St. James Church

12 Franklin Street - Danielson, Connecticut 06239



St. James Church is staffed by the La Salette Missionaries

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November 15, 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

Religious Education Directors
Mary E. McMahon-Chappell
508-615-1621
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860-634-3915

St. James School Principal
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…

Faithfully Stewarding God's Gifts!

God calls us to advance his reign through our talents, virtues, and gifts. To do so, we must trust in his mercy and presence and leave behind our fears. God gives us all we need for this work, especially in the Eucharist.

We find the parable of the talents in the Gospel. The parable comes from Jesus' eschatological discourse delivered near the end of His public ministry. It speaks of the final judgement and calls us to vigilance, fidelity, and spiritual fruitfulness as we await the return of our Divine Master. The reminder of God's final judgement is especially fitting as we near the end of the Liturgical Year, in anticipation of the Solemnity of Christ the King next weekend.

The talents represent the spiritual gifts, graces, charisms, and opportunities God entrusts to each soul for the building up of His Kingdom. This raises a profound question: Why are these gifts given in differing measures? Why does one soul receive five, another two, and another only one? Is God unjust in the distribution of His mercy? The answer lies in the mystery that, although every soul has the capacity to receive the infinite God who dwells within, not all cooperate with His grace to the same degree.

God has already placed within each soul every spiritual treasure – every grace and gift we need. Yet our experience of those treasures – weather five talents, two, or one – depends upon our willingness to embark on the inner journey of prayer, purification, and transformation. So, is God unjust in the distribution of His mercy? Certainly not. Each of us is capable of receiving and manifesting that mercy in abundance.

God has uniquely gifted each one of us with talents and abilities. God wants us to be spiritually rich. He desires that we use the interior treasure of grace flowing from His indwelling presence. He wants to multiply every spiritual gift we have and use them for His glory and the salvation of souls. Not a single person is without a special purpose or gift. However, it is up to us to discover, nurture, and multiply these talents. We must not burry them or let them go to waste but instead look inward and listen to our hearts.

Fr. Roy Parayil, M.S.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
An encomium for a good and worthy wife, this passage from Proverbs extols all the virtues which a worthy wife possesses – fidelity, industriousness, skill, charity to the poor, and fear of the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Once again, Paul reassures the Thessalonians, who are anxious about the coming of Christ, that they need not fear being unprepared because they are "children of light."

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30
Jesus narrates the parable of the talents – in the story, the silver pieces given to the three men. Two of the men invest their coins and double their worth, but the third buries his coins in the ground and earns no return. The message of Jesus is that we must use to the fullest the talents we have received.

The Vigil Lights are burning brightly for the Staff and Workers from our St. Francis of Assisi Food Pantry.

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: **November 16th at 7pm with rosary at 6:40PM.**

UP-COMING EVENTS FOR 2026 – ST. JAMES CHURCH
(Please add to your calendar)
PANCAKE BREAKFAST: November 15, 2026, After the 9 am mass
FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY: November 29, 2026, After the 9 am mass.
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: December 05, 2026
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS – La Salette Pilgrimage: December 12, 2026
CLEANING
CHURCH CLEANING: Volunteers: December 19 - 9am to 12pm.

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
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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
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"CHRIST, LIGHT OF PEACE"

NOVEMBER 21, 2026 - JANUARY 3, 2027

Experience the beauty, joy, and wonder of La Salette's Christmas Festival of Lights, where more than **1,000,000 lights** transform the Shrine into a welcoming celebration of faith, hope, and peace.

Inspired by this year's theme, **"Christ, Light of Peace,"** the festival invites families and visitors of all ages to encounter the true meaning of Christmas.

St. James Parish is organizing a Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette

Date: Saturday, December 12, 2026.

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 6, 2026.

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 3rd 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_____

Schedule for November 21st and November 22, 2026

	4:30PM	7:00AM
E. Minister:	Sisters	Susan Griffiths
	Maggie Bond	Maggie Grenier
Lector:	Ernie Charron	Julie Dupont
	9:00AM	**11:00AM**
E. Minister:	Jeff Gerardi	Denis Bessette
	Sisters	Peter Gerardi
Lector:	Marcia Baridin	Stephen Houle

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

Please pick up your 2026 Church Collection Envelopes near the front entrances to the Church.

MASSES

MONDAY, November 16,
Saint Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin
9:00AM Tessie Kruchinsky…by her family
Sick in our parish

TUESDAY, November 17,
Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
9:00AM Marcello & Jean Caruso…by family
Vocations for Priests & Religious Life

WEDNESDAY, November 18,
The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles; Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
9:00AM Mr. & Mrs. V. Gregoire…by family
Joan & Paul Mac…by family

THURSDAY, November 19,
9:00AM Victoria Geary…by family
Frank, Sal & Florence Colonna…by family

FRIDAY, November 20,
9:00AM John Codding…by family
Doris Gamelin…Profession of Franciscan
…by her sister, Murial
John Szimanouskas…by his family

SATURDAY, November 21,
The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
4:30PM The Cassettari & Lucchesi family…
by the Panteleakos family
Fr. Rene Parent…by Paul Grenon
Selestino & Elvira Simoes' …by daughter, Maria

SUNDAY, November 22,
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
7:00AM Gerry Grenon…by family
Souls in Purgatory
9:00AM Walter Crabtree, Sr…40th Anniv…by Joan Carter
Clarence & Cecile Lemoine…by JoAnn
Bob Dragon & sons, Michael & Patrick…by family
11:00AM Marian Waterman…1st Anniversary…by family
Fr. LeCours…by the Terwilliger family
Donald D. McLeod…1st Anniversary…by family

LA SALETTE 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 Danny D. for a speedy recovery…by JoAnn

2026 Mass Openings: Mass Intentions: $15.00 each

7:00AM: 11/29; 12/06.
9:00AM: 11/26; 11/27; 11/29; 11/30; 12/01; 12/03; 12/10; 12/11; 12/14; 12/15; 12/16; 12/17; 12/18; 12/21; 12/22; 12/27.
11:00AM: 12/27.

WEEKLY OFFERING…. 11/08…See next week's bulletin
Nov. 15th – School Support; Nov. 22nd – Renovation Fund; Nov. 29th – Year End 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.

11/14 – Cindy;11/21 – Ed & Adelle Robinson; 11/28 – Lisa.

K of C Winter Coats Collection Box in the Church Hall . Please consider donating good used winter coats. A good way to assist those in need in our local community.



Knights of Columbus Council #2883
Location: St. James Church Hall, 12 Franklin Street, Danielson, CT
Sunday, November 15, after the 9AM Mass

Come join us for Join in the Saint James Church Hall! Breakfast includes Pancakes with Maple Syrup, Sausage, Juice and Coffee

Donations Accepted

St. James School News:

The 8th graders will soon be starting their fundraiser for their class trip. Since the GIFT CARD CALENDAR has been so successful, we are doing that again. We are assembling all the gift cards now and the calendars should be ready by Thanksgiving and will be on sale until January 1.
They will be $10....no price increase and remember they make great stocking stuffers or for the person you want to give a little something to.... or even for yourself!
The St. James parishioners have always been so supportive. We thank you!

Dear Friends of St. James School,

For the past eleven years, Pourings and Passages Bookstore on Main Street in Danielson has been raising money for St. James School with all monies raised after expenses donated to this cause. In recent years, a significant increase in our operating expenses (rent, utilities, cleaning, insurance, supplies, etc.) has hampered our ability to raise enough money to sustain our current yearly contribution to our school ($25,000). Unless we have a significant increase in sales, that contribution will regrettably be reduced next May.

As proprietor of the bookstore, I am asking you to make Pourings and Passages one of your frequent shopping stops. In addition to 25,000+ gently used books, we also stock greeting cards, religious articles, jigsaw puzzles, household items, collectibles, framed prints and photographs, music, movies, toys and games, and great gift items. Through the generosity of Sister Lesley and the St. James Craft Group, we also sell their beautiful handmade jewelry and seasonal crafts. We can truly be your one stop books and gifts store!

Pourings and Passages Bookstore is open Wednesday to Saturday from 10am to 5pm (closed Sunday to Tuesday, most federal holidays, and very snowy days). Our telephone number is 860-774-1712. Please help us make the Christmas shopping season and all the days in the new year "one for the books!" By doing so, you give our students the greatest gift of all: the funds to support their education and thus secure for them a very bright future! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! God bless you all!
Jim Weigel,
Parishioner and Proprietor,
Pourings and Passages Book Store

Autumn in New England

How Blessed we are with the beauty of this season, as the trees transform into a vibrant show of color.

Here at Friends of Assisi Food Pantry we are busily preparing for our 36th Annual Thanksgiving Distribution. We sure hope you will join our food drive!!

Saturday Nov. 21st, 10 - 4 and
Sunday Nov. 22nd, 12 – 3
at 77 Water Street
(Home of Friends of Assisi)
Monday, Nov. 23rd, 3 – 5:30 at St. James Gym

Thank you for Sharing!!



Wish List

Apples
Box Mashed potatoes
Broth
Canned Yams
Gravy
Pickles & Olives
Rolls
Squash & Turnips
Sweet Potatoes
Grocery Store Gift Cards
Monetary Donations

Thank you so much!
860-774-2310

NOVEMBER 15, 2026 **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

directorfoodpantry@gmail.com

Friends of Assisi Food Pantry

77 Water St. Danielson, CT 06239
860-774-2310

For I was Hungry and You gave me food….

Matthew25: 35

Autumn 2026

Dear Father Roy and St. James Friends,

Thanksgiving Blessings from Friends of Assisi Food Pantry

Hello to all our dear friends! It is that beautiful time of year again; Autumn in New England. As we drive down country roads, the leaves gracefully flutter down, the colors are stunning, and the homes proudly display magnificent mums and plump pumpkins. There is a lovely sense of serenity, and we are grateful for this beautiful season in New England.

As we begin to prepare for our 36th Thanksgiving, we take a minute to reflect upon the past Thanksgivings. Many may remember our first distribution in the parking lot of the St. James Rectory so many years ago. It was over 36 years ago that we started in a tiny little basement room in the rectory with Father John O'Neill's blessing. (Rest in peace.) A few years later we moved right down the road and rented from Clay Hooper the little building on the corner. Moving forward, we bought the building and later with the help of Dan Santos CPA and a very large stack of paperwork, we were able to obtain our 501C3 tax exempt. What a journey it has been! Throughout these many years, we have witnessed miracles in our dear little building, so we started calling it the building of miracles. Another miracle we see each day is the devotion and generosity of our faithful donors for all these many years.

We especially thank you dear donors for: **food and monetary donations**

We remember one day when we ran out of peanut butter. (a main staple in the boxes) Our volunteers in the backroom were concerned: "now what will we do, we have no Peanut Butter to put in the boxes?" Within five minutes of their worry, a donor came to the back door with 24 jars of peanut butter, the same number of clients we served that morning!!

Along with the many miracles, we've faced many challenges. We had burst pipes one winter with massive flooding from upstairs.

Most recently our food coordinator arrived this past Monday morning only to find a river in the front room and a hole in the ceiling, from the driving rain and wind!! But as always; God provides through our generous donors, and we are looking forward to a new roof to start our renovations.

We also are looking forward to serving our neighbors in need of a bountiful Thanksgiving Basket, in keeping our tradition of 36 years.

We are grateful to each of you for your encouragement in helping to keep us strong enough to face challenges, yet kind enough to treat our people with dignity and grace.

Gratefully,

Jean M. Cyr Director	Melinda D. French Assistant Director	Colleen Brignole Financial Administrator
Karen E Walsh Statistician	Jane LaFleche Food Coordinator	Jennifer Litke Board Member

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