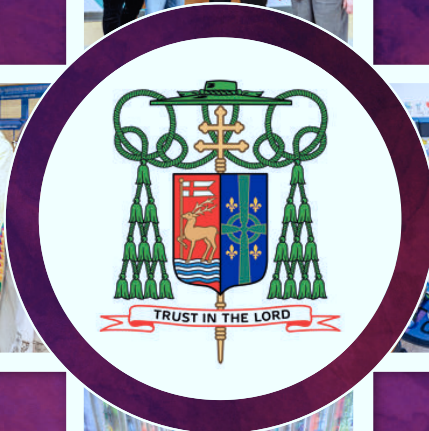


2025 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL



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Parish Office

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Alan Germain, Deacon

Parish Office Hours: *Mon.-Thursday 9am-3pm*
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 150 South Main Street
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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

Regulations For Fasting and Abstinence

The Church teaches that Catholics in good health are to observe the following practices during Lent unless for some serious reason they are unable to do so. From the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: “Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory (mandated) days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory (mandated) days of abstinence.

The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon Catholics from age 14 onwards.”



SANDWICHES FOR ENFIELD

First Tuesday of each month. Individually wrapped sandwiches should be placed in the St. Catherine Church Hall **refrigerator**.
9:00am - 12:00 pm Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Thank you for your support & generosity!



FOODSHARE will be in the St. Catherine parking lot on **Friday, March 14, 2025** at **1:00 p.m.**



*Please Pray for the
 Repose of The Soul of
 Louise Tiernan
 Laura Mae Palmer
 Robert Nedjoika
 John Pasko*

*Priests and Deacons
 January and February '25
 Father Henry P. Cody
 Father Joseph A. Sidera,
 C.S.C.
 Father Chacko Kumplam
 Father Philip A. Sheridan
 Deacon Raul Cardona*

Some Lenten Practices

During Lent the Church prescribes no use of the organ for six weeks to enter us into this penitential season. **We will have use of organ music during Lent, though.** However, there are other items we can eliminate for the next six weeks that remind us we are in a very solemn season of penance and meditation.

During Lent the Psalm will be recited instead of sung.

The "Gloria" will be omitted all together.

The "Alleluia" is never sung during Lent. An appropriate Gospel Acclamation is sung. There will be no singing of the parts of the Mass. They will be recited.

The wooden clacker will take the place of the bells during Consecration.

There is an ancient custom to use "unbleached" candles during Lent: The candles you will see are unbleached, with bleached candles returning for Easter.

Please enjoy entering into a deep spiritual relationship with God and may His Grace and Mercy cleanse your soul.

2025 Lenten Schedule

The Following is a Lenten schedule for the Lenten Season, 2025. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 5, 2025. The schedule below should help you with your spiritual journey during Lent this year.

March 5, 2025: Ash Wednesday
9:00 a.m. Mass and 12:15 Mass:
St. Catherine Church

Every Monday during Lent:
Confessions 6:30 – 7:30 pm:
St. Philip Church

Every Wednesday during Lent:
Stations of the Cross **3:00 pm**
with Exposition & Benediction
of the Blessed Sacrament:
St. Catherine Church

Every Friday during Lent:
Stations of the Cross **5:00 pm**
with Exposition & Benediction
of the Blessed Sacrament:
St. Philip Church

Moved By Compassion

The practice of mercy is propelled by one's connection with the suffering needs of others. Solidarity with those who suffer, being there with commitment to their flourishing, is the locus of encounter with the living God. Through what is basically a prophetic stance, one shares in the passion of God for the world. The preferential option for the poor must now include the vulnerable, voiceless, nonhuman species and the ravaged natural world itself, all of which are kin to humankind. Loving these neighbors as their very selves, committed religious persons develop moral principles, political structures, and lifestyles that promote other creatures' thriving and halt their exploitation.

Elizabeth A. Johnson
Abounding in Kindness

How might I be more aware today of what others are struggling with?

Little Sisters of The Poor

Through the good graces of Archbishop Christopher Coyne, the Little Sisters of the Poor have been granted permission to visit local parishes to conduct fund raising for their ministry to the poor and elderly. They will visit St. Marianne Cope Parish on the weekend of March 8th and 9th. They will be speaking at the 8:30am Mass (St. Catherine Church), the 4:00pm Mass (St. Philip Church) and the 10:30am (St. Philip Church). The Little Sisters have been serving the needs of the elderly and poor for over 100 years in this area. Please make checks payable to: Little Sisters of the Poor ~ St. Joseph Residence.



Time Change

We change our clocks to Daylight Savings Time on the evening of March 8, 2025.

On that night we push our clocks ahead one hour. Remember the old adage: "Fall back; Spring ahead."

On the evening of March 8th, please don't forget to push your clock ahead one hour, before retiring for the night.



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:

Healing & God's Blessings for Jim & Patricia Pedersen

The Sanctuary light at St. Catherine Church burns for:

Healing & God's Blessings for Carol & Ruth

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 & God's Blessings for Pope Francis

Virgin Mary Statue burns for:

Healing & God's Blessings for Pope Francis

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

Masses For The Week



Saturday, March 1:

4:00 PM +Repose of the soul of **Timothy J. Sullivan, Jr.**

requested by Barbara Sherman

Sunday, March 2:

8:30 AM (St. Catherine Church)

+Repose of the soul of **Joan Germain**

requested by Gary & Marie Pelletier

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

requested by the Wyrostek Family

Monday, March 3: St. Katherine Drexel

9:00 AM **Pro Populo** (For the People)

Tuesday, March 4: St. Casmir of Poland

12:15 PM Special intentions of healing for **Nicholas Dziadul**

requested by Deacon Alan & Karen Germain

Wednesday, March 5: Ash Wednesday

9:00 AM +Repose of the soul of **Helen Gendreau**

requested by Marie & Gary

12:15 PM +Repose of the soul of **Charles Rivard**

requested by Mom

Thursday, March 6:

9:00 AM Special intentions for the **Fahey Family**

requested by Deacon Alan & Karen Germain

Friday, March 7:

5:00 PM Stations of The Cross (St. Philip Church)

Saturday, March 8:

4:00 PM +Repose of the soul of **Larry Bielen**

requested by Charlie Szymanski

Sunday, March 9:

8:30 AM (St. Catherine Church)

+Repose of the soul of **Larry Bielen**

requested by Gary & Marie Pelletier

10:30 AM +Repose of the soul of **Joan Germain**

requested by Ron & Toni



Parish Sharing & Support

(February 16, 2025)

Weekly \$ 1,339.00

Online \$890.00

(February 23, 2025)

Weekly \$ 2,426.00

Monthly \$ 405.00

Online \$793.00

Thank you for your generosity and support!