Saint Marianne Cope Parish

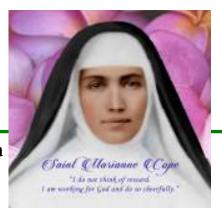
Rev. Ronald P. Zepecki - Pastor Alan Germain - Deacon



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.





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

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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 of the Blessed Sacrament

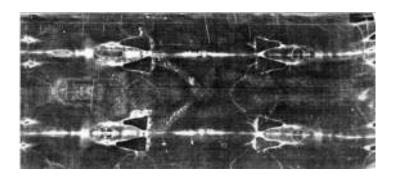
Tuesdays 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at St. Catherine Church Followed by recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet

Congratulations!

We extend our sincerest congratulations to Kay Teixeira and Paula McCloskey for agreeing to be our parish Vocation Committee. More information to follow.

Lenten Traveling Statue of THE PIETA

The traveling statue of the Pieta is invited to your home for one week during Lent. Please sign up for a week and take the statue home, place it in a prominent area where the whole household can join in the special prayers assigned to the beautiful Mother of Jesus. Sign up sheets are available on the altar rail of St. Philip Church.



<u>The Shroud of Turin – Presentation by Dea-</u> <u>con Alan Germain</u>

We will be having special presentations on the **Shroud** of **Turin** at St Philip's Church this Lent.

Have you ever heard of the Shroud of Turin? Do you know what the Shroud of Turin is? Would you like to learn more about this image and what we know about it and why many believe it to the burial cloth of Jesus Christ?

Come join us for one or more of the presentations, we will be exhibiting a life size copy of the Shroud Negative image.

March 3rd @ 12:00 PM, a Summary presentation on the Shroud of Turn, What the Shroud is, a brief history and some of the scientific discoveries over the past 60 years. March 7th @ 7:00 PM, "Man of the Shroud" - Details of the physical aspects of the shroud and scriptural references.

March 14th @ 7:00 PM, "Real or Fake? You make the call!" - Scientific Evidence that has been found over the past 6- years.



On a Personal Note

I don't know if you are aware of the fact that last year (2023) the Archdiocese of Hartford went to a fiscal year that is normal for all businesses; that is from July 1st to July 1st. Thus, the fiscal year will end on June 30th. Because of this change, I feel that a parish report will be futile during the month of July and August as most parishioners are vacationing and would not have the benefit of receiving the annual report. Therefore, I have decided to address the financial report sometime after Labor Day, when most are back into the normal routine of everyday life and the summer months and vacations are waning.

HOWEVER, there are several <u>very important</u> items that I must address with you **BEFORE** we reach Labor Day in September of 2024, concerning changes and financial matters. With regard to financial matters, I can tell you now, the parish is sound.

I wish to convey my sincerest thanks to all of you for your continued donations to the Church; most especially the online giving. Also, a sincere thank you for your donations to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal (2024 kick-off is on February 23-24,2024) and the Hartford Bishop's Foundation. In a time when we are all stretching our dollars, you are very generous. Thank you!!

At this time, I am happy to announce that I received a most gracious letter from Archbishop Blair informing all of us that our Archbishop's Appeal annual goal for St. Marianne Cope parish has been adjusted from \$42,000.00 to \$35,000.00. When it was \$42,000.00, we always made it to 28 or 29 thousand. Let's try to hit that goal, or beyond, of \$35,000.00. A short annual report will be given in the near future with the main report after Labor Day, 2024.

In the meantime, God bless all of you for your financial sacrifices made generously to our parish.

Fr. Ron

Lenten Schedule

Lent will be upon us soon. As a matter of fact, it falls on February 14th. On that day we could be confused between hearts and candy or ashes and fasting and abstinence. It could cause an "identity crisis"!

We have a lovely new feature for Lent this year and that is Deacon Alan Germain's presentation on <u>The Shroud of Turin</u>, given in three sessions. Hopefully, many of you will attend all of the sessions to absorb the history and beauty of the Shroud, believed to be the "burial cloth of Christ". Incidentally, the sessions will be publicized in our area parishes so as to invite more of the faithful to take part in experiencing the spirituality of the Shroud of Turin.

So many of you enjoyed the Legionaries of Christ Brothers last year in Lent. I'm working on getting them back during Lent for another Lenten presentation. More information to follow.

Please find below our 2024 Lenten Schedule:

<u>Confessions</u> every Monday in Lent from 7pm - 8pm. As usual, Confessions every Saturday from 3 - 3.45pm.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesdays between 11am – 12pm (Unless otherwise indicated)

<u>Daily Mass</u>, as usual: Monday – Wednesday 12:10pm, Thursdays at 9am. St Catherine Church

Stations of the Cross (two times a week) during Lent:

Wednesdays 1:30pm (Fr Ron) St Catherine Church

Fridays 6:30pm (Deacon Alan) St Philip Church

**Stations of the Cross on both Wednesdays and Fridays will be with Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Ash Wednesday Schedule 2024

** Please note that ALL Ash Wednesday Masses and the Scripture Service take place in St Catherine Church ** 9:00am - Scripture Service with distribu-

<u>12:10pm</u> - Ash Wednesday Mass with distribution of ashes. **NO** Stations of the Cross. Stations of the Cross begin on <u>Wednesday Feb 21, 2024.</u>

tion of Ashes.

<u>**6:00pm**</u> – Ash Wednesday Mass with distribution of ashes.

** Easter Sunday falls on March 30, 2024. As Lent draws to a close, a letter will be sent to you with the schedule of Masses, Confessions during Holy Week, blessing of the food and our Divine Mercy healing celebration.

It is my hope that all of you will have a very spiritual Lent while renewing your relationship with Jesus Christ through penance, fasting and alms-giving.

Mardi Gras Celebration St Philip Church Hall Sunday, Feb. 11, 2024 11:30am after Mass

Come and enjoy food and fun with us at St Marianne Cope Parish (St Philip Church Hall) to celebrate Mardi Gras and the beginning of Lent!

Fabulous Chicken Jambalaya, and "fixins will be served!

See you at Mardi Gras in St Philip's Hall!



Foodshare will be in St Catherine Church parking lot on Feb 16 and March 2 @ 1:00pm.



Candle Offering

St. Joseph / Blessed Virgin Mary St. Catherine of Siena Church

Intentions for the week

St. Joseph Statue

James and Irene Dooley

Requested by Lorraine & Pat Blessed Virgin Mary Statue for:

Jorgersen Family

Requested by Mom and Dad

'Please call the office at 860-623-4636 with your remembrance request for either St. Joseph or the Blessed Virgin Mary or both.

The candle is a \$5.00 donation. Sanctuary candle intentions for St. Catherine Church or St. Philip Church are also accepted. The donation for the sanctuary candle is \$10.00 this candle burns two weeks.

The lamps beside the tabernacles in our churches remind us of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist

The light at St. Philip Church burns for: Healing Prayers for Steven S.

The light at St. Catherine Church burns for: The Bianchi family



Parish Sharing and Support (February 4, 2024) Monthly \$764 **Weekly \$2291 Online \$1650** Thank you for your generosity and support!



Please call the office at (860) 623-4636 to schedule a Mass of Rememberance, Special Intentions, or Blessings for your loved ones.

Saturday, Feb 10

4:00PM Birthday Blessings for Sophia Muska

requested by parishioners

Sunday, Feb 11

8:30AM Birthday Blessings for Nathaniel Germain and **Emily Desjarlais**

requested by Karen & Deacon Alan Germain

10:30AM +Repose of the soul of **James and Irene Dooley** requested by Lorraine and Pat

Monday, Feb 12

12:10PM +Repose of the soul of **Shannon Dupont**

requested by Mike and Evelyn

Tuesday, Feb 13

12:10PM Special Intentions of Gertrude & newborn son,

Clement

requested by Daily Mass friends

Wednesday, Feb 14 Ash Wednesday

9:00AM Scripture Service.

12:10 PM Mass + For the deceased members of the **Eisenman and** Germain families

requested by Deacon Alan & Karen Germain

6:00 PM Mass +For the souls of the deceased Sisters Religious Teachers of Filipinni

requested by Filipinni Srs.

Thursday, Feb 15

9:00AM +Repose of the soul of Loretta Lyman

requested by family

Saturday, Feb 17

4:00PM God's Blessings & Healing for Joseph Laterreur

requested by Teixeira family

Sunday, Feb 18

8:30AM +Repose of the soul of **Joan Fourde**

requested by family

10:30AM +Repose of the soul of Roger Belval, Sr. and

Roger Belval, Jr

requested by family