

January 20, 2019

2nd Sunday in
Ordinary Time



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SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Sacrament of the Eucharist:

Weekdays: Mon-Fri: 7:30 am

Weekend: **Sat. Vigil:** 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Saturday: 3:00pm - 3:30pm and
anytime by appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick and Ministry to the Sick:

Please call the rectory anytime a
person is sick and would like to
be anointed or visited.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Please call our parish office to
arrange pre-Baptismal
instruction and the time of the
ceremony.

Sacrament of Holy Orders:

**Contact Fr. Joe Ashe or
Fr. Walter Nagle, 860 434
1660, if you want to learn more
about becoming a priest or a
deacon, or contact Fr. Greg
Galvin at the Vocations
Office: 860 887 9294.**

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Preparation for marriage must
begin at least six months before
actual ceremony. Please call our
parish office.

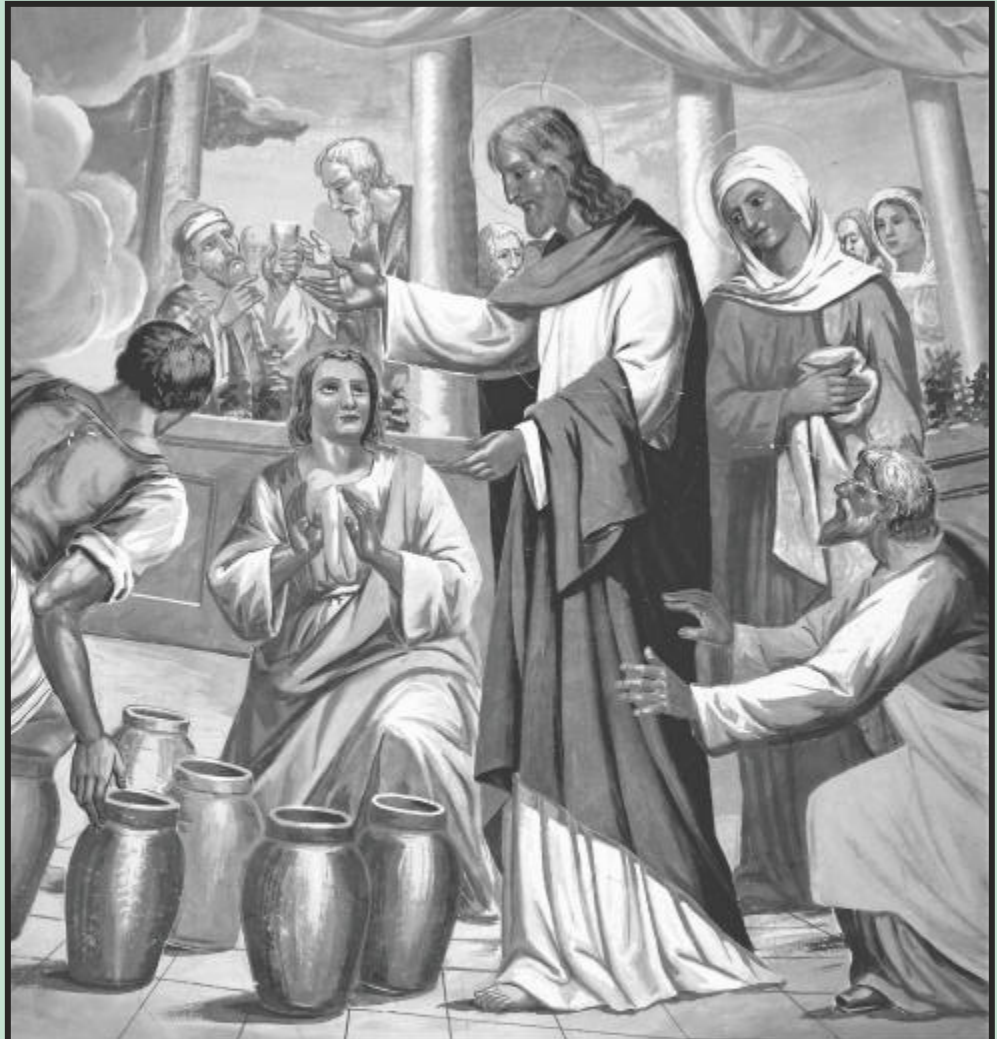
Sacrament of Confirmation:

Confirmation preparation begins
in the 9th grade and the
sacrament is received in the 10th
grade. Adults can join the
RCIA program; contact the
parish office.

Holy Days of Obligation:

7:30am & 6:30pm (No evening
Mass the day before the Holy Day.)

The Rosary is prayed Tuesdays
at 4:30pm in the parish library.
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There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of
Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the
wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said
to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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MASS Schedule this Week

Saturday Jan. 19

4:00pm Varkey Mattam r/b the family
Joseph Sapia r/b his wife, Shirley

SUNDAY Jan. 20 SECOND SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

8:00am Joe and Louella Viteritto
10:30am Patrick D. Skraggin r/b Mike Gallagher and family
Steven Massad r/b Sue Ellen Perry
Gertrude Curioso r/b her daughter

Mon. Jan. 21 St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

7:30am The Parishioners of Christ the King

Tues. Jan. 22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

7:30am For All Victims of Abortion

Wed. Jan. 23

7:30am Frank Fitzgerald r/b Bob and Sue Staab

Thurs. Jan. 24 St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

7:30am David Kurt McClain r/b friends

Friday Jan. 25 The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

7:30am Carl and Hilda Jahn r/b family

Saturday Jan. 26 St. Timothy and St. Titus, Bishops

4:00pm Jack Biancamano r/b Joan Moylan

SUNDAY Jan. 27 THIRD SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

8:00am Mary Sullivan
10:30am Carol Shoro Guyer r/b family
Steven Massad r/b Sue Ellen Perry
Thomas F. Keogh r/b his wife, Cissie

The SANCTUARY lamp for the month of January
will be lit for Andrew and Mary Maietta.



WHY DO WE DO THAT?

Q: January 25th is the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul and the end of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. What does one have to do with the other?

A: The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity consists of eight days beginning January 18th, the feast of the Chair of Peter, and ending on January 25th, the feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. The Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, founded in the early 20th century in Graymoor, New York, sought to promote unity among Anglicans and Roman Catholics. Paul James Wattson, a former Episcopal priest, founded the community, which was formally accepted into the Catholic communion.

The idea for Christian unity soon began to catch on, and by the 1930s, more and more Christians welcomed such a focus. Suggestions for prayer and education are distributed each year, emphasizing a jointly chosen theme. The 1964 Vatican II document on ecumenism, Unitatis Redintegratio, gave a great boost to the octave, so that today many Christians worldwide promote and participate in the octave time of prayer.

The emphasis on both Peter and Paul aptly fits into the rationale of the octave. Peter is seen as the source of unity within the Christian tradition. Paul is highlighted due to his vision of bringing all to Christ. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an ideal opportunity to pray for and promote respect, understanding, and, hopefully, eventual unity among Christians.

OUR PARISH SUPPORT:

January 13, 2019

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

There are close to 7.6 billion people currently on earth. That is a lot of people! If you try to estimate how many people have collectively been born since the beginning of time, a good guess is 108 billion! It is hard to contemplate that many distinctly different human beings created by our God. In the midst of all those people, where do you and I fit? Can we really be created to make a difference in the world? One can feel very small and insignificant when reflecting on the numbers.

We render ourselves insignificant when we make the mistake of seeing ourselves as being just like everybody else. However, when looking at the numbers, how can one honestly think we are all the same? Another way we become insignificant is believing the lie that one person in the midst of so many does not have the power to make an impact. However, we all spend time reading books, watching movies, or listening to news about singular people who made all the difference in some part of the world. Imagine your own world without a few key people who have touched you and made a difference.

We are all created with unique gifts. We have those gifts that have been part of us from birth and those that have been imparted to us by the Holy Spirit. St. Paul tried to get the Corinthians to understand that reality when he explained to them the many gifts of the Spirit. Perhaps some of his audience back then thought they were insignificant. The message then remains the message today: God is counting on you to use what He has given you. If you don't, who will?

- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Reflections for the Annual DAY of PRAYER for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children on January 22

The US has lost about 1.2 million soldiers in all of its wars since the Declaration of Independence in 1776. In a much shorter time since 1973, we have killed about 50 times as many pre-born babies. Also, abortion has cost the US about 120 times as much as all American wars have.

Who could have predicted this wide scale slaughter of innocent life that goes on, day in day out? Who would have guessed abortion would be de-criminalized, protected by governments, and proudly promoted and funded by governments and corporations?

Who would have guessed many schools and colleges would promote this, imagined churches would remain quiet, and public school officials can and do send minors for abortions without parental consent? Who would have guessed the media would despise and oppose all who valiantly come to the defense of innocent life?

How did we get to this position? How did we become so callous and how can "civilized" people consider their children disposable? There is nothing in human history to equal this massive slaughter.

Why do we not do more to prevent this slaughter? Lord, have mercy on us. *"From the first moment of existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person—among which is the inviolable right of every innocent human being to life."* - Catechism of the Catholic Church

Parish Pot Luck Supper
Friday, Jan. 25th @ 6pm



Our monthly Pot Luck will be held at Our Lady of Good Counsel (CTK) parish hall on Friday, Jan. 25th @ 5:45pm for cocktails (wine & beer) BYOB, 6:00 pm for dinner.

Please bring a dish, salad or dessert to share.

■ Come to share a good dinner & good company!

■ Questions? Call Nancy Gatto, 860-434-5159.

Are you grieving from an Abortion?

Trust in the mercy of God's love. Consider these words from St. John Paul II to those suffering because of abortion:

"The church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. Certainly what happened was and remains terribly wrong. But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope....The Father of mercies is ready to give you His forgiveness and His peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. You will come to understand that nothing is definitively lost and you will also be able to ask forgiveness from your child, who is now living in the Lord." (Evangelium Vitae, # 99).

Call **Project Rachel**, the church's post-abortion healing program, for a confidential referral to a priest who can help: **860-861-4439**.

On Sunday, February 3, 2019, the 22nd annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Gift of Consecrated Life will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m., in the Cathedral of Saint Patrick in Norwich.

All are invited to join Bishop Cote in thanking God for the gift of consecrated life and for the sisters, brothers, and religious priests who enrich the Church and build up God's Kingdom with the witness of their religious commitment. The homilist will be Father Erik Lenhart, O.F.M. Cap., the former Episcopal Vicar for Consecrated Life for the Diocese of Norwich and currently a chaplain for the Capuchin Youth and Family Ministries (CYFM) in Garrison, New York.

"Any country that accepts abortion, is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what it wants."

~ St. Mother Teresa

Come to daily Mass: M-F mornings @ 7:30am!

There is something about the intimacy of daily Mass that creates a different experience than Sunday Mass. It is the same Mass, but you hear things in a different ways, you witness things in a different way. The quiet and peace of the daily Mass experience is a great opportunity to discover the genius of Catholicism.

(Matthew Kelly)

Parish Council News

Thank you all for submitting parishioners' names for nomination to serve on the Parish Council.

There will now be a random selection to choose who, of parishioners accepting the nomination, will fill six vacancies on the Parish Council.

To the Parishioners of Christ the King -

Thank you all so very much for helping make "Christ The King's Advent Giving Tree Project" for 2018 a success!



This year we collected and delivered the following to:

St. Mark's Neighbors Aide we collected \$1,035 in checks along with 184 items consisting of scarfs, hats & gloves (43), jackets (12), pants & tops (59), hoodie & sweatshirts (34), pairs of socks (19) and misc. items (17).

St Vincent de Paul in Norwich we collected \$300 in gift cards and checks - along with 850 items consisting of personnel care products and winter clothing items.

New Life Prison Ministry we collected \$350 in gift cards and cash and 1st class stamps - along with 450 items consisting of housewares, personal care products and items of clothing and accessories.

Madonna Place we collected a total of 490 items consisting of toys and children's clothing and 3 gift cards.

This year your donations to "Christ The King's 2018 Giving Tree Project" totaled **1,974** in gifts and **\$1,715**. Since **1989**, Christ the King parishioners have donated over 21,646 in gifts and \$ 53,975.

In closing, thank you! And on behalf of these four organizations along with our Advent Giving Tree team, we wish for you and yours a Healthy and Peaceful New Year!



Celebrate Marriage — It's not too early to begin thinking of Valentine's Day! Give your Valentine something special this year — the gift of your time. Come celebrate your marriage at a day-long enrichment that will renew your dreams, increase your passion and refresh and celebrate your marriage. This marriage enrichment aptly entitled, "**Celebrate Marriage**," will take place on **Saturday, February 16, 2019, from 9 A.M to 3 P.M.** at St. Joseph Parish Hall, 99 Jackson St., Willimantic. The cost is \$35 per couple, which includes workbooks and lunch. To register, call Diocesan Catholic Family Services Office at 860-848-2237, Ext. 306.

DIOCESAN PRO-LIFE MASS

Sat, Feb. 2, 2019, 8:30am

St. Patrick Cathedral, 201 Broadway, Norwich

Pray for the pre-born, the sanctity of all human life, and healing for those who have had an abortion.

Join our own Fr. Walter Nagle, celebrant.

The rosary will be prayed at the Cathedral & at "Planned Parenthood".

The Power of Prayer is Endless.



FREE EVENT: PRESENTATION of The Knights of Columbus: "WWI - A Century of Service"

Thurs., Feb. 7 @ 6pm

Our Lady of Good Counsel Hall,
CTK



All area parishioners and other local KofC councils are invited to Christ the King for a presentation and discussion on the KofC WWI story presented by Mr. Peter Sonski. He manages outreach, educational and Knights' featured programs for the KofC Museum in New Haven. He presented the life of Venerable Fr. McGivney for the US tour of St. Jean Vianney's relic on EWTN LIVE with Fr. Mitch Pacwa and on EWTN DVD.

The KofC Museum is famous for its exhibits of Catholic artifacts and Christmas exhibits, including this year's Polish creches and annual trees celebrating the 100th anniversary of Poland's establishment as a nation. Peter will describe the current main attraction since 2017, which commemorates the 100th anniversary of the US entry into the Great War, WWI. and is extended to April 14, 2019.

This event is hosted by CTK Men's Club with complimentary pizza and refreshments! Please call or text Bob Brinkerhoff, 860-748-9378, so enough food is ordered. **All are welcome!**

Academy of The Holy Family TOP-LIFE Club

TOP-Life Café

Sat. Jan. 26, 2019 - from 6-8pm

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A light supper will be provided, including soup and sandwiches, as well as pastries and other treats.

Featuring: Fr. Jeffrey Ellis and Bryce Dietz

The evening will include entertainment from Academy students, great food & fellowship!

If you have any questions, please let us know. You can reach us by our emails:

Sister M. Kateri: admissions@ahfbaltic.org

Sister Mary Jane: smaryjane_math@ahfbaltic.org

St. John School Open Houses

St. John School, Old Saybrook Winter Open Houses will take place on:

Sunday, January 27th, 10am-noon and
Thursday, January 31st, 9-11am.



You are invited to hear about Educating the Whole Child from Prek3 to Grade 8. See our facilities including our recent campus upgrades, talk to our faculty and learn about our challenging curriculum, enrichment programs, athletics, after-school clubs and parent seminars. Registration for Fall has already commenced! For more information, see our website www.saintjohnschool.org. If you have any questions or to arrange private tours or shadow days, please call the school office at (860) 388 0849. ***All are welcome!***

St. John School - Spanish Teacher Position Available

St. John School, Old Saybrook is looking for a Spanish teacher for grades K-8 to assist students in understanding and communicating in Spanish. The teacher will encourage students to practice vocabularies they've learned and assist them in accurately listening, speaking, writing and reading Spanish. Experience with techniques such as role-playing, dialogue, language games, literature, film, and other formal exercises used in the teaching of a foreign language are helpful. The 4-day hour work week includes 11 hours of instruction and the position is available immediately. Please call Mother Elaine, Principal at 860-388-0849 if interested.

St. John School Honor Roll - Christ the King Parishioners

Mother Elaine Moorcroft, S.C.M.C., Principal of St. John School, Old Saybrook has announced the names of the following students as honor roll students for the 1st Trimester marking period for the 2018/19 academic year: Christ the King Honor parishioner are:

* **Stella Geronimo** received ***High Honors***.

* **Gillian Milewski** and **Manu Geronimo** received ***Honors***.
Congratulations!

Do you want to register with the parish? Welcome!

Have you changed your address, are you moving out of or into the parish, or would like to receive envelopes? Please call the office, 860-434-1669. Or, you can fill out the following and return via the basket, drop it at the office, or mail to: 1 McCurdy Road, Old Lyme, CT 06371

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