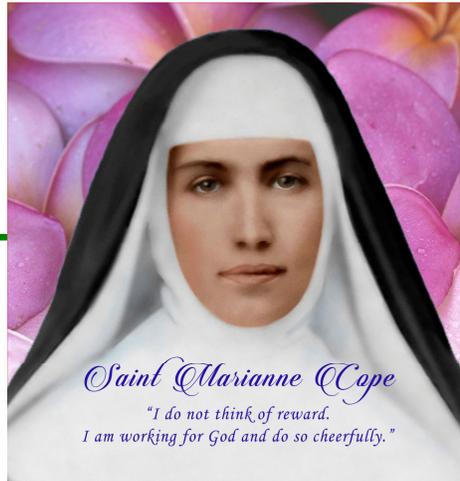




## Saint Marianne Cope Parish

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 12:15 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

**August 3, 2025**

*18th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Luke 12:13-21 (114)**



**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:** *Garrett Grothe*

**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

**Weekly Donations to the Parish**

While we are very grateful for your kind generosity each week there is an item that needs to be discussed. Since 2008, the Archdiocese has asked counters in each parish not to cash checks. This has been an Archdiocesan policy since that time, now almost 20 years. Priests used to cash their stipends through the counters. Now we have a stipend account.

Some parishioners write one check for several different items. For instance, one check could be for \$100.00. Then the parishioner writes a note itemizing that \$100.00. It may say; \$25.00 for the church, \$25.00 for special collections, \$20.00 for candles and \$30.00 for Masses.

What to do? Please make out separate checks such as, a check for \$25.00 Parish; \$25.00 special collection, \$20.00 candles and \$30.00 Masses. Then you will be placing in the basket four checks, properly marked.

Please also be aware of the fact that all of these aforementioned items have separate accounts Two things to remember: the Archdiocese has a regulation that counters cannot cash checks while counting. It protects them so that all monies are accounted for. Secondly, these donations go into separate accounts.

**Summer Mission Co-op**

Each year every parish in the Archdiocese receives a summer missionary priest who will speak on behalf of his Diocese or Order and their pressing needs. This year we welcome the *Franciscan Capuchin Priests* from *Nadukkani Idukki, India*.

**We are blessed to have Fr. Thomas with us on the weekend of August 9th and 10th 2025.** Their work is ecologically focused on organic farming and spiritual renewal. They show the less fortunate how to work in producing food, sustainable food sources, and how to access employment for farmers.

They try to provide scholarships to local students to cultivate young minds to build a brighter future, despite financial difficulties.

**Will you please consider being generous to their appeal.**

## July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1776

I have decided to keep this little mini-series going until Labor Day. Surely, it is quite evident that the very soul of the American experiment has been lost. To gain it back we must re-learn what moved the Colonists to form a separate, new nation. It was only an idea or an abstract thought, but for them “freedom” was a passion so deep that even as I write no one understands freedom as does an American. It is grafted to us yet runs through our veins.

After President Jefferson came President James Madison. He was also short of stature but his wife, Dolly was a tall woman. Dolly Madison would come to set traditions for First Ladies. She would become the first president’s wife to have a charity. Dolly supported the Washington City Orphan Asylum. It was a home for orphaned girls in Washington, D.C. She became a board member, actively fundraised and made a commitment to helping vulnerable children. She befriended local Catholic nuns at a local Catholic school and became involved with the children in their organizations.

Dolly was a socialite! The “Belle” of Washington D.C. with her beautiful empire dresses, sweet manners and lively intelligence she set the stage for future First Ladies such as Julia Tyler, Frances Cleveland, Alice Roosevelt, Helen Taft, Grace Coolidge, Jacqueline Kennedy, Nancy Reagan, Barbara Bush, and Michelle Obama to name several. Known in Washington as “buxom Dolly” (you may have to look up that word), coming from Virginia she lovingly referred to her husband, James Madison as simply: Jemmy (Southern accent). Her Wednesday Evening Drawing Rooms at the White House helped to shape Washington Society. This allowed her to wield considerable political influence in politics for her husband. She was First Lady from 1809 – 1817.

During the War of 1812 when England tried to conquer us, the President’s Mansion burnt so that only the walls remained. Before it burned, Dolly Madison moved two portraits: one of George Washington and one of Martha Washington to safety. Those portraits hang in the East Room of the White House and can be seen on television whenever the President holds a news conference in the East Room. Dolly Madison lived to be 81 years old, dying in 1849. She was a frequent guest of every president after her husband left office in 1817. She influenced Washington society and First Ladies long after leaving the White House. She can be seen in a photo with the 11<sup>th</sup> president, his wife and some of his cabinet members around 1845/46. James Knox Polk was the 11<sup>th</sup> President. His wife Sarah was the First Lady. Incidentally at 5’4” James Madison was the shortest President.

Our 5<sup>th</sup> President, James Monroe was the last President to wear breeches or pants that came down only to the knees. These breeches were sometimes called small clothes or knickerbockers. Monroe is the author of the Monroe Doctrine of 1823. It declared that Europe should not interfere with the Western Hemisphere. It was a declaration that the United States intended to be the dominant power of the Western Hemisphere and would defend it from European influence.

The 6<sup>th</sup> President, John Quincy Adams was the son of the 2<sup>nd</sup> President John Adams. John Adams lived to see his son become President of the United States. His wife Louisa was the first foreign born First Lady. The second is Melanie Trump. He was President from 1825 – 1829. After the presidency, Adams was elected by Massachusetts to the House of Representatives. He had a stroke at his desk in the House and died two days later February 23, 1848.

**More to Come!**

## The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary: August 15<sup>th</sup>

On Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup> we celebrate the Assumption of Mary into Heaven. It is a Holy Day of Obligation which means that it is treated as a Sunday and all Catholics, who are faithful, are mandated to attend Mass on that day to honor Our Blessed Lady. Masses will be celebrated at 9 am and at 12:15 pm at St. Catherine Church. We have eliminated the evening Mass on Holy Days of Obligation due to very low attendance. You are most cordially invited to attend an evening Mass at a nearby parish of your choice.



## Our Lady of Mount Carmel Festival

The Our Lady of Mount Carmel Society of Enfield, CT was founded in 1926. It is a non-profit Italian Catholic Society that upholds the best of Italian traditions and culture. They give back to the community through their charitable works and by maintaining the integrity of the Catholic Faith. Each year the Society holds a three-day Festa (festival), a tradition in Enfield for nearly 100 years.

Please join the Mount Carmel Society on August 1, 2, and 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Society club house and large grounds for delicious Italian food, rides for the children, entertainment for the adults, Italian music and more. All the activities are at 93 Park Ave. in Enfield. The Festival hours are as follows: Friday and Saturday from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.; Sunday from 5p.m. to 10 p.m. One of the most beautiful features of this Festa is the little Chapel of Our Lady of Mount Carmel on the grounds. It’s worth the visit.

August 3, 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:

**Vocations to the Priesthood**

The Sanctuary light at St. Catherine Church burns for:

**Vocations to the Priesthood**

### 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:

**The Souls in Purgatory**

Virgin Mary Statue burns for:

**Nancy Walsh**

(Mother of Bishop Jeffrey Walsh, Gaylord Michigan)

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

# Masses For The Week



## Saturday, August 2

4:00 PM (St. Philip Church) 18th Sunday in Ordinary Times  
Health & God's Blessings for **Sue Starvish**

*requested by Kay & Ernie Teixeira*

## Sunday, August 3

8:30 AM (St. Catherine Church) 18th Sunday in Ordinary Times  
+ Repose of the Soul of **Ralph L. Brennan**

*requested by Pat Talley*

10:30 AM (St. Philip Church) 18th Sunday in Ordinary Times  
+ Repose of the Soul of **Charles**

*requested by Mom & Dad*

## Monday August 4 St. John Vianney

12:15 PM (St. Catherine Church)  
**Pro Populo**

## Tuesday, August 5 Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major

12:15 PM (St. Catherine Church)  
+ Repose of the Soul of **Lynn & Tom Norton**

*requested by their Family*

## Wednesday, August 6 The Transfiguration of the Lord

12:15 PM (St. Catherine Church)  
+ Repose of the Soul of **Larry Bielen**

*requested by Joan & Family*

## Thursday, August 7 St. Sixtus II, Pope & Companions and St. Cajetan

9:00 AM (St. Catherine Church)  
+ Repose of the Soul of **Charles Fields and Louis & Valeria Starvish**  
*requested by Robert Starvish*

## Saturday, August 9

4:00 PM (St. Philip Church) 19th Sunday in Ordinary Times  
Health & God's Blessings for **Roz Zagaja**

*requested by Kay & Ernie Teixeira*

## Sunday, August 10

8:30 AM (St. Catherine Church) 19th Sunday in Ordinary Times  
+ Repose of the Soul of **Charles**

*requested by Family*

10:30 AM (St. Philip Church) 19th Sunday in Ordinary Times  
Health & God's Blessings for **Sara Briggs & Family**

*requested by Ernie & Kay Teixeira*



## Parish Sharing & Support

(July 28, 2025)  
Weekly \$1,698.00  
Monthly \$80.00  
Online \$913.00  
Total \$2,691.00

*Thank you for your generosity and support!*