

Saint Marianne Cope Parish

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



St. Catherine of Siena

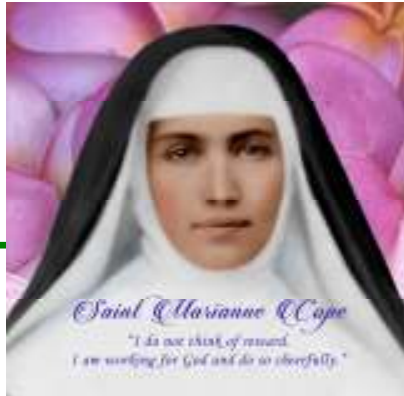
6 Windsorville Road
Broad Brook, CT 06016

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

Parish Office Phone - (860) 623-4636 (ext. 101), Fax (860) 292-8550

Parish Website - smceastwindsor.org

Parish Office email - office@smceastwindsor.org

Administrative Assistant - Kimberly Green

Director of Music - Wendy Quinn

Vocations Committee – Paula McCloskey, Kay Teixeira

Pro –Life - Marie Pelletier

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

St. Philip Rectory - (860)370-5116

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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

Up Coming Events

May 5, 2024 10:30 am Mass First Holy Communion

May 5, 2024-3 p.m. Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary Statue in St. Catherine Cemetery.

May 27, 2024 9 a.m. Memorial Day Mass St. Catherine Cemetery (bring your Lawn chair)

June 2, 2024 Corpus Christi Procession after the 10:30 a.m. Mass (St. Philip Church)

June 2, 2024 Strawberry Shortcake Social after the procession (St. Philip)

Divine Mercy Ministry to Seniors

Volunteers are needed to spread Jesus' message of Divine Mercy to seniors in local nursing homes and assisted living facilities. As a volunteer prayer group leader, you would lead a weekly 30-minute Divine Mercy prayer group using a simple prepared model of readings, prayers, and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. If you feel that the Lord is calling you to this ministry of mercy, please contact Mary Higgins. (413) 552-7231 or email Mary Divine-MercyMinistryToSeniors@gmail.com.



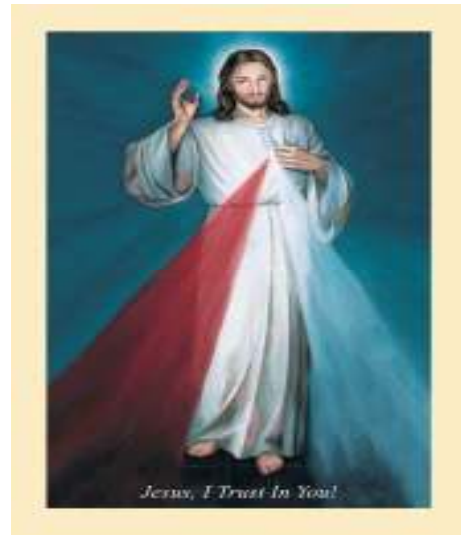
FOODSHARE will be in the St. Catherine parking lot on Friday, April 26 at 1:00 p.m.

On A Personal Note

From my heart I wish to sincerely thank all those who sent such beautiful Easter Cards with heartfelt notes inside. Thank you also to those who sent gifts to me and Bella. Your kindness is so very appreciated. God bless you with a beautiful Easter Season.

Fr. Ron

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Note of Thanks

I express my sincere thanks to all of you for attending the Divine Mercy celebration on the afternoon of April 7th at St. Philip Church. I hope you were inspired by Jesus' Mercy. Next year our celebration of Divine Mercy will take place at St. Catherine Church. Thank you one and all for your presence. A special thanks to Deacon Alan, Brother Matthew, Brother David, and Brother Austin

Fr. Ron

Feast Day of The Saints

Feast days are so named because in the early days of the Church there was an actual feast of foods and drink on the day of the saints. This past week we celebrated two feast days. The Annunciation of Mary (Monday, April 8th) and St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr (Thursday, April 11th).

The Annunciation is usually celebrated on March 25th. However, this year March 25th was Monday of Holy Week. Liturgically the Annunciation was moved to the first free day outside of the Easter Octave (March 31-April 7th). The Annunciation of Mary can only be found in Luke's Gospel (Lk.1:26-38).

The Annunciation by the Archangel Gabriel of Jesus' Incarnation is widely depicted in religious art. What Mary was doing at the time of the Angel Gabriel's arrival is not of the greatest importance, but of the utmost importance is the Message.

An Archangel comes to deliver several messages. One that Mary is "full of Grace"; two that she has been delivered of sin. She is free from sin and thus she will give birth to the Son of God.

Very important is Mary's humility. Really not understanding these events, her faith in God causes her to say:" Let it be done to me according to your word".

Every Catholic home should have a portrait (picture) of Mary in a special place or a small statue with a small candle as a reminder of what we should attain in our Christian faith.

Last week Thursday, April 11th we celebrated the Feast of St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr. He was the Archbishop of Krakow, Poland. Karol Wojtyla (John Paul 11) was the successor of St. Stanislaus when he was Archbishop of Krakow

Stanislaus Szczepankowski was born on the outskirts of Krakow in the year 1030. He was what we would call today a "change-of-life" baby. He studied for the priesthood in Paris, France. A very effective preacher he became the Archbishop of Krakow in 1072.

He was a good shepherd to all of his people especially the poor and was deeply caring of his priests. Daily, he made pastoral visitations to the sick and lonely.

At the time, the King of Poland was Boleslaus 11. He was morally corrupt and unfaithful. He was a courageous military man, who won many victories against the Russians, especially in Kiev. Eventually, Stanislaus excommunicated him. The King was enraged! He ordered the archbishop's assassination.

While celebrating Mass April 11,1079 in the Church of St. Michael in Krakow, he was assassinated by the King himself. He was laid to rest under a side altar in the Church of St. Michael. St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr was declared a "saint" by Pope Innocent 1V in 1253. Stanislaus is the first Polish saint to be recognized as a Martyr.

Incidentally, his relic is in the Ambry of St. Philip Church. The Ambry contains the oils used for Baptism and the Anointing of the sick.

April 14, 2024



MASS INTENTIONS CALENDAR

How to request your Intentions: Call the office at (860) 623-4636 or email office@smceastwindsor.org your Mass Intentions. Please provide a 2nd and 3rd choice when making your request.

NOTE: Kindly submit your suggested offering shortly after making your reservation. This can be done via Online Giving, 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.



Candle Offering

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

St. Joseph Statue:

All deceased members of Marianne Cope Parish

Blessed Virgin Mary Statue:

Souls in Purgatory

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 available for a \$10.00 donation. These candles burn for 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
Peace in Ukraine*

*The light at St. Catherine Church burns for:
Repose of the Soul of Fr. John Lavorgna
Requested by Fr. Ron*



Saturday, April 13

4:00 PM +Repose of the soul of **Emily Berube**
requested by Dorothy Berube

Sunday, April 14

8:30AM +Repose of the soul of **John Nadeau**
requested by his daughter Christine

10:30AM **Health & God's Blessings for the Bukowski family**
requested by Stasia Bukowski

Monday, April 15

12:10PM +Repose of the soul of **Rev. Gerald Myers**
(**Diocese of Fargo, ND**) requested by Fr. Ron

Tuesday, April 16

12:10PM Special Intention for our **Grandchildren**
requested by Terri & Bill

Wednesday, April 17

12:10 PM +Repose of the soul of **Thomas Breor**
requested by family

Thursday, April 18

9:00AM +Repose of the soul of **Father Joseph Daly**
requested by Teixeira family

Saturday, April 20

4:00 PM +Repose of the soul of **Mary Nedjoita**
requested by Robert, her husband

Sunday, April 21

8:30AM **For Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**

10:30AM **Repose of the soul of Fr. Robert Russo**
requested by parishioners



Parish Sharing and Support

(April 8, 2024)

Weekly \$4,247. Monthly \$1,144

Online #1,620

Thank you for your generosity and support!