

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...



"Jesus I trust in you!"

Today we celebrate the extraordinary gift of Divine Mercy. God revealed His mercy, first and foremost, in sending His only begotten Son to become our Savior and Lord through His suffering, death and Resurrection. The Risen Lord continued to show His Divine Mercy to the sick through the healing and preaching ministry of the apostles in the early Church.

Jesus is the face of divine mercy, revealed through His acts of unconditional forgiveness toward the disciples. Mercy and forgiveness are the heartbeat of God's love. Where mercy flows, forgiveness follows. And today His mercy flows into our hearts and continues to strengthen us.

The early Christian community, practiced sharing love, compassion and the mercy of God as Jesus taught. By practicing both corporal and spiritual works of mercy, by obeying God's Old Testament commandments and focusing on Jesus' commandment of loving others as He loves us, they taught us the selfless, sacrificial, sharing love.

Loving others as Jesus loves us also demands that we treat others with God's mercy and compassion. There is a need to accept God's invitation to celebrate and practice mercy in our Christian lives. And there are ways to receive God's mercy throughout the year: by way of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, by finding time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and through the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

The call that we receive on this feast of the Divine Mercy is to surrender ourselves to God to serve those we encounter with love. The living faith which we experience enables us to see the risen Lord in everyone and gives us the willingness to render to each one our loving service.

Let us create a culture of mercy and forgiveness, where wounds are healed, and relationships restored. Let us remember that we are called to be ambassadors of God's mercy. And as ambassadors, we can only give to others what we have received from the Master. He has shown us mercy – let us share it with others.

Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER OR SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47

In the early days of the Church in Jerusalem, the faithful listened intently to the teachings of the apostles. They lived a communal life, sharing all property in common and praying and taking their meals together.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

In this first letter from Peter, he speaks to the Christians with great joy and confidence, reminding them that through Christ's resurrection, they have been given a new birth and are heirs to the kingdom of heaven.

Gospel: John 20:19-31

After his resurrection, Jesus appears to his disciples and gives them the power to forgive sins. Thomas, who is absent, sees Christ later and believes in His resurrection after feeling His wounds. Christ admonishes Thomas by saying, "You became a believer because you saw Me. Blessed are they who have not seen and believed."

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:

April 20th at 7pm with rosary at 6:40PM.

**EASTER SEASON PRAYER FOR PRIESTS**

Almighty, and ever-living God, we, your Church, celebrate your Son, Jesus Christ, risen from the dead. We pray for those you have raised up for priestly ministry, who share the joy of the resurrection and the living sacrifice of Christ. Bless them with new life as they proclaim the Good News of Christ, our great High Priest. Bestow your Holy Spirit on them, lead us all to follow Christ our Way, our Truth, our Life. Let us join the Angels and Saints around the throne of the Lamb singing Alleluia! Now and for eternity. Hear us as we pray, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

Schedule for April 18 and April 19, 2026

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

The Mystery of Religious Life Retreat

*Have you felt God calling you to something more? Are you a woman, age 17-35, truly searching for your vocation? Then come, discover "The Mystery of Religious Life" on the SCMC discernment retreat weekend **April 17th -19th**.*

Take the next step on your spiritual journey and join the Sisters at their Motherhouse in Baltic, CT for a weekend of prayer and reflection—a perfect space to ask questions and listen to where the Spirit is leading you. For more information, please contact Sister Gabriela, SCMC:

vocations@sistersofcharity.com or visit sistersofcharity.com/discernment-and-retreats/

Diocesan News:

Trail Rides with Bishop Reidy

Youth ages 13–18 are invited to join Bishop Reidy for a special day of trail riding on Saturday, April 18th at C & L Stables in Goddard Park, East Greenwich, RI. Ride times are available at 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM, and 1:30 PM. Participants must weigh under 200 pounds and be in good physical condition. The cost is \$35, and advance registration with a completed waiver is required. Space is limited to 30 participants, registration required.

To begin the registration process, visit: <https://forms.office.com/r/5Seg9Bh2cN>
For more information, contact Liza Roach at lroach@norwichdiocese.net.

MARIAN SHRINE ALTAR FLOWER ARRANGEMENT...

The flower arrangement for the Blessed Mother’s Altar is open for the month of April & May. Please consider having an arrangement for Our Blessed Mother’s Altar in memory of a loved one. The flower arrangement donation for the Blessed Mother’s Altar for the week of 4/18 is in memory of Regan & Gretien Benthall by Margaret Grenier. .

MASSES

MONDAY, April 13,

9:00AM Louise Gates...by Helene LaBelle
Souls in Purgatory

TUESDAY, April 14,

9:00AM Departed Souls of the Adoration Sisters
Vocations to Religious Life

WEDNESDAY, April 15,

9:00AM John Gallow Jr...by his wife, Rita
The sick of our parish

THURSDAY, April 16,

9:00AM Paula Magao...by Wayne & Jason Magao
Jeannette Auger...by estate

FRIDAY, April 17,

9:00AM Ann Ternowchek
Arthur, Marie & Imelda Brodeur...by family

SATURDAY, April 18,

4:30PM Diane Landers...1st Anniversary...by family
Vance Carter...by Paul

SUNDAY, April 19,

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:00AM Rene Barbeau Sr...by Paul
Sr. Anila...by the Rzucidlo family
9:00AM Edward & Blanche Desaulnier...by family
Mary Giberson...by family
Francis Barry...by family
11:00AM Joseph A. Pelletier...birthday...by family
Jasmin Floyd...1st Anniversary...by a friend

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

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

2026 Mass Openings: Mass Intentions: \$10.00 each

7:00AM: 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: 4/20; 4/21;
11:00AM: 5/03; 5/10; 5/17; 5/24; 5/31
4:30PM: 5/02; 5/30; 6/06; 6/13; 6/20; 7/04

WEEKLY OFFERING 4/05 \$6658.00

Easter Offering. 4/05 \$5465.00

Sick & Infirm Priest's 4/05 \$1775.00

4/12 - Mother's Day Memorial Donation; 4/19 – Renovation Fund; 4/26 – School Support.

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

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.

UP-COMING EVENTS FOR 2026 – ST. JAMES CHURCH
(Please add to your calendar)

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.
GRADE 8 GRADUATION MASS: June 5, 2026
CORPUS CHRISTI: June 7, 2026 –Adoration after 11 am mass – 4 pm, Vocation Committee)
FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART: June 12, 2026
FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATION: June 21, 2026 after the 9am mass
FEAST OF ST. JAMES: July 25-26, 2026
PARISH PICNIC: July 26, 2026 -11.45 am.
FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY: August 30, 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. 4/18 – by Cindy, Lisa; 4/25 – by Sisters of Adoration.

1000 Club News:

Our next drawing will be on Sunday, **April 19, 2026** in the church basement at 8:30 AM. 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.
 Hoping everyone has a wonderful Easter!!
 Joanne & Kathy

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 March 17, 2025, the donations have amounted to \$101,072.00.

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

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. Here is the final calendar raffle information!

Sunday	22-Mar	\$50 Alicia Lambert
Monday	23-Mar	\$20 Lucille Farrell
Tuesday	24-Mar	\$20 Kathy Chester
Wednesday	25-Mar	\$20 James Brown
Thursday	26-Mar	\$20 Joanne Wippert
Friday	27-Mar	\$20 Raymond Brown
Saturday	28-Mar	\$20 Christa Whittenburg
Sunday	29-Mar	\$100 Jay Martucci
Monday	30-Mar	\$20 Karen Cantelli
Tuesday	31-Mar	\$20 Arnie Goulette
Wednesday	1-Apr	\$20 David and Joan Duignan
Thursday	2-Apr	\$100 Billie Beane
Friday	3-Apr	\$100 Roberta Melanson
Saturday	4-Apr	\$20 Eileen Slegag
Sunday	5-Apr	\$250 Jean Louise Boisvert

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.



MOST REVEREND
RICHARD F. REIDY

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"Why do you seek the living one among the dead? He is not here...He has been raised" (Luke 24:5). The angelic announcement to the women at Jesus' tomb on Easter forever changed their lives and our world. Laden with spices to anoint the body of the One in whom they had placed their hopes--- hopes that had seemingly been dashed with Jesus' Good Friday death on the Cross--- the grieving women could not immediately comprehend the news. They were, at one and the same time, amazed and fearful, puzzled and overjoyed. They had struggled to make sense of His death. Now, they struggled to make sense of His Resurrection. And then the Risen Jesus greeted them, *"Do not be afraid."* They remembered His words (He would rise on the third day), and leaving behind their grief and the spices to anoint the dead, with joy, they ran to tell the good news about the One who was very much alive.

In the Easter Sequence we hear *"Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous..."* Contend they did. Sin, death and evil threw everything they had at Jesus on Calvary. With His death on the Cross, they seemed to win. But goodness, mercy and life had the last word. *"He is not here. He has been raised."*

Sin, death and evil cast shadows in our world and wreak havoc in our lives. Wars abroad, rancor and division at home, injustice and indifference among peoples, cause hardship, loss and sorrow. We need to recall and nurture the hope that Easter brings. Belief in the Resurrection and trust in Christ's promises are the antidote that gives ballast in storms and hope in trials so that we may know that all hardship, loss and sorrows, however real, will pass with the triumph of God's goodness, mercy and life.

May that hope give you peace and joy in this Easter Season and throughout the whole of your life.

In Christ,

Most Reverend Richard F. Reidy
Bishop of Norwich



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Father Roy Parayil M.S., at
860-774-3900 for information.
Please consider spending
a weekend with the LaSallettes.

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