St. James Church

12 FRANKLIN STREET - DANIELSON, CONNECTICUT 06239



November 19, 2023

St. James Church is staffed by the La Salette Missionaries

PASTOR Rev. Roy Parayil, M.S.

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Rectory Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 9:30 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. Registration forms available on website.

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 the church, or by appointment.

HOSPITAL & HOME VISITS

Please notify the priests of family illnesses.

DAYDREAMS OF A PASTOR... We are given talents to share!

The readings invite us to use everything we have in service of others. You don't have to be a scripture scholar to figure out the message here: use your gifts, whatever they are, no matter how large or small they might be use your gifts and use them wisely.

If we are using our talents and gifts primarily to serve God, we can carry out God's will. It is an invitation to live in such a way that we make the best use of the talents God has given us, so that at the hour of our death Our Lord will say: *"Well done, my good and faithful servant!... Come and share the joy of your master"*

We are challenged to do something positive, constructive and life-affirming with our talents here and now. The parable teaches us three important lessons. God is the Master and we are but servants. He is the source the Giver of all gifts. We cannot boast about the gifts; instead, we need to be humbly grateful to God for the gifts he has given us. The gifts grow and develop when they are used. And they grow best when they are used in the service of others. A gift is best used when it is shared. What we have been given must in turn be given to others in love and service.

Our gift might be compassion, or humor; it might be a smile, a word or a gesture; a token of appreciation or an act of sacrifice; it might be support, encouragement or consolation; it might be a forgiving heart, an understanding ear, truth on our lips or a helping hand. The Lord has told us that he will come again at the end of time to judge the living and the dead. Though the timing is unpredictable, this end is inevitable and unavoidable.

Maybe the gifts we have were long ago stashed away, it's never too late to unpack them and find ways to offer them now. The way to preserve the faith, or any other talent that God has given us, is to put it to work and make it bear fruit. The Cross shows us how willing Jesus was to offer everything he had in service of the needs of others – in service of my needs and yours.

The more we use the gifts we have been given, the more shall we be given!

Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

An encomium for a good and worthy wife, this passage from Proverbs extols all the virtues which a worthy wife possesses – fidelity, industriousness, skill, charity to the poor, and fear of the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Once again, Paul reassures the Thessalonians, who are anxious about the coming of Christ, that they need not fear being unprepared because they are "children of light."

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus narrates the parable of the talents – in the story, the silver pieces given to the three men. Two of the men invest their coins and double their worth, but the third buries his coins in the ground and earns no return. The message of Jesus is that we must use to the fullest the talents we have received.

News from Friends of Assisi Food Pantry: Our 32nd Thanksgiving Food Drive is next weekend!

The Thanksgiving Food Drive will be held:

Saturday	Nov. 18	10:00AM – 4:00PM
		At 77 Water Street
Sunday	Nov. 19	12:00PM – 4:00PM
-		At 77 Water Street
Monday	Nov. 20	4:00PM -6:00PM
-		At St. James Gym
Sunday Monday		12:00PM – 4:00PM At 77 Water Street 4:00PM -6:00PM

PARISH EVENTS

Wednesday – Devotion to the Infant Jesus of Prague Every Wednesday at 8:30AM. Rosary for Vocations - Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8.30AM. Wednesday – Bingo in the Church Hall at 7PM. Men's Bible Study – Fourth Monday of every Month at 7PM in the Church Hall. Holy Hour – Every Third Monday of the Month. Our next Holy Hour is November 20, 2023.

HOW TO BE AN EVANGELIZER...

Pray for the People God Places in Your Life

There is no better place to begin than in prayer. Evangelism is first and foremost a work of God. God is already at work in the lives of others and he wants to use us. God wants to work through us, not just around us.

The reality is that we do not and cannot bring others to faith in Jesus Christ. God does that through His Holy Spirit. But He does want us to be part of the incredible journey someone goes on as they move toward Him.

"Fr. John O'Neill Memorial Fund

Dear Parishioners and friends, We all know the love Fr. John O'Neill, M.S. had for St. James School. The School had a place in his heart and he dedicated his life for the betterment of the school.

To honor Fr. John and for the continuous support of the school we have started a fund called, "Fr. John O'Neill Memorial Fund". A new account has been opened for this special purpose. All those who would like to support St. James School please make your check payable to St. James Church and in the memo; please specify - Fr. John O'Neill Memorial Fund.

As of July 30th, donations have amounted to \$19,325.00. Thank you for your continued support, Fr. Roy

THE VIGIL LIGHTS... are burning brightly for Sr. Doris. May she rest in peace.

MARIAN SHRINE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT...

The flower arrangement for the Blessed Mother's Altar for the week of Nov. 18th is open to volunteers. The week of Nov. 25-26th – In Thanksgiving by the Kimball family.

WEEKLY OFFERING......11/5......\$6629.00 **Religious Retirement Collection......\$1079.00** 11/19 – School Support; 11/26 – Year End Collection

Schedule for November 25 th & 26th, 2023					
Colobranti	4:30PM Fr. Rene Parent	7:00AM			
Celebrant: E. Minister:	Richard Minio	Fr. Roy Parayil Susan Griffiths			
E. Minister.	Claire Minio	Maggie Grenier			
Lector:		Julie Dupont			
Celebrant: E. Minister:	9:00AM Fr. Roy Parayil Paul Boire Rosalie Boire	11:00AM Fr. Rene Parent Denis Bessette			
Lector:	Laurie Barrette	Stephen Houle			

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 host, 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.

MASSES

- MONDAY, November 20,
 - 9:00AM John Codding...by family
 - Joan & Pat MacEachern ... by Julie & family 9:00AM
- 9:00AM Richard Ouellette...by family **TUESDAY, November 21,**

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Peter Stahecki...bv family 9:00AM

9:00AM Joy Chartier...by Rita Gallow

WEDNESDAY, November 22, Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

9:00AM Walter Crabtree, Sr...by Vance & Joan Carter 9:00AM Glizabeth Kinnamon and Frances Allred...by Pamela & Charles Ferland

THURSDAY, November 23, Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr; Saint Columban, Abbot, Blessed Miguel Austin Pro, Priest and Martyr, Thanksgiving Day

9:00AM Joseph & Delvina Larrow...by Alice Sears 9:00AM Peter Stahecki, Jr....by Bob Codding

FRIDAY, November 24,

Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

9:00AM Denise Albetski...1st Anniversary...by family 9:00AM Margaret Grenon-Holland...by family

SATURDAY, November 25,

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- 4:30PM Jessica Shuckerow...9 yr. Anniversary... by Mom & Dad
- SUNDAY, November 26,

Our Lora	Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
7:00AM	Gerry Grenonby family
7:00AM	Partricia & Michael Thomas Dupont
	by Tom & Julie Ann Dupont
9:00AM	Paul Bulmerby family
9:00AM	Lillian & Alphonse Bissonby estate
11:00AM	Lorraine Savoieby Paul, Deb & Brett Savoie
11:00AM	Denise Albetskiby daughter

LASALETTE MASSES

In memory of Frederick & Adelyn Bodenschatz In memory of David & Sophie Horvat, by son, Joseph For Thanksgiving:

In memory of George Thivierge by wife, Margaret & family In memory of Lucien & Lucienne Veilleux by Margaret & family In memory of George & Cordelia Thivierge by Margaret & family

In memory of Aunt Izola, Aunt Loraine & Uncle Roland, by niece, Margaret

2023 Masses Available:

9:00AM...11/29; 12/11; 12/13; 12/15; 12/29; 1/26; 12/27; 12/31 There are still 9AM Weekday Mass openings available for the 2023 year and openings for the 2024 yr. Please call the office at 860-774-3900 or place intentions in the basket at 10.00ea.

SIGN-UP- SHEET FOR WEEK OF PRAYER AT HOME

The sign-up sheet for a week of prayer at home for vocations is at the main entrance of the church.

We humbly request all families to pray for vocations. Set aside a few minutes praying for vocations and inspiring our children at home. Please sign-up for a week of prayer. Those who sign up for the weekly prayer will dedicate themselves by praying the Rosary and Vocation Prayer from Sunday through Saturday. Let us continue to pray for an increase of vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life.

PRAYER AT HOME – The week of prayer for 11/18- by Cindy. Please consider signing up.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2023

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St. James School

Good Afternoon Families,

8th Grade Fundraiser

January Calendar Raffle \$2000+ in prizes Drawings every day in January \$10 per ticket Call (860) 774-3281 or email j.lajoie@stjamesdanielson.org

Thank you and God Bless,

Elyse McAteer

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S.O.S. Save our School...

St. James School wishes to thank all of our donors for their generous contributions 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

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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

2023 ACA update: As of October 31, 2023, Saint James Parish, Danielson has donated \$32,173.07 or 87.16% of its goal, and 18.91% of your parishioners have donated. We are striving for as close to 100% participation as possible. THERE IS STILL TIME TO DONATE! Our campaign year ends December 31, 2023. With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. If you have not made your contribution to the 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal, "One Faith, One Family", or would like to make an additional gift, donation envelopes are still available within the church or you can contact the Development Office at (860) 886-1928 or go online to www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org. Thank you to everyone for your support!

Heather D. Harris Campaign Manager Office of Development The Diocese of Norwich 197 Broadway Norwich, CT 06360-4488Phone: 860.886.1928 ext. 111



The St James Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Coffee Social and Winter Coat Drive Sunday November 19th in the Saint James Church Hall. Please join us for the Coffee Social after the 9AM and 11AM Mass. We look forward to seeing you.

K of C will be collecting winter coats for the less fortunate in our community, on Saturday, November 11th from 10am to 2pm and Sunday, November 19th after the 9am and 11am masses. You may also drop coats in the collection box at any time in the Church Hall until November 22nd.

Diocesan News:

Bereavement Day of Prayer ~ The Diocesan Catholic Family Services Office is sponsoring a workshop for the bereaved entitled: *Praying Your Goodbyes* on Saturday, December 2 from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M at the Cathedral of Saint Patrick Hall, 213 Broadway, Norwich, CT. It will include time for private reflection, prayer, and journaling and give participants suggestions on how to navigate the upcoming holiday season and discover ways to grow through the experience of their loss. There is no cost, but registration is required by November 27 by contacting Mary-Jo McLaughlin at Catholic Family Services, 860-848-2237, ext. 312 or by email at mmclaughlin@norwichdiocese.net.

<u>Awakening: How is the Holy Spirit at work in your life?</u> Join us for a 4-part Mission designed to help deepen your faith! Rediscover God's Unconditional Love, Learn more about the Holy Spirit's Gifts, Develop a deep and meaningful prayer life, Experience the mercy of God through a deeper understanding of reconciliation. For two weeks, November 28th, 30th and December 5th and 7th from 7:00-8:00pm, St. Mary parish, Coventry. Register online by emailing manichols@norwichdiocese.net or call Marianne at 860-848-2237, ext. 3-04. Sponsored by the Office of Faith Events.

POURINGS AND PASSAGES BOOKSTORE ... A

used book store and coffeehouse is now open at 103 Main Street, Danielson, CT. 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. Net profits benefit St. James School. For more info, please call 860-774-1712, (Wednesdays to Saturdays) or leave a message. God bless you all! Jim

CAN'T SELL THAT AUTOMOBILE???WHY NOT DONATE IT???? St. James Parish in Danielson is collecting vehicles. 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 (860) 774-3900 or send fax to (860) 774-4205. Our organization helps you to eliminate the hassle in selling a car and you contribute to a great charity.

S.J.S.A. THOUSAND CLUB

October is the time to renew or register for the new 1000 club. There are 12 drawings, October through September. The first drawings are held in November for the months of October and November. Dues are \$5.00 per month or \$60.00 per year. Checks should be made payable to St. James 1000 Club and are tax deductible. After receiving your membership number, that number should be placed on all future checks.

If you are already a member, please consider buying a ticket and sponsoring another member. There are only 1000 tickets sold. Our membership averages 700 members. All proceeds benefit St. James School.

Monthly awards total \$2,000 per month consisting of 20 awards.

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2.	\$	300.00	2. \$ 3	0.00
3.	\$	200.00	3. \$ 2	0.00
4.	\$	100.00	4. \$ 10	0.00
5.	\$	50.00	5. \$	5.00
6.	\$	50.00	6. \$	5.00

7. thru 12. \$ 25.00 each

11. thru 20. \$ 20.00 each

Sponsors receive 10% of the first through six awards. This is in addition to the regular awards. You do not need a sponsor to join. Sponsors are those who sign up a NEW member and are responsible for collecting their dues. A person must be a member before he/she can sponsor anyone. Two people cannot sponsor each other.

An application for membership is at the bottom of this paper or information can be written on a plain piece of paper with your check. Please include name, address, phone number and email address. If you request a number and it is available, I'll try to accommodate you. If you do not pay the entire \$60.00 with your first payment, please send additional payments on time before the next drawing. When sending in money, please put it in an envelope marked 1000 club. **You can place it in the weekly collection, mail it to the rectory or give it to me directly (Kathy Hall 860 774-7635).** Drawings are held on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 8:30 in the church hall. We welcome your attendance at these drawings.

PLEASE REGISTER EARLY! OU		OUSAND CLUB		NOVEMBER 26 TH .
Your Choice of number if available	_ Sponsor name if	applicable		
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