

Welcome to Holy Name of Jesus Parish



Lent, 2024

Rooted~Refreshed~Renewed

...in Faith

...by Grace

...in His Love

Second Sunday of Lent



February 24-25
2024

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MASSSES

Saturday Vigil: 4 pm
Sunday: 7:30 and 10 am
Weekday: Tues, Thurs: 7:30 am in the Chapel of
Sts. Cyril & Methodius - 2 Mary Avenue
Friday: 5:30 pm in Heritage Hall

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Fridays during Lent: Services in Heritage Hall
4:00 - Stations of the Cross
4:30 - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with
Adoration and 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

Friday 4:30 - 5:00 pm in Heritage Hall
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

HOLY NAME OF JESUS CHURCH



LITURGICAL SERVICES THIS WEEK

Mon 02/26	Tues 02/27	Wed 02/28	Thur 02/29	Fri 03/01	Sat 03/02	Sun 03/03
Office closed	7:30am Mass +Sister Christina Murphy SSND	8:30am Chapel open for Private Prayer	7:30 am Mass +Dr. Joan Marie Kelly	4:00pm Stations of the Cross 4:30pm Exposition with Adoration and Reconciliation 5:30pm Mass +Alice Kravitz r/b Paul, Jenny and family	4:00 pm Mass +Shirley Piccirillo r/b the Tuesday Card Ladies	7:30 am Mass +For the Deceased of our Parish 10:00 am Mass +Kathleen Surret (Anniv) r/b Mary Ann and Larry Wells
Tuesday and Thursday Weekday Masses are celebrated in the St. Cyril & Methodius Chapel (former Convent building) Friday services are celebrated in Heritage Hall.				Fellowship & Food Every Friday in Lent After 5:30 Mass	All weekend Masses are celebrated in Heritage Hall Parish Nurses	

Framing the Future on the Foundation of Faith

We Give Thanks
for a century of Blessings received,
Challenges met,
Love shared and Service rendered.

We Pray for Grace
To live out our Baptismal Promises with Integrity as we labor to aid in building the Kingdom of God.

We Pledge to
Honor our Past as we Embrace a Future Filled with Goodness, Truth and Beauty
Trusting in the Promise that All who Call upon His Name Will Be Saved!

MASS INTENTIONS

4:00 PM SATURDAY	+Albert & Janet Hmura
7:30 AM SUNDAY	+DECEASED PARISHIONERS
10:00 AM SUNDAY	+ DEBRA VERRINDER AND + STEPHEN LAWURSZKO

PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for the intentions in the prayer book at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Shrine and for, *All who are ill.. All Healthcare Workers.. All Military Personnel.. All who are near death.. All who have no one else to pray for them.. and for all who have died.*



THIS WEEK'S CANDLE INTENTIONS

SANCTUARY TABERNACLE CANDLE

SPECIAL INTENTION FOR THE NGUYEN FAMILY

CHAPEL TABERNACLE CANDLE

HEALTH & BLESSINGS FOR FLOR SOTO

SACRED HEART CANDLE

HEALTH & BLESSINGS FOR THE AUBE FAMILY

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CANDLE

HEALTH & BLESSINGS FOR LINA CRESPO & ANA

ST. JOSEPH SHRINE CANDLE

BLESSINGS FOR FANXICA CHAM THI NGUYEN

ST. MICHAEL CANDLE

FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL 2370 OF THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



LENT IN IN HERITAGE HALL...UPDATE ON CHURCH RENOVATIONS



Work in the Church is going very well and according to schedule. Painting is just about finished and work on the roof and flooring will begin soon. Our goal remains to return to the main church for Holy Week. Small group progress walk throughs continue after each Mass.

A SPECIAL REQUEST FOR 10:00 MASS-GOERS—

While we have more than enough seating for all who attend, it would be very helpful and hospitable if you would consciously make room for those who arrive after you.

ANOTHER REMINDER: The proper posture during the Eucharistic Prayer is to stand. If standing for that period of time is not possible or advisable, please be seated.

FRIDAY FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP SOUP MAKERS NEEDED

Every Friday in Lent, we gather after Stations, Adoration and Mass for a light Lenten Meal.
.....Do you have a meatless dish you like to make?
.....A Soup you are known for?
.....A willingness to share your culinary skills?

**SIGN UP TO PREPARE FOOD FOR
FRIDAY FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP**
Call the Office at 203-375-5815



Lenten Devotions

Rosary Prayers

Tues. & Thurs. after AM Mass

Stations of the Cross

Friday at 4:00 pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday after Stations till 5:15 pm



All Are encouraged to gather for a simple meal *after Stations of the Cross and Mass* in Lent and *before the sessions* of our Lent to Pentecost Parish Mission.

The suggested donation is what you would have spent elsewhere! Help support our outreach efforts!



Monthly Food Collection

Feb. 24-25 & March 23-24

The Lord's Kitchen

February 19-Help prepare/serve meals to local people

Loaves and Fishes

Throughout Lent-supports food pantries and soup kitchens

Rice Bowl

Throughout Lent-supports global need for food.



~Rooted~Refreshed ~Renewed~

Our Lent-Pentecost Mission

Mark your calendars NOW! A line-up of local and nationally known speakers will help lead us from Lent to Pentecost.

Dates and Speakers are

Tue., Feb 27- Fr. Michael Boccaccio
Sun, April 7- Fr. Michael Joncas
Wed., April 17- Barbara Glynn
Wed., April 24-Dcn. John Ditaranto
Wed., May 1- Fran Fralieggh
Tue., May 7- Fr. Boccaccio
Wed., May 15- Colin Petromale



Take the Word of God With You As You Go!

This Week's Theme: **SEEING JESUS**

Breaking Open the Word: Step One: Listen to the Word-Gospel Mark 9:2-10

He was transfigured before their eyes! The story of Jesus' transfiguration is full of symbols. The images of cloud and mountain suggest God's appearance at the covenant-making on Mount Sinai. Moses, the major figure in Exodus and Sinai covenant represents the law and Elijah the great ninth-century prophet of Israel, represents the prophets. Jesus is the fulfillment of the law and the prophets.....As you hear this familiar story today, what words or phrases strike you? What in this reading touches your heart?

Step Two: Look Into Your Life

Question for Adults:

In what ways does Jesus speak today, ways in which you can truly "listen to him?"

Question for Youth:

The disciples had a very intense experience of Jesus on the mountain. Have you ever had a "mountain top" experience? What was it like for you?

Question for Children:

Name or draw a picture of a time you knew that Jesus was with you.



PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

IN-CHURCH - Feb 17-18

Sat/Sunday	\$	1,893.04
Monthly	\$	35.00
Monthly Outreach	\$	190.00
Ash Wednesday	\$	385.00
Snow	\$	454.00
Other	\$	15.00

MAIL/DROP OFF - Feb 12-18

Sunday	\$	410.00
Monthly	\$	10.00
Monthly Outreach	\$	25.00
Ash Wednesday	\$	55.00
Snow	\$	250.00
Other	\$.00

ONLINE GIVING - Feb 12-18

Sunday	\$	495.50
Monthly	\$	48.00
Other	\$	10.00

TOTAL INCOME: \$ **4,275.54**

An easy way to manage your church giving is with Online Giving. Visit our church website www.hnojchurch.org and click the Online Giving icon to register.

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

FEBRUARY ENVELOPES

In addition to the Regular Sunday Envelopes February has envelopes for our **Monthly Outreach, Repairs/Improvements, and special collection envelopes for Snow Removal and Ash Wednesday**. All of these envelopes can be found on our website on the Online Giving icon.



EASTER BAKESALE



Dear Friends & Patrons of our Guild Bake Sales

We are unable to have our annual Easter Bake Sale this year as Heritage Hall is our temporary Church. So.....Let's have a **Parish Bake Sale** instead!

We invite all home bakers to share your ethnic Easter goodies, cookies, breads, pastries, cakes, etc. to sell the weekend of **March 16 & 17** after Mass.

We will need to know ahead of time what you will make. There will be sign up sheets in Heritage Hall or you can call or email the parish office.

This will be a great opportunity to share your ethnic traditions with your fellow parishioners!

CT MARCH FOR LIFE

Hartford CT- March 20, 2024
For more information or to sign up

<https://marchforlife.org/connecticut/>



UPCOMING EVENTS...MARK YOUR CALENDER

FAITH, FOOD & FELLOWSHIP FRIDAYS

Each week in Lent—Heritage Hall

4:00pm **Stations of the Cross** followed with **Adoration and Reconciliation** till 5:15pm then **Mass** at 5:30pm.

A simple **Lenten Meal** to follow...Please RSVP to Office



Feb. 24 & 25 - Monthly Food Collection

Feb. 27 - Lenten Mission with Fr. Boccaccio

March 1: FAITH, FOOD & FELLOWSHIP FRIDAYS Please RSVP

March 2 & 3 - Parish Nurses

March 15: FAITH, FOOD & FELLOWSHIP FRIDAYS Please RSVP

Mar. 16 & 17—Coffee And....

Mar. 22 - FAITH, FOOD & FELLOWSHIP FRIDAYS

- **PIEROGI & PANCAKE DINNER**—Please RSVP

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME & THE VIGIL MASS

On March 10th Daylight Saving Time begins.

To accommodate parishioners' summer schedules, the **Saturday Vigil Mass time will move from 4:00pm to 5:00pm** beginning Saturday March 16th. The Vigil Mass will **return to 4:00pm on November 2nd**.

HNOJ PARISH NURSES—MARCH 2 & 3



On the first weekend of each month our Parish Nurses are available after the Saturday, 4:00pm Mass and the Sunday 10:00am Mass to take Blood Pressure Readings and answer questions you may have. We are grateful to Marion Rader

and Caren Silhavey for their years of dedication to our parish family. Parish Nurses make a difference in the lives of a parish. They help people stay healthy, provide support and connect people with resources. **The nurses will be located near the gathering area in Heritage Hall next weekend March 2 and 3.**

MERCY LEARNING CENTER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



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For the past 35 years, Mercy Learning Center of Bridgeport has been providing literacy and life skills training to women in the greater Bridgeport

area. It provides students the opportunity to learn English, acquire basic academic skills, become active members of their community, earn a high school diplomas and obtain their first job and/or employment with higher wages. The Center serves over 500 women and 100 children each year. In addition to certified teachers on staff they rely on the dedication and hard work of volunteer tutors to educate adult students. They are currently in need of tutors to teach English Language Learners, as well as elementary—high school level reading and math.



"No experience necessary—just a passion for our mission and a willingness to learn". Training and all teaching materials are provided. A Volunteer Tutor opportunity description is available—copies are in the gathering area or on line at <https://mercylearningcenter.org/volunteer/> Or email Amy Rivera at amy.rivera@mercylearningcenter.org

CRS RICE BOWL FOR LENT



Jesus tells us, *"I am the bread of life, whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."* When we receive Jesus through the

Eucharist, our hearts are filled with his love and the call to share that love with our sisters and brothers in need around the world. Every Lent, since 1975 millions of Catholics across the United States have come together through CRS Rice Bowl to support people struggling with hunger and poverty—both at home and around the world because hunger and poverty continue to be some of the most critical concerns of our time. **Please take home a CRS Rice Bowl from the gathering table and return it the last week of Lent or drop your spare change and bills in the community Rice Bowl. Thank you for your generosity to others.**

ST. MARY RECYCLE MISSION

St. Mary Recycle Mission will be in our area the week of March 18th. If you have any religious articles you would like to donate—please bring them to the parish office by March 15th. Items needed: Crucifixes, Statues, Rosaries (damaged ok) Holy Medals, Holy Cards, Framed Religious pictures, used Musical Instruments, Prayer books. Please no story books, pamphlets, religious books, DVD's or VHS tapes. We are a Catholic recycle group that put together a program back in 1998 to help rescue and help preserve used and unwanted religious items. Our program helps Parishes as well as Parishioners. <https://stmaryrecyclemissiongroup.com/>



EASTER CROSSES



We are looking for donations of Artificial Flowers and/or Ribbon to help create Easter Crosses. You may drop your donations off at Mass or the parish office.



MARK SCHULTZ BENEFIT CONCERT FOR MALTA HOUSE

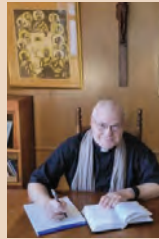


Tickets on sale now! Benefit Concert: Friday, March 15, 7:00pm-9:00pm Fairfield University Quick Center.

Mark Schultz is an award winning, contemporary Christian singer-songwriter. His concerts are inspired, touching and engaging. They speak of family, faith and home. \$50 general seating \$30 seniors, students, veterans 203.254.4010

Malta House in Norwalk provides a home and hope to expectant mothers and babies of all faiths.

MISSION OF RENEWAL ~ FEB. 27 LET US KNOW YOU WILL BE ATTENDING!



As part of our year-long 100th Anniversary Celebration, we invite everyone to a parish Mission of Renewal, titled *"Our Lenten Journey to Easter and Pentecost 'Rooted~Refreshed~Renewed'"*

The Mission will feature presentations throughout the Winter and Spring, beginning **On Tuesday, February 27 at with a light meal at 6pm. At 7pm Father Boccaccio will present: "In the Beginning: The Scriptural Meaning of HOLY, NAME, JESUS".** In this presentation, Father Boccaccio will offer the Biblical roots, background and meaning of these three words. "Those words come together in empowering and inspiring ways in Scripture," Father Boccaccio said. "We will explore how Holy, Name, Jesus can open our hearts to healing, both for ourselves and for others." See- <https://www.bridgeportdiocese.org/holy-name-to-host-mission-of-renewal-with-father-michael-boccaccio/> for more information. See page 3 of this bulletin for the remaining dates and speakers of our Parish Mission.

TEACHING & PREACHING THE GOSPEL

Your gift to the 2024 Bishop's Appeal supports the education and formation of young men like Salvatore Orosz in their preparation for the priesthood.



"My time in seminary has enabled me to fall deeper and deeper in love with the person of Jesus Christ, raised from the dead and alive forever. Jesus has revealed to me His Sacred Heart which burns with love for all humanity. Jesus has called me to an intimate friendship, inviting me to allow His life to become my life. Jesus has shown me the purpose for which I was created: Him, and only Him." – Salvatore J. Orosz, College III, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

Make your gift to the Bishop's Appeal today!
www.2024BishopsAppeal.org

YOUTH MINISTRY INVITATION

Your help is needed. We are forming a committee that will help revitalize and grow youth ministry in the Catholic Community of Stratford. Our five-parish collaborative has been accepted into the *Accompaniment Project with the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry*. As part of this new initiative, an NFCYM-appointed coach will train us to lead the work of the project for a period of three years. If you are interested, please reach out to Colin Petramale at colin.petramale@setoncollaborative.org



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