

# ST. JAMES CHURCH

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**January 21, 2024**

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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

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Elyse McAteer

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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...**

Jonah answers God's call to preach in Nineveh and the city repents. Saint Paul urges the Corinthians to act as if time is running out. Jesus calls the Galileans to repent and believe in the Gospel.

Jesus is calling us today. Maybe he is calling us to drop something we have been clinging to. Maybe he is calling us to lay down our weeping or rejoicing, to move into something new. Maybe he is calling us to listen. In the precious time we give to him, he will give us all we need to answer his call, big or small.

We are invited to be open to a new orientation in life. The people of Nineveh present us a perfect example of openness to change. They communicate two important lessons of life: accepting what they are and at the same time, being open to a change of life. They surprised God by their submissiveness to His message and the right choice, and God relented from what He intended for them.

Jesus said to Simon and his brother Andrew, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Then they abandoned their nets and followed him. They walked away from a job, and a livelihood.

Those words changed history. And we are here today, in part, because of them - and because of the men who responded. We're here because fishermen tending their nets listened. Because they dropped everything. And they followed. They left what they knew - and went into what they didn't know, to live differently.

The following of the Gospel message involves not tagging along or just taking a turn on the road ahead, but making a change in our life's direction, our heart's commitment, and the actions that result.

Christ still calls. Whatever state of life we are in, the call to conversion and discipleship comes as choice. A wholehearted 'yes' to the call of God is a witness to the supremacy of God. Our choice becomes a blessing to the people and to the world. The call of Christ is a call to sacrifice, to surrender, to trust, and to change.

Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S.

**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME****First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10**

Jonah set out for Nineveh as God asked and told the people that their city would be destroyed in forty days. The people believed him and repented from their evil ways. God did not destroy their city, showing his mercy for those who see the evil of their ways and correct it.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31**

Paul advises the Corinthians that their world is changing, so they should not take their daily trials too seriously. We should remember that the problems of everyday living will not last forever, but the eternal life God promises us will.

**Gospel: Mark 1:14-20**

Jesus observes Simon and Andrew where they are fishing and tells them to come with him and become "fishers of men." They abandon their nets without hesitation to follow him. Next he calls James and his brother John, who also leave what they are doing and follow him without question.

**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 February 19, 2024.**

**Finance Meeting – January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6PM.**

**Parish Council Meeting – January 25<sup>th</sup> at 6PM.**

**Schedule for January 27 and January 28, 2024**

	<b>4:30PM</b>	<b>7:00AM</b>
<b>Celebrant:</b>	Fr. Roy Parayil	Fr. Roy Parayil
<b>E. Minister:</b>	Richard Minio Claire Minio	Susan Griffiths Maggie Grenier
<b>Lector:</b>	Ernie Charron	Julie Dupont
	<b>9:00AM</b>	<b>11:00AM</b>
<b>Celebrant:</b>	Fr. Rene Parent	Fr. John Welch
<b>E. Minister:</b>	Paul Boire	Denis Bessette
<b>Lector:</b>	Laurie Barrette	Stephen Houle

**THE VIGIL LIGHTS...** are burning brightly in prayer for unborn children.

**MARIAN SHRINE FLOWER ARRANGEMENT...**

The flower arrangement for the Blessed Mother's Altar for the weeks of January are open to volunteers.

**WEEKLY OFFERING.....1/14.....\$6095.00**

**Renovation Fund.....\$2459.00**

1/21 – School Support; 1/28-St. James School Debt Reduction; 1/28 - Super Raffle

The 2023 Annual Statements will be provided to Weekly Envelope Users upon request. The request can be placed in the collection basket.

**PLEASE NOTE...**The rectory office is closed on Monday. Office hours are 8:30AM to 3:30PM Tuesday thru Friday. Emergencies any time.

**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.

**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**

**Masses**

**MONDAY, January 22,**  
**Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**

9:00AM Dorothy Fazzino...by Jeannine Murphy  
9:00AM For the Unborn children

**TUESDAY, January 23,**

**Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; Saint Marianne Cope**

9:00AM The Kokoszka family...by Lorraine Balick  
9:00AM For Peace in our world

**WEDNESDAY, January 24,**

**Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop, Religious Founder and Doctor**

9:00AM For Priests and Religious...by Cindy Roberts  
9:00AM Sophie & David Horvat by family

**THURSDAY, January 25,**

**The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle**

9:00AM Fr. Joe Whalen  
9:00AM Fr. John O'Neill

**FRIDAY, January 26,**

**Saint Timothy and Saint Titus, Bishops**

9:00AM Heidi Nicholson...by Mom  
9:00AM The Souls in Purgatory

**SATURDAY, January 27,**

**Saint Angela Merici, Virgin; BVM**

4:30PM Rene & Dot Beausoleil  
4:30PM Eugene J. Larrow Sr...by Alice

**SUNDAY, January 28,**

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**National Catholic Schools Week begins**

7:00AM Gerry Grenon...by family  
7:00AM Melba and Anna Logee...by family  
9:00AM Sr. Doris Gamelin...by Doug & Jeannette Keneflick

9:00AM St. James families  
11:00AM Jane Peckaitis...80<sup>th</sup> birthday...by the Peckaitis  
11:00AM Gerard Cloutier...by Pauline Hillman

**LASALLETTE MASSES**

In memory of Frederick & Adelyn Bodenschatz  
In memory of David & Sophie Horvat, by son, Joseph  
In memory of Ray & Mary Veillette...by Diane & family  
In memory of John Spendolini...by the Kimball family  
In memory of Amedeo "Andy Poccia"...by the Kimball family  
Vera & Kazen Gumula...by Diane Veillette & daughter

**2024 Masses Available**

**There are 7AM, 9AM and 11AM Weekend and 9AM Weekday Mass openings available for the 2024 yr. Please call the office at 860-774-3900 or place intentions in the basket at 10.00ea.**

St. James Parish news:

Leading a parish Pro-Life committee is an opportunity to make a profound impact on the sanctity of life within our community. By taking up this vital role, you become a beacon of hope and support for those who cannot speak for themselves. Your dedication to promoting a culture of life will contribute to fostering a community that cherishes and protects the dignity of every human being, from conception to natural death. Leading a Pro-Life committee allows you to collaborate with like-minded individuals, working together to organize events, raise awareness, and provide resources that empower individuals and families to choose life. If you are interested in participating in, or leading this committee, please contact Deacon Rene Barbeau or Deacon Joe Delaney. 860-774-3900

**"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 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 Dec 25th the donations have amounted to \$45,005.00.**

**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 – Please sign up today.**

**St. James School News**

We are happy to report that our 8th grade calendar fundraiser was VERY successful. We surpassed our \$5000 goal, raising \$5505! Our thanks and appreciation to ALL of the parishioners who helped with this event.

**The winners so far are as follows:**

- January 1: Michael Bourgeois--\$100
- 2: Mr. & Mrs. Edward Burns---\$25 Stop & Shop
- 3: Melissa Gaboury---\$25 Target & \$25 Michael's
- 4: Erin Blackmar---\$50 Shell Gas
- 5: Robert Dow---\$30 Weidele's Pizza Pub
- 6: Grace Silver---Mohegan Sun Celtic Women
- 7: Dani Duran---\$100
- 8: Anne Cote---\$50 Old Navy
- 9: Ileana Delean---\$50 Cumberland Farms
- 10: Sean Mazzarella---\$50 Target

Elyse McAteer  
Principal

**AN INVITATION TO ALL...**who would like to join the Catholic Church or to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation or Holy Communion as an Adult or a teenager ages 15 to 17. Contact Bev Richardson, DRE @ 860.792.8054.

**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.

**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.

**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

**Diocesan News:Deepening Our Faith through the Sacraments**Join us on Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> from 7 – 8:15PM virtually for a deepening of our faith through the Sacrament of Vocation- Holy Orders. Our keynote is Sr. Elissa Rinere, C.P. the former Diocesan Chancellor. The Catholic Church's sacrament of Holy Orders is a sacrament of apostolic ministry. It continues the mission that Christ entrusted to his apostles until the end of time. It includes three degrees: episcopate (*bishop*), presbyterate (*priest*), and diaconate (*deacon*). "Holy orders" means "set apart for a sacred purpose"; let's explore this purpose together. To register, please contact Marianne at [manicholas@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:manicholas@norwichdiocese.net) or call 860-848-2237 ext. 304.

**RCIA Retreat...**The Office of Faith Events and the Awaken team are gearing up to assist Candidates and Catechumens prepare for receiving the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. Spend the day discovering God's unconditional love for you, learn about the gifts of the Holy Spirit, develop a meaningful prayer life, and experience God's mercy in reconciliation. The Holy Spirit Awaken Retreat for RCIA will take place on Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Quaker Hill from 9:30am – 5pm with Mass from 5pm to 6pm. To register, please contact Marianne Nicholas at [manicholas@norwichdiocese.net](mailto:manicholas@norwichdiocese.net) or call 860-848-2237 ex.305.

**Diocesan News...**Calling All Young Adults! Ages 18-39, Are you a young adult seeking authentic community? Are you looking for a place to deepen your relationship with Jesus and increase your understanding of the Catholic faith? Join one of **Crossroads for Christ** seven chapters today! Meeting in the greater Hartford area, Stamford, Middletown, Mystic, New Haven, Waterbury and Watertown. For more information go to [www.crossroads4christ.org](http://www.crossroads4christ.org) or email [info@crossroads4christ.org](mailto:info@crossroads4christ.org)

**SIGN-UP TODAY FOR THE 2024 CLUB.**

**SIGN-UP TODAY FOR THE 2024 CLUB.** We appreciate your support. All proceeds benefit St. James School. Please sponsor new members so we can fill the club. Dues are only \$60.00 per year or \$5.00 per month. Tickets are now \$45.00 for the remaining 9 drawings.

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

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

OUR NEXT DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON **SUNDAY, January 21, AT 8:30AM** IN THE CHURCH HALL.

**PLEASE SPONSOR A NEW MEMBER SO WE CAN FILL THE CLUB.**

If you have any questions concerning dues etc. Please call Kathy Hall (860) 774-7635.

**OCTOBER DRAWING**

\$1000	Debra Bessenaire	18	\$25	Nick & Elizabeth Burbine	273	Door Prize:	Michele Masse
300	Katie & Dan Roumbakis	979	\$25	Diane Landers	61	Door Prize:	Michelle Hartwell
200	Linda Therrien	333	\$25	Jaylynn & Jordan McCabe	851		
100	Beverly Spink	531	\$25	JoAnn Fortin	634		
50	Roxanne Roireau	219					
50	Kristina Cote	57					

**\$20.00 Winners are:**

Margaret Burrige	52	Steve Ballick	21
Robbin Young	718	Paulette Harwood	873
Carol Giambattista	186	Stephen Kusaj	831
Erin Carragher	497	Robert Dragon	314
Luke Desaulnier	474	Morgan Beaudreault	562

**NOVEMBER DRAWING**

\$1000	Allyson & Brian Proppe	179	\$25	Adam Griffiths	719	Door Prize:	John Holland
300	Ronald Bisson	1	\$25	Balick Grandchildren	225	Door Prize:	Lucille Kaczor
200	Peter & Lisset Peckaitis	119	\$25	Pat Sargent	28		
100	Barbara Basley	722	\$25	Kylee Mazzarella	957		
50	Cheryl Dubois	123					
50	Ted & Betty Dumaine	25					

**\$20.00 Winners are:**

Kristen – Stephen Houle	700	Craig Harwood	765
Pam Bulot	924	Mayra & Michael Blanch flower	101
Sarah & Ryan Gagne	289	Gert Blain	72
Michelle Hartwell	733	Alberta Smith	917
Lyndsay & John Baldwin	823	Jennifer Nason	210

**DECEMBER DRAWING**

\$1000.00	Susan Blasi	13	\$25	Bridget Dubeau	444	Door Prize:	John Lambert
300.00	David Wilterdink	199	\$25	Michelle & Michael Costello	267	Door Prize:	Jason Burgess
200.00	Kristopher Hopkins	343	\$25	Alysha Lord	146		
100.00	Harrison Hanville	192	\$25	Aija & Michael Pelletier	889		
50.00	Douglas Barrette	370					
50.00	Linda Integlia	317					

**\$20.00 Winners are:**

Madeline & John Chretien	511	Nancy Arena	254
Erik Chester	829	Norman Pelletier	907
Paula Brown	60	Melissa & Eric Kapitulik	356
Ken & Cindy Cardinal	764	Joe & Joyce Fortin	822
Leo King	752	Lara & Charles Del Signore	670

**S.J.S A. THOUSAND CLUB****PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!**

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and Brothers are looking  
for a few good men to  
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If interested, please call  
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Please consider spending  
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