

ST. JAMES CHURCH

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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

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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...



Two things that get waylaid when we are busy with daily chores of life are reading the Scriptures and Prayer. The immediate demands of life are so great that spending time to read the Bible and pray seem like luxury.

Today we reflect on perseverance in prayer. Jesus teaches us the importance of persevering in prayer through the parable of the persistent widow. Her persistence moves an unjust judge to action, highlighting the power of consistent prayer.

The parable assures us that God, unlike the unjust judge, is just and responsive to our needs. Our persistent prayers are not in vain; they align our hearts with God's will and open us to His guidance. Jesus emphasizes the *"necessity of praying always and not losing heart."* Constancy in prayer is Faith in action. Jesus presents the widow in today's Gospel as a model of the trust with which his disciples are to pray. The widow was asking for something which God would certainly want for her – justice.

I remember in the seminary, on the days when we had examination, we would ask Fr. Rector (the priest in charge) to make our Morning Prayer and meditation become private and the Mass postponed to evening – to help us with our immediate preparation for exam. May be not always granted, but sometimes, yes. Did it communicate a message that prayers were secondary and cancelable to suit one's convenience? Contrasting this with my childhood experience at home: Our evening family prayer was 40 minutes' duration and was never compromised even in exam days. Any visitor, who happened to drop in during our family prayer, would have to either join or wait until the prayer got over. Though we, children, felt it harsh, a policy then, our parents communicated an essential message to us: that there is no compromise when it came to prayer.

Let us combine formal prayers with action prayer. Formal liturgical prayers are essential for the Christian prayer life. Personal prayer is also of great importance in our life of prayer. Talking to God in our own words — praising Him, thanking Him and presenting our needs before Him — transforms our whole life into prayer. God knows what to give, when to give and how to give. Sincere and persistent prayer makes us ready to accept His will.

Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S.

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

Amalek and his people attacked the Israelites, so Moses instructed Joshua to lead some of the Israelites into battle the next day. While Moses kept his hands raised in prayer, the Israelites were winning. But when he put his hands down, they would begin to lose. So two others helped him keep his hands raised, and Joshua and the Israelites won the battle.

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

Paul tells Timothy that the Scriptures are inspired by God and are an excellent tool in teaching others about God's expectations of his people. Knowledge of the Scriptures, coupled with faith in Jesus, will lead many people to salvation. Paul urges Timothy to continue preaching the gospel, although this will sometimes be a difficult task.

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Jesus speaks about a corrupt judge who lacked respect for either God or man. A widow repeatedly asked him to settle a case in her favor. He finally settled the case, only because he grew weary of listening to her requests. Jesus points out that if even this corrupt judge eventually listened, then God, who is just, will certainly answer the pleas of his people.

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 at 6:30PM.
 Men's Bible Study – Fourth Monday of every Month at 7PM in the Church Hall.
 La Salette Laity Classes – Every First Tuesday of the Month at 6PM.
 Holy Hour – Every Third Monday of the Month. Next Holy Hour: October 20th at 7pm with rosary at 6:40PM.

UP-COMING EVENTS – ST. JAMES CHURCH

(Please add to your calendar)

CONFIRMATION: October 28, 2025 – 7 pm. Bishop Reidy
SUMMER CLEAN UP (OUTSIDE): Mid-November. (K of C)
FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY: November 30, 2025, After the 9 am mass.
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: December 06, 2025 – 8am to 11am
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS – Bus trip to La Salette: December 13, 2025
CHURCH CLEANING: Volunteers: December 20 - 9am to 12pm.
CHRISTMAS MASSES: December 24th – 4.00pm, 5.15pm and 10pm, December 25th 7am, 9am and 11am.

Schedule for October 25 and October 26, 2025

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

VIGIL LIGHTS are burning brightly for Peace in our World. Pray the rosary for peace throughout October.

MARIAN SHRINE ALTAR FLOWER ARRANGEMENT...

The flower arrangement for the Blessed Mother's Altar for the week of 10/25 is for Richard Grenier in memory of for his birthday. Please consider having an arrangement for Our Blessed Mother's Altar in memory of a loved one.

CEMETERY NOTICE... Please remove all summer boxes, pots and other summer decorations from Holy Cross, St. James and St. Joseph's cemeteries by November 30th

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 October 14, 2025, the donations have amounted to \$81,827.00.**

VENERATION OF SAINTS' RELICS

On November 1st St. James Parish will offer



an opportunity to venerate the 'Relics of Saints' from 4.00pm, Saturday to 12.30pm Sunday, November 2nd. Please use this

graceful moments to ask the special intercessions of the saints and receive their special blessings.

MASSSES

MONDAY, October 20, St. Paul of the Cross, Priest

9:00AM Mary Posiadala...by Wayne
9:00AM Kathy Hall...by Small Christian Community

TUESDAY, October 21,

9:00AM Departed Souls of the Adoration Sisters
9:00AM For peace in our world

WEDNESDAY, October 22,

Saint John Paul II, Pope

9:00AM Joe & Isabelle Yolda...by John
9:00AM Vance Carter...by the Charron family

THURSDAY, October 23,

Saint John of Capistrano, Priest

9:00AM Julia Szimanouskas...by her family
9:00AM Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY October 24,

Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

9:00AM Robert Carter...by Vance & Joan
9:00AM Ted Bernier...by Nancy Bernier
9:00AM Pat Hourihan...by Arlene & Becky

SATURDAY, October 25,

4:30PM Sophie Zawacki...14th Anniv...by Tom & Gail Seiferman

4:30PM John & Marie O'Keefe...by family

SUNDAY, October 26,

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:00AM Gerry Grenon...by family
7:00AM Henry Methot...26th Anniversary...by Kathie
9:00AM Ben Desaulnier...32nd Anniversary...by family
9:00AM Holy Souls in Purgatory...by Marcia & Brian Bardin

9:00AM John Burns...by family
11:00AM Irene LaFave...by family
11:00AM Roger Champoux...5th Anniv...by daughter
11:00AM Bob Dragon...by Annette & family

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
In honor of my entire family...by Jo-Ann Lemoine
In honor of 2 special friends...by Jo-Ann Lemoine
In memory of my parents, Clarence & Cecile Lemoine
... by Jo- Ann

2025 Masses Available \$10.00 each

7AM: 11/09; 11/16; 11/23; 11/30; 12/07; 12/14.

9AM: 10/30; 10/31; 11/03; 11/04; 11/06; 11/07; 11/10; 11/12; 11/13; 11/14; 11/17; 11/18; 11/19; 11/21; 11/25; 11/28; 12/01;

11AM: 11/9; 11/16; 11/30; 12/07.

4:30PM: 11/01; 11/08; 11/15; 11/22; 12/20; 12/27.

WEEKLY OFFERING – 10/12. \$5553.00
School Support \$3106.00
10/19 – Cradle Fund; 10/26 – St. James School Debt Reduction and Fuel / Heat Collection.

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 10/18- Cindy; 10/25 – Bev; 11/01 – Sisters of Adoration.

S.O.S. Save of 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.

Religious Education news: RCIA/OCIA

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults will begin in October. We welcome all who would like to know more about their faith to come to our OCIA classes. We welcome all baptized Catholics who have not received the first Holy Communion or the sacrament of Confirmation to be a part of this program to join our classes. Contact: Bev Richardson at 860-630-0593. Please announce who you are and leave your phone number.

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.

DIOCESAN NEWS:

Catholic Youth & Family Day – Sunday November 2nd
Catholic Youth & Family Day with Bishop Richard Reidy will take place on Sunday, November 2, 2025, from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Church of the Holy Family in Hebron. This inspiring day will include dynamic speakers, uplifting music, Eucharistic Adoration, and Mass with the Bishop. The cost to attend is \$5 per person, \$25 per family, or \$4 for a church youth group. To register or get more information, visit <https://catholicyouthday.weebly.com> or call Alvania at (860) 848-2237 ext. 304. Join us for one day, one faith, and one awesome experience!

Liza Roach
Family Life Minister
Office of Faith Events
(860)848-2237 ex.305

REJOICE IN HOPE**"THE NIGHT IS FAR GONE, THE DAY IS AT HAND"****La Salette Christmas Festival of Lights**

Though the world is filled with beauty, we also carry the weight of uncertainty, division, and weariness. And yet, Christmas arrives, quietly and powerfully, with St. Paul's invitation: "Rejoice in hope" (Rom 12:12). This hope isn't rooted in our circumstances, but in God's promise made flesh in Christ, our hope, light and peace.

St. James Parish is organizing a Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette, in this "Jubilee Year of Hope"

Date: Saturday, December 13, 2025.

Time: Bus leaves St. James Parking lot at **2pm** and returns at **8pm. (Limited seats only)**

What you pay: \$25 per person**No Entry fee!****Last date to register:****December 7, 2025.****Food & Snacks** will be available for purchase at La Salette Cafeteria.

Special Attractions: Display of over a Million Christmas Lights, La Salette National Shrine, La Salette Facsimile, Rosary Pond, Chapel of Lights, Gift Shop, Judea, Jerusalem, and Galilee at the Time of Jesus and International Crèche Museum - North America's largest, with 2000 Nativity scenes from more than 100 countries.

BUS TRIP TO LA SALETTE SHRINE "FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS"**947 PARK STREET, ATTLEBORO, MA**

Please call the parish (860 774 3900) or School office (860 774 3281) to Register or fill this form and place it in the collection basket.

NAME _____

NUMBER OF TICKETS _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

**Congratulations to the Newly Baptized!**

On Sunday, September 21 2025, John Paul Lorange III was baptized, son of John Lorange II and Joslin Lorange.

May the love & grace of God always be with this child. Congratulations!

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 6:30PM. All profits benefit St. James School. Bingo workers are also needed. Call Bob Coddington @ 860-481-9167.

Knights of Columbus Council 2883 – Annual Coat Drive

The KofC Council 2883 will be holding its **Annual Coat Drive** on **Sunday, November 2**, from **8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon** in the **St. James Church parking lot**.

We are collecting **gently used winter coats** to help those in need within our local community. If you're unable to attend on November 2, a **coat collection box** is located in the **Church hall**, where donations can be dropped off at your convenience.

2025 ACA update: As of October 3, 2025, Saint James Parish, Danielson has donated \$32,442.98 or 91.62% of its goal, and 18.23% 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!

Heather D. Harris

Campaign Manager, Office of Development, The Diocese of Norwich

Parish Bulletin and School Newsletter Safe Environments Training Announcement

Safe Environments Abuse Prevention Training

In the Diocese of Norwich, all volunteers who have regular contact with minors, all employees, all clergy, and all religious, are required to complete safe environments training. This training is monitored by the **Office for Safe Environments (OSE)**

In addition, this training is also available to any parishioner, or parent of a parochial school child, regardless of whether or not they wish to volunteer at their parish or school. **It contains important information about keeping our children and youth safe.**

The Diocese of Norwich offers two Praesidium programs. Both cover the same material, just in different formats. You can take the on-line program, **Praesidium**, or attend a one-time DVD presentation, **Called to Protect**.

The in person **Called to Protect** training classes are available on a very limited basis. **Praesidium** on line is available and is the preferred training at this time. For more information about in person training availability, contact the **OSE**. If you received training as a presenter of **Called to Protect** and are willing to conduct classes, please contact the Office for Safe Environment as soon as possible.

The **OSE** can be contacted to provide adult programs for parents, parishioners and all interested in keeping our youth safe, such as Setting Boundaries. A convenient time can be arranged.

Please contact the **Child Advocate** at your parish or school office in order to be enrolled, or for more information.

Kathy D'Amelio, Director OSE, 860-848-2237 ext.212

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SIGN-UP TODAY FOR THE 2026 CLUB

October is the time to register for the new 1000 Club. There are 12 drawings, October through September. The first drawings will be held on November 16th 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. If you are already a member, please consider buying a ticket and sponsoring another member. All proceeds benefit St. James School. Monthly awards total \$2000.00 per month consisting of twenty awards. Sponsors receive 10% of the first through six awards. You do not need a sponsor to join. Sponsors are those who sign up a member and are responsible for collecting their dues. A person must be a member before they can sponsor anyone.

An application for membership is below. Please include name, address, phone number and address. If you request a number and it is available, we will try to accommodate you. When sending in money, please place it in an envelope marked 1000 Club. You can place it in the weekly collection or mail it to the rectory at 12 Franklin Street, Danielson, CT. 06239. Drawings are held on the third Sunday of each month at 8:30AM in the church hall. We welcome your attendance at these drawings. If you have any questions, please contact us at SJS1000Club@stjamesdanielson.org or call the rectory at 860-774-3900.

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