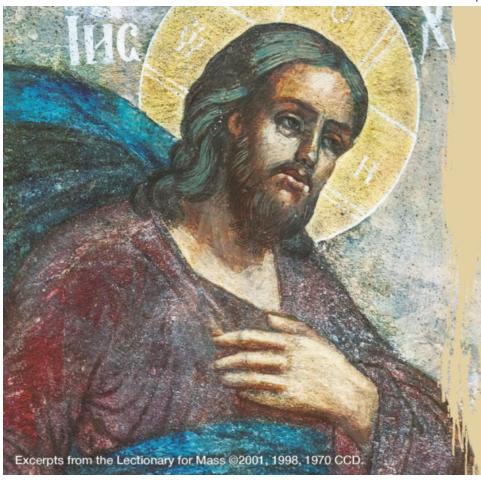


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FEBRUARY 19, 2023

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



LENT 2023

St. Junipero Serra Parish



8:00am at St. Francis of Assisi Church

12:10pm at Francis of Assisi Church

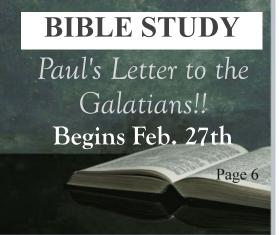
7:00pm at St. Margaret Mary Church

Prayer Service with Ashes

3:00pm at St. Margaret Mary Church







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 www.saintjuniperoserra.org 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

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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, one week before publication. Email your submissions to: bulletin@southwindsor.cc

St. Vincent de Paul: 860-648-0216



SATURDAY VIGIL, February 18

4:00 p.m. Joe & Barbara Kennedy by Family

SUNDAY, February 19

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Special Intentions of Joseph Tince & Dominique Owens

9:00 a.m. Margaret Soucy by Family

11:00 a.m. Diane Ferrick

by The Divine Mercy Cenacle at SMM

MONDAY, February 20

8:00 a.m. Rosemarie Levack by Paulann Marianella

TUESDAY, February 21

8:00 a.m. Mary & John Taylor

by Rosaleen & Ed Meyer & Family

WEDNESDAY, February 22 | ASH WEDNESDAY

SFA | 8:00 a.m. Anne, Susan & Jeanne McKenna SFA | 12:10 p.m. Mary Loan Kim Do & Marie Irene McAndrews by Mimosa Pham SMM | 7:00 p.m. Bill Davis-6th Anniversary by Wife

THURSDAY, February 23

8:00 a.m. Julie Ann Dunn by Annamae Davis

SATURDAY VIGIL, February 25

4:00 p.m. James O'Keefe by Family

SUNDAY, February 26

First Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. Cecilia Tedone by Jeanette Ertel

9:00 a.m. Edith Evans by Annemarie & Bob Sturrock

11:00 a.m. Salvatore & Maria & Rocco D'Elia

by Ricciardone Family

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

St. Margaret Mary's Sanctuary Light burns this week for CRAIG PEPIN

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.

Lenten Disciplines of Fasting & Abstinence

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

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Volunteers needed to pray! Please join our prayer line, only one person to call to keep the prayers going. For more details, contact Mary Serkosky at 860-644-0766.



Divine Mercy Cenacle



INCREASE YOUR FAITH Come to our Cenacle which meets every other Tuesday

will be on Tuesday, February 21st at 7:00pm at

SMM Chapel. For more information call Mike Cianciolo 860-604-1745.

WINTER SNOW POLICY

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



Catholic Cemeteries **Association** will be hosting a presentation focused on educating our congregation about the challenges facing practically every family: Maintaining the dignity of life during end-of-life discussions. Catholic Cemeteries Association will conduct the program with the assistance of an Elder Care Attorney, we will answer questions on how to manage

these elements of the golden years. It is for age 50+ parishioners or the children of older parishioners who are worried about them and should take about an hour. Topics to include:

- *Choosing and managing the cost of Cemetery Space and Funerals
- *Managing the cost of Elder Care
- *Managing the details of Wills and other Final Costs
- *Relieving the Burden on your Heirs

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A Seminar will be offered at St. Margaret Mary Church on Wednesday, March 1st at 2:00 pm. Those interested are asked to register by either calling Barbara at 780-8418 or visiting the website www.ccacem.org, clicking on the Dignity of Life Seminar Tab, scrolling down and selecting the date and time that works best. We hope to see you there!

DAY TRIP TO THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF **DIVINE MERCY**

Saturday, March 25, 2023 Saturday, March 25th 8:00 am - 5:00 pm \$55.00 per person, Kids 10 & under Free.

Spend the day in Stockbridge, Massachusetts with Fr. Chris Alar for faith discussion, Mass, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Confession & gift shop. Cost covers transportation on private bus & lunch.

Call Mike Cianciolo at 860-604-1745 to register.

To reserve a seat we will need a deposit of \$10.00 or you can pay the whole amount with your reservation. If you are reserving a seat for more than one person only a \$10.00 deposit is required.







Thank Junipero Serra Parishioners for your

donations of sheets and blankets to the blanket drive! Our clients are grateful when they receive mattresses and bedding from St. Vincent de Paul Society. Your generosity helps keep people warm in the cold weather.

Thank you St. Junipero Serra Parishioners for your ongoing generosity. The February Food Collection will take place 2/25 and



2/26/2023. Grocery bags will be given out the weekend of 2/18 and 2/19/2023. With your help we will be able to distribute food to local clients and families, Head Start families in Vernon, DCF families in Manchester and Sacred Heart Church in Hartford.

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.

SAVE THE DATE!

Saint Junipero Serra is happy to announce that we will once again be hosting a Summer Vacation Bible Camp the week of July 10th-14th.



We will prepare our teen volunteers beginning on July 7th (The Friday Before) More information to come!

February Diaper and Wipe Drive

There is one more week left to **Diapers** donate diapers and wipes to benefit ABC Women Center, Carolyn's Place, Caring Fami





lies and Hope Pregnancy Center. Baskets to drop off your donation are in the front entrances of St. Margaret Mary and St. Francis. Let us spread our love and generosity to the centers that support pregnant women and their babies and play such an important role in the prolife movement.



Connecticut March for Life is scheduled for Wednesday, March 22 12:00 pm Rally at the Capitol - 1:00 pm March

for Life around Bushnell Park. Go to CTMARCH-FORLIFE.org for up-to-date information and to register. The Knights of Columbus will be subsidizing bus transportation to Hartford. Go to https:// rally.co/ct-march-for-life to see bus locations and to sign up. If you have any questions, please email sis40daysforlife@comcast.net.

ST. JUNÍPERO SERRA PARISH

BIBLE STUDY Paul's Letter to the Galatians!! Begins Feb. 27th

Bible Study

Join us as we study Paul's Letter to the Galatians this Lent. Paul wrote follow-up instructions to a people he had visited on a missionary journey, having preached to them, gained converts to Christianity, and founded churches among them. Galatia was a Roman region in what today is Turkey.

Bible study will take place in the St. Margaret Mary Church Hall from 7:00 until 8:30 pm on 5 consecutive Monday nights starting February 27 and will finish before Easter. This study is open to all, regardless of your bible study experience. Newcomers welcome. The study includes a paperback textbook and a questions and answer booklet, a professional video presentation summarizing each lesson, and small group discussion each Monday.

Call Dan Peck at 860-436-5933 to register, or if you have any questions about the study.

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 natural beauty of the grounds and the peaceful atmosphere of the retreat house can provide a much needed break from your daily routine. You'll have the opportunity 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.

FRIDAY KNIGHTS BINGO at St. Margaret Mary



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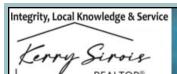


5pm SMM Churh Hall

All are welcome! proceeds benefit SJS Youth Ministr

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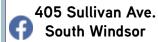
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