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## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

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"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." - Mt 17:5b

#### ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH

673 Ellington Road

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Sunday Mass: 7:30 am & 9:00 am Weekday Mass: 8:00 am-Monday &

Wednesday

Weekday & Weekend Masses are Live Streamed at www.saintjuniperoserra.org

MARCH 5, 2023

### ST. MARGARET MARY CHURCH

80 Hayes Road

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

Weekday Mass: 8:00 am-Tuesday &

**Thursday** 

Confessions: Monday 6:00pm-6:45pm

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

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

## St. Patrick's Day Celebration

Saturday, March18
St. Margaret Mary Hall
5:00 PM

Tickets: \$20 - Adult \$12 – Under 16 Dinner, beverages, music and beautiful, lively Irish dancing by the

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Ticket sales start this weekend and next weekend after weekend Masses

THANK YOU everyone, especially the Organizers:

Knights of Columbus, Men's Club, SJS Youths and all the volunteers for helping and taking part in our 'Family Bingo Night' and making this event a successful one! We were really encouraged by your presence and support to our Youth Ministry. Now all you have to do is encourage your kids and grandkids to go to our Youth Ministry events. Family Bingo Proceeds will go to the Teens who will be going to the Steubenville Retreat this summer. Please visit our website if you want to know more details about the Youth Events.













### 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, Office Hours Monday-Thursday 9 am to 3 pm Friday: 9 am to 12pm | Phone: 860-644-2411 Fax: 860-644-5765

#### **Pastor**

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#### **Confirmation Coordinator**

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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, March 4

4:00 p.m. Mary Rego by Botti Family

SUNDAY, March 5

Second Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. Margaret Madden by Hegi Family, Daryl, Kathy, Daniel & Caroline

9:00 a.m. Roberta Marianella by Paulann Marianella 11:00 a.m. Theresa Theriault by Family

MONDAY, March 6

8:00 a.m. Lawrence & Antoinette Drank by Lisa Givers

TUESDAY, March 7

8:00 a.m. Maurice Cattanio by Friend

WEDNESDAY, March 8

8:00 a.m. Rosemarie Levack by Morning Mass Friends

THURSDAY, March 9

8:00 a.m. Margaret Messer by Family

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

#### **SANCTUARY LIGHTS**

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.



Please join us for our monthly Rosary on Saturday, March 11th at 12:00 noon. We will be meeting in the Adoration

Chapel at St. Margaret Mary. Everyone is invited.

SOCCER AND A BROKEN RESERVOIR In the Dry Corridor of Honduras, climate change causes persistent



drought, making farming nearly impossible. With support from Catholic Relief Services, Rony, a farmer, repaired an old reservoir and installed a new irrigation system to improve his harvests. Now Rony can send his son to a soccer academy to pursue his dream of becoming a professional player. How can you work like Rony to support others' needs and dreams? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

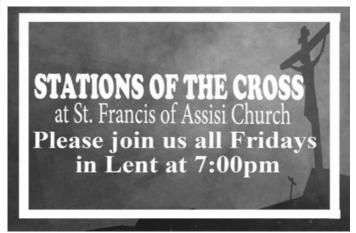
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#### **INCREASE YOUR FAITH**

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

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



#### **STEWARDSHIP**

Total Offertory including Online Giving: 2/26/2023 Weekly Collection \$9,623.00 These numbers will fluctuate due to monthly and quarterly donations.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY! Catholic Relief Services Collection Weekend of 3/18,19

#### 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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Mass of Healing & Hope We will be celebrating the Mass of Healing & Hope-the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick on Tuesday, March 14, at 6:00 p.m. at St. Margaret Mary Church. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick gives strength, support and healing to those who are ill, elderly, or facing surgery. All parishioners are invited to attend the Mass and bring any-

one who may need this special blessing.



The 2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is now underway in our parish. Our goal is to engage our entire parish family in this year's Appeal and to pray for the success of the Appeal, both here in our parish and across the three counties of the Archdiocese. We hope you can help us meet our parish goal of

\$220,000.00. If you would like to make a gift, please mail in your pledge card. You may also visit the Archdiocesan website at www.archdioceseofhartford.org or call the Appeal Office at (800) 781-2550. Keep in mind that an early pledge will allow you to best use the monthly payment plan. Please respond generously. 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.

#### 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.



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 break-

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

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 1 the Cross at 7:00 p.m. in the church.



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!

> This week is sponsored by **Bereavement Ministry**



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 appetizers Silent & Live Auctions

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Please visit NorthwestCatholic.org/CelebrateNWC for more details, tickets and donation forms.

Ouestions? 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.

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.

#### From FAITH FORMATION OFFICE

#### Meet our Catechist: Kathy Daugherty



Please introduce a bit about yourself and your family life in one - two sen-

Married at St. Margaret Mary's Church to my best friend, Greg, for over 40 years. We have 4 amazing children, Meghan and her husband Joshua, Kevin and his wife Chantal, Kristi and Brendan. We also have 9 beautiful grandchildren, 8 girls and 1 boy! We have been members of St. Margaret Mary Church since it opened – and moved to St. Francis Church in 1991. Besides teaching CCD on and off since 1981, I am also the Wedding Coordinator for St. Junipero Serra. My day job is running taking care of some of my grandchildren – the best job EVER!

How long have you been a catechist and what inspired you to teach the youth about God and His church?

I have been a Catechist on and off for 30 plus years. I started teaching at SMM 6 grade in the church hall, went on to teach elementary in 1991 on Saturday's and continued teaching until my children received their confirmation. The next generation enrolled and I decided to come back. Teaching the grandchildren is an experience that is beyond words and the rewards I get from teaching all children are immeasurable. I am most passionate about helping Anton with the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Whole Parish Catechesis. This year I am joining the team to begin the preparation for the Upper Grades/ Confirmation. This is a dynamic team of parent volunteers who are committed to lead the youth of our parish to a greater relationship with their faith. I also enjoy playing a role in summer 'Vacation Bible School.'

Do you have a memorable experience in which God or the Blessed Mother has touched your life? Yes, all I need to do is look into the faces of my children and grandchildren to know that they are both ever present....truly we have been blessed.

If you could send the children away with one message about the importance of the Mass and the Eucharist what would that be?

Attending Mass weekly and listening to the readings and receiving the Holy Eucharist, we remember the great sacrifice Jesus made for us, it unites us with Jesus in a bond of love and admiration.

Which Gospel story is your favorite and why?

My favorite is the lost sheep – it is about a shepherd that has 100 sheep and one of them wonders away – the shepherd leaves the 99 in search of the one. The shepherd rejoiced and celebrated when he found the sheep. When I think about this, I think of the many people that leave the church for many reasons, going to college, having small children and being overwhelmed with the thought of getting ready and attending, just not feeling a connection – but when they come back to the church, I feel like Jesus and heaven is rejoicing and welcoming them back.

Do you have a prayer that you pray everyday? How were you introduced to that prayer and why has it touched your heart?

My mom and dad taught me to pray, they prayed the Rosary every day. For me, prayer is less formal and more of a conversation, being thankful for all of my blessings and letting God know how grateful I am for his love.

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:// tion to Hartford. Go to <a href="https://rally.co/ct-march-for-life">https://rally.co/ct-march-for-life</a> to see bus MARCHORLES locations and to sign up. If you have any questions, please email sis40daysforlife@comcast.net.

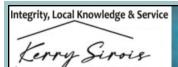


FRIDAY KNIGHTS BINGO at St. Margaret Mary Church Hall | Doors &

Kitchen open at 5:00pm Bingo starts at 7:00pm. Higher payouts – play for \$25 – all games.

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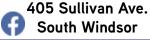
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