St. James Church

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St. James Church is staffed by the La Salette Missionaries

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

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

Religious Education Director Mrs. Bev. Richardson 860-792-8054

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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.

WEDDING

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

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

HOSPITAL & HOME VISITS

Please notify the priests of family illnesses.

DAYDREAMS OF A PASTOR...

Our Diocese and every diocese evaluates parishes. We evaluated St. James Parish 29 years ago. Fr. Tom Reilly, M.S. gave the results to a packed audience at St. James gym.

Fr. Tom, the Provincial, asked Ernie and Diane Barrette if Fr. John O'Neill would be a good fit for St. James. Of course I taught Ernie 55 years ago in college. Ernie knew I had three great loves; economics, sports and Catholic schools.

Everyone in the diocese knows what St. James is doing. But the people of the Parish are the key, as well as good priests, good sisters and a good Deacon.

Back to the laity of St. James. Why are they so special in La Salette circles? I will offer you some of the reasons why we think we are special. You, the Parishioners will have other reasons. Here goes – our top 12 reasons...

- The number one Catholic grammar school in the Diocese – an all lay staff, at St. James. 190 students and we are debt free. We receive no outside financial assistance. The La Salettes have served the school for 125 years.
- 2. The Friends of La Salette, are a Lay Group that eight years ago pledged \$1.2 million to St. James School for tuition assistance over a 10 year period. \$1 Million has been given to the school and the Lay organization has a plan to raise the next \$1 Million, from the Friends of La Salette from all over the U.S.A. during the next four years.
- **3.** Pew Research Center's reports indicate attendance is down in most churches. Not so at St. James. An increase each year for the past five years including 75 converts.
- 4. Pope Francis tells the Laity to take care of the needy. Our Lay Group, the Friends of Assisi, which began in the rectory basement now has its own corporate headquarters on Water Street in Danielson. This Lay Group helps the needy all year long.
- 5. The Educators in the U.S.A. have asked the church to encourage reading. Our St. James Book Committee which is 25 years old and began in the St. James rectory basement. Lots of good ministry takes place at the Food Pantry and our Book Store. It reminds me of our Gospel Bar Ministry with R.A.M.
- 6. Fr. Roy reminds us we are an International Corporation. The Friends of La Salette sponsor two La Salette Schools in India. We watched as one school in India went from 200 students to 1,200 students and we cheered as our first 26 students were graduated from college.
- 7. Spiritual Life.....We celebrate Mass every day. We have numerous Holy Hours and Bible Sessions, and Adult Education Program. We

used to be Administrators at five parishes. Some think they are not La Salette Parishes. They will always be La Salette Parishes in our hearts.

- 8. Ecumenism...Jewish Catholic relationships are at an all-time high. We jointly worship and we jointly support Fund Raisers. It is all lay folk and it is all good.
- 9. Outreach to India, Diocesan Priests and Religious Women. We have been blessed with many Indian Priests. So much so, they call the rectory, the Bombay Hotel. Two Diocesan Priests joined our oratory of priests and it worked well. Fr. Hugh Murphy and Fr. Sylva LeCours. We welcomed sixteen Indian Sisters to our convent and it has worked well. What a great addition is our five lovely sisters.
- **10.** St. Raphael Prayer Ministry began at ST. James in 1991. We are now in 50 states and 78 Countries. We inc;lude La Salette literature in all our mailings.
- **11.** The St. James Construction Firm fixed up the church, rectory, convent, school and grounds. The dedicated lay people saved St. James Parish millions of dollars over the past 25 years.
- **11A –** The Craft Group is special.
- **12.** We had a Great Cluster beginning in 1991. (The Fitchburg/ Danielson Cluster). Our Lay Board of Directors traveled to Fitchburg twice a year for the semiannual meeting and celebration. The Fitchburg lay group would then visit Danielson.

P.S. The Friends of La Salette for the past 25 years always sponsored big celebrations honoring our La Salette Fathers and Brothers. The 13th reason is yours. Please add to the list .

P.S. Other Ministries include, The St. James Rectory Staff, Endowment Committee and Our Lady of Loretto Right to Life Committee, Money counters, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Fund Raisers like, Street Signs, Car Sales, Bazaar, Bingo, Crafts, Golf, 150 Club, 1000 Club, 200 Club and Book Sales. Early indications that the top St. James Lay Groups could be the Knights of Columbus, Care-net, St. Jean de Baptiste, "Raise the Roof" Committee, St. James Athletic Group, and the St. James Development Committee.

DAYDREAMS II...

Written on the feast day of Peter and Paul.

Our June 28th, the daydream column really told the La Salette world what is so great about our Catholic Church. St. Peter and St. Paul writing to the people of God in Danielson would be so proud. Our La Salette Brothers in Hartford were happy to hear about our corporate headquarters in downtown Danielson. The Friends of Assisi feeding the poor and the St. James Book ministry selling books all year long.

Fr. John O'Neill has been here at St. James for 29 years (he arrived June 27, 1991). Lots of changes – yet the traditional ministries continue, spiritual life, still one Mass a day and six on the weekend.

When reporters asked Fr. John O'Neill, "What is it that the people of St. James are talking about? Again the people of St. James offer their best 12 answers.

- 1) How the Priests of St. James could cover 5 parishes at the same time.
- 2) How the School is doing so well after 146 years.
- The Friends of La Salette are a modern day miracle. Even the original core group are amazed. (Lucille Farrell, Rene Beausoliel, Paul Grenon and Deacon Rene Barbeau).
- 4) Holy Cross Cemetery continues to be the best cemetery in the area.
- 5) My Jewish friends in West Hartford are cheering our ecumenical efforts in the greater Danielson area.
- 6) Baptism Prep & Marriage Prep and the small Christian Communities are doing quite well.
- Not too many were aware of our Right to Life Committee. Our Lady of Loretto Committee. It follows the great example of Care-Net.
- 8) Our smallest group, St. Jean de Baptiste, sponsors a scholarship annually at St. James School.
- 9) Our Knights of Columbus sponsored the Rose Mass here at St. James for all of Rhode Island and Connecticut. An impressive celebration.
- 10) The Gospel Bar Ministry is big with R.A.M.
- 11) The Religious Ed will be in the Church Hall, where they will meet in the fall Digital and Small groups.
- 12) Our parish helps others e.g. the Diocese of Norwich, the La Salette Missionaries the U.S.A. in India and Argentina. We helped keep Our Lady of La Salette and Our Lady of Lourdes open twice – first with the two Brothers; Brother Ron and Brother Bob. Bishop Cote asked Fr. John O'Neill to go there twice.



SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

This passage from the Book of Wisdom addresses itself to God, giving praise and thanksgiving for his mercy.

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27

Paul indicates that since people are, in general, unaccustomed to the manner of praying, of speaking directly to God, the Holy Spirit will intercede for them.

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43

According to Matthew, Jesus speaks of the "reign of God" in three parables: the man who soweth good seed, the mustard seed, and the yeast. In each parable, Jesus demonstrates that once the "reign of God" had been established, it grew and spread.



PARISH EVENTS

HOLY HOUR...Our next Holy Hour will be on Monday, July 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 the sick, 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 memory of Elizabeth Rondeau, Anniversary..., by Family Next week's flower arrangement will be donated in memory of Jim Normandie, Anniversary.

VIGIL LIGHTS... are burning brightly this week in Honor of our Five Lovely Sisters.

Please visit our Parish Website for updates: stjameschurchdanielson.com

Amen.

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.

MASSES

Masses scheduled for the Weekend of, April 11 & 12 will be celebrated on July 25 & 26. Weekday Masses Scheduled from April 27 to May 01 will be celebrated this week from July 20 to July 24. MONDAY, July 20

ATTEN	TION PARENTS WITH CHILDREN AGES 4-12
Are you ir	nterested in a great educational experience f
your child	?
MAGINE	a school where no grade has more than
30	students
IMAGINE	a school where you have the opportunity
	know the names of all the children in
VOL	ur child's class, and their parents
	a school where the values of
	SPECT & COMMUNITY SERVICE
	part of the curriculum
	a school where athletic programs and
	er extra-curricular activities thrive
	a school with a focus on religious
	ucation
••••	a school with convenient before and after
	nool programs
	this school is only minutes away in
	nielson
EX	PERIENCE ST. JAMES SCHOOL – 860.774.328

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

St. James School wishes to thank Larry Malizia - in memory of Ernest Salvas. Rene Kathyleen Flaherty and Beausoleil - in memory of Herb Richardson for their 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.

Mass Intentions...

We are now booking Mass Intentions for 2020 & 2021, 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 vour wishes.

2020 Masses Available

7:00AM... 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/01, 11/8, 11/15, 11/29, 12/06. 12/13. 12/20 and 12/27 **9.00AM...** 9/02, 9/04, 9/10, 9/16, 9/22, 9/23, 9/24, 9/28, 9/29, 10/02, 10/16, 10/18, 10/19, 10/21, 10/23, 10/25, 10/29, 11/11, 11/18, 11/19, 11/29, 12/10, 12/11, 12/15, 12/29, 12/30 and 12/31.

11:00AM...10/11 and 11/08.

Please place Mass Intention in the collection basket. Please include a phone number. Mass stipends are \$10.00 each. Please include a phone number.

9.00 Helen B. Wood..., Small Christian Community

9.00 Edward Benoit..., Wife 9.00 Month's Mind... Chace Wood

TUESDAY, July 21

9.00 Wyatt James..., St. James Church & School In Thanksgiving for favor received 9.00

WEDNESDAY, July 22, Saint Mary Magdalene

- 9:00 Laura Krug..., Joshua
- Elaine Rzeznikiewicz..., Annette Ouellette 9.00
- Departed Souls of the Adoration Sisters 9:00

THURSDAY, July 23

- Yvonne Gamelin, 33rd Anniversary..., Daughter 9:00
- Roger J. Beausolelil, 1st Anniversary..., Family 9:00
- 9.00 Departed Souls of the Adoration Sisters

FRIDAY, July 24

- 9:00 Joseph & Catherine Flaherty..., Family
- 9.00 James Gilbert, Birthday..., Wife, Deb
- Mary Elizabeth Gauthier..., Sister, Dorothy Lapre 9.00 SATURDAY, July 25

- 12.00 The Rioux & Monast Families..., Estate
- 4.00 Doris & Joe Mozzer, Anniversary
- 4.00 Mr & Mrs Magao & Ryan Doyle...,
 - The Panteleakos Family
- 4.00 Jean Plantier ..., Henry & Family
- 5.30 Healing Mass for Joseph "V"

SUNDAY, July 26

- 7.00 Gerry Grenon..., Family
- 7.00 Healing Mass for Joseph "V"
- 9.00 Julia Weigel, 12th Anniversary..., Children
- 9.00 Thomas Goulet..., Tess Goulet
- 9.00 Rudy Desabota..., Anne & Family
- 9.00 Alexander Asencios Beltran...,

The Peckaitis Family

- 11.00 Wilfred Pelletier, 29th Anniversary..., Family
- 11.00 Mary Elizabeth Stepalavieh, Birthday...,
 - Lapre Family
- 11.00 Jacqueline Caron..., Mother
- 11.00 Richard Quellette..., Family

LA SALETTE MASSES

In memory of Frederick & Adelyn Bodenschatz In memory of David & Sophie Horvat..., son, Joseph

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.

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

CAN'T SELL THAT AUTOMOBILE? WHY NOT DONATE IT! The St. James Organization will give you a written appraisal of your car which may be used as a taxdeductible, charitable donation. All monies will be used for the St. James Renovation fund or for the St. James Scholarship fund. Inquiries may be made by calling the rectory at 860- 774- 3900.

Dear Parishioners of St. James

Following the guidelines given by Most Reverend Michael Cote; the Bishop of Norwich, we resumed public daily masses on the 8th of June and the weekend masses on 4th of July under strict guidelines.

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass will remain dispensed for all the faithful in the Diocese of Norwich until further notice. Since Sunday is still the Lord's Day, the faithful are encouraged to do one of the following if not attending Mass:

- 1. Read and reflect on the Sunday scriptures;
- 2. Pray the rosary reflecting on the Glorious Mysteries;
- 3. Watch the Sunday Mass on TV, or via the internet

We will continue to have the SUNDAY MASS celebrated privately, and you can watch it on our Website: **stjameschurchdanielson.com**

We have slight changes in our weekend schedule: We will have a 12.00 noon mass, 4.00 p.m. mass and 5.30 p.m. mass on Saturdays and Sundays will keep the same schedule; 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 a.m.

We are returning to our worship place in a time when coronavirus is still a threat. As we get adjusted to this "new normal" we all should be extra prudent and prepared in observing all necessary precautions to avoid contracting the virus while participating in a public gathering.

Following the Bishop's ordinance, we begin with maximum 100 people at any service in the Church.

Not all pews of the church will be open for seating. Every other pew will be blocked off to give an option for social distance. The aisles and pews will be marked to facilitate the observance of social distancing practices.

Everyone is required to abide by the following rules in order to protect themselves and others:

1. A face mask must be worn at all times including entering and exiting the church and throughout the liturgy with the brief exception of removing it to receive communion

2. Sanitize your hands as soon as you enter the church;

3. As you enter the church please occupy the front pews first;

4. Until further notice there will be no choir or hymns being sung during mass;

5. Missalettes and Prayer cards will not be available for use during Mass;

6. No Altar servers will be needed since gifts will be kept at the altar area;

7. Lectors needed only for the weekend mass. The assigned lector can come up directly from their pews for the readings.

8. The sign of peace will be avoided and the Holy water fonts are emptied;

9. The distribution of Holy Communion will take place after Mass has concluded. After receiving communion we ask that you pray while exiting the church. Those in the front pews will receive communion first. Please refrain from stating "Amen" during the communion. 10. Two collection baskets will be placed up in front and the collection box will be in the middle aisle to place your weekly offering.

11. Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available on Saturdays by appointments only. The sacrament will be held following the strict observance of social distancing. 12. No printed Bulletins will be available until further notice. Bulletins will be published in the website every week.

13. The Church will be sanitized after each mass.

The parish office remains closed to the public. Please call the office at (860) 774-3900 or email; stjames parish@yahoo.com

Please visit our website for all the updates: stjameschurchdanielson.com

Thank you for your support and understanding. Your patience and prayers are appreciated in this transition period. Let us keep everyone in our prayers.

GOD BLESS,

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

DRAWING, MARCH 15, 2020

2020 S.J.S.A. THOUSAND CLUB - WINNERS

OUR FIFTH DRAWING FOR THE NEW CLUB WAS HELD ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2020

DRAWING, FEBRUARY 16, 2020	070	¢05	Alian Coore	220	
\$1000 Pamela Credit	972	\$25	Alice Sears	326	
300 Louis & Pauline Trahan	767	\$25	Nancy Mazzarella	908	
200 Debra St. Jean	815	\$25	Maggie Grenier	294	Door Prize: Lucille Kaczor
100 Bob & Lucille Farrell	736	\$25	Mary Ellen Casceillo	540	Door Prize: Joan Carer
50 David Dion	237		•		
50 Kathleen Hale	488				
\$20.00 Winners are:					
June Dougherty	392		Aubrie & Kenneth Viera		660
Nina Coutras	108		Jennifer & Brian Perez		834
Josh Canfield	899		Joan Kent		187
Michael & Michelle Costello	267		Charles LaPrade		668
Michelle Brown	386		Peter & Norma Harrelle		270
OUR SIXTH DRAWING FOR T	HE NEW	CLU	JB WAS HELD ON SUNDA	Y , M	ARCH 15, 2020

\$1000 Ronald Coderre	880	\$25 Deborah Parry		22 Door Prize: Jim Weigel
300 Pauline Ayers	852	\$25 Pamela Ferron		31 Door Prize: Leanne Gibeault
200 Annette Ouellette	777	\$25 Amanda & Lynn Lo		995
100 Ed Desaulnier	679	\$25 Kasey & Michael Fi	itzgerald	74
50 Linda Therrien	333			
50 Catherine Colligan	254			
\$20.00 Winners are:				
Susan & Todd Parisek	426	Martha Bonneville	351	
Chris Wakefield	347	Roland Savoie	499	
David LaBelle	796	Rudolph Rondeau	244	
Maureen Mann	15	Jessica Phaneuf	408	
Renee McCoy	366	Kathy Brooks	656	

OUR SEVENTH DRAWING FOR THE NEW CLUB WAS HELD ON SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2019

\$1000 300 200 100 50 50	G, April 19, 2020 Gertrude Hason Norma Giroux Ray & Kathie Methot Beth Sorel Ed Rzeznikiewicz Tammy Mier Winners are:	565 557 467 885 758 114	\$25 \$25	Lisa Preston Pamela Ferron Robert Codding Paul Boire	490 239 725 93	Door Prize: Michele Masse Door Prize: Kathy Hall
+	Alicia Hopkins	115		Carmen & Roland G	ibeault	041
	Henrietta Cyr	376		Charlotte & Ron Litk	(e	047
	Jessica & Steve Pereira	364		Lori Baribeau		320
	Ronald Coderre	880		Angela May		591
	James & Sandra Racicot	779		Kathleen Hale		488

OUR EIGHTH DRAWING FOR THE NEW CLUB WAS HELD ON SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2020

DRAWING, May 17, 2020 \$1000 Emily Hopkins 279 300 David Rzucidlo 519 200 Beverly Spink 531 100 Cathryn Markley 310 50 Ann Davenport 274 50 Maureen Ducat 473 \$20.00 Winners are:	\$25	Henrietta Cyr Marsha Holland Cathy Tendrich Joyce Chenette	543 Door Prize: Ann Desabota 797 Door Prize: Steve Balick 737 161
Al Giambattista 130 John Foley Tracie Craig Derek Martin Brian & Leigh Golembiewski	926 600 775 090	Christine Bates Judy Rzucidflo Jake Beaudreauilt Patricia Goyette Diane Sorel	360 602 748 362 097

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