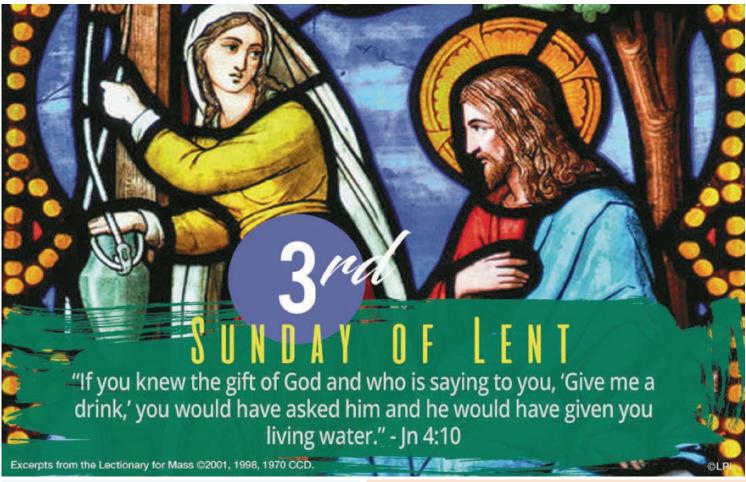


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Thursday

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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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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

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SATURDAY VIGIL, March 11 4:00 p.m. Judith Meyer by Niece SUNDAY, March 12 Third Sunday of Lent 7:30 a.m. Mabel Perillo by Family 9:00 a.m. Jim & Louise Galvin by Family 11:00 a.m. Edward H. Sullivan by Terri Mazza & Family

MONDAY, March 13 8:00 a.m. Anne, Susan & Jean McKenna TUESDAY, March 14 8:00 a.m. Alice Kaminski by Friend WEDNESDAY, March 15 8:00 a.m. Mark Klosowski by Family THURSDAY, March 16 8:00 a.m. Rini Family by Family

SATURDAY VIGIL, March 18 4:00 p.m. JoAnn Mecca by Her Sister SUNDAY, March 19 Fourth Sunday of Lent 7:30 a.m. John & Loretta Padegimas by Family 9:00 a.m. Kenny Offiaeli by Family 11:00 a.m. Tom Mazza -10th anniversary by Teresa & Family

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

St. Margaret Mary's Sanctuary Light burns this week for **JOHN GRIFFIN**

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 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. Patrick | March 17

Whether you know him as the man who brought Christianity to Ireland or simply as a reason you eat corned beef and cabbage in March, St. Patrick (415 - 493) is a well-known saint around the

St. Patrick was born in Britain of a Romanized family. At the age of 16, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders from the villa of his father, a deacon and local

official, and brought into slavery in Ireland. He spent six long years there as a herdsman, during which he turned to his faith for strength. He later escaped back to Britain on a ship, where he was eventually reunited with his family.

His years of captivity changed him and brought out a zeal for God and a yearning to spread the message of Jesus Christ. Despite the constant danger of martyrdom, he continued to travel throughout Ireland where he baptized and confirmed in the name of Christ.

FROM FARMING TO FISHING

Raul and Rhodora were coconut farmers in their town

in the Philippines, but it took a lot of work before they made money. They participated in a Catholic Relief Services program that helped them build their own fishpond to raise and sell



fish. The fish provide nutritious food for their family and more accessible income, enabling Raul and Rhodora's granddaughters to attend school. What changes have you made in your professional, personal or spiritual life that have benefited others? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

STEWARDSHIP

Total Offertory including Online Giving: 3/5/2023 Weekly Collection \$14,063.00 Monthly Collection \$5,523.00

These numbers will fluctuate due to monthly and quarterly donations.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY! Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection.

Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and reveal Christ's love to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

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.



Tickets: \$20 - Adult \$12 – Under 16

Dinner, beverages, several raffles to benefit the parish scholarships for high school students, music and beautiful, lively Irish dancing by 'The Mulcahy Academy of Irish Dance'. Get your tickets this weekend after the weekend Masses!

Simple Supper will take place each Friday during Lent at St. Francis of Assisi Church. Please join us in the SFA SIMPLE SUPPER church hall at 6:00 p.m. for supper followed by Stations of \(\subseteq \) the Cross at 7:00 p.m. in the





In order to plan the number of meals needed, please indicate you will be attending by signing the sheet located in the vestibule at either church or call the SMM office at 860-644-2411 ext 101.

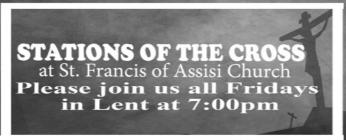
If you are attending Simple Supper Friday, please sign in or call by Wednesday. Thanks!

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Knights Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend values in a busy changing world.

Our local council #5779 will be holding a membership drive at all Masses the weekend of March 18/19. The Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way. If you would like to join today simply go to KofC.org/joinus and enter our council #5779 for local information.



From FAITH FORMATION OFFICE



Attention Children of the Parish: Please come to an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8th at of Assisi Francis Church at 10am. There

will be crafts and activities as well as a visit from the Easter Bunny! The Egg Hunt will take place at 10:45am. All children ages 4-10 are invited. Bring Your

Own Basket and we will provide the fun!

Any teens or adults interested in helping are invited to a meeting on Wednesday, 3/22 at 6:30pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church Hall. All are welcome, and teens will get an hour of service.

Anyone interested in volunteering is encouraged to email Marybeth Murdoch at mbmurdoch@att.net

Calling all SJS 7th – 12th Graders Please Join us for our Next Youth Group Meeting Schwag bags for all who attend! When: Saturday March 25th 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM at St. Margaret Mary Church Hall. What: A Hungry Hippo Extravaganza You've heard of the Daytona 500, well we're doing the Dollie 500 (on our stomachs.)



As our Lenten Journey bring us closer to Easter, we will reflect on "God's Call" in our lives. We will see how teamwork, reflection, and service to others all work together.

"Actions speak louder than words." Let your words teach and your actions speak." Saint Anthony of Padua

The SIS Women's Club will hold their March meeting on Wednesday 3/15 at St. Francis of Assisi Church Hall. Social begins at 6:30pm but this will be a working meeting to get ready for St Patrick's Celebration. We will be making Irish



Soda Bread and assembling raffles and decorations. Please come help and have some refreshments. If you are not a member of the club but wish to come help please join us! Many hands make light work! ෯෯෯෯෯෯෯෯෯෯෯෯

Questions call Paulann 860 291 9960

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.



You are cordially invited to attend Celebrate Northwest!, March 25, 2023 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm on the Northwest Catholic High School campus. This year's theme: Elite 8.

Adult beverages & heavy appetiz-

ers Silent & Live Auctions Fund-a-Need NCAA Game Watch Party and more! Auction items and Business Sponsorships gratefully accepted. Please visit NorthwestCatholic.org/CelebrateNWC for more details, tickets and donation forms.

Questions? Michelle Kiley, Associate Director of Advancement 860-236-4221 x139 mkiley@nwcath.org Your support of Northwest Catholic High and all Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Hartford is appreciated.

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 CTMARCHFORLIFE.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 sjs40daysforlife@comcast.net.



FRIDAY KNIGHTS BINGO at St. Margaret Mary



Church Hall | Doors & Kitchen open at 5:00pm Bingo starts at 7:00pm. Higher payouts - play for \$25 - all games.

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Thank you St. Junipero Serra Parishioners for your ongoing generosity. With your assistance, on 2/25 and 2/26/2023, we distributed food to local clients and families, Head Start families in Vernon, DCF families in Manchester and Sacred Heart Church in Hartford.

The March food collection will take place 3/25 & 3/26/2023. Grocery bags for the March 2023 food collection will be distributed the



weekend of 3/18 & 3/19/2023. Local clients, families, Head Start families in Vernon, DCF families in Manchester and St. Ann's Church in Hartford will benefit from your generosity.

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

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.

The 2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is now underway in our parish. Your support of this year's Appeal ensures that essential charitable, educational, and pastoral ministries of the Archdiocese of Hartford are carried forward.

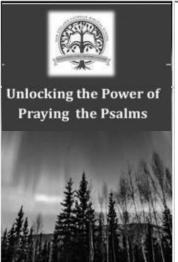
• Since 1997, Archbishop's Annual Appeal Vicariate Outreach Program has been able to provide nearly \$20 million in funding to community-based local charities throughout Hartford, New Haven and Litchfield Counties to assist them in their important work of serving the needs of God's people. In 2022, we were able to provide nearly



\$900,000 to various organizations, nominated by pastors, across the Archdiocese.

•Organizations such as St. Vincent dePaul Society right here in our own town received funding from the Appeal's Vicariate Outreach Program that makes a difference in serving our neighbors.

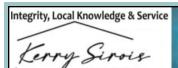
All funds contributed to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal are used exclusively for the purposes outlined in the Appeal literature, which can be found at https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/ No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.



Lenten Scripture Retreat: Unlocking the Power of Praying the Psalms

Please join us on March 25, 2023 for a Lenten Scripture retreat from 8:45am - 2:15pm at Saint Dominic Church, 1050 Flanders Road, Southington, CT 06489. Continental breakfast and lunch is provided.

Registration is required. To register please visit https:// www.catholicedaohct.org/ catholic-biblical-school/ events



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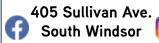
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