

# ST. JAMES CHURCH

12 FRANKLIN STREET - DANIELSON, CONNECTICUT 06239



*St. James Church is staffed by  
the La Salette Missionaries*

## PASTOR

Rev. John J. O'Neill, M.S.

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## SENIOR PRIESTS

Rev. John E. Welch, M.S.  
Rev. Thomas Sickler, M.S.

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## PAROCHIAL VICAR

Rev. Roy Parayil, M.S.

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Rectory Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm (*Emergencies anytime*)

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## MASSES

Saturday Vigil ----- 4:30 pm

Sunday ----- 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am

Weekdays ----- 9:00 am

Holy Days ----- 7:00, 9:00 am & 6:00 pm

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## Religious Education Director

Mrs. Bev. Richardson  
860-792-8054

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## St. James School Principal

Linda Marie Joyal  
860-774-3281

## BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM

Please call the Rectory to register for the Preparatory Class & Baptism. Baptisms are held on the third Sunday of every month at 12:00 noon.

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## WEDDING

Call the Rectory at least six months prior to your wedding date. If not confirmed, one year.

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## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 3:45 to 4:15 pm in church, or by appointment.

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## HOSPITAL & HOME VISITS

Please notify the priests of family illnesses.

**DAYDREAMS OF A PASTOR...****The Daydreams title is an "Ode to a Golden Moment."**

When we preach on the Transfiguration (March 8th)  
We recall a Golden Moment.

Bill Littlefield a Yankee Fan often wrote of Golden Moments. We reprint part of his poem as we all recall some Golden Moments in life... This article was found in Bill Littlefield's book "Keepers."

**"Ode to a Golden Moment"**

"That wasn't Gerard Phelan who caught  
That ball... God caught that ball."  
"No ... God threw it."

Two Boston College players after The Pass

It wasn't God; He can't take sides  
When two teams come to play.  
But who's to say the gods weren't present  
On that fateful day  
When Flutie spotted Phelan through  
The wet Miami air,  
And, as the clock ticked down to nothing,  
Launched that final prayer?

On other days, on other fields,  
The gods have touched our games;  
Established in our memories  
A small handful of names.  
When Teddy Ballgame last stepped up  
To hit in Fenway Park,  
The gods rode the last pitch he hit,  
That lovely, screaming arc  
That ended in the bleachers.

In 2004 – Who was it that sent Fr. Paul and  
Fr. John O'Neill to Fenway to reverse the curse  
against the Yanks – Oh My! At the same time who  
was it that united Brady and Belichick and captured  
the 6 Super Bowls.

They've come before; they'll come again  
Why should there be surprise  
When the gods climb on a football  
Sailing through Miami's skies?  
And why should we deny their present,  
Evanescent magic  
As they tear lovely comedy  
From what might have been tragic?  
The gods were with Doug Flutie, as  
They've been with those before him;  
For a moment, frozen now in time,  
We saw the gods adore him.

I always claim my favorite sports memory.  
When Michael Jordan of North Carolina beat  
Georgetown when he made a jump shot in the  
N.C.A.A. New Orleans National Championship Game  
in 1982. I now say move over Michael Jordan and  
Patrick Ewing.

I saw a better game last Friday night (March 6<sup>th</sup>)  
when our St. James Girls (J.V.) upset the #1 seed  
(Trinity Catholic) a minute to go in the game –  
Selia Atchinson, (Coach Atchinson's daughter) fouled  
out – and Coach inserts Brook Roireau into the game  
with one minute left on the clock. Earlier Sarah  
Melnick hit two big "3's" to get us close. Down three  
points, with a minute to go, Mary Kate Barnwell  
makes a basket with 30 seconds to go.

Brook Roireau gets a rebound and puts it back into  
the basket for the game – winning point. The look on  
her Mom and the expression on Coach Beach, Coach  
Kaylee and Coach Atchinson and the joy in our Girls'  
hearts is priceless. All the girls played well. Here are  
the names to remember:

**Girls JV Basketball**

Gabby Nsubuga	42	Selia Atchinson	11
Ryleigh Zachow	41	Henrietta Hayes	5
Lillian Beach	1	Mary Kate Barnwell	4
Brook Roireau	2	Felicia Desabota	43
Claire Zachow	3	Sarah Melnick	14

Of course our St. James J.V. Boys' and Girls' Varsity  
Team won their Championship (a great weekend at  
St. James Gym) and (Killingly High School) Runner  
up memory went to Peter Barbale of St. Joseph's  
(Webster). He made 27 points in the 1<sup>st</sup> half to upset  
undefeated St. Pat's of Norwich. And to top off the  
week I went to a concert at St. James Gym on  
Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, The **MJM7 Band from Illinois**.  
They were really good – good preparation for the  
First Penance Celebration also on March 10<sup>th</sup>.  
I said two prayers at the tournament but I enjoyed this  
prayer:

**Tournament Prayer**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the  
Holy Spirit.

Dear God, we pray that our hearts be open to see  
your presence in and through our basketball game:

We pray for athletes...who, through basketball  
Develop character and values.

We pray for parents...who love their children  
for who they are, not for how they perform.

We pray for officials...who inspire fair play.

We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen

God was at the tourney and am I glad I was there too.  
I have played, coached and cheered at Catholic  
School Basketball Games for 80 years and Brook's  
Basket will be frozen in my heart forever.



**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**March 22, 2020**

**First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a**

In seeking a King for the Israelites, Samuel traveled to Jesse of Bethlehem, who had seven sons. Commanded by God to ignore the elder sons, Samuel anointed the youngest, David.

**Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14**

Paul exhorts the Ephesians to live as "children of light" in goodness and truth and to avoid evil deeds "done in darkness."

**Gospel: John 9:1-41**

Jesus performs the miracle of giving sight to the man born blind. Because Jesus performed this miracle on the Sabbath, the Pharisees called him a "sinner," but the blind man said, "He is a prophet." Jesus later reveals to the blind man that He is the Son of Man.

**PARISH EVENTS**

**All the events and liturgical services are cancelled until further notice.**

**Please visit our Parish Website for further updates: [stjameschurchdanielson.com](http://stjameschurchdanielson.com)**

**LA SALETTE MASSES**

In memory of Frederick & Adelyn Bodenschatz  
 In memory of David & Sophie Horvat...son, Joseph  
 Birthday Wishes for Veronica Gumula...love, Diane & family  
 Birthday Wishes for Raymond Veillette Jr love, Diane & family  
 In memory of Mary Veillette, 15<sup>th</sup> Anniv, love, Diane & family  
 (2) Irene Bessette... Linda Clark  
 In memory of Raymond Gendreau... wife, Pierrette  
 In memory of Paul Leblanc...Happy Birthday...family

**HOLY HOUR...Our next Holy Hour will be on Monday, April 20, from 7PM to 8PM with the rosary at 6:40PM. In Eucharistic Adoration, Jesus freely gives us the graces we need in our lives. The graces we need for our families, vocations, jobs, special intentions, for our church and school, decrease in crime, for Catholics to return to the Faith.**

**MARIAN SHRINE FLOWERS**

**This week's** flower arrangement is donated in honor of Scott Normandie...Birthday and Anniversary. Next week's flower arrangement will be donated in honor of Marguerite Galarneau...by Marge & family. Dates that are still open, 4/12, 4/19, 5/3, and 9/6.  
 The Church will be open every day from 8.30 am to 11.30 am.

**VIGIL LIGHTS...are burning brightly this week in Prayer for Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S. Happy Birthday!**

**The Temporary Suspension of the Public Celebration of Mass in the Diocese of Norwich**

NORWICH – Beginning effective immediately, Bishop Michael R. Cote has mandated that all public celebrations of Mass be temporarily suspended in all churches of the Diocese of Norwich (the Connecticut counties of Middlesex, New London, Tolland, and Windham and Fishers Island, New York), and continuing until further notice.

Priests will continue to celebrate a daily Mass with no congregation, remembering in prayer all who are affected by the coronavirus pandemic. Also, pastors are encouraged to make provision for their churches to be open during the day so individuals can still come and pray and make an Act of Spiritual Communion with the Lord.

Further information regarding other sacramental and liturgical celebrations, Holy Week and Easter, and all celebrations beyond that date will be forthcoming. People can visit [NorwichDiocese.org](http://NorwichDiocese.org) for updates as they become available.

**St. James Church will be open every day from 8.30 am to 11.30 am.**

**Prayer For The Coronavirus**

Dear Lord, we ask for your divine intervention to bring a quick end to this pandemic. Please heal the sick and comfort the grieving. May your peace replace every worried, anxious, and fearful thought.

We ask for strength, protection, and energy for medical professionals, first responders, and emergency workers. We pray for wisdom, knowledge, and guidance for leaders in every arena.

Please reverse and minimize the financial devastation that is occurring. Please provide for all who are displaced and in need in any way. We ask for your grace and mercy and for you to do what only you can do. May people look to you to be their source of help, strength, and hope during these uncertain times. In the name of Jesus, we ask these things.

Amen

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Loving and generous God, it is You who call us by name and ask us to follow You. Help us to grow in the love and service of our Church as we experience it today. Give us the energy and courage of Your Spirit to shape its future. Grant us faith-filled leaders who will embrace Christ's mission of love and justice. Bless St. James Parish by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve Your people as Priests, Deacons, Brothers, Sisters and Lay Ministers. Inspire us to know You better and open our hearts to listen to Your call. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.  
Our Lady of La Salette, Reconciler of Sinners, pray without ceasing for us who have recourse to you.

**ST. MICHAEL PRAYER**

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do Thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

**MEMORARE TO OUR LADY OF LASALETTE**

**REMEMBER OUR LADY OF LASALETTE...true Mother of Sorrows, the tears you shed for us on Calvary. Remember also the care you have taken to keep us faithful to Christ, your son. Having done so much for your children, you will not now abandon us. Comforted by this consoling thought, we come to you pleading, despite our infidelities and ingratitude.**

**VIRGIN OF RECONCILIATION...do not reject our prayers but intercede for us, obtain for us, the grace to love Jesus above all else. May we console you by living a holy life and so come to share the eternal life Christ gained by his Cross. Amen.**

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**PLANNING A WEDDING...** Arrangements for your marriage should be made with the Church first, as this is the most important part of your wedding day. To secure your wedding date with the church you must first have the initial interview with one of the priests and also have paid the church deposit.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OUR SICK AND RECUPERATING.**

Our Priests visit the hospital regularly. Please have the hospital or a loved one call the rectory. 860-774-3900. Names of the sick & recuperating submitted to the rectory will be placed on the altar and remembered during mass.

**Mass Intentions...**

We are now booking Mass Intentions for 2020, if you wish to schedule a Mass Please write out all the names of your loved ones and put these names and your **phone number**, with a check in an envelope and place it in the collection basket. We will do our best to accommodate your wishes.

**-----SOS...SAVE OUR SCHOOL...**

We wish to thank all our Anonymous Donors for their very generous donations to the St. James School Tuition Assistance Scholarship Fund

We ask you to consider making a voluntary donation on the occasion of a death of a loved one (in lieu of flowers) or on the occasion of a happy event; e.g. wedding or anniversary (in lieu of flowers). **"Save Our School"**, envelopes are at the entrances to the church.

**ATTENTION PARENTS WITH CHILDREN AGES 4-12**  
Are you interested in a great educational experience for your child?

**IMAGINE** a school where no grade has more than 30 students...

**IMAGINE** a school where you have the opportunity to know the names of all the children in your child's class, and their parents...

**IMAGINE** a school where the values of **RESPECT & COMMUNITY SERVICE** are part of the curriculum...

**IMAGINE** a school where athletic programs and other extra-curricular activities thrive...

**IMAGINE** a school with a focus on religious education...

**IMAGINE** a school with convenient before and after school programs...

**IMAGINE** this school is only minutes away in Danielson

**EXPERIENCE ST. JAMES SCHOOL – 860.774.3281**

**POURINGS AND PASSAGES BOOKSTORE... A used book store and coffeehouse is now open at 183 Main Street (corner of Academy and Main Streets, second floor of Gerardi Insurance Services).**

**Hours of operation are Wednesdays to Saturdays, 10AM to 5PM. The store is closed Sunday to Tuesday, holidays and snowy days. Please patronize, promote and support our bookstore. It supports the students and staff of St. James School. Thank you for your ongoing support and God bless you all! Store phone number 860-774-1712, (Wednesdays to Saturdays) or leave a message. Thank you for your understanding and continuing patronage of our store. God bless you all! Jim**

**CAR DONATIONS AND AUCTION....Henry Sorel of Sorel's Garage in Brooklyn is partnering with St. James School's Tuition Assistance Program by accepting unwanted vehicles, repairing them, and then selling them at auction (location to be determined), with the profit going for tuition assistance. For over 28 years, Sorel's has sold unwanted vehicles on behalf of the church, raising \$100,000. It gets better -- Sorel's has committed to financing these vehicles for college students! If you have a car to donate, please call the Rectory office at 860-774-3900, or speak with Henry Sorel directly at 860-774-4514. Be sure to share this announcement with family and friends. Your help could provide a wonderful Catholic education for a child.**

**2020 S.J.S.A. THOUSAND CLUB**

THE 2020 "1000 CLUB" REGISTRATION FORM CAN BE FOUND AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE. BUY YOUR TICKET TODAY, ONLY \$30.00 FOR 6 MONTHLY DRAWINGS. THE NEXT DRAWING FOR THE NEW CLUB WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, April 19th AT 8:30AM IN THE CHURCH HALL. PLEASE SPONSOR A NEW MEMBER SO WE CAN FILL THE CLUB! VERY IMPORTANT AS WE ARE CLOSE TO NOT MAKING A PROFIT DUE TO LOW MEMBERSHIP.

**MONTHLY AWARDS: \$2,000** in awards are given away each month...20 awards monthly, 240+ chances to win.

You do not have to be present at the drawings to win the regular prizes.

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| <b>Prize 1 -</b>         | <b>\$1,000.00 (Sponsor wins \$100)</b> | <b>Prize 2 - \$300.00 (Sponsor wins \$30)</b> |
| <b>Prize 3</b>           | 200.00(Sponsor wins \$20)              | <b>Prize 4 - \$100.00 (sponsor wins \$10)</b> |
| <b>Prize 5 &amp; 6</b>   | 50.00 (Sponsor wins \$5)               | <b>Prizes 7 thru 10 \$25.00</b>               |
| <b>Prizes 11 thru 20</b> | \$20.00                                |   |

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS:** Please inform Kathy Hall (860)774-7635 of any address changes. Kathy is the "keeper of the records".

**SPONSORS:** Sponsors receive 10% of the first through sixth awards, this is in addition to the regular awards.

Sponsors are those who sign up a new member and are responsible for collecting their dues if the new member chooses to pay monthly. A person CANNOT sponsor him/herself. Two people CANNOT sponsor each other. .

**February Drawing**

\$1000	Pamela Credit	972	\$25	Alice Sears	326	Door Prize:	Lucille Kaczor
300	Louis & Pauline Trahan	767	25	Nancy Mazarella	908	Door Prize:	Joan Carter
200	Deb St. Jean	815	25	Maggie Grenier	294		
100	Bob & Lucille Farrell	736	25	Mary Ellen Casceillo	540		
50	David Dion	237					
50	Kathleen Hale	488					

**\$20.00 Winners are:**

June Dougherty	392	Aubrie & Kenneth Viera	660
Nina Coutras	108	Jennafer & Brian Perez	834
Josh Canfield	899	Joan Kent	187
Michael & Michelle Costello	267	Charles Laprade	668
Michelle Brown	386	Peter & Norma Harrelle	270

Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, April 19, 2020 at 8:30AM in the church hall. If you have any questions concerning dues etc. Please call Kathy Hall (860) 774-7635.

**2020 ST. JAMES 1000 CLUB REGISTRATION FORM - SPONSOR A NEW MEMBER TODAY**

Your choice of number if available \_\_\_\_\_ (no guarantees)

**SPONSORS NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO HAVE A SPONSOR TO JOIN THE CLUB**

Please Print

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_

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