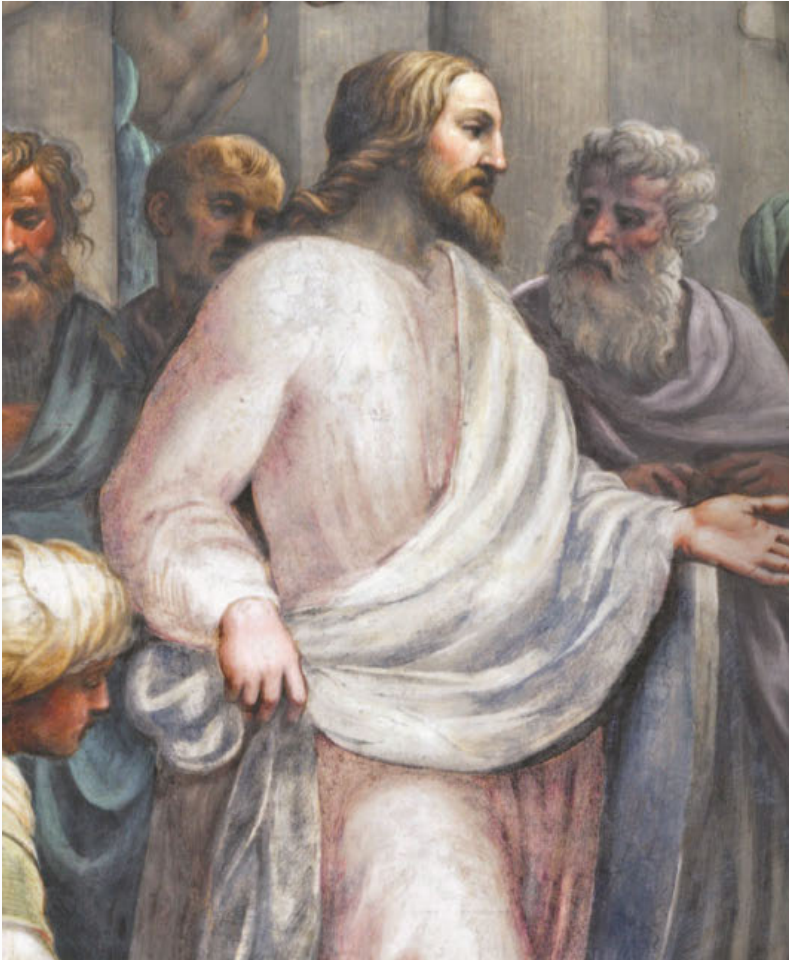




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He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

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Sunday Mass: 11:00 am

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Thursday**

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(except Holy Days & Holidays)**

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

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

Sunday, September 8, 2024



**St. Junipero Serra Parish
Parish Picnic**



at St. Margaret Mary Church
Following the Mass at 11:00 am all are invited to attend
our parish picnic. Hoping to see you there!

CALLING ALL PARISH YOUTH GRADES K - 12
Sunday, Sept 8th at the St. Margaret Mary Church

Kick the Fall off with our First Pop-Up Youth Group Meeting of the New CCD Year.

Join us right after the 11am Mass for: Free Food, Inflatable Castle,
Face paint, games, arts and crafts a scavenger hunt, frisbee golf,
and a soccer goal challenge.

Upper Grades 9 & 10 Service Hours available for helping to set up and clean up.



Be a coach / mentor for the younger grades
to help make this event a success.

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11:00 AM set up, 3:00 PM clean up.

Sign up slots available on The Sign-up Genius

*Junipero Serra Parish
Women's Club Scholarship Fundraiser*

COUNTRY MUSIC CONCERT
Featuring Brian Chicoine

Date: September 28, 2024

Where: St. Margaret Mary Church Hall

Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Cost: \$10.00 per adult

\$5.00 per child (children under 16)

Join us for a FUN night of country music to help benefit the
St. Junipero Serra Parish Scholarship program. This event is
BYO food and beverages. There will be a raffle for items
and services donated by local businesses. All funds raised
will be donated to the Church Scholarship program to
benefit Senior High School students.

Tickets can be purchased starting September 7th to September 22nd
at any weekend Masses or at the Church Office during open hours



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



Our office will be closed on Monday, September 2nd in observance of Labor Day!

NO CONFESSION : There will be no confessions Monday, September 2.

SATURDAY VIGIL, August 31

4:00 p.m. Reverend Daniel J. Sullivan
by Mrs. Carol Warner & Family

SUNDAY, September 1

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Malani Wijelatha by Daughter, Harshila
11:00 a.m. Joseph & Susan Cucolo & Joseph Ninfa
Borbely by The Borbely Family

MONDAY, September 2

8:00 a.m. Joe Eaton by His Niece

TUESDAY, September 3

8:00 a.m. Catherine Montville by Mary & Steve Leslie

WEDNESDAY, September 4

8:00 a.m. Michael & Stella Barone by Family

THURSDAY, September 5

8:00 a.m. Dolores Lachendro
by Annamae & Patricia Keegan by Sister, Annamae

SATURDAY VIGIL, September 7

4:00 p.m. John & Agnes Griffin by Bey Family

SUNDAY, September 8

Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Ronald Stewart by Family/
Ronald Kronenwetter by Family
11:00 a.m. Stanley & Zofia Grivers
by Stan & Lisa Grivers/
Angelo A. Marinelli, Jr.

**Fall 2024 Bible Study
The Gospel of John Part I**

Join us as we study the first half of the Gospel of John this Fall. We will study the second half of John's Gospel in the Spring during Lent. The Gospel of John was the last of the four Gospels written, and has a more well developed theology than the three other Gospels. It is sometimes referred to as the gospel of love.

Bible study will take place in the St. Margaret Mary Church Hall from 7:15 pm until 8:30 pm on 7 consecutive Monday nights starting September 16 through October 27. 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 and study questions. There will be 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.

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

SANCTUARY LIGHTS

St. Margaret Mary's Sanctuary Light burns this week for **JOHN & AGNES GRIFFIN**

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, John Weyrauch, Kenny Lopez, Vicky Vecchiolla. Please call the parish office to add a loved one to our parish prayer list.

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.

Dear Parishioners,
We will be starting a "Millions of Monicas" prayer group in our parish. Our mission is to encounter God through prayer and through the intercession of St. Monica.

MILLIONS OF MONICAS

We will pray that our young family members, children and grandchildren will be drawn back to the Catholic Faith and will enjoy the richness of the Church.



Please come to St. Margaret Mary Church at 3:00 pm every Friday for 40 minutes. We will begin on September 13, 2024.

Dear Faith Formation Families,

Father Castro and the staff welcome back all of our students in our faith formation program with a Kick-off Event on September 8th

Bring your backpacks for a blessing at the 9 a.m. Mass at Saint Francis or at the 11 a.m. Mass at Saint Margaret Mary.

Following Mass at Saint Margaret Mary we will celebrate with a Parish Picnic from 12-3pm.

Food and games will be hosted by our youth ministry and it will be a joyful event for all in fellowship to begin the new school year.

In the spirit of Youth helping Youth, the parish Confirmation students will be on hand in setting up games for our parish youth to play. Built in the same fashion as our Vacation Bible School we invite Grades K - 5 to come and spend a little time playing games with our upper grades for this wonderful time together.

We will see you on Sunday, Sept. 8th.

God bless you,
Father Castro and the Staff
Faith Formation Office



ST. JUNIPERO SERRA PARISH
BACKPACK BLESSING
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
9:00 am at SFA | 11:00 am at SMM

Students of all ages are invited to bring their backpacks to the Mass to receive a special blessing.

Thank you for the enormous and very generous response providing 70 plus backpacks and all the supplies that students will need. God bless you for your thoughtful response to meeting the needs of children starting school.



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8/18/2024 Weekly Collection \$10,198.00

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The Knights of Columbus is an International Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend values in a busy changing world. Our local council #5779 will be holding a membership drive at all Masses the week-end of Aug 31st / Sept 1st.

The Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way.

If you would like to join today simply go to KofC.org/join us and enter our council #5779 for local information.



SJS Women's Club

The St Junipero Serra Parish Women's Club will hold it's 1st Meeting on Thursday, September 12th at St. Francis of Assisi Hall. Social begins at 6:30pm - 7pm.

The meeting will begin at 7pm. We will collect dues of \$10 for annual membership and review the calendar of meetings and items we have planned for the year. We will also be planning for the Country Concert on Sat. Sept 28th and will be making table decorations for the event. Please come hear about the plans for the Women's Club and meet new women from the Parish. If you have any questions, please contact Paulann at 860-291-9960

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I will not feign presumption, Lord
 And beg you send me more pain,
 And promise to offer it all up,
 And to never- ever complain,
 Instead, I'll keep Your face in mind
 As I make my bed,
 smooth the creases and fold it up
 All the best that I can,
 Into Your hands, I'll commend my day,
 And each of the ones that I love,
 all my fears and hopes and dreams,
 I will leave to Your Sacred Heart,
 And as I pass the Crucifix
 And remember Your lonely pain,

I'll stay with you Lord as I wash the pots,
 And rub out this deep stain,
 If at times it seems to me,
 That nothing I do will come to good,
 I promise to bring to mind,
 Your body crumpled on the wood,
 I will remember that three days later,
 You rose from the dead,
 No earthly power could resist -
 I will tell myself instead,
 And in this hope, I will carry on,
 And find the will to persist
 Knowing You work through all things in love,
 Even ones as little as this,
 Dinner-

"Wash the plate not because it is dirty nor because you are told to wash it, but because you love the person who will use it next." -St. Mother Teresa

"If obedience sends you to the kitchen, remember that the Lord walks among the pots and pans and that He will keep you in inward tasks and in outward ones, too." - St. Teresa of Avila

CCC2710 The choice of the time and duration of the prayer arises from a determined will, revealing the secrets of the heart. **One does not undertake contemplative prayer only when one has the time:** one makes time for the Lord, with the firm determination not to give up, no matter what trials and dryness one may encounter. One cannot always meditate, but one can always enter into inner prayer, independently of the conditions of health, work, or emotional state. The heart is the place of this quest and encounter, in poverty and in faith.

By Maria Rosati – Faith Formation Administrative Assistant /860.644.2549/ faithformation@sjs-sw.org



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Pastors Memorial Garden Update!

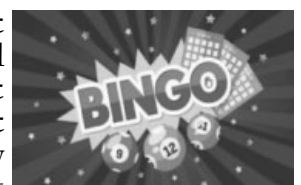


Great news! The first order of bricks has been delivered to the garden area. We are in the process of planning the installation. They look great! There is still time to order a brick if you haven't done so yet. We will be putting in a second order soon! ***The deadline for this order is September 30.***

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

Join SJS Alpha Young Adult Group
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 SMM Rectory Basement Email Sr. Karen for more information. ConfirmationCoordinatorSJS@gmail.com

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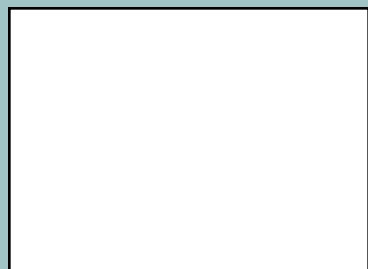
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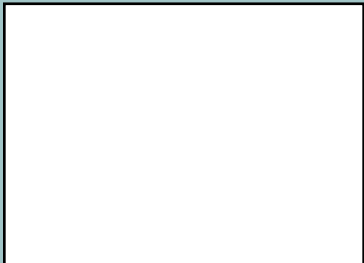
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