

ST. JAMES CHURCH

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August 17, 2025

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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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Catherine Reed

860-774-3281

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...

Jesus speaks of bringing fire to the earth. This fire symbolizes the transformative power of His message, which may bring division. Jesus acknowledges that following Him may bring about division even within families.

Our faith journey involves endurance for the ultimate prize of eternal life. We have to endure struggles and hardships with perseverance. All that matters is to fix our eyes on Jesus, the source and perfecter of our faith. When we face challenges and potential divisions, we have to draw strength from the examples of saints to persevere in our commitment to Christ. Discipleship comes with a cost, requiring us to prioritize our commitment to God above all else.

The history of the church is full of stories of martyrdom that accompanied those who chose Christ over worldly values and relationships. Yet, in the midst of all this, there is an undefinable, indescribable, unearthly peace that reigned in the hearts of those holy souls. Christ offers such peace which can survive violence and death; not the passing empty worldly peace that crumbles at the first instance of stress.

The image of Jesus crucified is the most powerful symbol of God's love for us. But Jesus himself recognized that many would reject him, and that faith in him would lead to division. The disruption, division, and revolution, which Jesus and his true followers cause in society by the fire of sacrificial love and the fire of justice, are necessary to re-set what's fractured, put right what's dislocated and cleanse what's infected.

At La Salette when our Blessed Mother appeared with the crucified Christ close to her heart, she reminded us that we seem no longer to care about the suffering and indignity he endured for our sake. She continues to remind us that the fire Jesus brings is the fire of love and the fire of hope!

On the day of our Baptism, we received the light of Christ and were instructed to keep that torch burning brightly until the return of Christ Jesus. In addition, the Holy Spirit was sent into our hearts at Confirmation to help set us on fire. Let us have the same fire in our hearts and courageously live out our religious convictions and principles.

Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S.

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10**

Jeremiah urged the people of Jerusalem to surrender to the enemy. This angered the princes, who then requested that Jeremiah be put to death. The king allowed the princes to leave him in a cistern without food or water. But after Ebed Melech pleaded for Jeremiah's life, the king decided to free him.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

This letter to the Hebrews inspires all Christians to persevere, in spite of the trials they may face. Jesus endured much suffering and was rewarded by God. Despite our struggles, we must remember Jesus' ability to endure and maintain strong faith in him.

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

Jesus tells his disciples that his message will not bring peace to the earth. Instead, even families will become sharply divided because some members will embrace him, while others condemn him.

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 every Wednesday night
Men's Bible Study – Fourth Monday of every Month at 7PM in the Church Hall.

Holy Hour – Every Third Monday of the Month. Next Holy Hour: August 18th at 7pm with rosary at 6:40PM.

VIGIL LIGHTS... are burning brightly in prayer for Peace in our world.

UP-COMING EVENTS – ST. JAMES CHURCH

(Please add to your calendar)

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)

3rd ANNIVERSARY – FR. JOHN: October 11, 2025 – 4.30 mass.

CONFIRMATION: October 28, 2025 – 7 pm. Bishop Reidy

Schedule for August 23rd and August 24, 2025

	4:30PM	7:00AM
Celebrant:	Fr. Roy Parayil	Fr. Rene Parent
E. Minister:	Richard Minio Claire Minio	Susan Griffiths Maggie Grenier
Lector:	Ernie Charron	Julie Dupont
	9:00AM	11:00AM
Celebrant:	Fr. Roy Parayil	Fr. Rene Parent
E. Minister:	Sisters	Denis Bessette Peter Gerardi
Lector:	Marshall Hudon	Stephen Houle

MARIAN SHRINE ALTAR FLOWER ARRANGEMENT...

The flower arrangement for the Blessed Mother's Altar for the week of 8/16 is by the Sisters of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Please consider having an arrangement for Our Blessed Mother's Altar in memory of a loved one.

Dear Fr. Roy, Fr. Rene, Fr. John, Deacon Joe, Sisters, Mrs. Reed, St. James Office and School Staff, Ministries of St. James, and Parishioners,

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your prayers, well wishes, donations to the Fr. John O'Neill Memorial, Mass cards, and gifts following my retirement. May God bless you all and know that you will all be missed.

Deacon Rene

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 August 12, 2025, the donations have amounted to \$81,787.00.**

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. Please consider signing up. The week of 8/16 – Cindy; 8/23 – Jeanne Dimmock; 9/13 - Cindy



Congratulations!

Congratulations to the Newly Baptized!

On Sunday, August 10, 2025, River Adams Rekola, son of Michael Rekola and Kaitlin Sweeny Rekola, was baptized. May the love & grace of God always be with this child.

MASSES**MONDAY, August 18,**

9:00AM Souls in Purgatory
9:00AM The sick of our parish

**TUESDAY, August 19,
Saint John Eudes, Priest**

9:00AM James Gilbert...Wedding Anniv...by family
9:00AM Francis Pechie...Celebrating her 103rd Birthday.

WEDNESDAY, August 20,**Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church**

9:00AM Dan...by Mom
9:00AM Souls in Purgatory...by parishioner

**THURSDAY, August 21,
Saint Pius X, Pope**

9:00AM For Vocations to Religious Life
9:00AM Peace in our world

FRIDAY August 22,**The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

9:00AM John Gallow, Jr...by his wife, Rita
9:00AM Montcalm Mathurin...by family

SATURDAY, August 23,**Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin; Blessed Virgin Mother**

4:30PM Ian Gainer...by Jane Walker
4:30PM Vicky Senase (living) by family & friends

SUNDAY, August 24,**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00AM Gerry Grenon...by family
7:00AM Mary Egan...by the Rzcuidlo family
9:00AM Alphonse & Lillian Bisson...by estate
9:00AM John W. Burns...by Granddaughters
Mackenzie & Emily
11:00AM Mary Lou Gerardi...28th Anniversary...
by Pete Gerardi and family
11:00AM D'Ann Caron...8th Anniversary...by Pauline

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: 8/31; 9/21; 10/05; 10/19; 10/26; 11/09; 11/16; 11/23; 11/30; 12/07; 12/14.

9AM: 8/25; 8/26; 8/27; 8/28; 8/29; 8/31; 9/04; 9/08; 9/09; 9/10; 9/11; 9/12; 9/17; 9/18; 9/19; 9/23; 9/24; 9/28; 9/29; 9/30; 10/01; 10/02; 10/03; 10/06; 10/08; 10/09; 10/10; 10/13; 10/14; 10/16; 10/17; 10/21; 10/22; 10/23; 10/30; 10/31; 11/03; 11/04
11AM: 9/14; 9/21; 9/28; 10/05; 10/12; 11/9; 11/16; 11/30; 12/07.

4:30PM: 8/30; 9/13; 10/04; 10/25; 11/01; 11/08; 11/15; 11/22; 12/20; 12/27.

WEEKLY OFFERING TOTAL 8/3. \$4981.00

WEEKLY OFFERING TOTAL. . . . 8/10. . . see next week's Bulletin.

8/17 – Save Our School; 8/24 – Renovation Fund;
8/31 – National Combined Collection

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.

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SJS Teaching Vacancies

St. James School is seeking to fill the following vacancies for the 2025 – 2026 school year:

****Kindergarten Teacher****

****After-school Program Aide****

****Spanish Teacher (part-time)****

****Substitute Teachers****

****Computer Teacher (part time)****

Applications and references accepted by Email to:

Catherine Reed, Principal

Send to: c.reed@stjamesdanielson.org

Visit NorwichDiocese.org/Employment to view all of the open jobs in the diocese.

2025 ACA update: As of August 4, 2025, Saint James Parish, Danielson has donated \$30,284.73 or 85.52% of its goal, and 17.23% 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, 2025. With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. If you have not made your contribution to the 2025 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!

Religious Education news:

A Catechetical leader is needed for Grades K – 5.
Anybody interested in becoming a team member of RCIA/OCIA please call Bev Richardson 860-630-0593.

Diocesan News...**Marriage Help Program Sept. 5th-7th.**

Do you wish you felt happier in your marriage?

Retrouvaille, a Catholic-based ministry, provides tools to help you communicate better, resolve conflicts, and rediscover a loving marriage. The next local weekend starts September 5th. For information, call confidentially [1-860-837-0447](tel:1-860-837-0447), email connecticut-wmass@helpourmarriage.org, or go to our website www.helpourmarriage.org.

Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference 2025 New

Location: Holy Cross High School, Waterbury, CT
Saturday, September 27, 2025 | 7:30 AM - Vigil Mass
Join us for a transformative day of faith with speakers Dr. Ray Guarendi, Father Anthony Federico, Michael O'Neill, and Father Jason Brooks. The day includes a Eucharistic procession, Adoration, first-class relics, Confession, Exhibitors, Vendors, and includes lunch. The day will culminate in Vigil Mass with the Archbishop with a Homily by Bishop Reidy. For tickets, visit www.ctcatholicmen.org.

Calling all Youth, join Bishop Reidy for an evening of bowling, pizza, fellowship, and faith on August 19th from 5:30 – 7:30PM!

ALL CAN JOIN THE BISHOP BOWLING AT 5:30PM
Bowling with Bishop | Tuesday, August 19, 2025 | 5:30–7:30 PM

Norwich Bowling & Entertainment Center

Middle and High School Youth (Grades 6–12) from across the Diocese are invited to join Bishop Richard Reidy for an evening of bowling, pizza, and fellowship! Cost: \$16 (includes two hours of bowling, pizza, and drinks) Space is not limited, but you must register with payment and a completed permission slip by Sunday, August 21st! To do so, contact Alvania Tejada at faithevents@norwichdiocese.net to receive the permission slip and payment instructions. Liza Roach, Youth & Young Adult Minister, Office of Faith Events (860)848-2237 ex.305. <https://www.facebook.com/ofenorwichdiocese>.

ANNIVERSARY MASS REGISTRATION –All couples married 25 & 50 years or celebrating any significant anniversary are invited to attend the 2025 Silver and Golden Jubilee Anniversary Mass celebrated by Bishop Richard F. Reidy at the Cathedral of St. Patrick in Norwich on **Sunday, October 19, 2025, at 2 P.M.** Registration is required. To do so, send the following information: **husband and wife's name, address, telephone number, wedding date, anniversary being celebrated and parish** to Alvania Tejada, Office of Faith Events, 331 Main St., 2nd Floor, Norwich, CT 06360, call 860-848-2237, Ext 304, or email at faithevents@norwichdiocese.net. The deadline for registering is **Thursday, September 25, 2025. This is a firm date, so please register early.** Couples may also email a **recent digital photo** of themselves in a **jpeg format** to the email address to be included in a gallery of pictures on the Diocesan website.

DIocese OF NORWICH SEEKS DIOCESAN FINANCE OFFICER

The Diocese of Norwich is seeking an experienced full-time Finance Officer to assist the Bishop in the administration of the material goods of the Diocese. This position plays a key leadership role in overseeing the financial well-being of the Diocese and ensures proper stewardship of diocesan resources. The successful candidate will be a practicing Catholic in good standing, possess a minimum of a bachelor's degree in finance, accounting, or related field (MBA/CPA preferred), and 5 years of senior-level experience in financial administration. Salary commensurate with experience. A complete job description can be found by using the QR code below.

Find this and other job openings on our website at NorwichDiocese.org/Employment

Interested applicants should send a cover letter and resume to:

Diocese of Norwich
Rev. Peter J. Langevin, Chancellor
201 Broadway
Norwich, CT 06360

or via email: chancellor@norwichdiocese.net



POURINGS AND PASSAGES BOOKSTORE... Best of Connecticut 2025 Winners - CT

We are so thrilled and grateful to be voted the Best Used Book Store in Connecticut Insider Magazine's Annual "Best of" edition. We couldn't have done it without the amazing support we get from all of you- so thank you!

A used book store and coffeehouse is 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

SIGN-UP TODAY FOR THE 2025 CLUB

SIGN-UP TODAY FOR THE 2025 CLUB. We appreciate your support. All proceeds benefit St. James School. Please sponsor new members so we can fill the club. **OUR NEXT DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 17TH AT 8:30AM IN THE CHURCH HALL.** Kathy Chester and JoAnne Wippert are in charge of records for the club. You can call the rectory: 860-774-3900 or email: sjs1000club@stjamesdanielson.org.

July 2025 winners:

\$1000.00	Karl & Dianna Johnson	833	\$25.00 Winners are:	
300.00	Rita La Belle	162	\$25	Jennifer Bessenaire 616
200.00	Florence Banks	401	\$25	Sue Zulkiewicz 514
100.00	Phyllis Zadora	332	\$25	Cynthia Bastek 859
			\$25	Lianne Larrow 466
\$50.00	Karen Greenleaf	417		
50.00	Glenn Balick	476		

\$20 Winners are:

Justin & Jenny Lussier	142
Patricia Lehoux	63
Maggie Grenier	394
Becky Bessios	226
Ellen & Gwen Wilson	459

\$20.00 Winners:

Jo-Ann Fortin	634
Matthew Noren Jr.	452
Michael Lee	445
Cheryl Veilleux	790
Charles Bunker	866

Door Prize: Pamela Janetatos
Door Prize: Kathy Chester

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