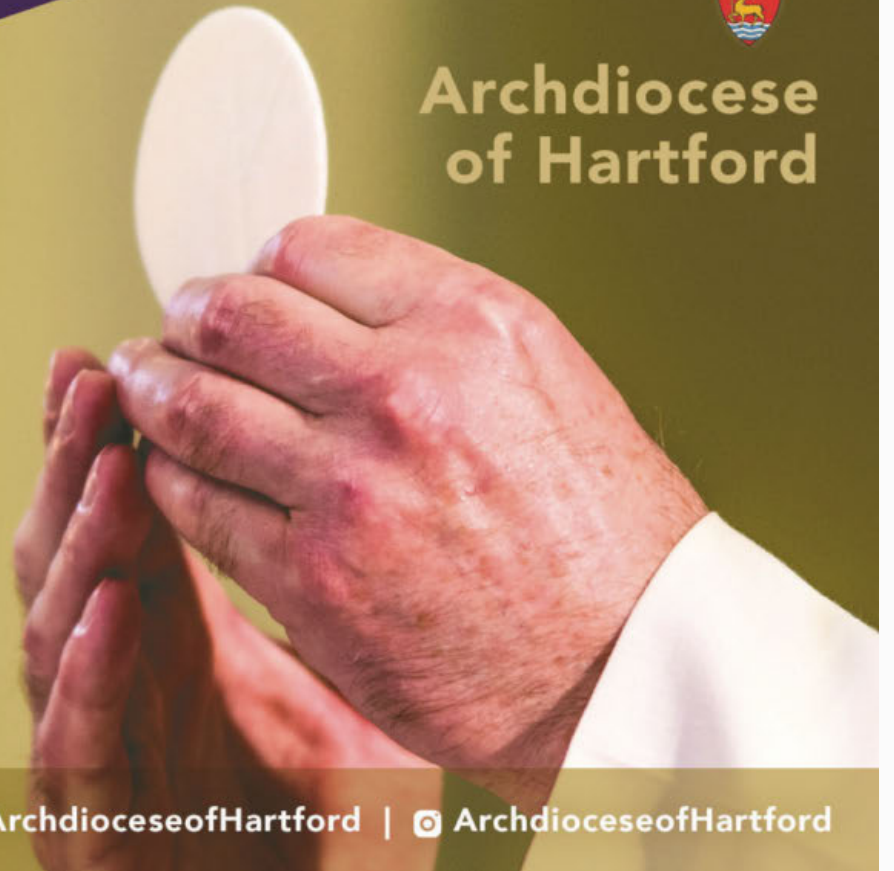


KICKOFF WEEKEND: FEB. 24-25, 2024

2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal



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Sunday Mass: 11:00 am

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Adoration & Holy Hour: Monday 6:00pm-7:00pm
(except Holy Days & Holidays)

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673 Ellington Road

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Weekday Mass: 8:00 am-Monday & Wednesday

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

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

THANK YOU to the whole parish for supporting the Confirmation students with their bake sale last weekend. We raised over \$700 through the sale and free-will donations! These funds will support our service projects including Blessing Bags for the Homeless, the upcoming Easter Egg Hunt, and support of the ImmaCare and Family shelters through our works of mercy. We are truly blessed by your generosity.



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 & Wednesday 9:00am-3:00pm

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

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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 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

Winter Snow Policy: Weekdays: When school is canceled or delayed there will be NO Morning Mass. Weekends: Please check our website, or Facebook page or Channel 3 for possible cancellation.



SATURDAY VIGIL, February 24
 4:00 p.m. The Smith & Medeiros Family by Family/
 James O'Keefe by Wife & Family
SUNDAY, February 25 | Second Sunday of Lent
 9:00 a.m. Special Anniversary & 90th Birthday
 Intention for Kozon family
 11:00 a.m. Irene Gill by The Brownes
MONDAY, February 26
 8:00 a.m. Helen Loehr by Mary Colbert
TUESDAY, February 27
 8:00 a.m. Rita Saccuzzo by son, Michael
WEDNESDAY, February 28
 8:00 a.m. Irene Bertrand by Elizabeth
THURSDAY, February 29
 8:00 a.m. Margaret Pane by Annamae Davis

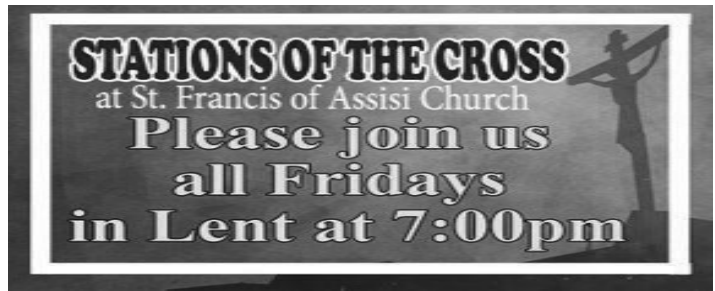
SATURDAY VIGIL, March 2
 4:00 p.m. JoAnn Mecca by Her Sister/
 Josephine Szoka, 11th Anniversary by Son, Roy Szoka &
 Family
SUNDAY, March 3 | Third Sunday of Lent
 9:00 a.m. Roberta Marianella
 by daughter, Paulann Marianella/
 Joseph Kronenwetter by Kronenwetter Family
 11:00 a.m. Margaret Messer by Family/
 Joseph Whitbread by Family

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

St. Francis of Assisi's Sanctuary Light burns this week for
PETER BLUME, JR.

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, Teresa Foran, Marie Donnelly,
 George Rousseau, Charles Flick, Joyce Abrahams, 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, Sophie Myzuzikevik, Tracy Robinson,
 Kate Laurie. Please call the parish office to add a loved one
 to our parish prayer list.



Simple Suppers will be
 served Friday evenings
 during Lent before Sta-
 tions at St. Francis of As-
 sisi. The supper will be
 served starting at 6:00
 PM. Please sign up in
 the vestibules of St.
 Margaret Mary or St.
 Francis of Assisi by
 Wednesday.



SIMPLE SUPPER

OVERCOMING HUNGER In Akwangagwel, Ugan-
 da, the climate is very hot and dry. Farmers in this
 region depend heavily on the rainy season for a suc-
 cessful harvest. But lately—due to the changing
 climate—the rain has
 been coming later than it
 used to and is more in-
 consistent. Sometimes,
 when it does rain, it caus-
 es flooding and ruins the
 crops. Learn how Adolf and Florence have taken the
 matter into their own hands, implementing new
 farming techniques they learned from a Catholic Re-
 lief Services program to improve their farm and fight
 against hunger in their community. Visit [crsrice-
 bowl.org](http://crsrice-bowl.org) to read this week's Story of Hope.

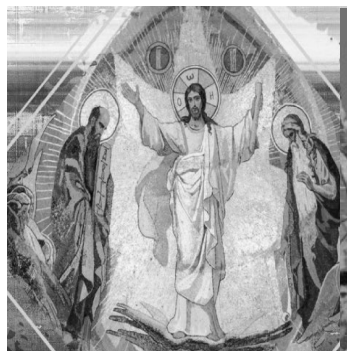


Join us to pray the Rosary
 Monday - Thursday after the 8:00 am morning Mass

STEWARDSHIP

Total Offertory including Online Giving:
 2/18/2024 Weekly Collection \$10,631.00
 Ash Wednesday Collection \$2,939.00
 These numbers will fluctuate due to monthly and
 quarterly donations.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!



**2ND SUNDAY
 OF LENT**

And he was transfigured
 before them, and his clothes
 became dazzling white,
 such as no fuller on earth
 could bleach them.
 - Mk 9:2-3

Clothing and household items placed in the canvas bins at St. Margaret Mary Church are sorted by our volunteers and are used to help local families in need and also brought to Cornerstone foundation in Vernon and St. Anne's Church in Hartford. These organizations operate free clothing stores for families in need. Good used clothing donations placed in the blue recycling bin in the rear parking lot at St. Francis of Assisi are picked up by American Recycling and sold with a portion of the proceeds given to the Hartford Particular Council of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. These proceeds are then distributed among local St. Vincent de Paul Society Conferences, including ours to help us provide energy assistance and other financial needs of our community.



This month's St. Vincent de Paul Society food collection will take place the weekend of 2/24 and 2/25. Grocery bags will be distributed 2/17 and 2/18. With your help we will provide food for local client, Head Start families in Vernon, DCF families in Manchester and the pantry at St. Lawrence O'Toole Church in Hartford.

Looking for a way to help us help others?

1. Next month, hand out empty grocery bags after masses 3/16 and 3/17/2024
2. Roll a bin full of donated items from the main entrance at St. Margaret Mary to the garage for storage after 4:00 pm Mass on Saturdays or 11:00 am Mass on Sundays – check in with Joe or Catherine or an usher if you are able to assist.
3. Join a group of volunteers to sort donations on occasional Monday mornings at 9 am in the St. Margaret Mary church hall.

Attend our monthly board meeting, 7 pm, the second Tuesday of the month in the St. Francis of Assisi church basement, let us know in advance by emailing the president, in case we are meeting in a different location, we will welcome you!

Email president@societyhelpline.org if you would like to know more about these or other ways to volunteer with the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

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 a request for assistance on our website www.societyhelpline.org or call 860 648-0216.

ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!!



The application for scholarship is online for all high school seniors in South Windsor. The portal is as follows:

southwindsordollarsforscholars@gmail.com

The deadline is March 15, 2024

Diaper and Wipe Drive

Thank you for donating to the Diaper and Wipe Drive! The diapers and wipes will be donated to ProLife Pregnancy Centers in the area. Your generosity is appreciated. Thank you again for supporting life.

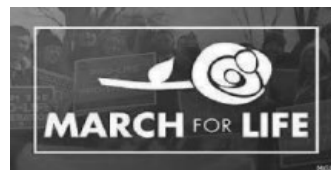
Thank you



Novena to St. Joseph

The Novena to St. Joseph, the adoptive father to Jesus Christ, is for those on the path to adoption. The Novena runs from March 10 through the 18th. St. Joseph's Feast Day is on March 19th. To sign up for the Novena, go to <https://www.respectlife.org/adoption-novena>.

Hartford March for Life



The Hartford March for Life will be held on Wednesday, March 20. The rally will begin at 12:00 noon in front of the State Capitol, and we will march around Bushnell

Park starting at 1:00 PM. There will be more information in the coming weeks.

SAVE THE DATES!!

2024 Religious Education Upcoming Events

St. Junipero Serra Parish

3/13 | 6 pm at SMM: First Reconciliation

3/19 | 6 pm at SMM: Reconciliation for First Communicants

3/30 | 10 am at SFA: Easter Egg Hunt

4/21 | 2 pm at the Cathedral : Confirmation

4/27 | 12 noon at SMM : First Communion

5/4 | 12 noon at SFA: First Communion

6/4 | 7 pm at SMM: CCD Registration Parents Night

7/15 -19 : at SFA : Vacation Bible School

7/26 -28 in Springfield, MA : Youth Conference

More info to follow....

Shroud of Turin - Saturday, April 13, 2024

The New England Catholic Biblical School invites you to join Shroud of Turin experts: Dr. Cheryl White and Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D as they discuss the theological, historical, scientific, and forensic issues surrounding a cloth that bears the mysterious image of a man who has been scourged, crucified, capped with thorns, and pierced in the right side. Seating is limited. Please visit <https://www.catholicedaohct.org/catholic-biblical-school/events> or call 860-242-5573.



DONATE TO THE ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

This weekend marks the start of the 2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal in our parish. If you haven't already, you will soon receive a letter

from Archbishop Blair seeking your support. As Catholics in the Archdiocese of Hartford we can have a profound impact on our local communities not only spiritually, but intimately connected to it, the realm of social services and many charities and outreach services performed by, or with help from, our Church. We hope you can help us meet our parish goal of \$221,000.00. 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. 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.

Our WORLD is hurting. We all need HEALING, yet many of us are separated from the very source and summit of our faith in the EUCHARIST. Discover what this movement is about.

Go to www.eucharisticrevival.org

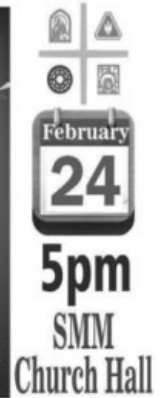


God is doing something
NEW

and he is calling you
to be a part of it!

RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKENDS FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION

If you are suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend March 8-10, 2024 in Litchfield, 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 mid-eighties. 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, email her at mlaffin@prolifeministry.org, or visit our website at www.rachelsvineyard.org.



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