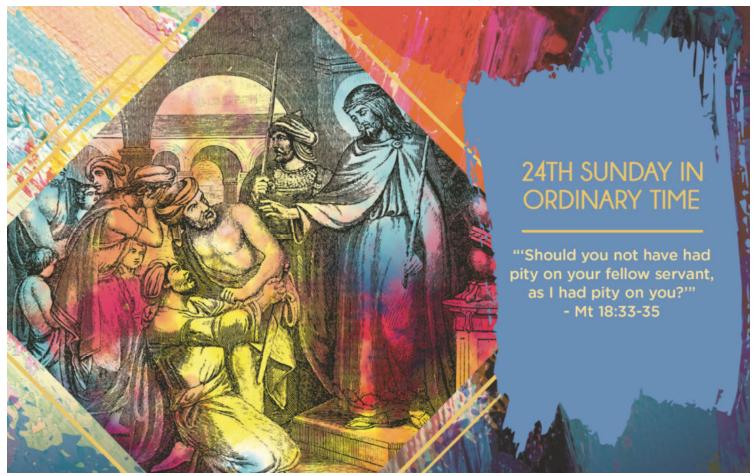


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80 Hayes Road

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

(except Holy Days & Holidays)

**SEPTEMBER 17, 2023** 

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



# St. Junipero Serra Parish Parish Picnic



# Saturday, September 23, 2023 at St. Margaret Mary Church

Following the Vigil Mass at 4:00 pm all are invited to attend our parish picnic. Hoping to see you there!



# Fall 2023 Bible Study The Holy Spirit in the Bible

Join us as we study The Holy Spirit in the Bible this Fall. This study starts in the Old Testament and traces the development of the doctrine of the Holy Spirit through the New Testament.

Bible study will take place in St. Margaret Mary Church Hall from 7:15 until 8:30 pm on 7 consecutive Monday nights starting September 18 through October 30. This study is open to all, regardless of your bible study experience. Newcomers welcome. The study includes a paperback text book with the Bible readings, commentary, study questions, a professional online 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.

### 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 & Wednesday 9:00am-3:00pm St. Margaret Mary: Monday thru Friday 9:00am-3:00pm, Saturday 10:00am-4:00pm

### 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

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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 Homebound:** Your parish priest, 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@sjs-sw.org

St. Vincent de Paul: 860-648-0216



SATURDAY VIGIL, September 16
4:00 p.m. Connie & Bill Collins by Their Niece
SUNDAY, September 17
Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. Martha Paxi by Family
9:00 a.m. Carmelo & Sarina DeGrandi by Family
11:00 a.m. John & Agnes Griffin by Mary Bey

MONDAY, September 18
8:00 a.m. Audrey by Her father, Roy, & Family TUESDAY, September 19
8:00 a.m. Mary Ann Branco
WEDNESDAY, September 20
8:00 a.m. Anne, Susan & Jeanne McKenna
THURSDAY, September 21
8:00 a.m. Mary & John Taylor
by Rosaleen & Ed Meyer & Family

SATURDAY VIGIL, September 23
4:00 p.m. Laurette D. Billig by Family
SUNDAY, September 24
Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 a.m. Gail Maucci
9:00 a.m. Paul St. Jean by Bonnie & Family
11:00 a.m. Bertha & Michael Troiano by Their Children

### **SANCTUARY LIGHTS**

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, 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, Donna Smutney, Richard Holtz, Maureen D. West. Please call the parish office to add a loved one to our parish prayer list.



Please Join Us at the Cathedral of St. Joseph for the Annual Archdiocesan RESPECT LIFE MASS celebrated by Archbishop Leonard P. Blair Sunday, October 1st, 2023 | at 11:00 a.m.



### Archdiocesan 2023 Anniversary Mass

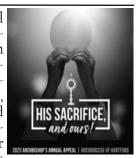
The Archdiocese of Hartford cordially invites couples celebrating wedding anniversaries of 25, 50, 60 or more to the annual Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 2 p.m. at the

Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Hartford, CT. The Mass includes a renewal of marriage vows followed by an opportunity for couples to have a photograph taken with Archbishop Blair and a personalized certificate.

Couples who wish to participate in this event and priests who would like to concelebrate Mass are asked to register online at: <a href="https://archdioceseofhartford.org/marriagemass/">https://archdioceseofhartford.org/marriagemass/</a>.

If you have questions or need assistance with completing this form, please contact Valerie St. Jean, Coordinator of Adult and Family Life Ministries at valerie.stjean@aohct.org.

Gifts to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal are allocated towards religious education programs, youth ministries, local charities, education of our seminarians, our retired clergy, our Catholic schools, and the many ministries provided by the Archdiocese. Join your fellow parishioners with a pledge or gift to this year's Archbishop's



Annual Appeal. Please visit the Appeal website at www.archdioceseofhartford.org and follow the Donate link to Archbishop's Annual Appeal, His Sacrifice, and ours! to learn more and make your gift today. All pledges can be paid through December 31st 2023 towards this year's Appeal.

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.



Everyone is invited to the next Father Sullivan Memorial committee meeting on Tuesday, Sept 19 at 7:00 pm at St. Margaret Mary Church Hall. Hope to see you there!

The 40 Days for Life Campaign will begin on September 27th and run through November 5th.

The 40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40- day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and



fasting, community outreach and a peaceful vigil outside an abortion facility.



The Respect for Life Min-DAYS FORLIFE istry of the Archdiocese of Hartford is sponsoring the 40 Days for Life

Prayer Vigil on the sidewalk outside of Planned Parenthood, 1030 New Britain Ave., West Hartford. The St. Junipero Serra Parish Ministry of Life will be participating on Saturday, October 21st from 9:00 am -12:00 pm. There will be sign-up sheets next weekend at St. Margaret Mary and St. Francis of Assisi. Those who are called to stand witness during this 40 -day vigil send a powerful message to the community about the tragic reality of abortion. We hope you will join us as we pray to save the lives of the preborn.

There will be more information in next week's bulle-

### **STEWARDSHIP**

Total Offertory including Online Giving: 9/3/2023 Weekly Collection \$11,879.00 Monthly Collection \$3,933.00 9/10/2023 Weekly Collection \$11,087.00 These numbers will fluctuate due to monthly and quarterly donations.

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

There will be a second collection next week (9/23,24) 2023 HOPES Collection: Help Our Parish Educators & Students. The HOPES Collection is an annual fundraiser that provides vital support to our Catholic elementary schools in the Archdiocese of Hartford. Our most vital resource in every Catholic school is our dedicated teachers. Their profession is a vocation. Balancing the cost of a Catholic school education requires creativity and innovation. This collection will provide new revenue sources to offer our teachers a just wage, ensuring quality education, enthusiasm and stability. We ask you to join us in supporting our children by supporting their teachers. It is a true search for our children's excellence. For more information or to donate, visit the Center for Catholic Education & Formation's website: www.catholicedaohct.org

In September, grocery bags will be distributed this weekend of 9/16 and 9/17. The food collection will take place on 9/23 and



9/24. In September, St. Ann's in Hartford will received support from your St. Vincent de Paul Society as will local families, Head Start families in Vernon and DCF families in Manchester.

Please consider volunteering with your St. Vincent de Paul Society.

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.societyhelpline.org Need help or know someone else who needs help? Post request for assistance on our site www.societyhelpline.org or call 860 648-0216.



### ATTENTION Parishioners of SJS!!

If you receive an email, a phone call or a text message from Fr. Castro or reference to Fr. Dave Baranowski requesting money/gift cards PLEASE DO NOT RE-SPOND. It's a SCAM!!



If you spot a scam, you can report it to the FTC (Federal Trade Commission.)

- Call the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357) or TTY 1-866-653-4261
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We rehearse on Thursdays 7pm-8pm and sing at Sunday Mass every other week alternating between the 9am and llam. Anyone who may be interested contact Bobby at robert.dolan@uconn.edu

### Immacare Homeless Shelter Meal - September

19, 2023. Needs list can be found on the parish Facebook page the week before meal preparation begins. Donations to get supplies for the preparation, for the 75-80 men in



the shelter would be greatly appreciated also. If you prefer to make a donation, *please make sure to make it out to St. Junipero Serra and clearly note on an envelope that it is for the <u>shelter meal</u>. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support Charlie & Maryellen Brennan.* 

### RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKENDS FOR HEAL-ING AFTER ABORTION

# Rachel's Vineyard



Healing the Pain of Abortion One Weekend at a Time

If you are suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend October 6-8, 2023 in Farmington, CT. The weekend

healing process includes discussions, Living Scriptures with meditations, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and Mass of Entrustment. Participation is totally confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. Both women and men have participated in past retreats and have ranged in age from teens to mideighties. The fee for the weekend is \$175.00 for meals, private room and all retreat materials. Scholarships are available for financial assistance. For more information contact Marie at 203-631-9030, e-mail her at <a href="mailto:mlassistance">mlassistance</a>. For more information contact Marie at 203-631-9030, e-mail her at <a href="mailto:mlassistance">mlassistance</a>. For more information contact Marie at 203-631-9030, e-mail her at <a href="mailto:mlassistance">mlassistance</a>. For more information contact Marie at 203-631-9030, e-mail her at <a href="mailto:mlassistance">mlassistance</a>. For more information contact Marie at 203-631-9030, e-mail her at <a href="mailto:mlassistance">mlassistance</a>. For more information contact Marie at 203-631-9030, e-mail her at <a href="mailto:mlassistance">mlassistance</a>. For more information contact Marie at 203-631-9030, e-mail her at <a href="mailto:mlassistance">mlassistance</a>.

## Invitation to Consecrated Life

Perhaps you know someone who might be considering a call to consecrated life (as a Sister, Brother, Consecrated Virgin or



Hermit). Sometimes it is a family member, a colleague in ministry, or a friend who asks the simple question: "Have you ever considered that you might have a vocation?" Your 'ask' just might be the spark that encourages someone to follow the whisperings of the Spirit. That spark may be all a person needs to take a next step on a faith journey. Fan the flame as you invite them to call the Archdiocesan Office of Religious and speak to Sister Barbara Mullen, CSJ (Delegate for Religious) at 860-242-5573, ext. 7492.

### OCIA



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

### A Call for Seekers of the Faith

Do you or someone you know have a desire to investigate the Catholic Faith more deeply to consider conversion (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)? If you are a baptized Catholic and have a desire for the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or the Eucharist or, you are a fully initiated Catholic desiring to nurture your faith, please call the Faith Formation office at 860-644-241l ext.107 or email: at <a href="FaithFormation@SJS-SW.org">FaithFormation@SJS-SW.org</a> and express your interest and provide your contact information and a member of our team will contact you. We would truly love to hear from you.

### **INCREASE YOUR FAITH**

Come to our <u>Cenacle</u> which meets every other Tuesday night. No need to study anything, just come and see what it's all about. We start off the evening with <u>The</u> Divine Mercy Chaplet, Spiri-



<u>tual Rosary</u> and finish the night sharing our Faith and discussing The Divine Mercy message.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, Sept 19th at 7:00pm at SMM Chapel. For more information call Mike Cianciolo 860-604-1745.

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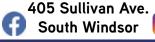


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