-Walls near the Ostian Way.

End of year contribution statements for parishioners who participate in our envelope system and online giving-Those who received statements last year will *automatically* receive their statements by end of January by email, or mail, if there is no email on file.

Please contact Ginger at <u>ginger@southwindsor.cc</u> if your email has changed, if you have email and prefer a hard copy, or if you would like to request a statement for the first time.

INCREASE YOUR FAITH

Come to our Cenacle which meets every other Tuesday night. *Our next meeting*

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will be on Tuesday, January 24th at 7:00pm at SMM Chapel. For more information call Mike Cianciolo 860-604-1745.

STEWARDSHIP

Total Offertory including Online Giving: 1/15/2023 Weekly Collection \$ 12,082.00 These numbers will fluctuate due to monthly and quarterly donations.

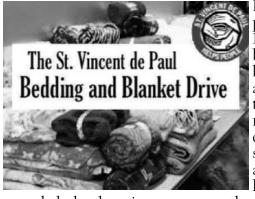
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WINTER SNOW POLICY

Weekdays: When school is canceled or delayed there will be NO Morning Mass.

Weekends: Please check our website, or Facebook page for possible cancellation.

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Last year, we provided over 100 bed sets and bedding blankets to go along with them to families need. Our supply of twin and full bedding sized and blankets is We ask low.

your help by donating new or gently-used twin and/or full sheet sets (fitted bottom, top and pillowcases), blankets, comforters or bedspreads. If you can help, please individually bag each bedding set or blanket, comforter or bedspread, and mark it as either twin or full. But please, no Queen or King sets because we do not provide Queen or King sized beds. For the blanket drive the St. Vincent de Paul Society truck will be in each Church parking lot before each Mass the weekend of February 4 and 5, 2023. Bedding & Blanket Drive dates, places and times follow:

- Saturday, February 4: St. Margaret Mary upper parking lot: 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.
- Sunday, February 5: St. Francis of Assisi driveway: 7:00 to 9:15 a.m.
 - Sunday, February 5: St. Margaret Mary upper parking lot: 9:30-noon

Our neighbors in need count on your generous blessings. Thank you for all you do.



Thank you St. Junipero

Serra Parishioners for your ongoing generosity in helping your St. Vincent de Paul Society help others! The January food collection will take place the weekend of 1/21 and 1/22/2023. With your assistance we will distribute food to local clients and families, Head Start families in Vernon, DCF families in Manchester and Bristol Men's Shelter.

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 president@societyhelpline.org

- Want to know more about volunteering or attending a meeting?
- Please email president@societyhelpline.org. Have something to donate? Please post your intended donation on our website www.societyhelpline.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.

An invitation to the women of St. Junipero Serra Parish in South Windsor

The women of your parish are invited to come on a weekend retreat to Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center in Farmington, CT. At Our Lady of Calvary, the natu-

ral beauty of grounds and the peaceful atmosphere of the retreat house can provide a much needed break from your daily routine. You'll tunity to participate in the



sacraments, to hear conference talks, to share with other women and to reflect on this year's theme, "All Creation is Groaning in Labor Pains, Even Until Now". There are a number of weekend retreat dates available, If you would like to join the women of St. Teresa of Calcutta parish, we are going on retreat the weekend of March 10-12. Of course there are a number of other retreat weekend dates available. If a full weekend retreat is not possible please consider attending a Commuter Saturday. The Retreat House follows all COVID protocols.

For information on retreats and on all the other wonderful programs that are going on throughout the year, go to www.ourladyofcalvary.net or call OLC at 860 677 8519. We hope to see you there.



Blood Drive St. Margaret Mary Church



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Join our newly formed bimonthly Men's Prayer Group to let God encourage a deeper personal understanding of his message to us. Men's prayer group will meet Thursday 1/26/2023.



We'll be reading and discussing the following Sunday 1/29 Mass reading. Come join us! Bring your bible or a copy of Sunday's 1/29 Mass reading. For more information contact Jozef Chilicki jchilicki@cox.net

From FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

Calling all Saint Junipero Serra 7th-12th graders.

Our Parish Youth Group is forming!

Build on your Catholic Faith, Friends, Fun, and Food. Our group will meet once a month for a couple hours. Work the Winter ho-hums away and have some team building events with your friends. We will have events like Catholic Family Bingo, Pizza Parties and Winter Olympic Games that will remind us of Saint Paul - who writes "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith". These and many more will take us through winter and into the early spring where we will find joy in our faith in each season, body, mind, and spirit.

Our 11th grade recently confirmed and 12th graders, are invited to join us as Team Leaders for the Parish Youth Group. We are happy to provide you with letters of recommendation for your help.

Join your friends for these fun and food evenings once a month. Our first meeting will be on Sunday, January 22nd. Class time details will be shared at your faith formation classes and on our parish website.

> Run, jump, shout, but do not sin. St. John Bosco



We have seen in the eyes of empty nesters, and loving sighs of the old, whenever children are brought to Mass. We do not even have to ask them what they are thinking, sometimes they will say it. Enjoy it! Or Time flies! But us, the harried parents usually brush it aside as we hurriedly fill an empty pew toward the back, so as not to distract anyone.

But interiorly we know as C.S. Lewis said, "Children are not a distraction from more important work, they are the most important work." Jesus has told us the same!

Blessing of the Children - Matthew 19:13-15

Then children were brought to him that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples rebuked them,

but Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." After he placed his hands on them, he went away.

Time Flies

I returned by highway, A blur of sound, change, and passerbys, It was almost hard to believe that I, Had traveled there before. Only to have come by, Back roads and backdoors -

> It was more silent then, And time a peaceful friend, And change was slow. And children growing, though still holding my hand.

Then. Fear was in front, Not behind me. The highway seemed to scream, fear was beside me now, I needed to silence the space to understand,

The rate of things, Where I had been, Where I was going.

It was as the older folk used to say, About passing years colliding at rapid speeds, Ohhh hold on to these! they prophesized,

To deaf ears of the young like mine were, In a common space, they told me the tale, You drove today by back roads, Do not be fooled by my seemingly snail-paced walk, I came by highway road, A blur of sound, change, and passersbys,

Hold on to the time of holding children's hands, for when they told me. I did not understand. And I dreamed of being a highwayman, And there is no way to travel by back roads anymore.

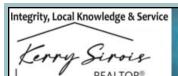
"The Eucharist is my highway to heaven." To always be close to Jesus, that's my life plan. I'm happy to die because I've lived my life without wasting even a minute of it doing things that wouldn't have pleased God. "I offer all the suffering I will have to suffer for the Lord, for the Pope, and the Church."-Blessed Carlo Acutis

"Let nothing perturb you, nothing frighten you. All things pass. God does not change."

Patience achieves everything." - St Teresa of Avila

"LOVE YOUR CHILDREN. IN THEM YOU CAN SEE BABY JESUS." St. Gianna Molla "To go to Mass together will be the light of Sunday for a family." -*Pope Benedict XVI*

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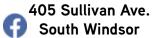
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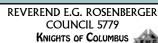
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