



Saint Marianne Cope Parish

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



St. Catherine of Siena

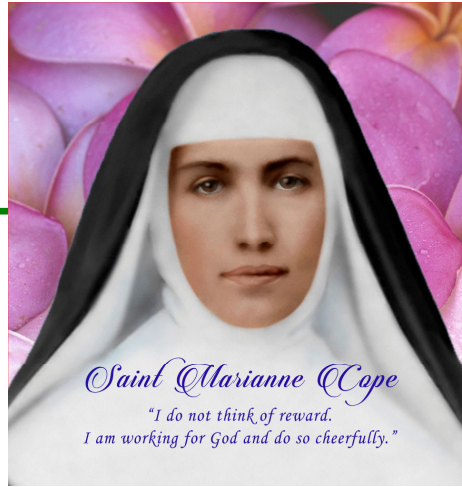
6 Windsorville Road
Broad Brook, CT 06016

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.



Saint Marianne Cope

*"I do not think of reward.
I am working for God and do so cheerfully."*

January 12, 2025
Sunday of
The Baptism of Our Lord

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 a.m.
Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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



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Parish Office

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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

A Thank You from the Network

Dear Parishioners of the St. Marianne Cope Parish:

On behalf of The Network, we want to extend our heartfelt thanks for your generous donation of \$1,150.00 in gift cards. Your support means the world to us, and it plays a crucial role in providing safety, comfort, and hope for those who need it most.

Your donations help create a warm and welcoming environment for survivors of domestic violence as they begin their journey toward healing and independence. Your kindness makes a real difference in their lives, and for that, we are truly grateful.

Thank you again for your generosity. Together, we are making a powerful impact on the lives of those who need it most.

Warmly,

Karen F. O'Connor, CEO
 Network Against Domestic Abuse

Thank You

We all extend a sincere thank you to the decorating committee who decorated both churches for Christmas. I'm sure all will agree that the Churches both look beautiful and festive. A note of thanks is in order for all of you who attended the Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Your generosity is very appreciated. Thank you to Wendy and the Choir who provided such lovely music. Aren't the Christmas Carols superb! We had over 100 people attending Mass on January 1, 2025 for the Holy Day of Mary, Mother of God.

Thank You!



FOODSHARE will be in the St. Catherine parking lot on **Friday, January 17, 2025** at **1:00 p.m.**

The Baptism of The Lord

Today we celebrate Jesus' Baptism, by John, in the Jordan River. Baptism is a very important sacrament in the entire Christian Church! It is the first sacrament of initiation into the Church. It is important to be baptized as it washes away original sin caused by Adam and Eve's disobedience to God, which we inherit. When the original sin (no fault of our own) is washed away our soul is ready to receive the Lord's Sanctifying Grace.

However, there are some requirements included in the Sacrament of Baptism. Any child can be Baptized. If the child is older and can reason, then we prepare the child for Baptism, so that they are aware of what is happening.

Sponsors:

- a. Must be baptized.
- b. Received their 1st Holy Communion.
- c. Received their Confirmation and Be validly married by a priest and deacon (in the Roman Catholic Church). ***A sponsor may be living a, b, and c and may be single.

Christian Witness

This person may be of a different Christian faith other than Roman Catholic. This person is not a godfather/godmother but is a Christian Witness. The Role of the Godparents are to step in when the parents are unable to teach the child in the Roman Catholic Faith. Therefore, one of the Godparents must be Catholic if parents are going to choose a Christian Witness. The Church would not expect a Lutheran, Methodist, Anglican etc., to bring up a child in the Catholic Faith. With all due respect they are not Catholics, and we would not expect them to learn Catholicism either. We respect them and their faith. Therefore, they are most welcome to be Christian Witnesses. Also, for the same reason a Taoist, Buddhist, Muslim etc., cannot be sponsors (godparents) of a Christian baby, for reasons which are understandable.

A family or a person need not be registered in a parish to be baptized. Also, baptism may be administered on any day of the week. Usually, baptisms take place on Sundays. However, there is no hard and fast rule that they must take place on Sundays. Any day of the week is appropriate according to the convenience of the family. One of the most beautiful times a baptism is administered is during the Mass. In this way, the whole congregation is able to participate in welcoming a child into the Christian community.

Mondays of each week

Beginning this year, each Monday is being reserved for a Mass "For the People" or in Latin: "Pro Populo". As you may know, Archbishop Coyne is a liturgist, and Canon Law states that there should be one Mass a week for the people. Therefore, Mondays will not be open for an intention. Granted, most priests, including me, never pay attention to this. However, isn't it spiritually comforting to know that a Mass is being offered for you and your intentions each week.

God's blessing be yours.

Please Save the Date!!

We will be celebrating the Feast of St. Marianne Cope on January 26, 2025 in St. Philip Hall. Her Feast Day is January 23rd each year. Masses on the weekend of January 25th-26th will be celebrated in Honor of Marianne Cope.
More info to follow concerning the 26th.
Fr. Ron

St. Marianne Cope Parish Seminarian Gift Card Collection

The Vocation Committee will be collecting GIFTCARDS in the amounts of \$25, \$50, \$75 & \$100 for the Hartford Seminarrians as a thank you for the wonderful services they provide and the blessing that they are to our community. The collection is ongoing. Please place your donation in the collection basket marked "SEMINARIANS".

WE CANNOT ACCEPT CHECKS



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 are available for a \$10.00 donation. These candles burn for two weeks.

The Sanctuary light at St. Philip Church burns for: In

Memory of Francis & Helen Kessler

The Sanctuary light at St. Catherine Church burns for:

Health & God's blessings for Arietta

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:

Rest of the soul of John P. Rouschenbach

Virgin Mary Statue burns for:

Rest of the soul of John P. Rouschenbach

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

Masses For The Week



Saturday, January 11:

4:00 PM +Repose of the soul of Elzear Rodrigue

requested by Craig Parker

Sunday, January 12: Epiphany of the Lord

8:30 AM (St. Catherine Church)

Special Intentions for Caitlyn

requested by Teixeira & Maslow Family

10:30 AM Special Intentions for Gary & Marie Pelletier

requested by Ernie & Kay Teixeira

Monday, January 13: St. Hillary, Bishop & Doctor

12:10 PM Pro Populo (For the People)

Tuesday, January 14:

12:10 PM +Repose of the soul of Ed, Anna, Peter, Carmen,

Mary

requested by Joyce & Janice

Wednesday, January 15:

12:10 PM +Repose of the soul of John P. Rouschenbach

requested by Family

Thursday, January 16:

9:00 AM +Repose of the soul of James Bugby

requested by Deacon Alan & Karen Germain

Saturday, January 18:

4:00 PM Special Intentions for Christopher Luciano

requested by Deacon Alan & Karen Germain

Sunday, January 19: Ecumenical Sunday

8:30 AM (St. Catherine Church)

Special Intentions for Tom & Anne Eisenman

requested by Deacon Alan & Karen Germain

10:30 AM Rev. Ronald Stone, (Diocese of Nashville, TN)

requested by Fr. Ron

Parish Sharing and Support



(January 5, 2024)

Weekly \$4,086.00

Monthly \$934.00

Online \$2,045.00

Christmas \$105.00

Thank you for your generosity and support!