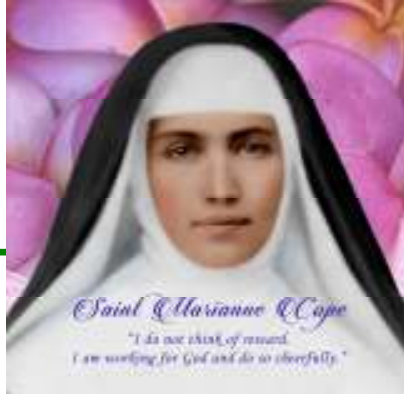




Saint Marianne Cope Parish

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 8:00 a.m.

Parish Office Hours -

Monday thru Friday
9:00 a.m. - Noon

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.

Parish Office Phone - (860) 623-4636 (ext. 101)

Parish Fax - (860) 292-8550

Parish Website - smceastwindsor.org

Parish Office email - office@smceastwindsor.org

Pastoral Assistant - Theresa Jablow

Director of Music - Wendy Quinn

Pastoral Minister - Jan Albetski

Email - JanA@smceastwindsor.org

Faith Formation Office - (860) 623-4636 (ext. 106)

Parish Rectory - 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 of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. at St. Catherine Church
Followed by recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet



NEW PARISHIONERS – Welcome! There are registration forms on the bulletin boards in the church foyers at St. Philip Church during the weekend liturgies. Just fill one out and drop it in the Giving Box or Basket or return it to the parish office. You may also register by calling the parish office during weekday business hours.

YOUNG FAMILIES – At St. Philip Church, the quiet room is available for families with young children attending Mass and at St. Catherine Church the foyer is available if your child needs a break.

PARISHIONERS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS - The first pew is available for parishioners that have any type of physical limitations, and you may also receive communion while staying in your seat if you'd like. At St. Philip, those in the quiet room may proceed in front of the first pew for communion as well.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK - can be celebrated at any time for those who are ill or infirm. When someone's condition worsens, please call the parish office to arrange for Father to visit and celebrate the sacrament rather than waiting until the final moments of their life.

PLEASE PRAY FOR – Joyce Benoit, Jeannie Bernier, Maria Brenza, Linda Brown, Inez Cabral, Elaine Colson, Donald Daigle, Philip Deane, Gabriel Desrocher, Donald Fitzgerald, Laurie Gallipo, David Gieseke, Ciera Green, Concetta Kopp, Auralie LaChance, Martha Leonard, Bill Mager, Ethel Morin, Rosemary Murak, Laura Palmer, Bev Pikul, Donald Quist, Rob & Lilly, Krystyna Paluch, Bob & Gen Roy, Steven Solesky, Meghan Tully, Mary Winn, Heidi Wormstedt, and Deborah & James Wrann. Also, all health care workers, first responders, missionaries and those serving in the armed forces.

Blessed Candles ~ February 2, 2023

February 2nd is traditionally known as Candlemas Day or the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple. Catholics have candles blessed for home-use. **Very specifically, these candles are not used for dinner. They are not dinner candles. These candles are used when a person or a family prays.** Traditionally, it is a day when all nuns and monks renew their vows and are presented with a blessed candle to carry in procession. Candles will be available on the weekend of January 28 & 29. I used to give them for free, but it is surprising how much they have gone up!! I'm only requesting a \$3.00 donation, please. There are two candles to a box. Thanks for helping to defray the cost. God's blessings be yours.

Blessings of the Throat ~ February 3, 2023

February 3rd is St. Blaise Day. Tradition has it for centuries that the priest blesses throats on this day. This year February 3rd falls on a Friday. Throats will be blessed on Thursday, February 2nd after the 8am Mass. **Throats will also be blessed after each Mass on the weekend of January 28th and 29th.** Please note that a person can have their throat blessed several times. For instance if you attend Thursday's Mass (Feb 2nd) for a blessing, you may have your throat blessed at any one of the Masses on the weekend of January 28 or 29. *Of course, please join us in the Hall for a celebration of our patron saint, Marianne Cope after the 10:30am Mass on the 29th.*

Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of
Deacon Gerard J. Probulis
Deacon Terence M. Nolan

Thank You!

I wish to extend a heartfelt "Thank you" to all those who made our celebration of Saint Marianne cope a success. We celebrated this illustrious woman for two weeks in a row with Masses in her honor on the weekend of January 21-22, and a special brunch this weekend January 28-29. Thank you to all who brought food, those who set up the Hall and all who participated in any way. Thank you! **St. Marianne Cope, pray for us.**

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Farewell and Thank you

We as a parish, say goodbye to our Secretary, Theresa Jablow who will be leaving us on January 31, 2023 to move to Florida. We thank Theresa for her hard work and kindness to all of us during her short time with us. We are all grateful for her time with us and wish her much luck, health and happiness in the future. Theresa, thank you for everything!

We also bid farewell to our Bookkeeper Lori Kedzior, as we are now merging these two positions. Bookkeepers are usually working on the quiet end of the parish. However, it is a somewhat demanding position when dealing with finances and Lori has done an excellent job for the parish. She is always kind and ready to help. We will miss you too, Lori and we wish you the best of health and happiness. Thank you for everything!

God bless you, Theresa and Lori!

Job Openings

Secretary/Bookkeeper

We have an opening for a part-time secretary/bookkeeper who will work Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Under the supervision of the Pastor, the secretary/bookkeeper will be responsible for all secretarial support of the parish as well as responsibility for revenue and expense analysis, preparation of the annual budget, billing, payroll, accounts receivable and accounts payable, preparation of monthly financial statements in addition to other related bookkeeping services. Additional duties and responsibilities will include maintaining all records of the parish cemetery as well as sale of burial plots. Qualified candidates must have strong communication skills and excellent computer skills utilizing Microsoft applications, Quick-Books software and Paychex payroll systems. The ability to multi-task while maintaining a high level of organization and productivity, as well as exemplary written, verbal and interpersonal skills, are important aspects of this position. An AS Degree in Accounting or Finance is preferred, with three or more years of full charge bookkeeping with financial statement preparation and analysis, is preferred. Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest and resume to: Reverend Ronald Zepecki at email: office@smceastwindsor.org.

Maintenance Worker/Custodian

We have an opening for a part-time maintenance worker/custodian who will work Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The maintenance worker/custodian will provide cleaning and light maintenance for the parish buildings and grounds. Duties will include, but are not limited to: performing minor maintenance of the Rectory, churches, and other parish buildings; changing ceiling lights; performing light carpentry work and minor repair work, as needed; providing general assistance as needed by setting up tables and chairs; collecting trash and the disposal of trash; setting up for parish events such as weddings, funerals, etc. Qualified candidates must possess a High School Diploma or equivalent and three or more years of maintenance experience as well as a general knowledge of custodial applications. Candidates must also possess standard mechanical skills; have successful work experience in minor repair work such as carpentry and painting; have experience in implementing a cleaning plan for a facility including sweeping, dusting, washing and waxing; and, have a general knowledge of custodial applications. To submit a resume, please email to: Reverend Ronald Zepecki at email: office@smceastwindsor.org.

Our EARLY CHILDHOOD GROUP. (Pre-K to Grade1) will meet on **January 29th** during the 10:30 Mass. They should plan to attend Mass with their families. Father Ron will call them up and Bless them after the Gospel and then send them with their teachers to the Hall. Parents should plan to join them after Mass for our Potluck Brunch. **Be sure to bring your folder to each class.**

Don't Forget to join our Parish Brunch in celebration of the feast of Saint Marianne Cope on Sunday January 29, 2023 following the 10:30 Mass. The PLC and other volunteers will be ready for you.

GRADES 2-Confirmation Prep will meet on Sunday, February 5th at 9:30 am in St. Philip Hall. Pick up will be at 11 am. Parents of Grade 2-8 will need to come in to sign when you pick up. **Students should bring their folders and books to every class.** Attendance is expected.

Grades 2 and 3 have begun their preparation programs for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Attendance at every class is very important. Students should bring their BOTH their Sacramental folder AND their Gospel Weeklies folder to every class.

Grade 3 Parents and coaches are asked to join their students after our regular class on February 5th for an important meeting regarding the celebration of the Sacrament of First Eucharist. We will begin shortly after the 11 am dismissal.

PLEASE NOTE: ****February 19th is a regular class now.** Class will begin at 9:30 and end at 11am as usual. (We will do a special Mardi Gras snack). Confirmation students should plan to attend Mass.

Please notify Jan A if there is a reason your child will be unable to attend class. This helps our teachers to plan.

Jan Albetski, Pastoral Minister 860-623-4636 x106
JanA@smceastwindsor.org

Connecticut March for Life, 2023

The March for Life in Connecticut will take place on Thursday, March 23, 2023 at 12 p.m. at the State Capitol in Hartford.

At 1 p.m. there will be a March for Life around Bushnell Park.

To register visit: CTMarchforLife.org
On this site you may also obtain much more information.

January 29, 2023

Mass Intentions

After much thought and prayer, I would like to open intentions for Masses. The past two weeks I have announced from the pulpit that the church allows for Mass intentions for the deceased and the living. Below please find possible Mass intentions:

- for the deceased
- for an ill person
- for a dying person
- For a birthday intention
- For a wedding anniversary
- In thanksgiving for a favor received from Our Lord, Our Lady or a saint
- For a special intention (private to you)
- For the health of someone
- In honor of a saint (because he/she answered a prayer)
- In honor of The Blessed Mother

If you would like an intention for Mass, please call Theresa any day between 9am and 12noon. She will be happy to help you with your requests.

Social Action Outreach -

Enfield Loaves & Fishes – Tues, Feb 7, (9:00am-noon)

(Sandwiches to the basement kitchen at St. Catherine)

Loaves and Fishes is a soup kitchen providing meals, aid, and companionship at no charge. Located in Enfield, Connecticut and serving anyone in need. The soup kitchen strives to make a difference in the lives of people who live with food insecurity, serving every meal with dignity and respect in a nurturing environment. Our SMC community has always shared many tasty sandwiches each month.

FOODSHARE Truck – Friday, Feb. 3 & 17, 1:00-1:30pm

(St. Catherine Church Parking Lot)

Foodshare serves a network of more than 260 local hunger-relief organizations that operate programs for neighbors in need making sure they get help that is easy and accessible. The pantry-on-wheels delivers produce and other food to community sites throughout the region. Our parish has been a longtime supporter of this important source of food outreach. Helpers are welcome.

Five Corner Food Pantry – Feb. 11/12

(Donations to the weekend Masses at St. Philip Church)

Located at 124 Scantic Road in East Windsor, our town food pantry provides non-perishable food & supplies on Tuesdays from 9:00-11:45am & 1:00-5:30pm. Donations can be dropped off before Mass in the wooden chest in the main foyer as we support our brothers & sisters in need.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 28, St. Thomas Aquinas

4:00PM +**Repose of the Soul of Pope Benedict XVI**

Sunday, January 29

8:30AM +**Repose of the Soul of Joseph Anthony Klundt**

requested by his parents

10:30AM +**Repose of the Soul of Alfred Samuelman**

requested by his family

Monday, January 30

12:10PM +**Birthday Blessings for Tom Muska**

requested by The Pelletier Family

Tuesday, January 31, St. John Bosco

12:10PM + **Repose of the Soul of Madaline DeGeorge**

requested by her family

Wednesday, February 1

12:10PM +**Repose of the Soul of Dennis Slowick**

requested by his family

Thursday, February 2, The Presentation of the Lord

8:00AM +**Repose of the Soul of Monsignor Robert C. Hill**

(Archdiocese of Washington, DC)

requested by Fr. Ron

Saturday, February 4

4:00PM +**Repose of the Soul of Barbara Bugbee**

requested by Deacon Alan and Karen Germain

Sunday, February 5

8:30AM +**Repose of the Soul of William Green Sr.**

requested by Colleen Green

10:30AM +**Repose of the Soul of John Holland**

requested by The Maslow & Teixeira Family

Parish Sharing & Support

(Jan 14/15 and 21/22)

Weekly - \$ 5,165

Online Giving - \$2,015

Monthly - \$580

Solemnity of Mary - \$205

Catholic High Schools - \$592

(Thank you for sharing your gift of treasure with our parish.)

Welcome

Archbishop Blair and Father John Gancarz

It gives me great pleasure to welcome Archbishop Leonard P. Blair and his secretary Father John Gancarz to St. Marianne Cope Parish on the weekend of February 11 and 12. Father Gancarz will hear confessions at 3:00 p.m. and celebrate the 4 p.m. Mass on Saturday, February 11th and the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, February 12th. Archbishop Blair will celebrate the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, February 12th. After the 10:30 Mass there will be a reception for the Archbishop and his secretary, Father John Gancarz, in which you will be able to greet them and have a few minutes with them. The reception will be held in St. Philip Hall. May all of us give a warm welcome to Archbishop and his secretary. What a wonderful gift it is to have the Archbishop come to celebrate Mass for our parish. Welcome!