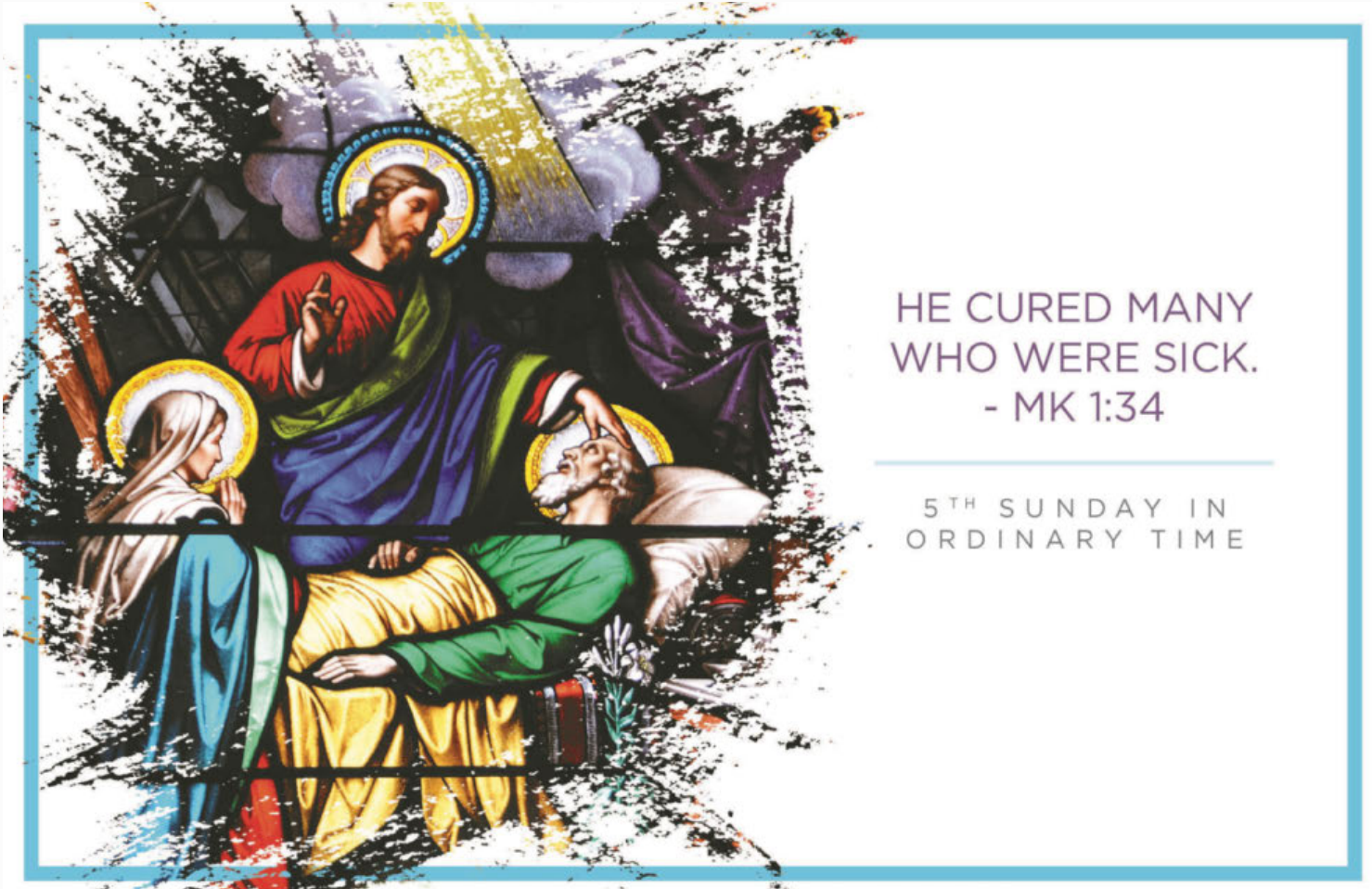




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**Weekday Mass: 8:00 am-Monday &
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FEBRUARY 4, 2024

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Sunday Mass: 11:00 am

**Weekday Mass: 8:00 am-Tuesday &
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**Adoration & Holy Hour: Monday 6:00pm-7:00pm
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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 & Wednesday 9:00am-3:00pm

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

Pastoral Staff

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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: Please check our website, channel 3 or Facebook page for possible cancellation.



SATURDAY VIGIL, February 3
 4:00 p.m. Sliwak Family by The Holcomb Family/
 Shirley Teixeira by St. Vincent de Paul Council
SUNDAY, February 4
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:00 a.m. David Bulow by The Brennan Family
 11:00 a.m. Patricia Smith by Lagasse Family
MONDAY, February 5
 8:00 a.m. Anthony Forghetti by Linda & Phil Smith
TUESDAY, February 6
 8:00 a.m. Robert Boreman by Annamae Davis
WEDNESDAY, February 7
 8:00 a.m. Fred Sauer by Morning Mass Friends
THURSDAY, February 8
 8:00 a.m. Richard Fatcheric, William Hickey & Bonnie
 Fatcheric by Margaret Whitbread

SATURDAY VIGIL, February 10
 4:00 p.m. Assunta Vicenzo by Her Family/
 Vicente Torres & Luisa Alzamora by Family
SUNDAY, February 11
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 9:00 a.m. Michael Zagorski by Family
 11:00 a.m. Anthony Melluzzo by Santo & Alfina
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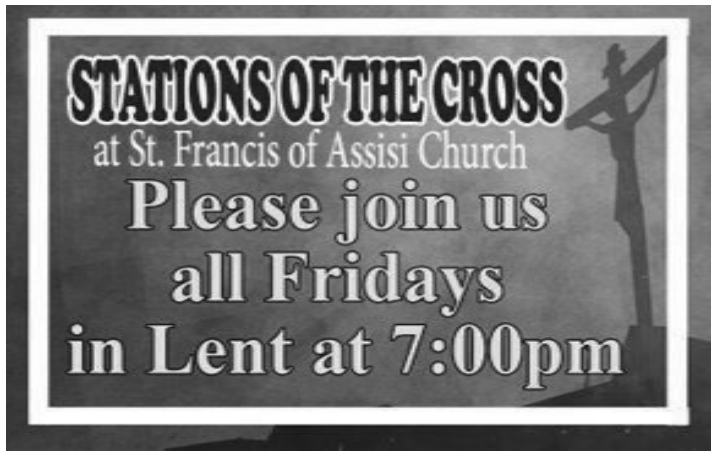
SANCTUARY LIGHTS

St. Francis of Assisi's Sanctuary Light burns this week for
FRED SAUER

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.



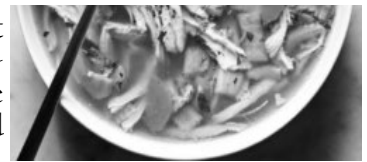
Please remember in your prayers the following parishioners who are ill
 Thomas Russo, Giacomo Ghasa, Scott Mosher, Anne Mosher, Rosemary Saad, Lydia Mele, Barbara Mansini, Tammy Cross, Mary Caswell, Linda Pratson, Beth Jamieson, Teresa Foran, Marie Donnelly, George Rousseau, Charles Flick, Joyce Abrahams, 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, Ronald Wojcik. 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 Stations at St. Francis of Assisi. 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. The first supper is scheduled for February 16, 2024.



SIMPLE SUPPER



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



INCREASE YOUR FAITH Come to our Cenacle which meets every other Tuesday night. *Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 6th at 7:00pm at SMM Chapel.* For more information call Mike Cianciolo 860-604-1745.

Happy Valentine's Day! Don't know what to get your special someone? How about a St. Junipero Serra Memorial Garden personalized brick? You can even add a heart to it..... To find out more, pick up a brochure at the entrances of St. Francis of Assisi and St Margaret Mary Churches. For more information please call Mary Leslie at 860-614-5011.

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.

Open House

The New England Catholic Biblical School (NECBS) invites you to come visit an in-person or virtual class to see how studying all 73 books of the Bible can change your life! Come visit a class any time between January 22 – May 1st! Visit: www.NewEnglandCatholicBiblicalSchool.com or call 860-242-5573.

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

February 14, 2024

8:00 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church

12:10 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church

7:00 p.m. at St. Margaret Mary Church

Prayer Service w/Ashes

3:00 p.m. at St. Margaret Mary Church

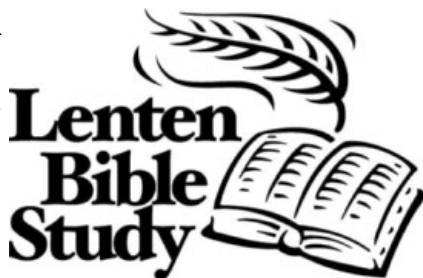
Ashes will also be distributed individually during the day 8:30 am to 11:30 pm at St. Francis of Assisi Church and 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm and 4:00 pm to 5:00 p.m. at St. Margaret Mary Church.



Lenten Bible Study

Women in the New Testament

Women were essential to the ministry of Jesus and the flourishing of the early church. This six lesson study surveys New Testament texts about Mary the Mother of Jesus, women healed by Jesus, the Samaritan woman at the well, Mary and Martha of Bethany, Mary Magdalene, and various women of the early church, such as Priscilla and Phoebe.



Come join our Bible Study starting Monday, February 12th at 7:15pm to 8:30pm in the St. Margaret Mary Church Hall. Study guide booklets with commentary and weekly study questions will be available for purchase at the first meeting. There will be a summary video for each lesson, and we will break up into small discussion groups to go over the previous week's questions. All are welcome.

Please call Dan Peck
at 860-436-5933 to register.



Immacare Homeless Shelter Meal -February 12, 2024 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 checks out to St. Junipero Serra and clearly note on an envelope that it is for the shelter meal. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support Charlie & Maryellen Brennan.

ST. JUNIPERO SERRA PARISH



Diaper and Wipe Drive

The annual Diaper and Wipe Drive for local pro-life pregnancy centers is scheduled for February 10th through the 18th.

Pro-life pregnancy centers are faith-based, community-based, not-for-profit organizations that provide care and resources to assist women with immediate and ongoing needs related to unexpected pregnancy. Their focus is on life-affirming services and is designed to empower a woman to welcome her child into the world. Pregnancy centers provide an expanded range of essential and professional care encompassing support services, medical care, and resources, usually at no cost to the women, men, and youth they serve. Personalized care is provided within a respectful, compassionate, and supportive environment by trained workers/individuals. (Charlotte Lozier Institute)



Please leave your diapers (all sizes) and wipes in the baskets in the vestibules of St. Margaret Mary and St. Francis of Assisi. Thank you for your generosity and support of life!

Physician Assisted Suicide

Sadly, the Connecticut legislature will once again consider legalizing Physician-Assisted Suicide in the 2024 session.

Our voices have helped stop the legalization of Physician-Assisted Suicide for over a decade. Our voices are needed again for 2024. Go to CTstopsuicide.org to learn more and how to contact your Connecticut representative to voice your opposition.

Blood Drive St. Margaret Mary Church

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Wednesday, February 21st – 12pm to 5pm

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: SWKofC to schedule an appointment.



End of year contribution statements for parishioners who participate in our envelope system or online giving have been *automatically* sent via email or mail, if there was no email of record. If you did not receive a statement and would like to, please contact Ginger at admin.coord@sjs-sw.org or call the office at 860-644-2411 x101.

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1/28/2024 Weekly Collection \$8,880.00

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February
24
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All are welcome!

**All proceeds benefit SJS Youth Ministry
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SO MUCH!**

Thank you, parishioners of St. Junipero Serra Parish, on behalf of local families, Head Start families in Vernon, DCF families in Manchester and

The Bristol Men's Shelter for your donations to the January food collection.

Looking for a way to help us help others?

- 1) Next month, hand out empty grocery bags after Masses 2/17 and 2/18/2024
- 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.
- 4) 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 web-site www.societyhelpline.org or call 860 648-0216.

ST. JUNIPERO SERRA PARISH

Bake Sale!

Sunday, February 11
After the 11:00 Mass
St. Margaret Mary Church

Purchase a plate of brownies or bags full of cookies for \$1 or more.

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