

# ST. JAMES CHURCH

12 FRANKLIN STREET - DANIELSON, CONNECTICUT 06239



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

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## 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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## DEACON

Rene N. Barbeau, Jr.

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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

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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.

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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 ....** Well I was daydreaming the other day. We all dream every day. I was trying to answer the question: Whom do you miss? Of course, I miss my parents, even though I quote them in every Sunday Homily. I miss my brother Gene. I miss Our Lady of Peace Church. No I don't miss being Provincial. I miss Bishop Daniel Hart. I miss Jack LaGarde at the town Council Meetings. I miss reading Ron Coderre's wonderful column every Sunday. I miss Fr. Joe, I miss the summer time during the school days. I miss Jim Calhoun on the U-Conn Bench. I miss our Sacristan Rene Beausoleil.

What do you miss? I miss the Lambert, Grenon & O'Neill Corporation meetings. I miss Albie Page and Paul Trahan drawing up the blue - prints for the Construction Firm. We miss Fr. Joe O'Neill. I miss the Trustees Meetings on behalf of Our Lady of Peace. I miss the Craft Ladies Wednesday meetings. When I was in India, 18 years ago this month, I missed the morning coffee and sports pages.

I am going to miss dozens of people coming to the Rectory each week to see Lucille & Diane about Masses. Because of the 1500 Masses to be recorded we ask that you do it only in writing.

I will miss the 79 degree days. I'll miss a lot of things. These are just a few things I miss. But I enjoy some of the new things I see at St. James. The Friends of Assisi, The Friends of La Salette, The Holy Hours, the Prayer Groups, the Endowment Committee, the Bible Studies, the Book Committees, the St. James Golf Tournament, Confessions, the S.O.S. and Year End Donation., the Sisters, the revival of the Knights of Columbus and St. Jean De -Baptiste, the "150", "200" and "1000" Clubs. Come to think of it, I do not miss the Restructuring Meetings for our Church and Schools and I am glad the old reliables are still with us. C.C.D. and R.C.I.A. and Sacramental Prep, and you the Parishioners and our beloved school. I am glad our Rectory Staff, headed by Lucille Farrell, has been so loyal for so long, and our Priests, Fr. John Welch and I have been together since 1949.

I accepted Fr. Joe's vows 28 years ago. Deacon Rene and I have been friends for 31 years. Fr. Tom was My All Star second baseman on our College Championship team.

I miss Chicago, one of the best cities in the U.S.A. Who do you miss? I miss my one o'clock appointment. We all have a lot of people, places and things we miss. But deep down, we are grateful for what we have and what we can do. I am grateful for the stories we tell and the stories that we live as we say, "It can only happen in good old Danielson".

**DAYDREAM PRAYER...** Lord, Thou knowest better than I know myself that I am growing older and will someday be old. Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking I must say something on every subject and on every occasion. Release me from craving to straighten out everybody's affairs. Make me thoughtful but not moody, helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity to use it all, but Thou knowest Lord that I want a few friends at the end.

Keep my mind from the recital of endless details; give me wings to get to the point. Seal my lips on my aches and pains. They are increasing, and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by. I dare not

ask for grace enough to enjoy the tales of other's pains, but help me to endure them with patience. I dare not ask for improved memory, but for a growing humility when my memory seems to clash with the memories of others. Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.

Keep me reasonably sweet; I do want to be a Saint.  
Thank you, Fr. John

**VOCATION COMMITTEE UPDATE**

**It is God who calls us and asks us to follow Him. He calls us when we are still unworthy. He then keeps working in us – provided we open ourselves to His Grace – to make us worthy of the call that He has gratuitously given to us already.**

**St. James has a great history of promoting vocations. A few days ago we established a Vocation Committee under the leadership of Deacon Joe Delaney. The first meeting of the committee was a great success. Congratulations to all the members of the committee. As one St. James family, we can do wonders in promoting vocations. The most important thing is to pray for vocations. We humbly request all families to pray for vocations. Set aside a few minutes praying for vocations and inspiring our children at home. Starting in October we will have a sign-up sheet for a week of prayer at home. Those who sign up for the weekly prayer will dedicate themselves by praying the Rosary and Vocation Prayer from Monday through Sunday.**

**There will be more collaboration with CCD and School children at mass, reviving the ministry of Altar Servers and special adoration for vocations. In addition, we will have special adoration for our CCD children, as well as a group to pray for vocations, In the near future we will add Vocational stories and awareness classes to our plans. Let us hope for the best and collaborate as much as we can to make our St. James family more vibrant and flourishing.**

**"Lord, inspire us to know you better and open our hearts to listen to your call."  
God Bless You!**

**Vocation committee.**

**On Saturday, September 3, 2022, the Missionaries of La Salette, Province of Mary, Mother of the Americas, celebrate the Perpetual Profession of Vows of Brother Carlos Ruiz, M.S.**



**Brother Carlos was born in Guatemala, relocated to Providence, RI, and now resides at the Shrine in Attleboro, MA. Carlos decided to become a religious brother "because God needs us at any stage of life and not all of us are called to serve in the same way. The most important thing for me is to serve God wherever he wants me to be; serving Him through His people, we can find Him in each one of them."**

**The Missionaries of La Salette celebrate Br. Carlos and all those considering vocations. In anticipation of his upcoming celebration, please keep Carlos in your prayers.**

**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**First Reading: Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29**

Those who are humble will find favor with God. Everyone should realize that there is much we can learn from each other. Even the most knowledgeable people need to be humble enough to know that they can still learn from others.

**Second Reading: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a**

The Hebrews are informed that they are not approaching an untouchable mountain etched with gloom and fear. Rather, they have neared "the city of the living God, Jerusalem." The Hebrews have approached a joyful gathering of angels, God our judge, and Jesus, who brought us a new covenant.

**Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14**

Jesus went to share a meal with one of the leading Pharisees when he noticed other guests competing for places of honor at the table. He warned that a guest who takes the place of honor may be asked to move to the lowest place. Yet a guest who takes the lowest place is honored when a better position is offered by their host. He then added, "He who humbles himself will be exalted."

**MONTHLY HOLY HOUR....OUR NEXT HOLY HOUR WILL BE ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH, FROM 7PM TO 8PM WITH ROSARY AT 6:40PM.** In Eucharistic Adoration, Jesus freely gives us the graces we need in our lives. The graces we need for our vocations, jobs, special intentions, for the sick, for our church and school, for Catholics to return to the Faith.

**THE VIGIL LIGHTS...are burning brightly in prayer for St. James School. Welcome back!**

**MARIAN SHRINE FLOWERS... This week's flower arrangement is donated in honor of Paul Boire's 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Happy Birthday, Paul! Next week's flower arrangement will be donated in memory of Maurice & Cecile Galarneau by Maggie Grenier.**

**The signup sheet for the Marian Shrine Flowers beginning September 11, 2022 to September 10, 2023, is at the main entrance to the Church.**

**PLEASE NOTE...When preparing your weekly donation envelope, please check off amount enclosed on the front of the envelope. Extremely helpful to our money counter team. Thank You.**

**WEEKLY OFFERING.....8/14//22.....\$5,418.00**  
**School Support.....\$2,120.00**  
 9/4 National Combined Collection; 9/4 Super Raffle-October

<b>Celebrant Schedule September 3, and September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022</b>	
<b>4:30PM</b>	<b>7AM</b>
<b>Celebrant:</b> Fr. John O'Neill	Fr. Roy Parayil
<b>9AM</b>	<b>11AM</b>
Fr. John Welch	Fr. Tom Sickler

**PARISH EVENTS**

- Wednesday - Devotion to the Infant Jesus of Prague**  
Every Wednesday at 8:30AM
- Wednesday - Bingo in the Church Hall at 7PM**
- Men's Bible Study - The Fourth Tuesday, of every Month at 7PM in the church hall.**
- Holy Hour – Every Third Monday of the Month**

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**Confirmation, Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 7PM**

**MASSES**

- MONDAY, August 29, The Passion of St. John the Baptist**  
 9:00AM Francis Ferron...by her family  
 9:00AM Dorothy Albee...by daughter
- TUESDAY, August 30,**  
 9:00AM Parishioners  
 9:00AM Edmond & Germaine Marois...by family
- WEDNESDAY, August 31,**  
 9:00AM Mass of Thanksgiving...by Theresa Labbe  
 9:00AM Rita LeBeau...by family
- THURSDAY, September 1, World Day of Prayer for Care of Creation**  
 9:00AM Richard Sears...20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary by Alice & family  
 9:00AM For Our Priests...by Cindy Roberts
- FIRST FRIDAY, September 2,**  
 9:00AM Terry Sawyer Frost...by Cathy  
 9:00AM Jack Guari...by family
- FIRST SATURDAY, September 3, Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church**  
 4:30PM Stephen & Henrietta Kuszaj...by family  
 4:30PM Gaetone Bedard...by family  
 4:30PM Raymond Methot...by his wife
- SUNDAY, September 4, Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 7:00AM Robert Lamontagne...49<sup>th</sup> Anniv...by Pauline  
 7:00AM Oliver & Celia Dupuis...by Rose  
 9:00AM Edwin & Irene O'Hop...by son, Edwin  
 9:00AM Louise LaBelle...by Marion Smat  
 11:00AM Yvette Pelletier & Son, Wilfred...Birthdays...  
 by family
- 11:00AM George Bessette...1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary & Birthday...  
 by family

**LASALLETTE MASSES**

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

**2022 Masses Available**

- 4:30PM... 10/29; 12/31**
  - 7AM... 10/9; 10/16; 11/6; 11/20; 11/27; 12/04; 12/11.**
  - 9AM... 9/12; 9/13; 9/14; 9/15; 9/20; 9/23; 9/28; 9/29; 10/03; 10/04; 10/10; 10/13; 10/14; 10/18; 10/23; 10/24; 10/25; 10/30; 11/6; 11/8; 11/14; 11/16; 11/17; 11/18; 11/25; 11/27; 11/28.**
  - 11AM... 9/11; 9/18; 10/2; 10/16; 10/23; 10/30; 11/06; 11/20.**
- Please place Mass Intention in the collection basket.**  
**Please include a phone number. Mass stipends are \$10.00**  
**Mass Intentions...We are now booking Mass Intentions for 2023. 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.**

**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.

OUR LADY OF LASALETTE... Reconciler of sinners, pray without ceasing for us who have recourse to you.

**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.

**PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL**

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.

**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 tax-deductible, 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.

**SOS...SAVE OUR SCHOOL**

St. James School wishes to thank the following for their generous donations to the St. James School Tuition Assistance Scholarship fund. Ronald & Elaine Ventura in memory of Bob Surprenant. Samuel & Mary Porter- Price in memory of Angelo DeGray. Rene & Lynne Comtois, Samuel & Mary Porter-Price, in memory of Alice Comtois. Denise Archambault in memory of Joyce Ricci. Alice Sears in memory of Theresa Larrow. Alice Sears, Rita LaBelle, and Anne Desabota in memory of Louise LaBelle.

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**

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BINGO.....**Every Wednesday night in the church hall. Over **\$1,000.00** is given away each week. Plus there are 2 progressive games. Come try your luck! Game sales start at 6PM. All profits benefit St. James School. **Bingo workers are also needed.** Please call Bob Codding @ 860.481.9167.

**PARISHIONER REGISTRATION...**if you are new to the Parish or have not yet registered we welcome you. Please fill out the form below and place it in the collection basket so our records can be updated.

**PARISH UPDATE**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:  I am a new parishioner  
 I have an address correction to make  
 I would like to receive weekly envelope

**SUPER 50-50 RAFFLE**

DATE: August 1, 2022  
TO: Friends of St. James  
FROM: Fr. John O'Neill MS Pastor, and Joe & Kerri Beaudreault  
SUBJECT: **19<sup>TH</sup> Annual "200 Club" Meeting and much more Including St. James Bazaar and Fr. John O'Neill's 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary as Pastor and his 60<sup>th</sup> priestly anniversary,**

The 200 Club Meeting was to be a great fundraiser this year as we wanted to celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> priestly Anniversary of Fr. John O'Neill, at this wonderful gathering. State regulations do not permit us to have our annual dinner. Instead we will have a "Super Raffle." This is how it will work.... If we sell 200 tickets, we will have the usual prizes. \$5000, 2000, 1000, 500, and 500. As a bonus we will have an additional two more prizes at 250 each. If we sell less than the 200 tickets, we will still give away 50% of the collected proceeds to our winners. If we sell more than 200 tickets prizes will increase based on our 50% margin. The raffle will take place on October 22<sup>th</sup> after the 4:30PM Mass in the Church Hall. We will still have our famous 50/50 raffle as well. Those tickets will be sold at \$10 each or six for \$50. We will have two 50/50 pots with two winners.

This year, Fr. John's 31<sup>st</sup> Anniversary, we are combining three fundraising efforts. 200 Club, Bazaar, and the 30th Anniversary. We invite you to become a St James Patron. The normal fee is \$100, and you will be eligible for one of the top seven prizes with your ticket. This new fundraising effort will take on a new format:

1. Pastors Circle \$1000 (10 tickets for the grand prizes and 10 tickets for the 50/50 raffle)
2. Principal Circle \$750 (7 tickets for the grand prizes and 7 tickets for the 50/50 raffle)
3. Deacon's Circle \$500 (5 tickets for the grand prizes and 5 tickets for the 50/50 raffle)
4. Board of Directors Circle \$250 (2 tickets for the grand prizes and 10 tickets for the 50/50 raffle)
5. Patron's Circle \$100 (1 ticket for the grand prizes)
6. Student Circle \$50 (Six 50/50 raffle tickets)
7. Benefactor's Circle \$10 (50/50 raffle ticket)

All proceeds will be used for our tuition assistance program. We thank you for remembering our St James Parish and School.

**\*\*No ticket numbers will be assigned this year. Your name or business name will be placed into our drawing. The more tickets you have, the more times your name will be placed into the drawing.**

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Please complete your sponsorship.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please mark your choices below:

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Pastor Circle \$1000** (Ten Tickets for the grand prizes and Ten 50/50 Tickets)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Principal Circle \$750** (Seven Tickets for the grand prizes and Seven 50/50 Tickets)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Deacon's Circle \$500** (Five Tickets for the grand prizes and Five 50/50 Tickets)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Board of Directors Circle \$250** (Two Tickets for the grand prizes and Ten 50/50 Tickets)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Patrons Circle \$100** (One Ticket for the grand prizes)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Students Circle \$50** (Six 50/50 Tickets)
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Benefactors Circle \$10** (50/50 Tickets)

Please send this form along with your payment back to Saint James Parish no later than October 14<sup>th</sup>.

12 Franklin Street, Danielson, CT 06239

**Make checks payable: St James Church**

**\*\*Please include another piece of paper if you have multiple names you wish to have on your tickets.**

Thank you again for supporting St James Parish and School.

Any questions or concerns please contact Joe & Kerri Beaudreault or Lucille at St James Rectory.

Joe # 860-428-0277      Kerri # 860-377-0214      Lucille # 860-774-3900