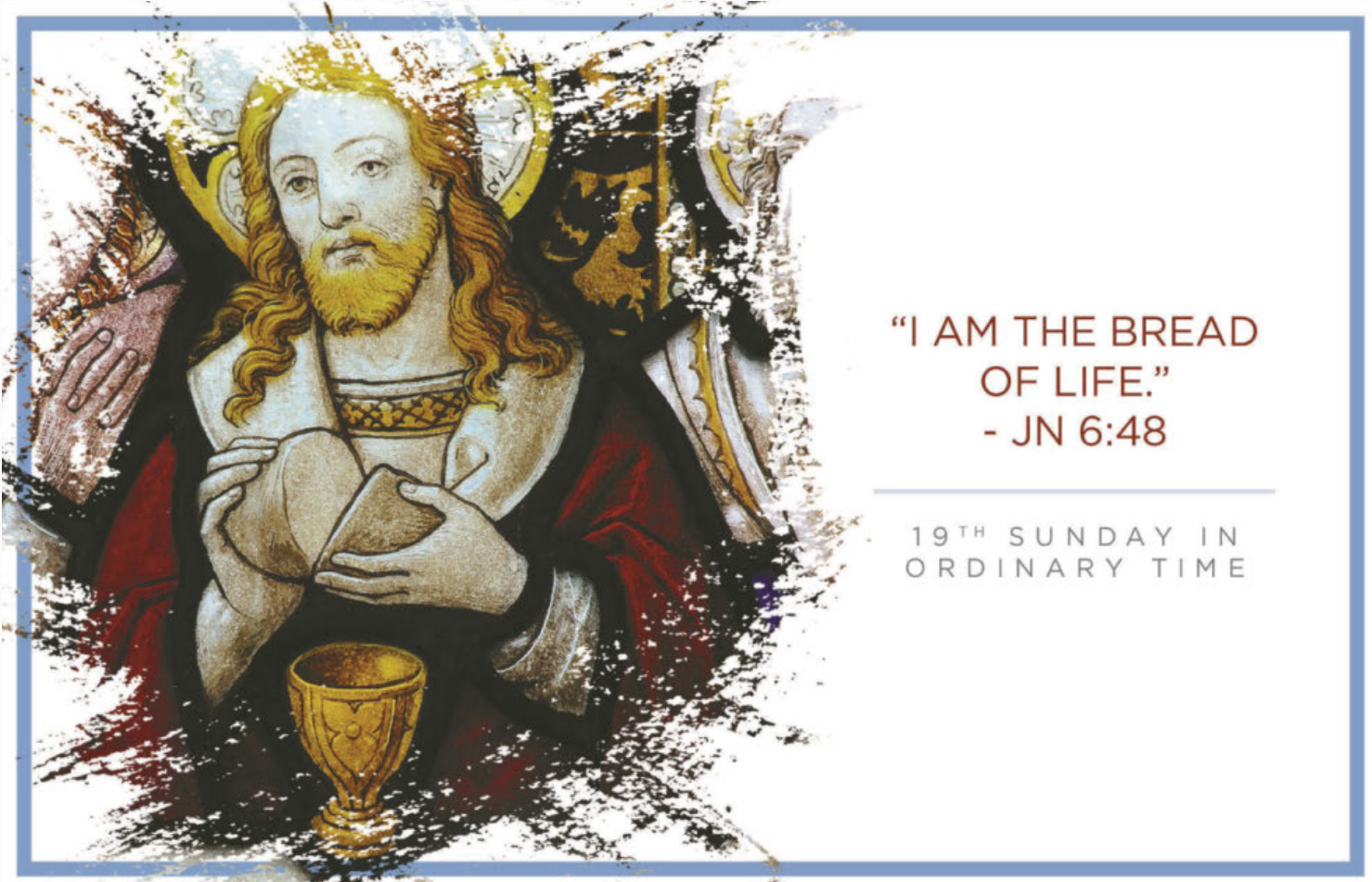




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80 Hayes Road
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Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

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)**

AUGUST 11, 2024

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

JOIN THE CHOIR

St. Junipero Serra Parish Choir invites you to join us as we rehearse and prepare for the Christmas Season. These rehearsals are every Thursday at St. Margaret Mary Church starting at 7pm. If you only wish to sing with us for Sunday Mass, we rehearse - 45 minutes before the Mass starts and alternate between St. Margaret Mary and St. Francis of Assisi OR you can do BOTH! There are no auditions and everyone is welcome. If you have a question, please email our Choir Director, Bobby Dolan at Robert.dolan@uconn.edu.

Land of Peace Mission | August 17, 18-2024

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A nonprofit organization will be with us speaking about the Christian situation in the Holy Land and selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries- all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the holy land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. The goal of this mission is to help the poor and needy families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have "something" authentic from the holy land. Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion. see Website: www.landofpeace.org

Pastors Memorial Garden Update!

Great news! The first order of bricks has been delivered to the garden area. We are in the process of planning the installation. They look great! There is still time to order a brick if you haven't done so yet. We will be putting in a second order soon! *The deadline for this order is September 30.*

You can order right online at www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/sjs
If you have any questions, please call Mary Leslie at 860-614-5011.



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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

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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



SATURDAY VIGIL, August 10

4:00 p.m. Frank & Veronica Jurczak by Family

SUNDAY, August 11

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Richard Raimondo by Joan Raimondo/

Raymond & Joanne Pastula by Sons, Mark & Charles

11:00 a.m. Eva, Eugene & Rocko Montano by Family

MONDAY, August 12

8:00 a.m. Mary Blondin by Family

TUESDAY, August 13

8:00 a.m. Jean Grilli by Annamae Davis

WEDNESDAY, August 14

8:00 a.m. Edmund Cardinal Szoka by Roy Szoka

Vigil Mass: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SMM | 7:00 p.m. Edward & Lucy Newhouse by Family

THURSDAY, August 15 | Holy Day of Obligation

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

SMM | 8:00 a.m. Janet Fetterolf by Catherine Bednar

SFA | 12:10 p.m. Tom Mazza by Teresa & Family

SATURDAY VIGIL, August 17

4:00 p.m. Joseph & Mary Mecca

by Their Children & Grandchildren

SUNDAY, August 18

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. James Glenister by Carol & Bob Fischer

11:00 a.m. Maria Milluzzo, Vincenzo Monaco & Michael

Zullov by Santo & Alfina Milluzzo & Family/

Agustin Londono Gonzalez, 1st Anniversary by His

Daughter, Luz

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

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

EILEEN & IAN GABLER

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 & Cheryl Hauck, Donna Smutney, Richard Holtz, Maureen D. West, Sophie Myzuzikevik, Tracy Robinson, Kate Laurie, Andrew Galinaro, Paul Marianella, Shelia Brown, Donald Tuleja. Please call the parish office to add a loved one to our parish prayer list.

ST. JUNÍPERO SERRA PARISH



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Total Offertory including Online Giving:

7/28/2024 Weekly Collection \$8,580.50

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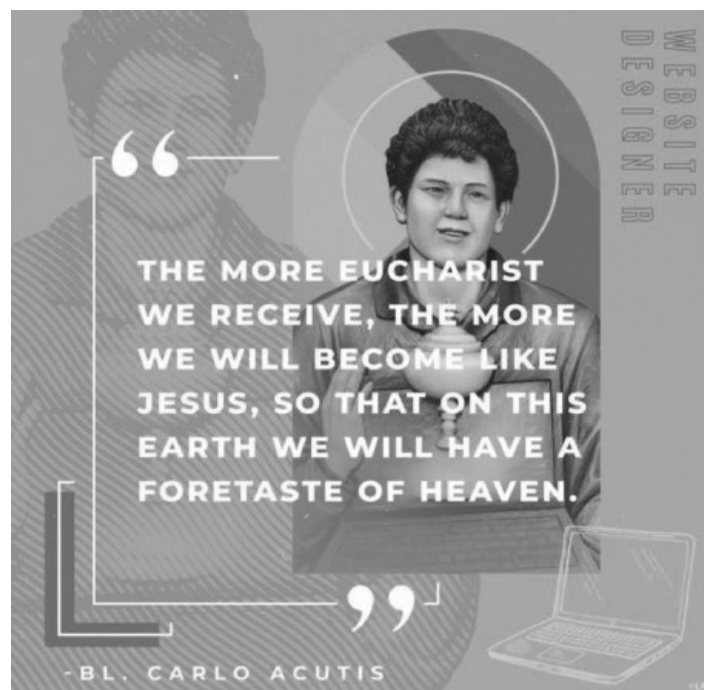
Join us to pray the Rosary Monday - Thursday after the 8:00 am morning Mass

INCREASE YOUR FAITH Come to our Cenacle which meets every other Tuesday night.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 20th at 7:00pm at SMM Chapel.

For more information call Mike Cianciolo 860-604-1745.

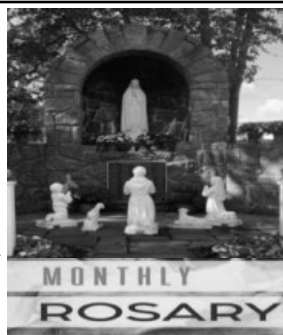
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INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus reminds his followers: "Do not work for food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life." We are so often distracted by the world before us, by the here and now. Let us not forget what is eternal. We were made for what is eternal.

The Monthly Rosary for August will take place on Saturday, August 17th, at 12:00 noon in front of the grotto at St. Francis of Assisi Church. Please join us as we honor the Assumption of Our Lady, (Aug. 15th,) and the Queenship of Mary, (Aug. 22nd.) Bring a lawn chair if you would like to sit.



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Thank you St. Junipero Serra Parishioners for your generosity! In August, we will help local families and the Bristol Men's Shelter. We welcome helpers with our

food collection – just come a bit early to one of the Masses and we'll show you how to help. If you know of anyone or any family that needs help with food, utilities, clothing, furniture or rent please let us know by leaving a message on our help line – 860-648-0216, your message will be kept confidential.

You can also email president@societyhelpline.org or go to our website www.societyhelpline.org



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August 24th

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Worldwide Marriage Encounter **Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time**



marriage encounter

Ephesians 4:30-5:1: "Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were sealed for the day of redemption. All bitterness, fury, anger, shouting and reviling must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ. So be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us." Live in love in your marriage. Check out a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience today. The call of marriage is to love, to be at peace with one another, to live according to God's will. You can find one by looking up WWME.org. Some of the dates to sign up are:

September 20-22 in Huntington, NY

October 18-20 in Sunapee, NH

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or <https://www.mectw.org/>.

A Call for Seekers of the Faith

Order of Christian initiation for Adults -OCIA Program.

Is God calling you to conversion?

Do you know someone in our parish who has a desire to investigate the Catholic Faith more deeply? If you are a baptized Catholic and have a desire for the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or the Eucharist Or If you are a fully initiated Catholic desiring to nurture your faith, please contact the Faith Formation office.

We would truly love to hear from you!

Faith Formation Contact –

Maria Rosati - 860-644-2549 ext.107 or
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FRIDAY KNIGHTS BINGO at St. Margaret Mary Church Hall | Doors & Kitchen open at 5:00pm Bingo starts at 6:30pm. Higher payouts – play for \$25 – all games. Help support local charities, have loads of fun and eat some delicious food when you come to Friday "KNIGHTS" Bingo.

St. Junipero Serra Parish Social volunteer wanted!! How many of you remember the Soccer Club Socials they held at St. Margaret Mary Church Hall with food and dancing? What fun times! The Pastors Memorial Garden Committee is holding a Parish Social on November 2nd. If you have any questions please call Mary Leslie at 860 614-5011.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

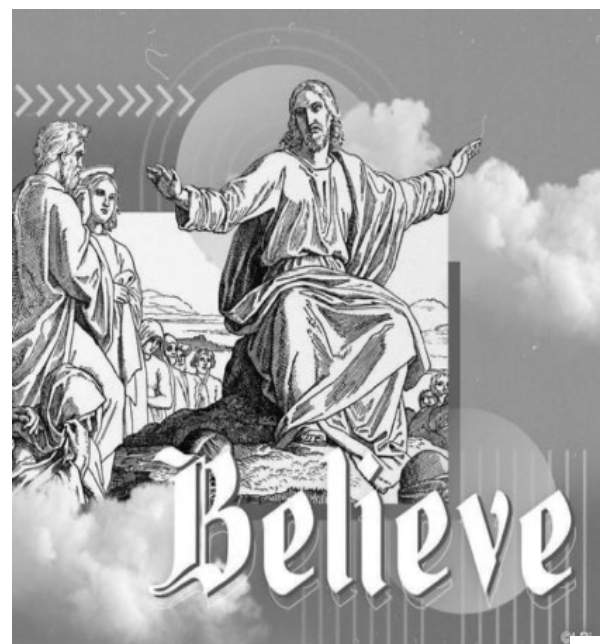
August 11, 2024
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

This week we hear Jesus say, "He that believes in me, has eternal life" (John 6:47). These straightforward words, uttered by human lips, sound -how to put this?-insane. Who could possibly say such a thing? Jesus says things that are so high, so demanding, so beyond our capacity to fathom, we hardly know what to do with them and (if you're like me), they usually go in one ear and out the other. So, let us ask: how can believing in him lead to eternal life?

To believe in something means not just to acknowledge its existence, but also to orient yourself entirely to it. If a football player believes in his team, it means he puts his life totally at the service of that goal. If a student believes in her dream to become a doctor, she gives everything she has to her studies and preparation for her MCAT test. Belief means to move boldly toward something we love, and trust is possible to attain.

What is the highest possible good at which we can aim? It is God himself, the gift of eternal life without end. Jesus has made this "good" possible in and through his human nature. To believe in him means to have him as our ultimate goal. This week let's believe the truth of these words and make practical decisions to orient ourselves toward what we see available in him: eternal life.

— Father John Muir ©LPi



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