

# ST. JAMES CHURCH

12 FRANKLIN STREET - DANIELSON, CONNECTICUT 06239



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Rev. Roy Parayil, M.S.

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**March 9, 2025**

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Rectory Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday, 9:30 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

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Catherine Reed

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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.

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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 the church, or by appointment.

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## HOSPITAL & HOME VISITS

Please notify the priests of family illnesses.

## DAYDREAMS OF A PASTOR...

Every year on the first day of Lent the Church reminds us that we will all return to dust. As we begin this season of penance together yet again, we rejoice that the Church is always honest with us – honest about our mortality and our sinfulness. Above all the Church is honest about the forgiveness and salvation made possible in Christ.

“He chooses to be by our side, even when we get lost, and if he gave his life because he loved us, how could he not forgive our sins?”

Lent is a time to pray, a time for forgiveness and a time for giving. We are invited to listen to and follow Jesus, and to allow ourselves to be transformed by His words, which are “spirit and life”. The season of Lent is a time when we dispose of our hearts by listening, receiving and living out the word and bearing fruit. The more we unite ourselves to Jesus through prayer, sacred scripture, the Eucharist, the sacraments and fraternity, the more there will grow in us the joy of cooperating with God in the service of the kingdom of mercy and truth, of justice and peace.

Lent provides a time to refocus on our relationships with God and others through prayer, fasting and doing good deeds. Lent is a journey of return to God. As we begin the season of Lent and particularly on Ash Wednesday, God is speaking to our hearts. In this life, we will always have things to do and excuses to offer, but..., right now is the time to return to God.

Lent is not just about the little sacrifices we make, but about discerning where our hearts are directed. This is the core of Lent: asking where our hearts are directed... The ashes on our head this week will remind us that ‘we are dust and unto dust we shall return...’ We will always be dust, but as a liturgical hymn says, ‘dust in love.’

Jesus lives and walks along the paths of ordinary life to draw near to everyone, beginning with the least, and to heal us of our infirmities and illnesses.

Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S.

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

### First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses discusses the power God has displayed in freeing his people from oppression and leading them to a rich land. He tells the people that they should make offerings to God to show their gratitude, then celebrate over the great things he has given them.

### Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Paul tells us that if we proclaim, "Jesus is Lord" and truly believe that God raised him from the dead, we will be saved. For God shows his mercy toward everyone who calls upon his name.

### Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Jesus fasted in the desert for forty days, then Satan appeared to him and tempted him to turn stone into bread. After Jesus refused, Satan promised him great powers if Jesus would worship him. Jesus replied that he would worship God and no one else. Then Satan tried to persuade Jesus to put God to the test, but again Jesus resisted his temptation.

### LENTEN SCHEDULE

Daily Mass: Monday through Friday - 9AM

Saturday Vigil ----- 4.30 PM

Sunday ----- 7AM, 9AM & 11AM

Confessions: Every Saturday 3:45PM to 4.15PM

Stations of the Cross: Every Friday during Lent at 7PM

### PARISH MISSION:

March 30, 31<sup>st</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup> – 7PM - 8PM

Fr. William Kaliyadan, M.S, Provincial Superior,

### CONFESSIONS:

Every Saturday 3.45PM - 4.15PM

March 29<sup>th</sup>, Saturday – 3PM – 4:30PM

April 12<sup>th</sup>, Saturday - 3PM - 4.30PM

April 14<sup>th</sup>, Monday - 9.30AM - 12PM

### HOLY WEEK SERVICE

Palm Sunday Vigil Mass: April 12<sup>th</sup>, 4:30PM

Palm Sunday: April 13<sup>th</sup> at 7AM, 9AM & 11AM

Holy Thursday: April 17<sup>th</sup>

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7PM

Good Friday: April 18<sup>th</sup>,

Stations of the Cross - 3PM followed by Celebration of the Lord's Passion – 3.30PM

Easter Vigil: April 19, (Holy Saturday) - 8PM

Easter Sunday: April 20<sup>th</sup>, 7AM, 9AM and 11AM

We thank you for the loving service of Pope Francis and the hope he has inspired in so many in your great mercy. Have mercy on him in his illness now, we pray and guide the medical staff in his care. Grant him peace and healing. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Schedule for March 15th and March 16, 2025

	<b>4:30PM</b>	<b>7:00AM</b>
<b>Celebrant:</b>	Fr. Rene Parent	Fr. Roy Parayil
<b>E. Minister:</b>	Ernie Charron Diane Charron	John Lupien Julie Dupont
<b>Lector:</b>	Phyllis Morrison	Julie Dupont
	<b>9:00AM</b>	<b>11:00AM</b>
<b>Celebrant:</b>	Fr. Fr. Rene Parent	Fr. John Welch
<b>E. Minister:</b>	Bev Richardson <b>Theresa Labbe</b>	John Brady Michelle Brady
<b>Lector:</b>	Adam Brindamour	Laurie Barrette

**UP-COMING EVENTS FOR 2025 – ST. JAMES CHURCH**

(Please add to your calendar)

**ST. JOSEPH’S DAY – FAMILY EVENT:** March 22, 2025 – 5.15 pm to 6.30 pm. (Church Hall, by Vocation Committee)

**FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY:** Every Fifth Sunday after the 9 am mass. (K of C)

**PARISH MISSION:** March 30, 31 & April 01, 2025 - 7pm to 8pm.

**LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE:** April 12, 3pm – 4.15pm, April 14, 9.30 am to Noon.

**VISIT OF THE RELIC OF ST. ANDRE BESSETTE:** April 08, 2025, 6-8pm

**HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS:** April 13 – April 20, 2025

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:** April 27, 2025 – 3pm

**FIRST COMMUNION:** May 3, 2025 -11 am.

**CROWNING OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:** May 4, 2025 – 9 am Mass, (CCD)

**BLESSING OF THE BIKES:** May 10, 2025 -11am(Parking Lot, KofC)

**MOTHER’S DAY CELEBRATION:** May 10 2025 -2 pm -4 pm, (Church Hall, Vocation Committee)

**150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ST.JAMES SCHOOL:** May 18, 2025, 11am Mass

**MEMORIAL DAY MASS:** May 26, 2025 – 9 am. (Cemetery)

**GRADE 8 GRADUATION MASS:** June 6, 2025

**FATHER’S DAY CELEBRATION:** June 15, 2025

**CORPUS CHRISTI:** June 22, 2025 –Adoration after 11 am mass – 4 pm, Vocation Committee)

**FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART:** June 27, 2025

**FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY:** June 29, 2025, After the 9 am mass.

**FEAST OF ST. JAMES:** July 26-27, 2025

**PARISH PICNIC:** July 27, 2025 -11.30 am.

**FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY:** August 31, 2025, After the 9 am mass.

**LA SALETTE NOVENA AND FEAST:** September 13 - 21, 2025

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS:** October 4, 2025 - 11 am (Parking Lot, K of C)

**3<sup>rd</sup> ANNIVERSARY – FR. JOHN:** October 11, 2025 – 4.30 mass.

**CONFIRMATION:** October 28, 2025 – 7 pm.

**FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY:** November 30, 2025, After the 9 am mass.

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA:** December 06, 2025

**CHRISTMAS LIGHTS – Bus trip to La Salette –:** December, 2025

**CLEANING**

**CHURCH CLEANING: Volunteers:** April 12 - 9 am to 12pm.

**CHURCH CLEANING: Volunteers:** December 20 - 9am to 12pm.

**SPRING CLEAN UP (OUTSIDE):** Mid-April. (K of C)

**SUMMER CLEAN UP (OUTSIDE):** Mid-November. (K of C)

**MASSES**

**MONDAY, March 10,**

9:00AM Claire & Victor Gregoire...by Helene LaBelle  
9:00AM Sister Doris Gamelin

**TUESDAY, March 11,**

9:00AM James Hicks...by family  
9:00AM Fr. Joe Whalen

**WEDNESDAY, March 12,**

9:00AM Departed Souls of the Adoration Sisters  
9:00AM Rene & Dot Beausoleil

**THURSDAY, March 13,**

9:00AM Delvina Larow...by family  
9:00AM Peace in our World

**FRIDAY, March 14,**

9:00AM Eugene E. Laime...by his wife  
9:00AM Myra Kerr...by P. Ferland

**SATURDAY, March 15,**

4:30PM Robert Langevin...by his wife  
4:30PM Gerald & Irene Bessette...by Ann & Wayne Terwilliger

**SUNDAY, March 16,**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:00AM Fr. John O’Neill...by Paul  
7:00AM Mario, Esther & Rudolph Desabota Sr...  
by Tina Desabota

9:00AM Alphonse & Lillian Bisson...by estate

9:00AM Gary Gallow...by his mother, Rita

9:00AM Gloria Clark...by Germaine LeFrancois

11:00AM Ted Bernier...by Nancy Bernier

11:00AM William Rice Jr....by Lynda & Jim Byrne

**LASALETTE MASSES**

In memory of Frederick & Adelyn Bodenschatz

In memory of David & Sophie Horvat, by son, Joseph

In memory of Lawrence & Gloria Clark and Edmond and

Agnes Lefrancois...by daughter

**2025 Masses Available \$10.00 each**

**7AM:** 3/23; 3/30; 4/13; 4/20; 5/04; 5/11; 6/01; 6/08; 6/15;

6/29; 7/06; 7/13; 8/10; 8/17; 8/24; 9/14; 9/21; 9/28;

**9AM:** 3/17; 3/18; 3/19; 3/21; 3/24; 3/25; 3/26; 3/27; 3/28;

3/31; 4/01; 4/02; 4/03; 4/04; 4/07; 4/09 4/10; 4/13; 4/14; 4/15;

**11AM:** 3/23; 5/04; 5/25; 6/01; 6/08; 6/15; 6/22; 6/29; 7/06;

7/13; 8/03; 8/10; 8/17; 8/24; 8/31; 9/14; 9/21; 9/28; 10/05;

10/12; 10/26; 10/09; 10/16; 11/30; 12/07; 12/14; 12/28;

**4:30PM:** 3/22; 3/29; 4/12; 5/03; 5/10; 5/17; 5/24; 5/31; 6/21;

6/28; 7/05; 7/12; 7/19; 7/26; 8/16; 8/23; 8/30; 9/06; 9/13

**MARIAN SHRINE ALTAR FLOWER**

**ARRANGEMENT...**

The flower arrangement for the Blessed Mother’s Marian Altar for the rest of the month of February is open to volunteers. Please consider donating a flower arrangement in memory of a loved one.

**SIGN-UP- SHEET FOR WEEK OF PRAYER AT HOME**

**PRAYER AT HOME – The week of March 22<sup>nd</sup> -- the Sisters.**

**Please consider signing up.**

**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.



**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 **March 17th at 7pm with rosary at 6:40PM.**

**WEEKLY OFFERING** . . . . . 3/02 . . . . . \$5489.00  
**Renovation Fund** . . . . . 3/02 . . . . . \$1936.00  
**March 9th** – Save Our School;  
**March 16th** – Easter Flowers; School Support

**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.

**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 February 21, 2025, the donations have amounted to \$78,537.00.

**ST. JAMES SCHOOL NEWS.....**

For Valentine's Day, our student body was able to purchase small boxes of chocolates and they could attach a note to the recipient...."a Valentine Gram". We have been doing this activity for a few years and it had been sponsored by the Student Council. The National Junior Honor Society had been looking for a cause they could work on. The Student Council graciously gave up their ownership of this activity, and the NJHS ran with it.  
 Over 500 boxes were sold (\$2.00 each) and the profits were \$425.00 This will be sent as a donation to the Ronald McDonald House.  
 Why this cause? When one of our current members wrote his application letter, he mentioned how when he was born, there had been issues and his mother had to spend some time at the RMH. This seemed like a perfect cause for the NJHS to take as their special project.

**St. James School News:**

**Basketball News:** Both Boys Varsity and Girls Varsity and Boys JV won the Diocesan Basketball Tournament this past weekend. Congratulations to all players and coaches.

Grade 1 Students will do the Stations of the Cross on April 4<sup>th</sup> at 6PM.

**St. James Calendar Raffle:**

The winners for the raffle are:

- 14-Feb               **\$250** - Darlene Grant
- 15-Feb               \$20 - Michelle Gladding
- 16-Feb               **\$50** -Muriel Pepper
- 17-Feb               **\$100** - Kimberi Long
- 18-Feb               \$20 -Barbara Porter
- 19-Feb               \$20 -Jim McDoogs
- 20-Feb               \$20 -Chase Graphics
- 21-Feb               \$20 -John Mullins
- 22-Feb               \$20 -Angelina Hatcher
- 23-Feb               **\$50** -Joanne Ross
- 24-Feb               \$20 - Harold P.
- 25-Feb               \$20 - Laure Nelson
- 26-Feb               \$20 - Patricia Borys
- 27-Feb               \$20 - Ashley Letourneau
- 28-Feb               \$20 - Laurie Audino
- 1-Mar                 \$20 - Donna Strmiska

**Celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph!**



**When:** March 22, 2025  
**Where:** St. James Church Basement  
**Time:** Following the 4:30 P.M mass

**FAMILIES:** Join us as we Honor St. Joseph, the Foster Father of Jesus, carpenter, and Patron of All Fathers!

**\* All families will enjoy a pizza supper, refreshments, and drinks.**  
**\*Activity:** Children, with the help of parents, dramatize a bible story, OR create a poster about a bible story!  
**(All ARE WELCOME.)**  
**We expect this event to last about 60-75 minutes.**

**Sign up here for pizza and the event!**

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of people attending: \_\_\_\_\_

**RETURN THIS FORM TO ST.JAMES SCHOOL, or the church offertory basket by: March 16th to help us order adequate food.**  
**This activity is sponsored by the Vocation Committee**

**Saint James Spring Super Raffle**

To: Friends of St James  
From: Fr Roy Parayil, Joe & Kerri Beaudreault  
Subject: **Annual Super Raffle In honor of Fr. John O'Neill**

The Spring Super Raffle is here again. Since 2020 this raffle has proven very successful. We have been able to give our school over \$100,000. The Spring Raffle will have the same format as last year's. Prizes will be based off the number of tickets sold. If we sell 200 tickets, we will have prizes of, \$5000, \$2000, \$1000 and two \$500. We will still have our famous 50/50 Raffle as well. The drawing will take place March 15<sup>th</sup> after the 4:30 mass in the church hall. All are welcome to attend.

**Please send your completed choice back to St. James Parish no later than March 12<sup>th</sup>**

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

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

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

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

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

Make checks payable to St James  
12 Franklin Street, Danielson, CT 06239.

Thank you again for supporting St James School.  
Any questions or concerns please contact Joe & Kerri Beaudreault or St James Rectory.  
Joe # 860-428-0277 Kerri # 860-377-0214 St James Rectory# 860-774-3900

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