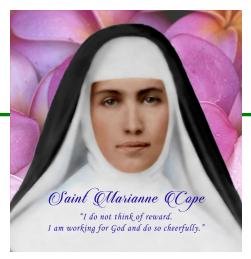


Saint Marianne Cope Parish

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



November 10, 2024 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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



6 Windsorville Road Broad Brook, CT 06016

Weekday Masses

Mon, Tues & Wed at 12:10 p.m. Thursday at 9:00 a.m.

> Parish Office Hours Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

In the Presence of the Beloved

By: Blessed Charles de Foucauld

Lord Jesus, you are in the Holy Eucharist. You are there, a yard away in the tabernacle.

Your body, your soul, your human nature, your divinity, your whole being is there,

in its twofold nature. How close you are, my God, my Savior, my Jesus,

my brother, my spouse, my beloved.

You were not nearer to the Blessed Virgin during the nine months she carried you in her womb than you are to me when you rest on my tongue at Holy Communion.

You were not closer to the Blessed Virgin and Saint Joseph in the caves at Bethlehem or the house at Nazareth or during the flight into Egypt, or at any moment of that divine family life than you are to me at this moment and so many others-in the tabernacle.

Saint Mary Magdalene was no closer to you when she sat at your feet at Bethany than I am here at the foot of this altar. You were no nearer to your Apostles when you were sitting in the midst of them than you are to me now, my God.

How blessed I am!

To leave the tabernacle to go and venerate statues would be to leave the Jesus living at my side to go into another room to greet his portrait.

Is it not true that someone in love feels that he has made perfect use of all the time he spends in the presence of his beloved? Apart from them, is not that time used best which is employed in doing the will or furthering the welfare of his beloved in some other place?

Parish Office

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

Parish Office Hours: Mon.-Thursday 9am-3pm St. Catherine Cemetery: Fridays, by appointment

Phone: (860) 623-4636 **Fax:** (860) 292-8550

Parish Website: smceastwindsor.org

Parish Office email:

office@smceastwindsor.org

Administrative Assistant &

Cemetery Family Service Advisor: Ruth Hertel

Director of Music: Wendy Quinn

Vocations Committee:

Paula McCloskey & Kay Teixeira

Pro –**Life**: Marie Pelletier

Faith Formation Office: *Mary Hevner*

maryhevner@cox.net

St. Philip Rectory: Phone (860) 370-5116

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

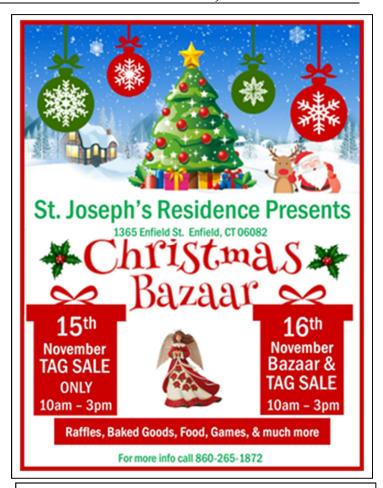
Please call the parish office or registration forms are available on the church bulletin boards.

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.

Adoration

Tuesdays 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at St. Catherine Church





SANDWICHES FOR Enfield LOAVES & FISHES

First Tuesday of each month. Individually wrapped sandwiches should be brought to St. Catherine Church hall

9:00am 12:00 pm Tuesday, December 3rd Thank you for your support & generosity!



FOODSHARE will be in the St. Catherine parking lot on Friday, November 22, at 1:00 p.m.

Pope St. Leo, The Great

If it were not Sunday today, the Church would celebrate the Feast of Pope St. Leo, The Great. (Nov. 10) However, he remains one of the greatest saints of the Catholic Church. He was Pope between 440 and 461 one of the longest sitting popes with 21 years guiding the Church.

The times were quite turbulent. Europe was subject to invasions by barbarians. It was a time when traditions of the Church were being formed in liturgy and disciplinary life. Also, fundamental questions on the Incarnation (birth of Jesus), divine grace and human freedom were being defined.

Pope St. Leo, The Great was the Pope who sent Patrick to Ireland to bring Christianity to that small country of pagan Druids.

We know very little about his personal life. However, he was held in high esteem by the citizens of Rome prior to his election. We know he was an avid preacher of the Gospel. His sermons are classics on the mysteries of Christ's life. He always encourages the faithful to live out their Baptism in imitation of Jesus and to preserve the gift of faith from all dangers.

Some of the accomplishments of Pope St. Leo, The Great are as follows: He set the date for Christmas on Dec. 25th. He established the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter on February 22nd. He instituted the Lenten Fast, and at one time the Church fasted during Advent, too. He established the use of the royal "we" that was eliminated during the papacy of Pope St. Paul VI (1963-1978). Incidentally, the last one to use the royal "we" was Queen Elizabeth 11. He wrote the <u>Tome of Leo.</u> which explained Jesus, the Son of God becoming a Man.

For those who do not understand the royal "we", it is that Kings, Queens and the Pope would never say "I" as the "we" indicates the King and God; the Queen and God; the Pope and God. Thus, the use of the royal "we".

Hopefully the short life of Pope St. Leo, The Great has inspired the reader to study more about him.

While requiring the recognition of his high position at the service of the Church, Pope Leo never forgot humility and his total dependence on Jesus, the true Lord of the Church.

Thanksgiving Day

Thanksgiving Day falls on Thursday, November 28th this year. Along with the Fourth of July, Thanksgiving is probably the second most celebrated American holiday. Beginning with our first President George Washington. The holiday was not on the fourth Thursday of November until our 16th President, Abraham Lincoln was in office.

It is an important day for all Americans to give thanks to God for all of our blessings as a nation, for all of our personal blessings and for our families, neighbors and friends.

A Mass will be celebrated on Thanksgiving Day at 9:00 a.m. in St. Catherine Church. I encourage all of you to attend Mass on that day to thank Almighty God for our blessings as a country and for our personal blessings. What better way to begin our Thanksgiving Day than by worshipping God.

The Office will keep regular hours on Monday, November 25th (9-3); Tuesday, November 26th (9-3) and on Wednesday, November 27th (9-12) a half day. The Office will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and will reopen on Monday, December 2, 2024. Wishing all of you a wonderful Thanksgiving Day with abundant blessings from Almighty God.



Book of Remembrance

During the month of November, we have, again, the Book of Remembrance. In this book, you are kindly asked to record your loved ones who have passed on to their eternal reward. The Book of Remembrance is strictly for recording those who have died, not those who are ill. Mass will be offered for them each day of the week during the month of November. The Pascal Candle will be lit for each Mass, indicating that Jesus is the Light of the World and the glory of the dead. Please feel free to sign up your friends and relatives in the Book of Remembrance.



How to request your Intentions:

To request Mass Intentions, please call the office at (860) 623-4636. WE WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTING EMAILS FOR MASS REQUESTS. You are also welcome to stop by the Parish Office during regular office hours to request Masses.

NOTE: Kindly submit your suggested offering shortly after making your reservation. This can be done via cash or check. You can place your donation in the basket near the Altar in an envelope addressed to the church office or send via USPS to 6 Windsorville Rd, Broad Brook, CT 06016. Checks are to be made payable to Saint Marianne Cope Parish and include the Mass date, and your phone number.



Candle Offering

The lamps beside the tabernacles in our churches remind us of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist

Sanctuary candle intentions for St. Catherine Church or St. Philip Church are available for a \$10.00 donation.

These candles burn for two weeks.

The Sanctuary light at St. Philip Church burns for:

Health and God's Blessings for Jim Petersen

The Sanctuary light at St. Catherine Church burns for:

Repose of the Soul of KT Yohannan (John)
(beloved father of Rev. Sam John)

St. Catherine of Siena Church

St. Joseph or the Blessed Virgin Mary candle intentions are available for a \$5.00 donation.

These candles burn for one week.

St. Joseph Statue burns for:

Birthday Blessings for Deacon Alan Germain & MariAnn Smith

Blessed Virgin Mary Statue burns for:

Birthday Blessings for Fr. Zepecki

Please call the office at 860-623-4636 with your requests.

Masses For The Week

Saturday, November 9

4:00 PM Health & God's Blessings for George Hartke requested by Karen & Alan Germain

Sunday, November 10

8:30AM +Repose of the soul of Patricia Gogulski

requested by Mark & Cindy Stoecker

10:30AM Health & God's Blessings for Declan Lyons

requested by Parishioners

Monday, November 11: St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

12:10 PM +Repose of the soul of **Bruno & Ginger Monaco**requested by Francis Pajot

Tuesday, November 12: St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr

12:10 PM +Repose of the soul of Paul Hanley

requested by Francis Pajot

Wednesday, November 13: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

12:10 PM +Repose of the soul of **Armando Dacosta**requested by Francis Pajot

Thursday, November 14

9:00 AM +Repose of the soul of Anne Myers

requested by Maureen Lyman

Saturday, November 16

4:00 PM Health & God's Blessings for Kathleen Tauro

requested by Maslow & Teixeira Family

Sunday, November 17

8:30AM +Repose of the soul of **Sr. Agnelle Swierczynski &** Continued Health & God's Blessings for **Robert Starvinsky**, **Jr**.

requested by Elain Stevens (niece & Mom)

10:30AM +Repose of the soul of **Francis Loos & Patricia Loos** requested by William Loos



Parish Sharing and Support (November 3, 2024)

Weekly \$ 2,680.00 Monthly \$575.00 (All Saints Day \$446.00) Online \$1,835.00 Thank you for your generosity and support!