



## Saint Marianne Cope Parish

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



### St. Catherine of Siena

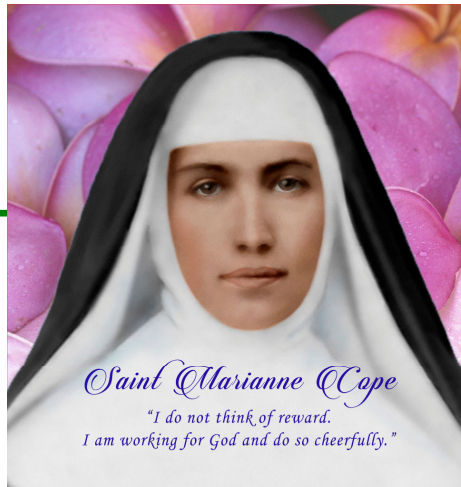
6 Windsorville Road  
Broad Brook, CT 06016

#### Weekday Masses

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

#### Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday  
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



**November 24, 2024**  
34th 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.

### O Marvelous Sacrament!

Wonderful, indeed, and most worthy of all praise, is the goodness of God, bounteous and unweariedly loving, who, to meet and greet his children, in the sacrament which is the term and final realization of all sacrifices everywhere, dwells without end till the world's end. He gives us for our refreshment the bread of angels, and for our drink strong wine, the blood of his Son, though we are not of his blood. Lowliness, we know, is pleasing to God and it was extolled by Christ; and surely in this sacrament he preaches by the example of an unrivalled lowliness, which disdains no dwelling, but consents to come as a guest to any heart...

O food, truly, of the blessed spirits, you who every day unfailing does nourish us, and who in yourself does never fail! In the breaking of the bread you are not broken, nor are you divided. You are eaten, but, like the burning bush, you are consumed. Nay, you continue whole and entire, even as that meal and oil of old which lasted miraculously without diminution of waste (cf. 1 Kings 17:7-16).

O marvelous sacrament in which God lies concealed, and our Jesus, like another Moses, cloaks his face under the creatures he has made! May all generations praise him! Wonderful is this sacrament in which, in virtue of the words of institution, charged with the divine power, the symbolic species are changed into Flesh and Blood; in which...the single and whole Christ exists in different places- as a voice is heard and exists in many places-continuing unchanged, remaining inviolable when partaken, nor suffering any diminution; nay, he is whole and entire and perfect in each and every fragment of the host, as visual appearances are multiplied in a hundred mirrors.

*Saint Thomas Aquinas*

**Parish Office**

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

**Parish Office Hours:** *Mon.-Thursday 9am-3pm*  
*St. Catherine Cemetery: 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

**Thanksgiving Day**

Thanksgiving Day falls on Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup> (9-3); Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> (9-3) and on Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> (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.



**Baptism**



*St. Marianne Cope Parish  
joyfully welcomes into the Catholic  
Christian Community,  
Henry Murphy, who was baptized today.*

*We congratulate his parents  
& Godparents.*

*May God bless you and your child.*

**Henry Murphy**

*the child of*

**Catherine Shefrin & John Murphy**

*Godparents:*

**Christine Paradise & Christopher Marziale**

## A Connecticut Thanksgiving Proclamation

Throughout history there are some speeches and proclamations that are called “classics”. Certainly, President Lincoln’s Gettysburg address, his second inauguration address of 1865; President John F. Kennedy’s inauguration address of 1961 all fall under the title “classics” because they are timeless and can be given today in our time. Below is another: the Thanksgiving Day Proclamation of Connecticut Governor Wilber L. Cross (1862-1948) who was our Governor from 1931 – 1939.

*“Time out of mind at this turn of the seasons when the hardy oak leaves rustle in the wind and the frost gives a tang to the air and the dusk falls early and the friendly evenings lengthen under the heel of Orion, it has seemed good to our people to join together in praising the Creator and Preserver, who has brought us by a way that we did not know to the end of another year. In observance of this custom, I appoint Thursday, the twenty-sixth of November, as a day of Public Thanksgiving for the blessings that have been our common lot and have placed our beloved State with the favored regions of earth—for all the creature comforts: the yield of the soil that has fed us and the richer yield from labor of every kind that has sustained our lives—and for all those things, as dear as breath to the body, that quicken man’s faith in his manhood, that nourish and strengthen his spirit to do the great work still before him: for the brotherly word and act; for honor held above price; for steadfast courage and zeal in the long, long search after truth; for liberty and for justice freely granted by each to his fellow and so as freely enjoyed; and for the crowning glory and mercy of peace upon our land:--that we may humbly take heart of these blessings as we gather once again with solemn and festive rites to keep our Harvest Home.*

*Given under my hand and seal of the State at the Capitol, in Hartford, this twelfth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and sixty-first.”*

**By His Excellency’s Command:  
Wilbur L. Cross**

## Wilbur Lucius Cross (1862 – 1948)

Wilbur Cross was an educator and politician who served as governor of Connecticut during one of the most turbulent and challenging times in America’s history. Growing up in Mansfield, he earned his doctorate from Yale in 1889 and spent several years as a schoolteacher and principal in Westport before accepting a position as an English professor at Yale in 1894. After retiring, Cross took an interest in politics and accepted the Democratic Party’s nomination for governor in 1930. Serving as Connecticut’s governor for two terms (1931-1939), Cross helped see Connecticut through the Great Depression, pushed for the repeal of Prohibition, and even presided over the opening ceremonies for the newly constructed Merritt Parkway in 1938.

In 1936 Connecticut Governor Wilbur Lucius Cross penned a Thanksgiving Proclamation that has withstood the test of time. The words of this former professor of English and Graduate School dean at Yale are revived year and after year for their positive, uplifting message.

## Feast of The Immaculate Conception

Usually, the Feast of The Immaculate Conception falls on December 8<sup>th</sup>. Since in 2024 December 8<sup>th</sup> is a Sunday, the Feast is celebrated on December 9, 2024, Masses on that day will be as follows: 9am and 12:10pm. The Masses will be celebrated at St. Catherine Church. It is important to note that since this Feast Day falls on a Monday, Archbishop Coyne has removed the title: Holy Day of Obligation. This year it is not a Holy Day of Obligation!! However, Archbishop and the priests of the Archdiocese wish to offer the Masses, as so many people love Our Blessed Lady. *The Immaculate Conception is the Patroness of The United States of America.*

## Koledy Polish Christmas Carols

On Wednesday morning, December 4, a concert of the most popular Polish Christmas Carols will be given at Sacred Heart Church 446 Mountain Road, Suffield, CT. 06078. The concert will begin at 10:15 a.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy this beautiful Polish tradition. The concert is free.

## Welcome

*While I’m away in Texas for Thanksgiving, we welcome to our parish Fr. Timothy Walsh, who is the Rector of the Legionaries of Christ Seminary in Cheshire, CT. Fr. Timothy will be celebrating daily Mass each day, November 25 -28 and the weekend Confession and Masses, November 30 and December 1.*

***Welcome to our parish Fr. Timothy!***



November 24, 2024



# Mass Intentions

## 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:

Repose of the soul of Sr. Agnelle Swierczynski & Continued Health & God's Blessings for Robert Starvinsky, Jr.  
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The Sanctuary light at St. Catherine Church burns for:

For my niece, health & God's Blessings, from your Aunt  
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### 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:

Healing and God's Blessing for my Mom, Rosie

Blessed Virgin Mary Statue burns for:

Healing and God's Blessing for Sister Gina  
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Please call the office at 860-623-4636 with your requests.

# Masses For The Week



## Saturday, November 23

4:00 PM Health & God's Blessings for Tim Pochron

requested by Teixeira Family

## Sunday, November 24: Feast of Christ the King

8:30 AM +Repose of the soul of Susan Davis O'Keefe

requested by Mom & Dad

10:30 AM Healing & God's Blessings for Jim Pedersen

requested by Wyrostek

## Monday, November 25: St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr

12:10 PM +Repose of the soul of Theresa Flaherty Morrison

requested by Norton Family

## Tuesday, November 26

12:10 PM Healing Mass for George & Mary; Jeanie & Debbie

requested by Joyce & Roger

## Wednesday, November 27

12:10 PM +Repose of the soul of Elzear Rodrigue

requested by Family & Friends

## Thursday, November 28

9:00 AM Mass for Thanksgiving Day

## Saturday, November 30

4:00 PM +Repose of the soul of Sherman Family

Sanford, Elizabeth, Nancy, Jane requested by Family

## Sunday, December 1

8:30 AM +Repose of the soul of William Green

requested by Colleen Green

10:30 AM Healing & God's Blessings for Jim Pedersen

requested by Wyrostek



## Parish Sharing and Support (November 17, 2024)

Weekly \$2,861.00 Monthly \$360.00

Online \$1,850.00

Thank you for your generosity and support!