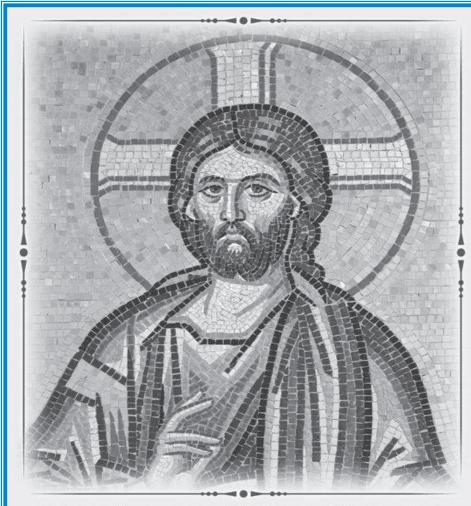


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THE SACRAMENTAL LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sacrament of the Eucharist:

Weekdays: Mon.– Fri.: 7:30 am Weekend: Vigil: 5:00pm Saturday

Sunday Morning: 8:00 am and 10:30 am

HolyDays of Obligation: 7:30am & 6:30pm (No evening Mass on the day before Holy Day)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday: 4:00pm-4:30pm and anytime by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Please call our Parish Office to arrange Pre-Baptismal Instruction and the time of the ceremony.

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Preparation for marriage must begin at least six months before actual ceremony. Please call our Parish Office (434-1669).

Sacrament of the Sick and Ministry to the Sick:

Please call the Rectory anytime a person is sick or infirm and would like to be anointed or visited.

Sacrament of Holy Orders:

Contact Father Joe Ashe if you want *to learn more about* becoming a priest or a deacon, or contact Father Greg Galvin at the Vocation Office: 860 887 9294.

The Rosary is prayed Tuesdays at 7pm in the parish library. Open to all!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Nov. 19, 2016 Vigil of the Solemnity of OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

5:00 pm For the Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, NOV. 20, 2016 THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

8:00 am Albert & Camilla Dugas r/b their family 10:30am For the Parishioners of Christ the King

Monday, Nov. 21, 2016 The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 am Cosimina Marino r/b Will

Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2016 St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

7:30 am Fr. Ahern r/b Bob & Susan Staab

Wednesday, Nov. 23, 2016 Clement I, Pope and Martyr; Columban, Abbot; Bl. Miguel Agustín Pro, Priest and Martyr

7:30 am For the Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, Nov. 24, 2016 St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs; THANKSGIVING DAY

<u>9:00 am</u> For the Parishioners of Christ the King

Friday, Nov. 25, 2016 St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

7:30 am For the Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, Nov. 26, 2016 Vigil of the First Sunday of Advent

5:00 pm Rita & Francis Strekel r/b their family Edson Gallaudet r/b his sister

Kris Teixeira r/b Ralph & Janet Sturges

SUNDAY, NOV. 27, 2016 THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 am For the Souls in Purgatory

10:30am Francis & Janet Gallaudet r/b Ralph & Janet Sturges

Joanne McKiernan r/b the Teriault /Smith families

Jean Puddington r/b her family

The Sanctuary Candle for the month of November will burn in memory of the deceased ladies of the God Squad

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - Catholic Traditions Explained

The liturgical year ends with the feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. What is the significance of this feast? The feast was begun by Pope Pius XI in 1925 to counter atheism and secularism. Pius wanted to communicate the belief that Jesus is lord of all, the king of creation. The biblical reality, however, is that Jesus is not a king like the kings of this world. These kings "lord" it over their people exercising power, at times without restraint. Jesus is lord indeed; yet he came to serve, not to be served, and to give his life for the sake of all. A monarchical reign is not a characteristic of the kingdom of God. The kingdom of God that Jesus proclaimed is one in which all people are treated with dignity, and valued for who and what they are. It is a kingdom that actively cares for the poor, the homeless, the alienated, and the oppressed, as it mobilizes to establish justice and a right relationship with all. This is what every institution that models itself on Jesus the king has to be about. As we celebrate this feast, let us pray that all institutions, especially the Church, model themselves on Jesus' servant leadership.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

(LUKE 23: 35-43)

Most people look to the end of the calendar year to begin making resolutions for the next year. There seems to be this magical break in human time because of the changing of a year. Suddenly, the world is filled with new possibilities and promises of a fruitful future. However, an everyday steward does not need to wait for the first of January to make some resolutions or changes in life.

This Sunday marks the end of another liturgical year. Next Sunday, we begin looking toward Christmas with the First Sunday of Advent. Today is a great day to make some decisions and turn attention to improving our spiritual life.

Starting in Advent you could make a resolution to spend more time with the Scriptures. God is trying to tell you something, but you have to be more mindful to really listen. You could challenge yourself to each day do something generous that you might not normally do. The challenges don't have to be large or cost a lot, but they should push you a little out of your comfort zone. That's why we call them challenges. You could also resolve to keep a gratefulness journal, where you record daily your thanks for wonderful things in your life. This will help you examine your life more closely and will help you realize the wealth that God has given you, even in the small things.

Don't wait to strengthen your discipleship and stewardship way of life. The Church is beginning anew and that means you are too! You are the Church, right? Don't wait another month. Organize your life with the rhythm of the liturgical year, not the year defined by a party in Times Square.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Scripture Readings

Week of Nov. 20, 2016

+Engaging You in Daily Mass, Prayer, and Bible Reading+

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/ Ps 122:1-5/ Col 1:12-20/ Lk 23:35-43

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/ Ps 24:1-6/ Lk 21:1-4 **Tuesday**: Rv 14:14-19/ Ps 96:10-13/ Lk 21:5-11 **Wednesday**: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/ Ps 100:1-5/

Lk 21:20-28

Thursday: Rv 20:1-4, 11--21:2/ Ps 84:3-6, 8/ Lk 21:29-33

Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11--21:2/ Ps 84:3-6, 8/ Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Rv 22:1-7/ Ps 95:1-7/ Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/ Ps 122:1-9/ Rom 13:11-14/ Mt 24:37-44

Ecumenical Music and Prayer Service for Thanksgiving

Monday, Nov. 21 at 7 pm. This year the Old Lyme



First Congregational Church will host the service. Hear the beautiful music of our CTK Choir and our fellow town churches' choirs.



Fr. Joe's Book Discussion: The next meeting is Monday, Dec. 5 @ 7pm in the large classroom. The book is Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the Eucharist _by Brant Pitre.

Our 27th Annual **Advent Giving Tree** Project begins next week on Nov. 27, First Sunday of Advent.



Our Giving Tree Project begins again for the 27th year! This year the Giving Tree Project of Christ the King hopes to affect hundreds of the neediest people.

Our donations will be going to the following four organizations: Madonna Place in Norwich, CT; St Mark's Neighbor's Aid in St Paul, VA; St. Vincent de Paul Place in

and the New Life Prison Ministry.

On the weekend after Thanksgiving, the Giving Tree will be in the narthex and decorated with four different type ornaments, each representing one of the four

organizations listed above. Written on each ornament will be a gift suggestions. Please choose one ornament, or more if you want, and make that purchase for the Giving Tree.

Bring your gift(s) to Mass in the first two weeks of December and place them under the Christmas tree. The ornament you chose should be taped to the unwrapped gift so as to signify which organization it should be delivered to.

The gift suggestions include: toys, gift cards - Stop & Shop, CVS, Walmart; personal care products; kitchen and bath articles; bedding; hoodie sweatshirts;

children's clothing ages 4 thru 17; blankets; towels; and hats, scarfs, mittens & gloves for children & adults.

If you elect, you can also make out a check to "St Mark's Neighbors Aid". In year's past our contact has been thru St Therese's, but this year it has moved across the street to St Mark's - so it's the same community of people that we are helping out in St Paul, VA . Please note that this community has been economically impacted by the closing of two near by coal mines.

This is our Parish's Advent preparation for the true celebration of Christmas and it is an open opportunity to all of us to help share our blessings.

If you have any questions or would like to speak with anyone please call either Louise Young @ 860-434-1669 or Jo-Ann Staves @ 860-434-4374 or Maggy & Mike Kaczorowski @ 860-581-8102



Project Rachel.....is our Norwich Diocesan ministry for anyone seeking healing or coping with an abortion experience. Priests in the Project Rachel ministry are there for you with

God's grace and mercy.Call 860 848 2237, ext 306. All inquiries are confidential.

Thanksgiving Day Mass Thursday, Nov. 24 at 9:00 am

Come to celebrate and give thanks to God for all His blessings!



For KIDS!! (and the young at heart!)

Sharing the Gospel: When the soldiers hurt Jesus, they were only doing their job. They did not understand that they were killing God's Son. Jesus saw into the hearts of those soldiers, and he forgave them. A man next to Jesus on the cross had done terrible things. He knew he deserved to die on a

cross, and he was truly sorry. This criminal believed that Jesus was God's Son. Jesus saw into that criminal's heart, and Jesus forgave him, too.

Prayer for the Week Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus to forgive my sins, too.

Mission for the Week Jesus forgave the people who killed him. He expects you to forgive people who hurt you, too. Think of one person with whom you have been angry. Ask God to help you forgive that person, because Jesus forgives

Angels & Elves Christmas Fair

Saturday, Nov 26 from 9am-2pm At the St John's School Gym, Old Saybrook * Local Crafters * Penny Cup Raffle * Quilt Raffle * Bake Sale * SANTA!!! Breakfast & Lunch Served





Save the Date: Sat., Dec. 10 at 6:00pm

The 46th Annual Christmas

Torchlight Parade, Old Saybrook. Our Holy Trinity Cluster brothers & sisters at St. John's invite us to join them to sing Christmas Carols in the parade. The Knights of Columbus provides the illuminated Nativity Scene Float with music. Meet at 5:30pm between the Paint Shop & Chamber of Commerce on Main Street. Look for our truck & float. We welcome all to bring the true reason for the Christmas season right down Main Street!

Defending Our Religious Libert Nov. 20, 2016

The Connecticut Catholic Conference notes that since 1919, the Catholic Church has been a longstanding advocate of universal, accessible and lifeaffirming health care. However, the "Affordable Health Care Act" harshly penalizes those employers, such as the Church, who do not provide abortions and other contraception coverage for their employees.



Please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate: Call U.S. Sec of Health & Human Services at 202-205-5445 and our currently elected US Senators and Representatives. Let them know that the healthcare mandate is in violation of our First Amendment Right to Religious Freedom. Every phone call, every voice continues to matter!

Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Day Blessing

O God of all things in heaven and on earth, you give all your people in the world the gift of life, the gift of family, the gift of work, and the gift of rest. On this, our national day of Thanksgiving, we turn all our thoughts to you, from whom all blessings flow. Bless all our work, our friends, and our families both near and far. We humbly ask for the ability to continue our work for your kingdom and the ability to gather freely to worship you without fear. We ask you to give our years ahead your blessing and protection. We ask all this through Christ the Lord, your Son and our brother. Amen.

Save the Date: Sunday, Dec. 4, 2016 To celebrate Fr. Joe's 40th Ordination Anniversary!!! In the parish hall after the 10:30am Mass

**** CCD News! ****

CCD schedule of dates is available in the black wire bin outside the office.

Current Confirmation Class:

What an amazing retreat we had at St John's with our Holy Trinity Cluster confirmation classes! This was put on by Red Barn Ministries. Learn more at **redbarnministries.org**.

Our first Confirmation rehearsal will be this Sunday evening, Nov. 20, at 7:00pm. This is for candidates *and their sponsors*. If sponsors cannot attend, please have a parent or other "stand-in" for the sponsor. Grades K—8:

Our new religious education classes are underway and meeting on Sunday mornings at 9:15am. Come to Mass before or after class!

Grades 6, 7, & 8 will be having their annual Thanksgiving Pie Baking THIS Sunday, Nov. 20 at 9:15am. Its a lot of fun and a great Christian service, benefitting people who will come to the Soup Kitchen for their meal. Please bring pie baking items listed by Mrs. Girasoli & Miss Parsons.

New Confirmation Class: WELCOME!

Confirmation formation began last Sunday, Nov 13 at the 10:30am Mass, as 28 new candidates signed the book of intention, were welcomed by Fr. Joe & Mrs. Louise Young, and received their Bibles. This was followed in the evening by the opening class for parents & children. (Registration forms are still available at the website & parish office.)

+May God bless all our CCD children, families, and teachers as they begin a new year growing in their relationship with God.+

35th Annual Convocation

For the Priests in the Diocese of Norwich

The Annual Convocation for Priests will be held from November 28-30, 2016, in Newport, RI. It will be a time for all priests to gather with their bishop for spiritual renewal, support, education and rest. No parish, school or institutional activities will be scheduled during these days. Please pray for your priests, especially during the convocation, as they will be praying for you! The theme of this year's Convocation is "Becoming Merciful Servants of the New Evangelization." The key presenter will be Reverend Jack Rathschmidt, a Capuchin Franciscan Friar, who holds a M.Th. in spirituality from the Weston College School of Theology and a Ph.D. from Fordham Univ. in Historical Theology.

"A Very Merry Holiday Pop; Concert" Town Band Concert and Parish Pot Luck

The Monthly Pot Luck for the months of November and December will be a cluster event on **Friday**, **Dec. 2** at 5:45pm





for cocktails and 6:00pm for dinner, in the parish hall. Please bring a dish or dessert to share! At 7:30pm, following the dinner,

there will be "A Very Merry Holiday Pops Concert": **FREE Christmas Concert** performed by the Old Lyme Town Band, in appreciation of rehearsal space. at our parish. Everyone from our Holy Trinity Cluster is invited! For more information, call Nancy at 434-5159.

"....giving thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light." (Colossians 1:12) God wants us to be happy! Instead of looking at the Ten Commandments as being restrictive and telling us what we can't do, look at them as guides for living a joy-filled and peaceful life. Most of our problems arise when we put our own needs first or spend most of our time trying to acquire "things". Try putting God first in all things instead.

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Congratulations to Adam Stiffler and Alyssa McGill who were united here in Holy Matrimony on November 12, 2016. May God richly bless your marriage sacrament!



Regularly scheduled parish events:

Rosary Bible Study Holy Trinity Pro-Life Meeting Men's Club New Life Prison Ministry Children's Choir Adult Choir Parish Pot Luck Supper N.L. Soup Kitchen Sign-up N.L. Soup Kitchen Serve Shoreline Soup Kitchen Sign-up Shoreline Soup Kitchen Serve

Every Tuesday 7:00 pm Every Thursday 9:00am 1st Wednesday- 7:00pm 1st Thursday 6:30 pm 1st. Thursday - 9:00 am Every Tuesday 6:15-7:15pm Every Tuesday 7:30pm Last Friday of the Month 1st Sun. of the Month 2nd Sun. of the Month 2nd Sun of the Month 3rd Sun of the Month

Help us keep our records up-to-date!

* Do you want to register with the parish?

Welcome! Have you changed your address, moving out of the parish, or like to receive envelopes? Please call the office, 860-434-1669. Or, you can fill out the following and return via the basket, drop it at the office, or mail to:

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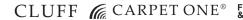


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