

Sunday Masses

8:00 AM (in Polish with English Homily)

9:30 AM

11:30 AM

Daily Masses

(Monday - Friday) **7:30 AM**

(Daily community prayer at 7:15 a.m. -
- before Mass).

Saturday Mass

4:00 PM (Vigil Mass)

[Today's Readings for Mass](#)

New ! [Online Searchable Catechism](#)

Upcoming Events / News -

Preparing Ahead For Advent

Families and individuals - Ideas for planning your Advent Season !

[Advent Calendar & Family Blessings](#)

College / Adult level -

1. [Great book Recommendations to Prepare for Advent](#)
2. [The Spirituality of Advent - video 5 min., Bishop Barron](#)

2. [What is the Benefit of Advent ?](#) video - 2 minutes
3. [Bishop Barron on Grace & Karma](#) - 9 min. video

Families -

1. [Making Advent a More Holy Season](#) - video, 5 minutes
2. [Advent Carols](#) - video
3. [A Look At Advent](#) - Fr. Mike Schmidt - video 7 minutes
4. [Nine Lessons and Carols](#)
5. [Books for the Family for Advent](#)

□ **Difficulty Praying ? Renew, Refresh Your Prayer Time**

[The Daily Examen - video, 5 minutes](#)

NEW ! □ - Small Things Playgroup

Parents, bring your children and build community with other young families in the parish ! Come for a drop-in playgroup on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 9 a.m. downstairs in the parish hall. Our next gathering is **December 12**.

For more information please email [Maureen Harris](#) and check the bulletin and here for any future updates.

Let's help each other raise holy families!

Mondays, 6:30 p.m. - Divine Mercy Novena □

(Every Monday except **Monday holidays** or inclement weather).

"One of my favorite shows [on EWTN], ... is the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, which I love, and when I've had a very stressful day, I'll come home -I've got it taped, and Kay and I will both listen, put it on and just sit back, relax, worship, and in that time of reflection, meditation, quietness I find myself renewed and restored."

- **Rick Warren**, Baptist / Evangelical pastor of Saddle-Back Church, author of "The Purpose-Driven Life" . ***Every Monday except Monday holidays or inclement weather)***

Items In The News - □

[Q & A and Commentary on FaceBook by Bishop Robert Barron](#)

[Being For Real Right Now](#) - [Sr. Miriam James Heidland](#) - video, 5 minutes

ST. JOSEPH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS - CCD

We are a great group of volunteers – working with the children of our parish !

We did many wonderful things this past year: *Bake sale for Thanksgiving Dinner at the Cornerstone Shelter – *Christmas raffle for KidSafe - *Made lunches for The Cornerstone Shelter during Holy Week, *Had a wonderful Creche Service/Christmas Pizza Party and May Crowning/end of year Pizza Party. The teachers even made a cupcake rosary!

(See photos in the [Gallery section](#))

We need your help though - any kind of help! Teachers, Co-Teachers, Substitute Teachers, Teacher's Aides, Hall Monitors – anything and everything would be welcome! The children – ours and yours - – are the future! Come join us, and be part of sharing our beautiful faith with the next generation ! [Who Is Jesus and What Makes Him Unique ? - video 5 minutes.](#)

“Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love.”~Mother Teresa

CCD meets Tuesdays from mid September through early May from 4:00 – 5:15 p.m.

Please contact the rectory at: 860-871-1970, or, Kathie Mindek (DRE) @ 860-487-1211 for further information. Thank you and God Bless all the families of St. Joseph Church!

Journey Through The Catechism

Join us every **Wednesday evening at 6:00pm** in the Church Office (Convent building) as we take a

Journey through the Catechism

. The Catechism is one of the best ways to explore the faith because we've got scripture, church history, theology, philosophy, and prayer /spirituality all together, - truly an integrated adventure !

Our series is lead by Fr. Joseph, professor.emeritus, Holy Apostles Collge and Seminary, Cromwell, CT.

New Article - [A Modern Spiritual Journey, from Mexico to CT](#)

□ **Life In The Spirit Seminar** □

The ***Life In The Spirit*** meets every Wednesday, in the church Hall, - starts between 6 and 7 p.m.

For more information - 860-887-0702, - [Spiritual Renewal Center, Diocese of Norwich](#) .

New - □ [NY Encounter 2019](#)

Make your plans to attend one or all the days, Feb. 15 - 17, of 2019 !

[**New York Encounter**](#) (the "Encounter") is an annual three-day FREE public cultural event in the heart of New York City.

The Encounter strives to witness to the new life and knowledge generated by the faith, that "the intelligence of faith has to become the intelligence of reality."

[Catch the new photos from this year in the **"Gallery"** section above and plan to attend next year](#) [, - February 15-17, 2019 !](#)

Drive down or take the train from New Haven to Grand Central, and then down to the Metropolitan Pavilion. Special discounted rates are available at several close-by good quality hotels, check their website periodically for the latest information.

[NY Encounter website](#)

[See the NY Encounter 2018 video trailer](#)

[Traces online International Magazine](#)

TracesOnline.org offers a fresh perspective on culture, society, and civic life through the lens of the Catholic faith. Our aim is to be a window into the discovery of the full depth of our human experience, the Human Aventure

Daily Mass

7:30 a.m. daily Mass, with morning community prayer beginning at 7:15 a.m., - join us on your way to work or the gym !

Video Reflection - [Who Is Jesus, and What Makes Him Unique ?](#)



Daily Mass

Don't forget ! Daily Mass at 7:30 a.m., - convenient for commuters before work or the Gym, and vacationers heading out for the day !

[Featured Video Clip](#)

Request a Mass

Have concerns in your life? Like to have the prayers of the parish community along with your own ? Request a weekday or Sunday Mass for your family, friends or personal intentions ! Call Kathleen at the parish office to schedule, 860.871.1970.

Ongoing

[Daily Scripture Readings, text plus audio and video options](#) .

* **Book Rack** - Features CD's, Pocket-Sized Bible Studies, Devotionals, Traces Magazine, and much more, -- Located by the Elevator, **free items are marked**. All books are offered below Amazon prices, - *compare*

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Stop By This Week, while supplies last !

* **Weekly** [Bread Collection](#) for the Cornerstone Shelter / Soup Kitchen.
(Use Drop-off Boxes in main foyer on Sundays. Thank you !).

* Monthly - First Weekend of the Month - **Collection of personal-care items** for the Cornerstone Shelter. Drop off items in the marked box in the foyer. Thank you !

* Thursdays, Holy Hour 7- 8p.m. - Matt 26:40