

ST. JAMES CHURCH

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July 5, 2026

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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.

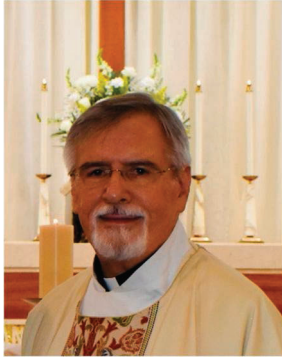
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 3:45 to 4:15 pm in the church, or by appointment.

HOSPITAL & HOME VISITS

Please notify the priests of family illnesses.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace ... Amen.



Father Rene L. Parent, M.S., (July 2, 1949 – June 21, 2026)

Father Rene was a very organized person, very easy to work with and a very quiet and gentle soul who was much loved by the parishioners in the churches in which he ministered. As well as caring for his spiritual flock, he also took care of his brother Paul who had special needs till his passing 3 years ago.

It was a dream come true for Fr. Rene to visit La Salette in September 2025 in preparation for his Golden Jubilee. He also visited Rome and concelebrated with Pope Leo XIV at the Holy Mass in St. Peter's Square for the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality on October 12, 2025.

Two days before his passing I spent over two hours with Fr. Rene sharing our memories of St. James Parish. He expressed his happiness of being with us in our small La Salette community, bigger St. James family and the meals together with the office staff. He wanted to thank everyone for celebrating his jubilee and for all your cards and gifts. I also read to him all the prayer cards sent to him during his illness, and he was so grateful for your love.

It is always difficult to say goodbye to someone we love and cherish. But we believe in the hope that he is in the hands of God. He is not alone; we are with him in prayer.

Let us remember the words of Our Lord "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Have faith in God and faith in me... I shall come back to take you with me, that where I am, you also may be. You know the way that leads to where I go." We pray for Fr. Rene that he may complete the journey to heaven. Say with faith, Fr. Rene, you belong to Christ...

Thank you everyone for your presence and prayers at the funeral of Fr. Rene.

Let us continue praying for his departed soul.
Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S.

America celebrates 250!

Let us join our hands together for the integrity of the nation and pray that God will continue to bless America, the home of the free and the land of the brave. Let us also pray for all those men and women who made the supreme sacrifice for the precious gift of freedom. And let me wish you all a happy, wonderful and joyful celebration.



Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S.

DAYDREAMS OF A PASTOR...

On June 29th we celebrated the feast of the martyrdom of the two principal apostles, St. Peter and St. Paul, who played crucial roles in the establishment and spread of early Christianity. And on July 3rd we celebrated the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle to India.

The joint celebration of Saints Peter and Paul shows the nature of their missions and contributions to the Church. St. Thomas's wonderful profession of faith, "My Lord and My God" is the clearest declaration of Jesus' divinity in the Holy Scriptures.

By celebrating these feasts, we are reminded of the enduring legacy of Peter, Paul and Thomas, inspiring us to continue their mission of spreading the Gospel and strengthening the Church.

God chooses us just as we are, not the ideal but the real self, with all our perfections and imperfections. Jesus gives us new identity and a new mission. Jesus has plans for us. Are we ready to let him form and transform us, shape and send us? God will strengthen and guide us and help us finish our race.

Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Zechariah 9:9-10

This is a prophecy of the coming of the Messiah to Jerusalem. He will come, not as a King, but as a humble savior, riding on an ass.

Second Reading: Romans 8:9, 11-13

Contrasting “flesh and spirit,” Paul urges that all who live for material things abandon the temptations of the flesh and rise to life in the “Spirit.”

Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus speaks lovingly and gently when he invites all those who are weary and burdened with life to seek relief and respite in him. He says, “Your souls will find rest, for my yoke is easy and my burden light.”

UP-COMING EVENTS FOR 2026 – ST. JAMES CHURCH

(Please add to your calendar)

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.

INTERNATIONAL LA SALETTE LAITY DAY: September 10, 2026

LA SALETTE NOVENA AND FEAST: September 12 - 20, 2026

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS: October 3, 2026 - 11 am

(Parking Lot, K of C)

4th ANNIVERSARY – FR. JOHN: October 11, 2026

CONFIRMATION: October 28, 2026 – 7 pm.

NOVEMBER 1, 2026: Veneration of Saints’ Relics, 7 am to 12 pm.

IFTH SUNDAY ROSARY: November 29, 2026, After the 9 am mass.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: December 05, 2026

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS – Pilgrimage to La Salette: December 12, 2026

CLEANING

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

CHURCH CLEANING: Volunteers: December 19 - 9am to 12pm.

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

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

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.

7/04 – Lisa; 7/18 –Cindy; 7/25 – Lisa; 8/01- The Sisters.

Schedule for July 11th and July 12, 2026

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

MARIAN SHRINE ALTAR FLOWER ARRANGEMENT...

The flower arrangement for the Blessed Mother’s Altar is open for the month of July & August. Please consider having an arrangement for Our Blessed Mother’s Altar in memory of a loved one. 7/04 - Richard Grenier ...34th Anniv...by Grenier family; 7/18 IMO Elizabeth Rondeau...by Rudy & family; 7/25 IMO Rita LeBeau by family; 8/01 - 56th Wedding Anniversary.by Sue Griffiths.

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.

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:

July 19th at 7pm with rosary at 6:40PM.

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.

MASSES

MONDAY, July 6,

Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr

9:00AM Fr. Rene Parent
Vocations

TUESDAY, July 7,

9:00AM Ben Desaulnier...by family
Joseph & Dorothy Regan...by family

WEDNESDAY, July 8,

9:00AM Departed Souls of the Adoration Sisters
James & Joan Kent...by family

THURSDAY, July 9,

Saint Augustine, Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

9:00AM Fr. Rene Parent
Sick of the parish

FRIDAY, July 10,

9:00AM Vance Carter...by Joan

SATURDAY, July 11,

Saint Benedict, Abbot

4:30PM David Weaver...by family
Paula Magao...by Paul Grenon

SUNDAY, July 12,

THE FIFTHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:00AM Fr. John O'Neill...by Paul Grenon
Sheila Manning...by the Rzucidlo family
Pauline & Graydon Robtoy...Birthday...by family
9:00AM John Burns, Jr...by children & grandchildren
Michael Belmont...by family
11:00AM Vivian Reddy...by McMeriam Family
Peace in our world

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

2026 Mass Openings: Mass Intentions: \$10.00 each

7:00AM: 7/19; 8/30; 9/13; 9/20; 10/11; 10/18
9:00AM: 7/06; 7/09; 7/10; 7/13; 7/14; 7/15; 7/16; 7/21; 7/23; 7/26; 7/27; 7/28; 7/29; 7/30; 7/31; 8/02; 8/03; 8/04; 8/05; 8/09
11:00AM: 7/12; 7/19; 8/02; 8/16; 8/23; 8/30; 8/13; 9/20; 9/27; 10/25; 11/08; 11/15; 11/29; 12/13;
4:30PM: 9/05; 9/19; 10/03; 11/07; 11/21

WEEKLY OFFERING ENVELOPES: Please... remember to complete the envelope with amount you are giving. It's a big help to our Money Counters.

WEEKLY OFFERING . . . See next week... 7/05 – School Support; 7/12 – Renovation fund

Vigil Lights are burning brightly for... the repose of the soul of Fr. Rene Parent, M.S.

POURINGS AND PASSAGES BOOKSTORE... A used bookstore 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

Diocesan News:

Pilgrimage to the Shrines of St. Kateri & The North American Martyrs Tuesday, July 14th, The Feast of St. Kateri. Join Bishop Reidy as we head to Upstate NY to the National Shrine of St. Kateri and The Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs. Travel by Dattco motorcoach and picnic lunch included. Cost for the day is \$80 per person. Checks payable to Diocese of Norwich. Call 860-887-9294 to reserve your place and for more information. Organized by Fr. Brian Maxwell.

SJS Teaching Vacancies

St. James School is seeking to fill the following vacancy for the 2026 - 2027 school year:

**** Middle School Math & Science Teacher**

**Applications and references accepted by Email to: Catherine Reed, Principal
Send to: c.reed@stjamesdanielson.org**

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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.

PLANNING A WEDDING...Arrangements for your marriage should be made with the Church first, as this is the most important part of your wedding day. To secure your wedding date with the church you must first have the initial interview with one of the priests and also have paid the church deposit.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Strengthen your marriage this summer through a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend at Holy Family Retreat Center from August 28–30, 2026. This residential experience offers couples an opportunity to reconnect, reflect, and deepen their relationship with one another and with God. Space is limited and filling quickly. For more information or to register, contact Frank and Margie Pearson at (860) 337-2447 or visit <https://wwmectw.org/applyWeekend.php>

Diocesan News:

2026 ACA update: As of May 29, 2026, **Saint James Parish, Danielson** has donated **\$22,212.96** or **63.73%** of its goal, and **11.11%** 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, 2026. With your donation, our ACA supported ministries do the work of Christ every day. If you have not made your contribution to the 2026 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
Interim Executive Director
Office of Development
The Diocese of Norwich
<https://www.norwichdiocesedevelopment.org/>

RETRouvaille OF CT

If your marriage has become distant, troubled, unloving or uncaring; if you are divorced or separated but want to try again, Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille provides tools to communicate better, resolve conflicts fairly, and re-discover why you fell in love in the first place. Our next Marriage Workshop Weekend is September 18-20, 2026 in Windsor, CT. Contact us today for information or to register: helpourmarriage.org or (860) 837-0447.

Steve & Cheryl Thomas
Community Outreach Couple
Retrouvaille of CT and Western MA

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The Putnam Business Association Pluck-A-Duck Event is scheduled for August 9 & 10!! St. James School is one of 37 non-profit organizations who will keep a portion of every ticket they sell. Nearly 100 prizes available. Tickets are \$5 each. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, you may contact Courtney Eslin at 860-428-6690 or Casey Hardell at 860-2555.

Congratulations to the following winners of the St. James 1000 Club!

June 2026

\$1000	Peggy Hawkins	#510
\$300	Barbara Jasmin	#477
\$200	David & Stacey Smith	#456
\$100	Cheryl Veilleux	#790
\$50	Ellen Wilson	#848
\$50	Elisabeth Parden	#133
\$25	Marion Myre	#488
\$25	Cheryl Dubois	#123
\$25	Kevin Gaudreau	#37
\$25	Barbara Tomovick	#664
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\$20	Paul Ducat	#300
\$20	Tara Kerchaw	#738
\$20	Willie Desaulnier	#429
\$20	Richard & Tiffany Beach	#121
\$20	Amber Jewell	#462
\$20	Paula Brown	#426
\$20	Sarah & Will Nattress	#802
\$20	Lukas Kocan	#312
\$20	Troy Warner	#486

Door Prize #1 Pat Pelletier
 Door Prize #2 David Cournoyer

Our next drawing will be on Sunday, July, 19, 2026 in the church basement at 8:30AM. All are welcome to attend.

Wishing all of our fathers, grandfathers and great-grandfathers a blessed Happy Fathers' Day!!

Joanne & Kathy

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 6PM. All profits benefit St. James School. Bingo workers are also needed. Please call Bob Codding @ 860-481-9167.

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The LaSalette Fathers and Brothers are looking for a few good men to join their Community.

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