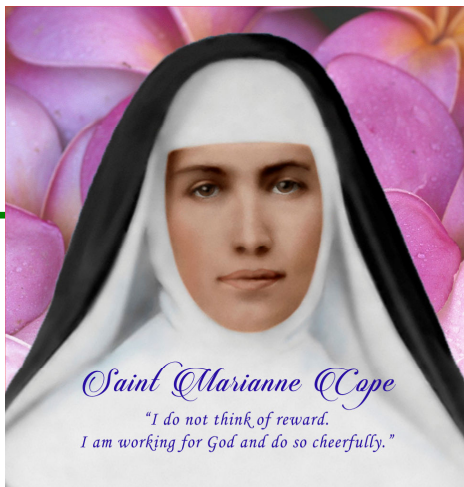




Saint Marianne Cope Parish

Rev. Ronald P. Zepecki - Pastor
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St. Catherine of Siena

6 Windsorville Road
Broad Brook, CT 06016

Weekday Masses

Mon., Tues. & Wed at 12:15 p.m.
Thursday at 9:00 a.m.

Weekend Masses

Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

St. Philip the Apostle

150 South Main Street
East Windsor, CT 06088

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 p.m.
Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-3:30 PM

April 6, 2025

**Fifth Sunday
Of Lent**

John 12:1-8 A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar



Parish Office

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

Parish Office Hours: *Mon.-Thursday 9am-3pm*
St. Catherine Cemetery: *by appointment*

Phone: (860) 623-4636 **Fax:** (860) 292-8550

Parish Website: smceastwindsor.org

Parish Office email:
office@smceastwindsor.org

Administrative Assistant &

Cemetery Family Service Advisor: Ruth Hertel

Director of Music: *Wendy Quinn*

Vocations Committee:

Paula McCloskey & Kay Teixeira

Pro –Life: *Marie Pelletier*

Faith Formation Office: *Mary Hevner*
maryhevner@cox.net

St. Philip Rectory: Phone (860) 370-5116
 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

Tuesdays 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at
 St. Catherine Church



Regulations For Fasting and Abstinence

The Church teaches that Catholics in good health are to observe the following practices during Lent unless for some serious reason they are unable to do so. From the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops: "Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory (mandated) days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory (mandated) days of abstinence. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon Catholics from age 14 onwards."

Film about St. Carlo Acutis

On Sunday, April 27, 2025 Carlo Acutis will be declared a saint along with Pier Giorgio Frassati in Rome. Carlo Acutis is pronounced: a-coo-tis. A movie about his life will be shown in 945 theaters across America on April 27, 28 and 29. Once 5,000 tickets are sold, the theaters have agreed to extend the movie about the life of Carlo Acutis three more days: April 30, May 1st, and 2nd. Carlo Acutis will be known as the First Millennial Saint and is closely connected to Jesus' true presence in the Eucharist. Dying at the age of 15 in the year 2006 from Leukemia, he offered his sufferings for the Church and the intentions of Pope Benedict XVI (2005 – 2013). You may purchase your tickets now by visiting: www.carloacutisfilm.com. At that time the site may tell you which theaters in Conn. the film can be viewed. Incidentally, Carlo Acutis will be the first saint in the over 2000 year history of the Catholic Church, whose parents will be present at the Canonization.



FOODSHARE
 will be in the
 St. Catherine
 parking lot on

Friday, April 11, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

Three Day Lenten Mission

Sponsored by:
**Mary Gate of Heaven, Windsor Locks &
Sacred Heart Church, Suffield**

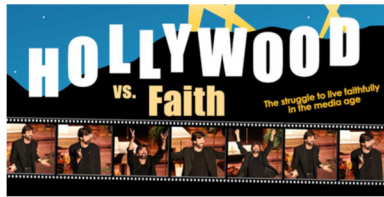
Location: St Robert Bellarmine Church
52 South Elm Street, Windsor Locks

All programs start at 7:00 pm sharp
Welcome light reception: Wednesday at 5:45



Wednesday, April 9th
7:00 PM Sharp!
St. Luke's travel
narrative

Thursday, April 10th
7:00 PM Sharp!
"beatitudes of the media"
and the daily choices we
face as Americans



Friday, April 11th
7:00 PM Sharp!
The Gospel of St. John is
presented in everyday
language.



Actor and Catholic Speaker, nationally
acclaimed for his work as a translator and
performer of biblical text over the past
seventeen years.

For more information, please call
Mary, Gate of Heaven Parish, Windsor Locks
860-623-2524

2025 Lenten Schedule

The Following is a Lenten schedule for the Lenten Season, 2025. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 5, 2025. The schedule below should help you with your spiritual journey during Lent this year.

Every Monday during Lent:
Confessions 6:30 – 7:30 pm:
St. Philip Church

Every Wednesday during Lent:
Stations of the Cross **3:00 pm**
with Exposition & Benediction
of the Blessed Sacrament:
St. Catherine Church

Every Friday during Lent:
Stations of the Cross **5:00 pm**
with Exposition & Benediction
of the Blessed Sacrament:
St. Philip Church

Beautiful Hymns

All hymns are a prayer and they tell a story. Our Protestant brothers and sisters possess some of the most beautiful soul stirring hymns of the Christian Church. We heard one last week in "The Old Rugged Cross". The lyrics are so magnificent; while singing, we were talking to that Cross in deep prayer. Another one of those hymns is: "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go."

Of course, Jesus' love will not let us go! Like the Prodigal Son in last week's Gospel where the father (God) runs to meet the son (us) and welcomes him back with a "love that will not let go."

*"O Love that wilt not let me go
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe;
that in thine ocean depths its flow,
may richer fuller be."*

*"O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
and from the ground there blossoms red,
Life that shall endless be."*

Within the hymns there are profound meditations. These can be encountered by the Lenten hymns that bring us into the wounds and sufferings of Jesus Christ. The beauty of these are not only the lyrics, but also the poetry. We seemed to have lost so much in the modern, callous world; especially the beauty and goodness of God.

St. Marianne Cope Parish Seminarian Gift Card Collection

The Vocation Committee will be collecting **GIFTCARDS** in the amounts of \$25, \$50, \$75 & \$100 for the Hartford Seminarrians as a thank you for the wonderful services they provide and the blessing that they are to our community. The collection is ongoing. Please place your donation in the collection basket marked "**SEMINARIANS**".

WE CANNOT ACCEPT CHECKS

April 6, 2025

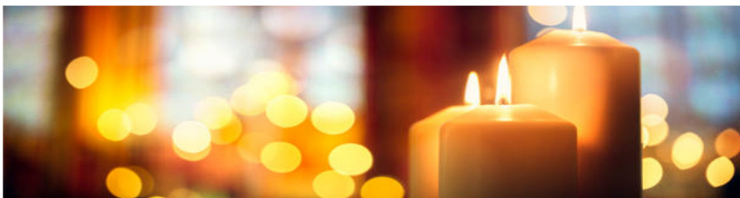


Mass Intentions

How to request your Intentions:

To request Mass Intentions, **please call the office at (860) 623-4636. WE WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTING EMAILS FOR MASS REQUESTS.** You are also welcome to stop by the Parish Office during regular office hours to request Masses.

NOTE: Kindly submit your suggested offering shortly after making your reservation. This can be done via 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, and your phone number.**



Candle Offering

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

Sanctuary candle intentions are available for a
\$10.00 donation. These candles burn for two weeks.

The Sanctuary light at St. Philip Church burns for:
Health & God's Blessing for Jim & Patricia Pedersen
The Sanctuary light at St. Catherine Church burns for:
The special intentions of Daniel Callahan & Family

St. Catherine of Siena Church
St. Joseph or the Blessed Virgin Mary candle intentions are
available for a \$5.00 donation.
These candles burn for one week.

St. Joseph Statue burns for:
Health & God's Blessings for Karen
Virgin Mary Statue burns for:
Health & God's Blessings for Kay

Please call the office at 860-623-4636 with your requests.

Masses For The Week



Saturday, April 5

4:00 PM +Repose of the soul of **Manuel & Rosaura Sotomayor**
requested by Manuel & Rosa Salinas

Sunday, April 6

8:30 AM (St. Catherine Church)

+Repose of the soul of **Assunta Aiezza**
(10th Anniversary) requested by Her Family

10:30 AM +Repose of the soul of **Joan Germain**
requested by Josephine & Bill

Monday, April 7: St. John Baptist de la Salle

12:15 PM **Pro Populo** (For the People)

Tuesday, April 8

12:15 PM Birthday Blessings for **Debbie**
requested by Joyce

Wednesday, April 9

12:15 PM Special Intentions for Healing for **Sue Breen**
requested by Gary & Marie Pelletier
3:00 PM **Stations of the Cross** (St. Catherine Church)

Thursday, April 10

9:00 AM +Repose of the soul of **Thomas Breor**
requested by Larry & Maureen Lyman

Friday, April 11

5:00 PM **Stations of The Cross** (St. Philip Church)

Saturday, April 12

4:00 PM Health & God's blessings for **Paul**
requested by Ernie & Kay Teixeira

Sunday, April 13

8:30 AM (St. Catherine Church)
+Repose of the soul of **Louise Tiernan**
requested by Michael
10:30 AM Health & God's blessings for **Sara Briggs & Family**
requested by Ernie & Kay Teixeira



Parish Sharing & Support

(March 30, 2025)
Weekly \$2,033.00
Monthly \$280.00
Online \$990.00

*Thank you for your
generosity and support!*