

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...



In today's Gospel, Jesus heals the man born blind. The reactions are a comical commentary on people's efforts to live in unreality. Some refuse even to acknowledge that it is actually the man himself! He just looks like him, they say. Instead of rejoicing over the miracle, the Pharisees turn it into a legal argument over whether Jesus broke the law by healing on the Sabbath.

In the middle of this circus is the healed man, plain to see. He speaks truth to what is real. "Look all I know is that I was born blind. Yesterday I went to bed blind. This morning when I woke up, I was blind. Then I met Jesus. Now I am not blind." The more he recalls and recounts his encounter with Christ, the more his certitude, freedom, and boldness grow.

Lent affords us the opportunity to focus with ever-deepening gratitude and wonder on our own transformative encounter with Christ. The more we recall and recount it, the more our certitude, freedom and boldness grow.

Lent asks us to reflect Christ's light to the world. We are reminded that God looks beyond our external appearance and sees the depth of our hearts. Focusing on external appearances can be deceiving. The true beauty and character are revealed in one's actions, words, and intentions.

We are asked to seek to know people as God knows them—beyond surface—level appearances—and love them for who they truly are. As children of light, we are called to live in a way that shines God's love and light to the world. But we can't do it alone. We need to allow the Lord to shine on us, overcoming the forces of darkness that seek to extinguish our light.

Jesus is the light of the world, and He calls us to be lights as well. Jesus as the moon reflects the sun's light, we are called to reflect Christ's light in our lives. Our lives should be proof that Christ lives today. We may be the only Gospel that some people will ever read.

Heavenly Father, grant me the grace to recall with gratitude and wonder the presence of your Beloved Son.

Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

In seeking a King for the Israelites, Samuel traveled to Jesse of Bethlehem, who had seven sons. Commanded by God to ignore the elder sons, Samuel anointed the youngest, David.

Second Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14

Paul exhorts the Ephesians to live as "children of light" in goodness and truth and to avoid evil deeds "done in darkness."

Gospel: John 9:1-41

Jesus performs the miracle of giving sight to the man born blind. Because Jesus performed this miracle on the Sabbath, the Pharisees called him a "sinner," but the blind man said, "He is a prophet." Jesus later reveals to the blind man that He is the Son of Man.

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 -Small Christian Community every Thursday at 1PM. Please call to join – 860-481-9167.

Wednesday – Bingo canceled until Easter.

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.

Fifth Sunday Rosary – Fifth Sunday of every month after the 9 am mass

Holy Hour – Every Third Monday of the Month. Next Holy Hour: **March 16th at 7pm with rosary at 6:40PM.**

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 22nd, 23rd and 24th – 7PM - 8PM

Fr. Rosanno Soriano, M.S, Assistant Rector, La Salette Shrine, Attleboro, MA.

CONFESSIONS:

Every Saturday 3.45PM - 4.15PM, March 21st Saturday - 3PM – 4:15PM, March 28th Saturday - 3PM - 4.15PM, March 30th Monday - 9.30AM - 12PM

LAW OF FASTING = On Ash Wednesday & Good Friday. One full meal, two lighter meals, no eating between meals –binds those 18 to 59 years of age

LAW OF ABSTINENCE = No meat allowed on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of lent. Binds those 14 years and old

PAINTING AND RENOVATION PROJECT

Parishioners and Friends,
The Painting and Renovation project of the Church has already started and hope to complete all the works before the Holy Week. We have received \$92,775.00. Thank you for your generosity. Now I request your special prayers for the completion of the project.

We will continue with our regular Renovation Fund collections for the future day-to-day repairs and renovations of the Church, Rectory and Convent.

Special Announcements – Church Painting

*Painting and Renovations of the church will take 6 to 8 weeks, and all the church services will be held in the church hall. The hall is beautifully arranged and we also have lift chairs to go down to the hall.

*Baptisms and Funerals will be held as usual. Please call the office for more details about our facility in the church hall.

*Funerals with caskets will be at Our Lady of La Salette Church in Brooklyn, it will be arranged by our parish office.

*Saturday confessions (3.30pm-4.15pm) will be held at the Rectory, Please use the Ramp and the Front Door.

*All foods for the food pantry should be brought directly to the Food Pantry at Water Street.

*Bingo is canceled until further notice.

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.

Schedule for March 21 and March 22, 2026

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

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 December 31st, 2025, the donations have amounted to \$100,572.00.

MASSES

MONDAY, March 16,

9:00AM Pat Integlia
Peace in our World

**TUESDAY, March 17,
Saint Patrick, Bishop**

9:00AM Catherine & Joseph Flaherty...by family
Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, March 18,

Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

9:00AM Alice Hill...by family
Vocations to Religious Life

THURSDAY, March 19

Saint Joswph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary,

9:00AM Eugene Laime...by his wife
John Gallow, Jr...by his wife

FRIDAY, March 20,

9:00AM James McGlone...1st Anniversary...by family
Elizabeth Rondeau...by estate

SATURDAY, March 21,

4:30PM Pat Integlia...by wife, Linda
Graydon Robtoy...10 yr. Anniv...by family
Diane Landers...Anniversary...by Jean & Norma

SUNDAY, March 22,

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:00AM Fr. John O'Neill...by Paul Grenon
Stephen & Anna Szarkowicz...by family

9:00AM Lillian & Alphonse Bisson...by estate
Francis Barry...by family

Irene A. Rojcewicz...4 yr. Anniv...by Children &
Grandchildren

11:00AM Omer Thibodeau...8th Anniv... by family
Evelyn Champoux...2nd Anniv...by her daughter
Harold Coddington...by family

PARISH MISSION - MARCH 22, 23, 24TH 7 - 8PM

LASALLETTE 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

La Salette Mass intentions will be \$10 starting January 1st, 2026

2026 Mass Openings: Mass Intentions: \$10.00 each

7:00AM: 3/29; 4/12; 4/19; 4/26; 5/17; 5/31; 6/14; 6/21; 6/28;

7/05; 7/12; 8/02; 8/16; 8/23; 8/30; 9/13; 9/20; 9/27; 10/04;

9:00AM: 3/24; 3/25; 3/26; 3/27; 3/29; 3/30; 4/06; 4/07; 4/08;

4/09; 4/13; 4/14; 4/15; 4/16; 4/17; 4/20; 4/21;

11:00AM 3/29; 4/05; 4/12; 4/19; 5/03; 5/10; 5/17; 5/24; 5/31

4:30PM 3/28;4/11; 5/02; 5/30; 6/06; 6/13; 6/20; 7/04

WEEKLY OFFERING. 3/08. \$5054.00

St. James School S.O.S.3/08. \$3132.00

3/15 – Easter Flowers and ACA Collection;

3/22 – Renovation Fund

The 2025 Annual Statements will be provided to Weekly Envelope Users upon request. The request can be placed in the collection basket.

ACA envelopes are available on the tables in the church hall.

ALTAR FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS...

Please consider having an arrangement for our main Altar in memory of a loved one. The flowers in front of the tabernacle last week were donated by Alyssa Harvey. Flowers donated 3/21 – In Memory of Cecile Galarneau by Marguerite Grenier and family.

MARCH 15, 2026

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

CEMETERY NOTICE... Please remove all winter boxes, pots and other decorations from Holy Cross, St. James and St. Joseph's Cemeteries by March 23, 2026. All boxes and decorations left on the lots after this date will be removed and disposed of.

UP-COMING EVENTS FOR 2026 – ST. JAMES CHURCH

(Please add to your calendar)

ST. JOSEPH'S DAY – FAMILY EVENT: March 21, 2026 – 5.15 pm to 6.30 pm. (Church Hall, by Vocation Committee)

PARISH MISSION: March 22, 23 & 24, 2026 - 7pm to 8pm.

LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE: March 21 & 28, 3pm – 4.15pm, March 30 - 9.30 am to Noon.

CHURCH CLEANING: Volunteers: March 28 - 9 am to 11pm.

FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY: March 29, 2026 - after the 9 am mass.

HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS: March 29 – April 05, 2026

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: April 12, 2026 – 3pm

FIRST COMMUNION: May 2, 2026 -11 am.

SPAGHETTI DINNER: May 2, 2026 – 5.15 pm, after the 4.30 mass

CROWNING OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: May 3, 2026 – 9 am Mass, (CCD)

MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION: May 09, 2026 -2 pm -4 pm, (Church Hall, Vocation Committee)

GOLDEN JUBILEE (50) OF ORDINATION – Fr. Rene Parent: May 17, 2026, 11am Mass

MEMORIAL DAY MASS: May 25, 2026 – 9 am. (Cemetery)

FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY: May 31, 2026 - after the 9 am mass.

Phone Numbers of Persons In charge – Please contact

St. James School: Catherine Reed – 860-774-3281

Religious Ed: Mary Chappell – 508-615-1621

Religious Ed: Marcia Bardin – 860-634-3915

OCIA: Bev Richardson – 860-792-8054

K of C: Shawn Whiston – 860-382-5897

Vocation Committee: Dn. Joseph Delaney – 860-319-9536

La Salette Laity: Marcia Bardin -860-634-3915

Altar Servers: Ernest Charron – 860-614-5096

Eucharistic Ministers: Sue Griffiths – 860-774-0321

Lectors: Sue Griffiths/ Ernest Charron - 860-774-0321 / 860-614-5096

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.

3/14 – Cindy; 3/28 – Sisters of Adoration.

2026 ACA News:

Today our parish will be conducting the in-pew collection for the 2026 Annual Catholic appeal, "One Faith, One Family". From ministry to the sick, food and shelter programs, to our youth, clergy and religious, your donations are vital to meet the needs of our community and parishes. Uncertain and difficult times have increased the demands placed on our ministries. We ask that you please show your support by placing your completed pledge card or envelope in the collection basket or you may visit

www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org or call (860) 886-1928 to donate.

St. James School News: Thank you to the families and friends that donated to the calendar raffle. It was a huge success this year raising over \$8,000 for the school.

Wednesday	18-Feb	\$100	Danielle Palazzi
Thursday	19-Feb	\$20	Kathy Chester
Friday	20-Feb	\$20	Melissa Slater
Saturday	21-Feb	\$20	Donna D'Andrea
Sunday	22-Feb	\$50	Paul Cantelli
Monday	23-Feb	\$20	Anne Cote
Tuesday	24-Feb	\$20	Jessica Lefebvre
Wednesday	25-Feb	\$20	Alicia Lambert
Thursday	26-Feb	\$20	Sean Grant
Friday	27-Feb	\$20	Roberto Melanson
Saturday	28-Feb	\$20	Allyson and Brian Proppe
Sunday	1-Mar	\$50	Daniel Petre Sr.
Monday	2-Mar	\$20	Holly Deffley
Tuesday	3-Mar	\$20	Mary Ann Weigel
Wednesday	4-Mar	\$20	Jim Siekerski
Thursday	5-Mar	\$20	Angie Milestone
Friday	6-Mar	\$20	Meylinda Burton
Saturday	7-Mar	\$20	Marguerite Grenier

CONGRATULATIONS! TO OUR ST. JAMES SCHOOL SPRING SUPER RAFFLE WINNERS FOR MARCH 7, 2026:



\$5000 – Wayne Logee

\$2000 – Paul Grenon

\$1000 – Linda Integlia

\$500 - Roland Lupien

\$500 - Lillian Laime

50/50 Winner:

\$500 - Ben Todd

Thank you to all who participated in this raffle.

Eucharistic Ministers are needed for 4:30PM & 9:00AM Masses. Please consider partaking in this beautiful ministry for our parish. Call the rectory 860-774-3900.

1000 CLUB NEWS:

The next 1000 Club Drawing will be on Sunday, March 15th in church basement at 8:15AM. Please notice the change in time. All are welcome to attend.

We still have open numbers in the club. If you know someone who would like to join, please contact us at SJS1000Club@stjamesdanielson.org or call the St. James Rectory at 860-774-3900.



ST. JAMES CHURCH VOCATION COMMITTEE PRESENTS...

CATHOLIC FAMILY SHOWDOWN

SATURDAY MARCH 21, 2026 AFTER THE 4:30PM MASS AT ST. JAMES SCHOOL CAFETERIA

A NIGHT OF FAMILY, FUN, & FELLOWSHIP IN HONOR OF THE FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

All are welcome to this free event!

BIBLE TRIVIA NIGHT
PIZZA, POPCORN, & PRIZES!



Sign up by March 18th, 2026

Family Name: _____

Number of people attending: _____

RETURN THIS FORM TO ST. JAMES SCHOOL, OR THE CHURCH OFFERTORY BASKET.

CONNECTICUT MARCH FOR LIFE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18TH – PRO-LIFE MASS & BUS TRIP TO STATE CAPITOL.

This year’s Connecticut March for Life will be the biggest pro-life advocacy event in our State’s history! Join us in The Support of Life from conception to natural death. Our Message of love for unborn children and their mothers will be seen and heard by every member of the legislature and across the State! Cost of trip is \$20 per person.

Details of State Capitol bus trip and Application are available on tables in Church Hall

Pope Leo’s Intention for the Month of March:

For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

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