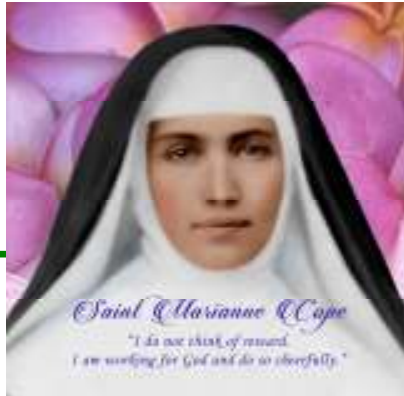




## Saint Marianne Cope Parish

Rev. Ronald P. Zepecki - Pastor  
Alan Germain - Deacon



### St. Catherine of Siena

6 Windsorville Road  
Broad Brook, CT 06016

#### Weekday Masses -

Mon, Tues & Wed at 12:10 p.m.  
Thursday at 8:00 a.m.

#### Parish Office Hours -

Monday thru Friday  
9:00 a.m. - Noon

### St. Philip the Apostle

150 South Main Street  
East Windsor, CT 06088

#### Weekend Masses -

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday at 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation -

Saturday: 3:00-3:30 p.m.

**Parish Office Phone** - (860) 623-4636 (ext. 101)

**Parish Fax** - (860) 292-8550

**Parish Website** - [smceastwindsor.org](http://smceastwindsor.org)

**Parish Office email** - [office@smceastwindsor.org](mailto:office@smceastwindsor.org)

**Pastoral Assistant** - Theresa Jablow

**Director of Music** - Wendy Quinn

**Pastoral Minister** - Jan Albetski

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**Faith Formation Office** - (860) 623-4636 (ext. 106)

**Parish Rectory** - 150 South Main Street  
East Windsor, CT 06088

### Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the parish office to make arrangements for the celebration of the sacrament as well as a pre-baptismal session for parents and Godparents.

### Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the parish office at least six months in advance before making any other arrangements.

### New Parishioners

Please call the parish office or registration forms are available on the church bulletin boards.

### Christian Stewardship

We are a stewardship community. Parish members are invited to use offertory envelopes or *Online Giving* to support the mission & needs of our parish. Please call the parish office for more details.



**Three Kings Day**

January 6 marks the close of the Christmas celebration for many Christians. On this day, known as the Epiphany or Three Kings Day, people celebrate the visit of the magi to the Christ child. While some people are very familiar with this feast day and the customs surrounding it, others are less so. Here are some facts about Three Kings Day.

- Three Kings Day also goes by the names Little Christmas, Denha, Theophany, Dia de Los Reyes, and the Baptism of Jesus.
- The Epiphany marks the twelfth day of Christmas, falling 12 days after December 25.
- It is customary for some celebrants to bake ring-shaped cakes and hide a plastic baby figurine representing the baby Jesus inside. In Latin cultures, the cake is known as Rosca de Reyes, or “The King’s Ring.”
- The Bible does not specifically mention the number or names of the magi who visited Jesus. However, oral tradition has it that there were three and their names were Gaspar, Balthasar and Melchior.
- The gifts given to Christ were gold, frankincense oil, and the resin myrrh. The gifts are symbolic of Jesus’s importance. The gold represents His royal standing, frankincense His divine birth and myrrh His mortality.

**NEW PARISHIONERS** – Welcome! There are registration forms on the bulletin boards in the church foyers at St. Philip Church during the weekend liturgies. Just fill one out and drop it in the Giving Box or Basket or return it to the parish office. You may also register by calling the parish office during weekday business hours.


**YOUNG FAMILIES** – At St. Philip Church, the quiet room is available for families with young children attending Mass and at St. Catherine Church the foyer is available if your child needs a break.

**PARISHIONERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS** - The first pew is available for parishioners that have any type of physical limitations, and you may also receive communion while staying in your seat if you’d like. At St. Philip, those in the quiet room may proceed in front of the first pew for communion as well.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK** - can be celebrated at any time for those who are ill or infirm. When someone’s condition worsens, please call the parish office to arrange for Father to visit and celebrate the sacrament rather than waiting until the final moments of their life.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** – Joyce Benoit, Jeannie Bernier, Maria Brenza, Linda Brown, Inez Cabral, Elaine Colson, Donald Daigle, Philip Deane, Gabriel Desrocher, Donald Fitzgerald, Laurie Gallipo, David Gieseke, Ciera Green, Concetta Kopp, Auralie LaChance, Martha Leonard, Bill Mager, Ethel Morin, Rosemary Murak, Laura Palmer, Bev Pikul, Donald Quist, Rob & Lilly, Krystyna Paluch, Bob & Gen Roy, Steven Solesky, Meghan Tully, Mary Winn, Heidi Wormstedt, and Deborah & James Wrann. Also, all health care workers, first responders, missionaries and those serving in the armed forces.

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**Please pray for the Repose  
of the Soul of:**

Walter Blake  
Mary Theresa Smus

## *The Epiphany of the Lord*



**On January 8, 2023  
following the 8:30 Mass**

**We will hold our annual  
Pop-Up Pageant  
for ALL STUDENTS  
Pre-K through Confirmation.  
THIS IS A FAMILY EVENT!**

Families should plan to attend the 8:30 Mass together. We will move to the Hall after Mass for the Pageant, followed by refreshments. **PLEASE NOTE: This is a time change from the posted schedule.** All families should have received multiple emails, and reminders with details. You may invite others to attend.

**PLEASE** – parents should plan to stay for this pageant and support your child, this is **NOT** a drop off event.

**Remember** – The Christmas Season is not over just yet. This pageant is performed In Honor of **The Epiphany of our Lord.**

**Our EARLY CHILDHOOD GROUP.** (Pre-K to Grade1) will meet on **January 29th** during the 10:30 Mass. They should plan to attend Mass with their families. Father Ron will call them up and Bless them after the Gospel and then send them with their teachers to the Hall. Parents should plan to pick them up after Mass. **Be sure to bring your folder to each class.**

**GRADES 2-Confirmation Prep** will meet on Sunday, January 22nd at 9:30 am in St. Philip Hall. Pick up will be at 11 am. Parents of Grade 2-8 will need to come in to sign when you pick up. **Students should bring their folders and books to every class.** Attendance is expected.

**Please** notify Jan A if there is a reason your child will be unable to attend class. This helps our teachers to plan.

**Please visit our website:** <http://www.smceastwindsor.org>

Jan Albetski, Pastoral Minister 860-623-4636 x106  
JanA@smceastwindsor.org

## **Coming in January...** **A Bible Study on the Mass**

In 2021 the bishops of the United States announced a plan that centers on the theme 'Created Anew by the Body and Blood of Christ, Source of our Healing and Hope.' A key priority of this plan focuses on a National Eucharistic Revival with the goal of renewing the Catholic Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist. To kick off this movement, Saint Marianne Cope Parish will offer a Bible Study on The Mass.

The Mass is nothing short of amazing. Through it, we encounter God in the most intimate way possible as we hear Him speak to us in the Liturgy of the Word and as we receive Him Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist.

The words, the gestures, and the rituals of the Mass are rich in meaning. Everything we say and do in the Liturgy is steeped in biblical language. *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass* explores the extraordinary biblical roots of the Liturgy and reveals what it all means and why it all matters. This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist.

*Two sessions will be offered. On Wednesday, mornings at 10:00 a.m. beginning on January 18, 2023 and Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. beginning on January 19, 2023. Meetings will be held in Saint Philip Church Hall and coffee and refreshments will be provided. The cost of the materials is \$26.95 and pre-registration is required. For questions or to register, contact Deacon Alan and Karen Germain at 860-916-4298 or email AlanGKarenG@att.net.*



## **2023 Calendars**

To Pietras Family and Bassinger & Dowd Funeral Home of East Windsor, St. Marianne Cope Parish extends a very heartfelt "Thank you" for our 2023 calendars. The calendars are at the entrance doors of both churches. To the Pietras Family, Bassinger & Dowd Funeral Home; our sincerest thanks for the 2023 calendars.

In addition to the calendars we already have, we are expecting traditional religious calendars to arrive within the month of January. An announcement will be made upon their arrival. Please take as many calendars as you wish.

*January 8, 2023*

## Mass Intentions

After much thought and prayer, I would like to open intentions for Masses. The past two weeks I have announced from the pulpit that the church allows for Mass intentions for the deceased and the living. Below please find possible Mass intentions:

- for the deceased
- for an ill person
- for a dying person
- For a birthday intention
- For a wedding anniversary
- In thanksgiving for a favor received from Our Lord, Our Lady or a saint
- For a special intention (private to you)
- For the health of someone
- In honor of a saint (because he/she answered a prayer)
- In honor of The Blessed Mother

If you would like an intention for Mass, please call Theresa any day between 9am and 12noon. She will be happy to help you with your requests.

### **Social Action Outreach -**

#### **Enfield Loaves & Fishes - Tues, Feb 7, (9:00am-noon)**

*(Sandwiches to the basement kitchen at St. Catherine)*

Loaves and Fishes is a soup kitchen providing meals, aid, and companionship at no charge. Located in Enfield, Connecticut and serving anyone in need. The soup kitchen strives to make a difference in the lives of people who live with food insecurity, serving every meal with dignity and respect in a nurturing environment. Our SMC community has always shared many tasty sandwiches each month.

#### **FOODSHARE Truck - Friday, Jan. 6 & 20, 1:00-1:30pm**

*(St. Catherine Church Parking Lot)*

Foodshare serves a network of more than 260 local hunger-relief organizations that operate programs for neighbors in need making sure they get help that is easy and accessible. The pantry-on-wheels delivers produce and other food to community sites throughout the region. Our parish has been a longtime supporter of this important source of food outreach. Helpers are welcome.

#### **Five Corner Food Pantry - Jan. 14/15**

*(Donations to the weekend Masses at St. Philip Church)*

Located at 124 Scantic Road in East Windsor, our town food pantry provides non-perishable food & supplies on Tuesdays from 9:00-11:45am & 1:00-5:30pm. Donations can be dropped off before Mass in the wooden chest in the main foyer as we support our brothers & sisters in need.

## Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 7

4:00PM +**Birthday Blessings for Renee Sherriffs**

requested by her family

Sunday, January 8, The Epiphany of the Lord

8:30AM +**Repose of the Soul of Dennis Michael Slowick**

requested by Joe Bednarz

10:30AM +**Repose of the Soul of John Bajumpaa**

requested by Karen St. Georges

Monday, January 9, The Baptism of the Lord

12:10PM +**Repose of the Soul of Rev. Roman Kmiec**

requested by Deacon Alan & Karen Germain

Tuesday, January 10

12:10PM + **Repose of the Soul of Barbara Dziadul**

**(Birthday Memorial)**

requested by her friends

Wednesday, January 11

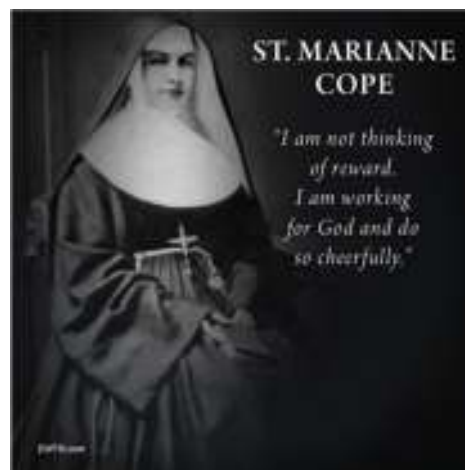
12:10PM +**Repose of the Soul of Dennis Slowick**

requested by his family

Thursday, January 12

8:00AM +**Repose of the Soul of Ralph Brennan**

requested by Joan Brennan



## SAVE THE DATE

On Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, we will hold a special Fellowship event following the 10:30am Mass in Honor of our Patron: Saint Marianne Cope. The Parish Life Council is planning a "Pot-Luck Brunch"! So, go find your best recipe for Breakfast Casserole, Quiche, Fruit Salad, Deviled eggs, etc. and get ready to join us. Signup sheets will be out next weekend.

