



Welcome to Holy Name of Jesus Parish 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ August 16-17, 2025



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MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
Sunday: 7:30 and 10 am
Weekday: Tues, Thurs: 7:30 am Mass in the
Sts. Cyril & Methodius Chapel (former convent)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Wednesdays – in Church
4:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with
Adoration and 4:30pm Reconciliation
5:30 pm Mass

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM
Families are asked to contact the office before the
arrival of your new child for instructions and
registration.

RECONCILIATION
Wednesdays 4:30pm in Church
Saturdays 2:30-3:30pm (Or by appointment)

MARRIAGE

We celebrate Christian love and family with the
Sacrament of Matrimony. Couples should contact
the office one year in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Anyone who is ill and in need of prayers, comfort
and/or strength should call the office to arrange to
receive this beautiful Sacrament.

HOSPITALIZATION

If you or a loved one is hospitalized or homebound,
please notify us to receive care. We are not notified
due to HIPAA law.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! Please call, visit the office or register
online at www.hnojchurch.org

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Please submit to: parishoffice@hnojchurch.org
Bulletin deadline is Monday at 4:00pm



Liturgical Services This Week

Mon 08/18	Tues 08/19	Wed 08/20	Thurs 08/21	Fri 08/22	Saturday 08/23	Sunday 08/24
Parish Office closed	No Weekday Masses offered this week. Please see the websites of other Stratford Parishes for their Weekday Mass schedule	No Weekday Masses offered this week. Please see the websites of other Stratford Parishes for their Weekday Mass schedule	No Weekday Masses offered this week. Please see the websites of other Stratford Parishes for their Weekday Mass schedule	Chapel open for private prayer 9:00am—2:00pm	Reconciliation 2:30—3:30pm 4:00pm Mass +Robert Staffey r/b Jayne Staffey & family	7:30am Mass +Denise Martin r/b husband, Roger Martin 10:00am Mass +Lauren Kopko r/b Nancy Vietri And Deceased Parishioners of our parish

MASS INTENTIONS



4:00pm +Edward Demovick
And the Deceased of the parish
7:30am +Joseph and Stella Blasko
10:00am +Hailey Miller

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Our parish Prayer Book is located near the Marian Shrine. Please add your intentions to the book as we pray for the needs of one another. Please remember in prayer, *All who are ill.. All Healthcare Workers.. All Military Personnel and First Responders.. All who are near death.. All who have no one to pray for them.. And for all who have died..*



THIS WEEK'S CANDLE INTENTIONS



Sanctuary Tabernacle Candle

In Loving Memory of John and Klara Romach

Chapel Tabernacle Candle

Health and Blessings for Joanne Wingard

Sacred Heart Candle

In Loving Memory of Reverend Francis Posluzny

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Candle

Health and Blessings for Julia

St Joseph Shrine Candle

Health and Blessings for Susan Cooper

St Michael Candle *For the intentions of the Members of Council 2370 Knights of Columbus*

FAITH FORMATION IS:



Following Jesus, Learning our Faith, Growing in Knowledge, Sharing our Blessings

Registration for the 2025-2026 Faith Formation program has begun.

Children in

Kindergarten to high school are invited to join our Sunday gatherings beginning in September. **Our first family gathering will be Sunday, September 7th as we celebrate Fr. Jim's Installation as Pastor at the 10:00am Mass and continue with a reception in Heritage Hall.** Gatherings for the children will continue the following Sunday from 11:00am to 12:15pm in Heritage Hall. Registration forms are available in the Church vestibule, the parish office and on our website www.hnojchurch.org For more info call 203.375.5815 or faithformation@hnojchurch.org



Calling All Teens!



MARK SEPT. 14 ON YOUR CALENDARS!

PLAN TO BE PART OF THE NEW AND EXCITING

REGIONAL YOUTH GROUP

FOR THE TOWN OF STRATFORD.

For more information, see the notice on the next page!

Questions? call the parish office 203.375.5815

THIS WEEK'S WEEKDAY MASS UPDATE

Please note: there will not be Weekday Masses offered this week.

Please see the websites of the other Stratford Parishes for their Weekday Mass Schedule. Thank you.

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF STRATFORD'S NEWSLETTER

The Catholic Community of Stratford, rich in tradition and united in its mission to foster meaningful encounters with Jesus Christ, invites, welcomes, accompanies, prays with, and educates disciples to minister and serve.

Together, we are vibrant.

Together, we grow in our faith in new and exciting ways.

Together, as the Catholic Community of Stratford (CCS), we serve the needs of our community more effectively.



Contact:
stratford@setoncollaborative.org



Inaugural Youth Ministry Mass

We invite teenagers from Stratford and their families to join our **Youth Ministry Kick-off Mass on September 14th, 2025, at 4:30pm at Our Lady of Peace Church**. This Mass marks the beginning of a new regional youth group in the town of Stratford. We will have games and food after Mass in the parish hall. Please RSVP to Lorena Melgar at Imelgar@setoncollaborative.org if you are interested in attending! Fr. Mark Pinto, Fr. Jim DiVasto and Msgr. Marty Ryan will be celebrating this mass together.



Brunch at Boothe

We thank all who were able to attend Brunch at Boothe last Sunday, August 10th. It was a special time and fellowship and community for the town of Stratford. Special thanks to Team Social from St. Mark Parish who worked hard to put the day together!



Vacation Bible School: Summer 2025

Vacation Bible School begins *tomorrow*, August 18th at Our Lady of Peace Church. Please pray for our young people attending, as they seek to grow in faith and have fun!



Back to School

In short order, our young people will be beginning another academic year. We pray with and for them as we say: God of mercy and God of new beginnings, be with our children as they begin another school year. Help them to grow in knowledge and also to grow in love of you and their neighbor. May they be instruments of peace and understanding in their school communities. And may we model for them again what it means to live a faith-filled life. Amen.

Take The Word of God With You!

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In our Second Reading: Hebrew 12:1-4 the theme of running the good race is very strong

- We are encourage to keep our eye on the goal, the prize: Jesus.
- And we are urged to be strong, to endure no matter what.

Gospel reading: Luke 12:49-52 "I Have Come to Light a Fire on Earth!"

- This is a hard reading from Luke—in which we are told the Jesus has come to light a fire on earth!
- The fire is a symbol of the radical teachings about the Reign of God.
- This will divide families because it is a strong but difficult message for people to believe and follow.

Activity of the Week

Choose one of the following activities as a way to further reflect on the Sunday readings:

- Talk about the challenges which your family faces at this time?
How can you work together to overcome those challenges?
- Hold a family picnic this week as summer vacation draws to an end or as our society gets ready to return to the regular activities of early autumn. On the picnic, hold a race—like the one suggested in today's second reading. Afterward, talk together about what it means to keep one's eye on the goal in a race.
- Name the people in your extended family who do not share your faith. Give them a phone call, not to recruit them but to let them know you care about them very much.

<https://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com>



Around the Grounds

PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

IN-CHURCH Aug 9-10		
Sunday	\$	1,600.00
Monthly	\$	65.00
Air Conditioning	\$	170.00
Other	\$	122.00
MAIL IN/DROP OFF—Aug 4-10		
Sunday	\$	435.00
Monthly	\$	70.00
Air Conditioning	\$	25.00
Other	\$	34.00
ONLINE GIVING - Aug 4-10		
Sunday	\$	437.00
Monthly	\$	28.00
Other	\$.00
Total Income		\$ 2,986.00

Thank you! Your generosity has been a blessing to the Church of the Holy Name of Jesus throughout the year.



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UPCOMING EVENTS...MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



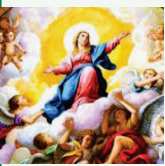
Wednesdays, in Church
4:00pm Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament and Reconciliation available
5:30pm Mass

August 16-17 Coffee And...
August 18 Lord's Kitchen
August 18-22 Vacation Bible School—Our Lady of Peace
August 30-31 Monthly Food Collection
September 7 10:00am Fr. Jim's Installation Mass
September 12 Quarter Night
September 13, 27 Bible Study with Fr. Jim
September 13, 17 Men's Reflection Group
September 14 Faith Formation Heritage Hall 11am-12:15pm
September 14 Youth Ministry KickOff Mass OLOP 4:30pm
September 15 Lord's Kitchen
September 20-21 Parish Tag Sale
September 20-21 Coffee And...
September 27-28 Monthly Food Collection

BIBLE STUDY~THE WORD OF GOD



Join Fr. Jim and explore **THE WORD OF GOD**
Verbum Domini upcoming dates:
Saturdays, September 13 & 27
The Word of God emphasizes God's communication with humanity encouraging individuals to cultivate a close relationship with Christ through prayer and scripture.
All are welcome! 10:00am Parish Community Room



Regular August offertory envelopes include:

Monthly Outreach,
 Monthly Repairs & Improvements,
 Assumption & Air Conditioning



September 12 Quarter Night at HNOJ

WHAT IS QUARTER NIGHT????

For a \$5 admission fee you receive a "number" and we provide items for auction. The minimum value of any item is \$5.00 but most are worth MORE!! At your table there will be a bucket where you throw a quarter in when you wish to take a chance on winning an item. If your number is drawn—the item is yours!



BRING YOUR QUARTERS—

BRING YOUR FAMILY—
BRING YOUR FRIENDS—
BRING YOUR SNACKS OR DINNER AND WINE, BEER OR SOFT DRINKS. WE WILL PROVIDE COFFEE, TEA



AND A DESSERT TABLE! RESERVE YOUR TABLE NOW!

Or let us know if you are coming on your own or how many in your party and you can join a table and make new friends!

SIGN UP SHEETS IN THE VESTIBULE OR CALL THE OFFICE.

Donations are now being accepted - Gift Cards, Monetary donations, Lottery Tickets, New Items and Bottles of Cheer will be greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at the parish office or at a weekend Mass.

MEN'S REFLECTION GROUP



Upcoming September dates:
Saturdays 13th and 27th

Listening for God in the outdoors is a special experience. Guys are invited to gather on the lawn at 7:45 to start our reflections on the Readings at 8:00am and we'll finish at 9:00am. Father Jim guides us. We also raise up the names of those who may need prayers. Join us!

SEPTEMBER TAG SALE

Our Parish Tag Sale will be held on:
Saturday, September 20 - 9am to 2pm
And

Sunday, September 21 - 11am to 2pm

We are currently accepting Jewelry Donations Only

At this time we are also seeking volunteers to help work at the Tag Sale. Sign up sheets are in the back of Church.



Egg Sandwiches, Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, and Drinks will be available for purchase.



Back to School Supplies Drive



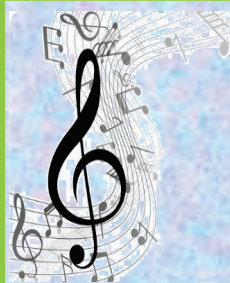
Items most needed include:
Backpacks, Single Subject
Notebooks, Composition
Notebook, Crayons, Markers,
Highlighters, Pens, Pencils,
Colored Pencils, Pencil Cases,
Sharpeners, Erasers, Rulers, Pocket



Folders, Glue Sticks, Small bottles of Hand Sanitizer, Tissues, Lined Notebook Paper, Safety Scissors, Book Bags, Walmart or Kohl's Gift Cards.. **ALSO REQUESTED - GENTLY USED UNIFORMS...Please bring your donations BY NEXT WEEKEND** and place in the Boxes or drop it off at the parish office, Tues.-Fri. 9:00am - 3:00pm Thank you!



INSTALLATION MASS CHOIR



If you would like to sing in the choir at Fr. Jim's Installation Mass on Sunday, September 7th at 10:00am, please attend **Rehearsal on August 24 and August 31** following the 10:00am Mass. Rehearsal will be for 30 minutes. Call or email the parish office by Tuesday. 203.375.5815 parishoffice@hnojchurch.org

SHE SHALL BE CALLED WOMAN

Our Lady of Peace Parish *SHE Shall Be Called Woman* Tuesdays, Sept. 9- Nov. 4, 6:30-8:00 pm 651 Stratford Rd, Stratford, CT Msgr. Gilmartin Hall To Register:



<https://programs.paradisusdei.org/join/BED9D3>
She Shall Be Called Woman is a parish-based program designed for women who desire to grow in their faith and strengthen their spiritual lives along side other women.

Love Unveiled: Session 1 | Spoken For
Session 2 | Surrendered
Session 3 | Living Sacrifice
Session 4 | Strength Beneath the Veil
Session 5 | Rescued- Session 6 | Redeemed
Session 7 | Waiting for Happily Ever After
Session 8 | The Wounded Heart
Session 9 Woman in Love

For More Information call Our Lady of Peace 203.377.4863



GOD YOU COME TO MY AID AND CARE FOR ME

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JEREMIAH..MUD..OUT..SLOW..WATER

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Jesus made it clear to his disciples that believing in him would lead to division. Circle the words below that can help us to deal with conflict in a positive way.

RESPECT...FORGIVE...BLAME...
SHOUT...LISTEN...IGNORE...
COURAGE...ARGUE

Summer Christian Music Fest August 29th St Jude Church, Monroe

The Guild of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus is collaborating with St. Jude's in Monroe for their second annual Catholic/Christian Music Festival on Friday evening, August 29th (Yes, we know its Labor Day weekend!)

Featuring three fantastic, up and coming Catholic musicians: Theresa Renna, Emma Fradd, and Joe Zambon! A great gathering for families! Babysitting available! For more info email: familyministry@stjude.org

BIOS :



RSVP :



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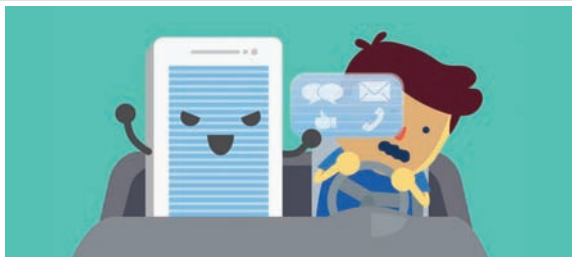
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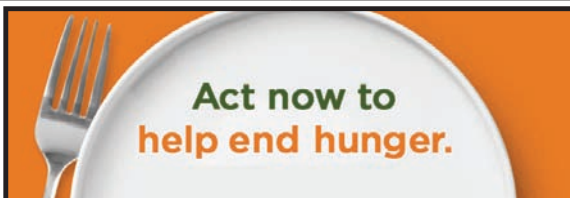
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