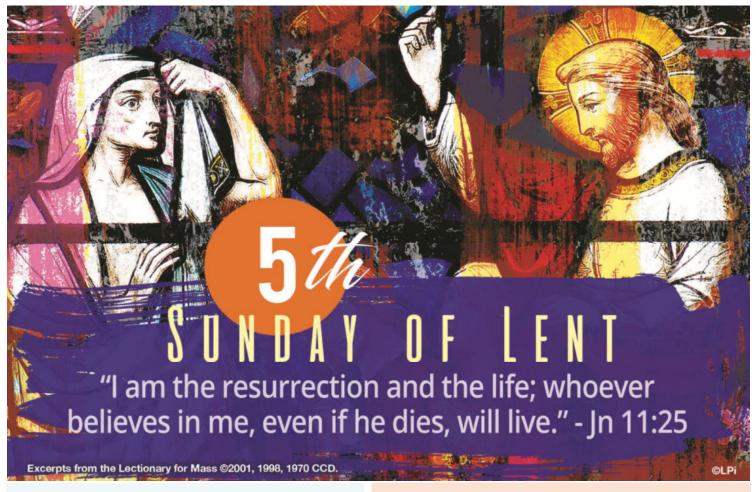


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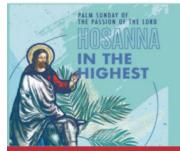
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WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS, NEW MEMBERS, AS WELL AS ALL PARISH MEMBERS.

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2023 HOLY WEEK MASSES & SERVICES

Join us this week as we journey towards Christ's passion, death & resurrection



Palm Sunday Vigil, April 1 St. Margaret Mary Church at 4:00 p.m. Palm Sunday, April 2

St. Francis of Assisi Church at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m.
St. Margaret Mary Church at 11:00 a.m.

Holy Thursday, April 6
St. Margaret Mary Church at 7:00 p.m.
St. Margaret Mary Church will be open until 10:00 p.m.
for personal prayer & adoration



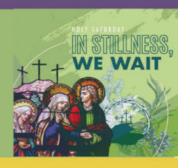


Good Friday, April 7 Morning Prayer | St. Francis of Assisi Church at 9:00 a.m.

Celebration of the Passion of the Lord St. Margaret Mary Church at 3:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 8
Food Blessing | St. Francis of Assisi Church at 12:00 p.m.

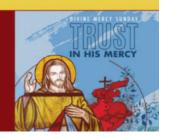
Easter Vigil St. Margaret Mary Church at 8:00 p.m.





Easter Sunday, April 9
St. Francis of Assisi Church at 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m.
St. Margaret Mary Church at 11:00 a.m.

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16 Chaplet, Adoration and Benediction St. Francis of Assisi Church at 3:00 p.m.



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

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SATURDAY VIGIL, March 25

4:00 p.m. Sharon Estey by Lorrie Coelho

SUNDAY, March 26

Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 a.m. Marjorie Anthony by Anthony Family

9:00 a.m. Marie Induddi

by Robin Saccoccia & Karen Kalafut

11:00 a.m. Jane Helbig by Family

MONDAY, March 27

8:00 a.m. Don Bania by wife, Joyce

TUESDAY, March 28

8:00 a.m. Theodore Rankin, Sr.

by Mr. & Mrs. Richard Fournier

WEDNÉSDAY, March 29

8:00 a.m. Dorothy Arden

by Rosaleen & Ed Meyer & Family

THURSDAY, March 30

8:00 a.m. John Fidler & John Fidler, II by Family

SATURDAY VIGIL, April 1

4:00 p.m. Joesph Teixeira by Family

SUNDAY, April 2

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:30 a.m. Joseph Thoi Hoang by Hoang Family

9:00 a.m. Merlyn Jones by Maria

11:00 a.m. Frank Pappalardo by Family

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

St. Margaret Mary's Sanctuary Light burns this week for JANE HÉLBĬG

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.

STATIONS OF THE CROS at St. Francis of Assisi Church Please join us all Fridays in Lent at 7:00pm

STEWARDSHIP

Total Offertory including Online Giving: 3/19/2023 Weekly Collection \$11,209.00 These numbers will fluctuate due to monthly and quarterly donations.

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world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections for more information on how to give.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY! Collection for the Holy Land

There will be a special collection during Holy Week for the support of the Holy Places, but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational, and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.

You can drop off your donations in the boxes at the vestibules in both churches.



THE POWER OF SACRIFICE Lent can feel like a long time. Sometimes we'd like to skip right to Easter! But through prayer

and sacrifices, we share in Christ's suffering and prepare for the joy of his resurrection. This Lent, we've learned how people in Honduras, the Philippines and Kenya made sacrifices so their families and communities can thrive. How have your Lenten sacrifices helped your family and community and communities around the world? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.





It was a great night! As a parish we came together and we celebrated St. Patrick's Day Dinner. I want to thank everyone who made this great event possible. Thank you for your dedication, service and support. We were able to raise around \$2,000 in profits, which will be used towards the maintenance and expenses of the parish. Likewise, The Women's Club raised almost \$700 dollars to support our annual scholarship. May the Lord continue to bless us with strength to continue working for our parish and multiply His generosity in each one of us. Thank you very much to all.

Rev. Jorge E. Castro

Simple Supper will take place each 🌅 Friday during Lent at St. Francis of Assisi Church. Please join us in SIMPLE SUPPER the SFA church hall at 6:00 p.m. for supper followed by Stations of 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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It is important that when you give to any charitable organization, you are confident that the funds received are being used wisely. Be assured that your gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal supports the ministries and programs indicated in the 2023 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. Please visit the Appeal website at 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.

The parish will be providing Easter Baskets for the children living in the East Hartford Family Shelter. In addition to candy, snacks and baskets, small toys, puzzles, books will be a welcome addition to the baskets. The collection will take place from March 18 through April 1st. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.



Thank you St. Junipero Serra Parishioners. With



your contributions to the March food collection, we are able to help lo-

cal clients, families, Head Start families in Vernon, DCF families in Manchester 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 president@societyhelpline.org

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.societyĥelpline.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 Lions Club of South Windsor invites you to join them for their annual Pancake Breakfast with Sausage & Eggs. (With Plant and Bake Sale). Sunday April 2nd, 2023 8:30-12 Noon. South Windsor Fire Department. 1175 Ellington Rd. Adult \$10. Children 12 and under

free. All are welcome!!





ST. JUNÍPERO SERRA PARISH -

From FAITH FORMATION OFFICE



What is the Brown Scapular anyways?

If you are on Catholic media platforms you may have heard the exciting news that at the Super Bowl, Kansas City Chief's, kicker Harrison Butker was wearing the Brown Scapular when he kicked the winning field goal. If ever there was a time for such a victory it is now!

What does Harrison Butker know about the promises to those who wear the brown Scapular?

The excerpt below is taken from the Sisters of Carmel - who especially promote this devotion.

"WHOSOEVER DIES IN THIS GARMENT SHALL NOT SUFFER ETERNAL FIRE."

promise of Our Lady to St. Simon Stock on July 16, 1251

History

In the year 1251, in the town of Aylesford in England, Our Lady appeared to St. Simon Stock, a Carmelite. She handed him a brown woolen scapular and said, "This shall be a privilege for you and all Carmelites, that anyone dying in this habit shall not suffer eternal fire." In time, the Church extended this magnificent privilege to all the laity who are willing to be invested in the Brown Scapular of the Carmelites and who perpetually wear it.

Devotion

True devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary consists in three things: VENERATION, CONFIDENCE AND LOVE. By simply wearing the Scapular, we can tell her every moment of the day that we venerate her, love her and trust in her protection.

The Scapular Is a Silent Prayer

As Our Lord taught us to say the Our Father, Our Blessed Mother taught us the value of the scapular. When we use it as a prayer, Our Lady draws us to the Sacred Heart of Her Divine Son. It is good, therefore, to hold the scapular in the hand. A prayer offered while holding the Scapular is as perfect as a prayer can be. It is especially in time of temptation that we need the powerful intercession of God's Mother. The evil spirit is utterly powerless when the wearer of a scapular faces temptation, calling upon the Holy Virgin in this silent devotion. "If you had recommended yourself to me, you would not have run into such danger," was Our Lady's gentle reproach to Blessed Alan de la Roche, one of her devoted servants.

Enrollment in the Confraternity

To be eligible for the scapular promise, one must be enrolled in the Brown Scapular Confraternity. This is a simple ceremony which can be performed by any priest. The members of the Confraternity have the added benefit of sharing in all the spiritual benefits of the Carmelite Order.

According to a statement made by the Carmelite Fathers at the National Scapular Center, every priest now has the right to invest the faithful in the Brown Scapular and to substitute the rosary in lieu of the Little Office.

The scapular must be 100% wool without plastic casing and should not be pinned or affixed to clothing. It is worn over the head, under one's clothes, with one square of wool hanging on the chest and the other on the back. Pictures are not necessary.

"One day, through the Rosary and the Scapular, Our Lady will save the world."—St. Dominic

"I too have worn the Scapular of Carmel over my heart for a long time! Out of my love for our common heavenly Mother, whose protection I constantly experience.." Saint Pope John Paul II

By Maria Rosati – Faith Formation Administrative Assistant |860.644.2549| faithformation@southwindsor.cc

Pre-HSPT Entrance Exam, April 29, 2023



Seventh-grade girls are invited to take the Pre-HSPT Entrance Exam at Mercy High School on Saturday, April 29, at 8:30 a.m. This exam provides an excellent practice opportunity for the High School Placement Test. For more information and to register, please visit www.mercyhigh.com.

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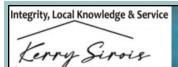
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We have early transmission deadlines. Bulletin articles must be received no later than noon Wednesday, March 29th for Sunday, April 9th. Please Email your submissions to: bulletin@southwindsor.cc

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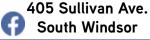
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