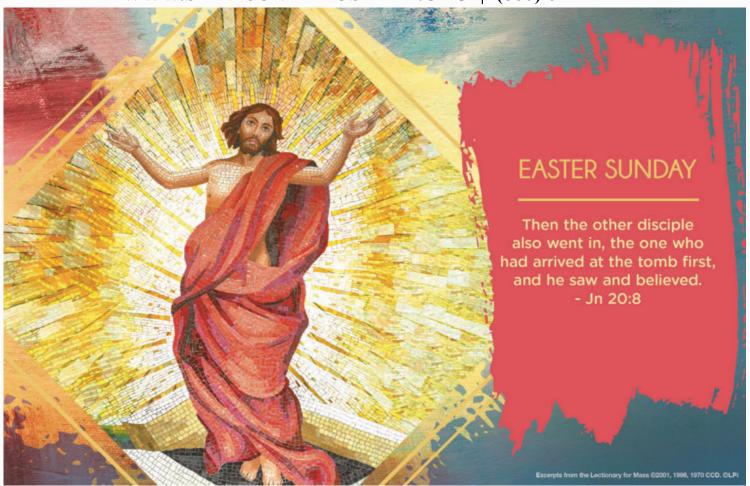


St. Junípero Serra Parish

We are baptized to serve and celebrate

WWW.SAINTJUNIPEROSERRA.ORG | (860) 644-2411



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH

673 Ellington Road South Windsor, CT 06074 **Sunday Mass: 9:00 am**

Weekday Mass: 8:00 am-Monday &

Wednesday

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

MARCH 31, 2024

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

(except Holy Days & Holidays)

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



Christ is risen! "Alleluia!"

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

At the Last Supper which we commemorated on Holy Thursday, Jesus took bread and wine and instituted the Eucharist, instructing the Apostles to "Do This in Memory of Me." (1 Cor. 11:24)

When we come together for the celebration of Mass, we not only experience our unity as living members of the Body of Christ, but we also receive Him — body and blood, soul and divinity — in the Holy Eucharist. This is so, precisely because He is not to be found among the dead, but among the living, and that is our Easter joy.

During this Easter season, we are called to recognize the greatness of His

sacrifice and the incredible gift of life and salvation that He has won for us. The death and resurrection of Christ are the turning point of history and the foundation of our faith. Through His death, He bore the weight of our sins, offering Himself as the perfect sacrifice to reconcile us with God. His resurrection is the victory of life over death, of light over darkness, of good over evil. In His resurrection, we find hope for our own lives, knowing that through, with and in Him we too can find newness of life and the promise of eternity.

Just as the Apostles, seeing the Risen Christ, were moved from despair to rejoicing, we too are called to let God's love transform our minds and hearts.

My prayer this Easter Season is for all of the members of our Archdiocese to experience the redemptive love of

Christ through participation at Sunday Mass. From there we are sent forth to be loving, merciful and charitable toward others, to share the good news of Jesus Christ by joining our voices with those of His first disciples in acclaiming, "The

Lord is risen! He is truly risen!"

May the peace of the Risen Christ truly be with you, and may the great joy of Easter fill your hearts and lives in this season and throughout the year. "Alleluia!"

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ demand P. Blair

Most Reverend Leonard P. Blair Archbishop of Hartford



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

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

Reverend Jorge Castro Phone: 860-644-2411 ext 109 fr.castro@aohet.org

Deacons

Deacon Edward J. Giard Deacon Michael D. Haines

Director of Music Ministries

Robert Dolan robert.dolan@uconn.edu

Administrative Coordinator

Ginger Bilas Phone: 860-644-2411 ext 101 admin.coord@sjs-sw.org

Director of Communications

Anton Miranda StjuniperoSerra@gmail.com

Facility

Jose Andrade Steven Barile

Business Managers

Laura Pastula business@sjs-sw.org Phone: 860-644-2411 ext 103

Luz Robles

finance@sjs-sw.org

Phone: 860-644-2411 ext 103

Bulletin Coordinator

Audrey Miranda Phone 860-644-2411 ext 102 bulletin@sjs-sw.org

Faith Formation Staff

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9am to 2pm | Phone 860-644-2549 Fax: 860-644-5765

Director of Faith Formation

Anton Miranda Phone:860-644-2549 ext 106 FaithFormation@sjs-sw.org

Faith Formation Admin Assistant

Maria Rosati Phone:860-644-2549 ext 107 FaithFormation@sjs-sw.org

Coordinator of Youth Ministry & Catechist

Ronald Audette Phone:860-644-2549 ext 108 YouthMinistersjs@gmail.com

Confirmation Coordinator

Sister Karen Skurat Phone:860-644-2549 ext 107 ConfirmationCoordinatorsjs@gmail.com

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, March 30 | HOLY SATURDAY

NO Mass at 4:00 p.m.

8:00 p.m. Vigil of Easter - SMM

St. Junipero Serra Parish Families

SUNDAY, March 31 EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURECCTION OF THE LORD

9:00 a.m. St. Junipero Serra Parish Families - SFA 11:00 a.m. St. Junipero Serra Parish Families - SMM

MONDAY, April 1

8:00 a.m. Lucy Flint by Her Nieces

TUESDAY, April 2

8:00 a.m. Adrian Paradis by Dan Martin

WEDNESDAY, April 3

8:00 a.m. Annette Luther, 1st Anniversary by Her son, Frank Pascuccio, Jr.

THURSDAY, April 4

8:00 am Patricia Smith by Lagasse Family

SATURDAY VIGIL, April 6

4:00 p.m. Rosina & Joseph Aiello & Rosanna Neri by Santo & Alfina Milluzzo & Family

SUNDAY, April 7 | Divine Mercy Sunday

9:00 a.m. Paul St. Jean & Lorraine & Roger Richard by Bonnie & Family

11:00 a.m. Margaret Messer by Family/

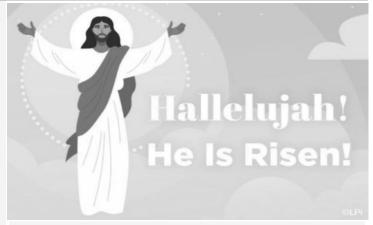
Christopher Golik, 1st Anniversary by Wife & Children

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

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

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 HAPPY EASTER! As our CRS Rice Bowl journey Pratson, Beth Jamieson, Teresa Foran, Marie Donnelli, comes to an George Rousseau, Charles Flick, Joyce Abrahams, Carmen end, may the Rosa Chilicki, Karen Cerrato, Bertha Brasfield, Mark Eucharist con-Weyrauch, Robert Billig, Adam Johnson, Taina Marquez- tinue to trans-Johnson, Luca and Nicolas Marquez-Johnson, Simone form our lives Tedford, Frances P. Medina, John Ferrante, Michael and help us re-Chappell, Rebecca-Lynn Scullion, Dylan McBreen, Susan spond to God's Degennaro, Lisa Feinstein, Sylvia Gonsalves, Louise Hynes, call to serve our Ginette Collin, Laurie Gilligan, Joan Paterna, Linda Nott, global Ron Krug, Roy & Cheryl Hauck, Donna Smutney, Richard Let us commit to sharing the joy of the Resurrection Holtz, Maureen D. West, Sophie Myzuzikevik, Tracy with people in our local community and around the Robinson, Kate Laurie. Please call the parish office to add a world. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl loved one to our parish prayer list.



- Our office will be closed Easter Monday, April 1st.
- There will be **NO CONFESSION** Easter Monday,
- Join us to pray the Rosary Monday Thursday after the 8:00 am morning Mass

STEWARDSHIP

Total Offertory including Online Giving: 3/17/2024 Weekly Collection \$11,301.00 These numbers will fluctuate due to monthly and quarterly donations.





Thursdays, April 11, 18, May 2 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm St. Francis Church Hall Register by calling SMM Parish Rectory

The Pastors Memorial Garden

Let's hop to it. Get your brick order form in and become a part of the Pastors Memorial Garden walkway. Pick up a brochure at the entrances of either Saint Margaret Mary or Saint Francis Church, or go online to WWW.BricksRus.com/donorsite/SJS. All orders will be placed shortly. For more information please call Mary Leslie at 860-614-5011.

family.



at vestibule of both churches or donate online at crsricebowl.org/donate.



Dear Parishioners.

On this Easter day, I greet you with the Good News: He is risen!! Jesus appeared to his disciples and the disciples came to believe as their hearts were opened that Jesus had truly been resurrected.

Do you recognize Jesus? The Jesus who is within each of us. Jesus clearly shows us how to make our lives a gift of love to the Father for the good of our brothers and sisters. He calls us to be the Eucharist. May we serve as his dwelling place, transfiguring our world into a Eucharistic feast. I would like to thank everyone who has made this Holy Week and this beautiful and unique Easter celebration possible. Thank you all very much for your service and dedication.

> Happy Easter!! Rev. Jorge E. Castro



St. Junipero Serra Parish Women's Club Military Whist Card Game Thursday, April 4th

5:30 to 6:00pm - Doors open /Refreshments and Social 6:00 to 9:00pm - Whist Game Time St. Margaret Mary Church Hall 80 Hayes Rd, South Windsor, CT 06074 Tickets are \$ 8.00 at the Door No experience needed! Raffles & Refreshments!! Happy Easter! Thank Happy Easter you St. Junipero Serra Parishioners for you ongoing support for the

and a big 'thank vou'



March 2024 food collection. With you help we gave groceries and gift cards to local families, Little Free Pantries in South Windsor, Head Start families in Vernon and DCF families in Manchester. Additionally, we provided food for St. Ann's in Hartford CT.

Looking for a way to help us help others?

- Next month, hand out empty grocery bags after masses 4/20 and 4/21/2024
- 2) Roll a bin full of the 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. If you would like to help please email president@societyhelpline.org
- 4) Attend our monthly board meeting, 7 pm, the second Tuesday of the month (4/9/2024) in the St. Francis of Assisi church basement, let us know in advance by emailing our president, in case we are meeting in a different location. We will welcome you!

Email <u>president@societyhelpline.org</u> 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.

Dear Parents:

Send your kids on a splash-tastic adventure!

At Scuba VBS, kids dive into friendship with God! Scuba is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! Hands-on science experiments, team-building games,



unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life. Plus, we'll help kids discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life-something we call God Sightings®. Get ready to hear that phrase a lot! So mark these dates on your calendar: July 15- 19. The fun starts at 9am. and will end at 12 noon and will take place at St. Francis Church. Forms can be found on our website - www.saintjuniperoserra.org to register your children for camp – SPACE IS LIMITED!

E-mail Maria at faithformation@sjs-sw.org if you would like volunteer as one of our VBS Scuba Team members!

Sincerely,

Your Scuba VBS Team at St. Junipero Serra Parish

PREPARE TO CELEBRATE DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY APRIL 7, 2024

All are invited to St. Margaret Mary Church to pray the Novena and Chaplet this Easter Season. The 9 Day Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet begins on <u>Good Friday</u>, <u>March 29 and concludes on Divine Mercy Sunday</u>, <u>April 7</u>, <u>2024</u> at 3pm with adoration, chaplet and benediction at St. Francis of Assisi Church.

This prayer was revealed by our Lord to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, a Polish nun that on Good Friday 1937 when our Lord commanded St. Faustina "to make a 9 day novena, before the Feast of Mercy (now known as Divine Mercy Sunday), for the conversion of the whole world and for the restoration of The Divine Mercy". Our Lord told her that "by reciting this novena, I will grant every possible grace to souls".

All you need for the novena is your rosary. The prayer book of the Chaplet will be provided.

Our Lord also stated "I desire the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls and especially for poor sinners. On that day (<u>Divine Mercy Sunday</u>) the very depths of my tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of my mercy". Also <u>The soul that goes to Confession*, prior to and receives Holy Communion on Divine Mercy Sunday shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and <u>punishment</u>" (Dairy 699). This promise is beyond that of a plenary indulgence which remits temporal punishment but not the remission of the sin. Reciting The 9 Day Novena and Chaplet of Divine Mercy are as follows:</u>

Good Friday, March 29 after the 3pm Celebration at St. Margaret Mary Church Holy Saturday, March 30 at 3pm at St. Margaret Mary Church Easter Sunday, March 31 at 7pm at St. Margaret Mary Church Monday, April 1 at 7pm at St. Margaret Mary Church Tuesday, April 2 at 7pm at St. Margaret Mary Church Wednesday, April 3 at 6:15pm at Margaret Mary Church Thursday, April 4 at 7pm at St. Margaret Mary Church Friday, April 5 at 7pm at St. Margaret Mary Church Saturday, April 6 at 3pm at St. Margaret Mary Church

DIVINE MERCY Sunday, April 7, at 3pm: Adoration, Chaplet, and Benediction at St. Francis of Assisi Church. Join us, bring your family, and friends to pray the Divine Mercy Novena to our Lord and to obtain the complete forgiveness of our sins and punishment.

*Confession: If one found it difficult to go to confession during this Lenten season, Father Sean Yates will be here to hear confession Friday, April 5th at 6pm at St. Margaret Mary Church.

For more Information please contact: Mike Cianciolo 860-604-1745 Joe Alubicki 860-989-8423 or Jozef Chilicki 860-794-0255

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7 Chaplet, Adoration and Benediction 3:00 p.m. | St. Francis of Assisi Church



Thank you to the parish families who have made a gift or pledge commitment to the 2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not yet had the opportunity, please consider prayerfully supporting the many "Good Works" of the Archdiocese. Every gift will be gratefully received and sincerely appreciated.



AVAILABLE NOW! PRINT & DIGITAL AD SPACES

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Raluca Tutulescu from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.





Mr. Sparkle Car Wash

A GREAT PLACE TO WASH YOUR CAR!

800 Sullivan Avenue South Windsor

NEED HELP WITH MEDICARE **OPTIONS?**

Turning 65? Retiring? Review of your current plan? My services are ALWAYS free.





Jeff Stock, FSA, MAAA INDEPENDENT AGENT 860-502-0725

stockseniorservices.com

We also help with Retirement Planning, Investments & Annuities.

TORO Kasheta Power Equipment

1275 John Fitch Boulevard, South Windsor, CT 06074 860-528-8421

860-528-3156 FAX GIANT-VAC Visit us on the

web @ www.kasheta.com
"Power Equipment for All Seasons" Sales, Parts & Service · New & Used Equipment Available



(860) 432-8900

938 SULLIVAN AVE, SOUTH WINDSOR broadbrookgardens.com



Providing quality care to our community for over 20 years.

PHYSICAL THERAPY • CERTIFIED ATHLETIC TRAINING SPORTS CONDITIONING - GOLF PERFORMANCE

Learn More at IntegRehab.com



IF YOU LIVE ALONE You Need

MDMed*Alert*!™

✓ Ambulance ✓ Police ✓ Family GPS & Fall Alert



800.808.9294



FORAN BROTHERS Contractors, Inc.

FORAN BROTHERS ELECTRIC REMODELING • CONSTRUCTION • ELECTRICAL Building Services For Four Generations

860-528-8736

"MAN IS A BUILDER BY NATURE"



DESIGN SVC • WEEKLY MAINTENANCE **MULCHING • NEW PLANT INSTALLATION HYDRO-SEEDING • GRADING** SHRUB PRUNING & BRUSH REMOVAL

CALL FOR A FREE ESTIMATE 860-282-9496 www.JaysLandscaping.com

Place Your Ad Here and Support our Parish!

AD CREATOR STUDIO





ADT-Monitored Home Security

Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Flood Detection
- Fire Safety
- Carbon Monoxide





SafeStreets

833-287-3502

Are your investments ready to fight inflation?



263 Oakland Road South Windsor, CT 06074 860-648-2952

Edward Jones

PLUMBING

Quality Plumbing & Heating Services

Residential • Commercial

Veteran Owned and Locally Operated Since 1984

- Plumbing Replacements Repairs Gas Piping Remodeling • Heating Services• Boilers • Water Softening • Water Conditioning •
- Well Tanks Well Pumps New Plumbing & Heating Systems •

Call or Visit Us Today





WE APPRECIATE OUR ADVERTISERS!

ImeCa

Come join our team.

Hiring Direct Care Staff to assist people with developmental disabilities.

Our group homes are located in your area.

203-597-8525

skovaleski@primecareinc.org www.primecareinc.org



www.centralsealingct.com

Residential & Commercial - Driveways Parking Lots • Cut-Out Patching • Curbing Free Estimates • Fully Insured Lic.#0549065

Thomas J. Tierney Thomas F. Tierney

Dalton J. Zahner

Family Owned & Operated John F. Tierney

Funeral Home Inc.

Serving the Community for Over Sixty Years. 219 West Center St., Manchester, CT 06040

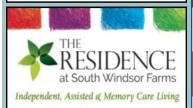
(860) 643-1222 www.tierneyfuneralhome.com



Helping Hands Home Care

Providing high quality, yet affordable home care services to the elderly since 1996.

LIVE IN OR BY THE HOUR 860-645-7667 **Bolton**



200 Deming Street | 860-432-2911

www.residencesouthwindsor.com

CITYWIDE HOMES **FULL SERVICE REMODELERS**

Sick of poor service and generic quality from contractors? We return every call, email, and text. We keep every appointment. We stay educated and on-trend. No job is too big or too small. We are trustworthy and honest

FOR PICS AND REVIEWS GO TO OUR GOOGLE LISTING AND CITYWIDEHOMESCT.COM

Kitchens, baths, tile, flooring, drywall, paint, windows, doors, decks, siding, roofs, and everything else.

Call us at 860-836-0297 **ALL CALLS RETURNED GUARANTEED!**

OWNED AND OPERATED BY PARISHIONER JOHN DZIADUL

CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED • LIC # HIC.0639110

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!





Oil Delivery | Plumbing | Heating Installations | Maintenance Agreements



HOD: 0000146





860.432.7432 TEL / 860.432.9049 FAX PROHealthCT.com / prohealthct@gmail.com

PRO HEALTH

CHIROPRACTIC CENTER

Dr. Jason Sousa Empowering families to achieve

true health naturally. 915 SULLIVAN AVE. STE 1 • SOUTH WINDSOR, CT 0607 REVEREND E.G. ROSENBERGER COUNCIL 5779 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



- Meets 2nd Wed, of Month in Church Hall
- Meet at St. Francis of Assisi on odd months and St. Margaret Mary on even months

Inquiries: Jozef Chilicki • (860) 282-7972 • www.kofc5779.org



HVAC System Service -Repairs & Replacements



Providing comfort for your family

Fully Licensed and Insured

HTG.303433-S1 PLM.203984-P1 HIC. 0652832

860-422-4314

www.omnimechanicalct.com

LET'S GROW YOUR BUSINESS

Place Your Ad Here and Support Our Parish!

CONTACT ME Raluca Tutulescu

rtutulescu@4LPi.com • (800) 477-4574 x6222

Samsel & Carmon Funeral Home

860-644-2940

www.carmonfuneralhome.com

419 Buckland Road • South Windsor



AIROLDI'S INC **PAVING** 860-289-3876 www.APAVING.com

"BROTHERS BEATS THE OTHERS"

COMPANY, INC.

Full Service • Low Prices 860-289-9468

860-289-6292



Fast, Dependable Service 24 Hour Emergency Service

860-646-3360

www.northeastrooter.com 🍕

