

Welcome to Holy Name of Jesus Parish

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

> Solemnity of All Saints November 1-2, 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 Friday at 4:00pm



There is a mysterious solidarity in Christ between those who have already passed to the other life and we pilgrims in this one. Our deceased loved ones continue to take care of us from Heaven. They pray for us, and we pray for them and we pray with them.

Pope Francis

Liturgical	Services	This	Week

Mon 11/03	Tues 11/04	Wed 11/05	Thurs 11/06	Fri 11/07	Saturday 11/08	Sunday 11/09
Parish Office closed	7:30am Mass +Amelia Weitzman r/b Lucille Bocchicchio	4:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Eucharistic Adoration and Reconciliation	7:30am Mass +Leona Leszczynski r/b Anna Leszczynski	Chapel open for private prayer		7:30am Mass +Carmen Tringhese r/b wife, Cathy and family And
	Mass celebrated in Sts. Cyril & Methodius Chapel	5:30pm Mass of the Day +Magdalene Goda r/b Marge and Dianne Marcinov Wednesday Services held in Church	Mass celebrated in Sts. Cyril & Methodius Chapel	9:00am to 2:00pm	Reconciliation 2:30—3:30pm 4:00pm +Frank Rader and +Margaret Andriso r/b son, Charles and Marion Rader	The Deceased of the Parish 10:00am Mass +Susanne Rose Kascak r/b Matt and Dawn Kascak

MASS INTENTIONS

4:00pm Annual Memorial Mass

+Anna Ziza

7:30am + All Souls

10:00am +All Souls



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 Angel Rivera

Chapel Tabernacle Candle

Pope Leo's November Prayer Intention that those struggling with suicidal thoughts may find the support, care and love they need

Sacred Heart Candle

In Loving Memory of Daniel Andriso

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Candle In Loving Memory of Maria Mucciacciaro

St Joseph Shrine Candle

For all who suffer from war and violence

<u>St Michael Candle</u> For the intentions of the Members of Council 2370 Knights of Columbus

All Souls—A Legacy of Love & Memory

Deacon Arthur Miller shares a five minute reflection for All Souls Day—A Legacy of Love & Memory https://bible.usccb.org/podcasts/video/2024-11-02-reflection-668



In this All Souls' Day reflection, Deacon Art shares the idea that each person's life is like a library, filled with memories, love and lessons. Just as libraries hold knowledge, our loved ones hold beauty and experiences that live on even after they pass. Reflecting on a recent funeral and baptism, Deacon Miller describes how life's cycle is filled with moments that shape us. Although grief remains, memories can soften pain over time. We honor those we love by carrying forward their kindness, joy, and the beauty they showed us, ensuring their legacy continues to inspire.

You can find his Gospels reflections are featured weekly at bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/

Mark your Calendar

We are blessed to have Deacon Art hosting a Lenten Retreat with us for 4 nights in Lent, March 14-17 from 6:00-7:00pm.

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

Praying for the Faithfully Departed

We pray especially today for all our loved one who have passed away and "fallen asleep in the hope of resurrection." May their memory be a blessing to us.

Faith Sharing & Bible Study



How does the Bible speak to my heart, my joy and my challenges? Please consider joining us for an adult faith sharing and Bible study series at **Our Lady of Peace**Parish Hall on November 11, November 25, and December 9 from 6:30pm-8:00pm each evening. We will discuss how to read the Scriptures, and then share how the Scriptures relate to our everyday lives. If interested, RSVP to colin.petramale@setoncollaborative.org

Where are all the Young People? With Dr. Patrick Donovan



Where are all the young people in our churches? Consider joining for an evening of reflection with Dr. Patrick Donovan, Executive Director of the Institute for Catholic Formation, wherein we will discuss how to create and nurture parish cultures that are welcoming to young people. This will take place at Our Lady of Grace Parish Hall on Thursday, November 6th from 6:00-7:30. Please RSVP to Colin at Colin.petramale@setoncollaborative.org.

Sacramental Preparation



If your child is above 7 years old and has not been baptized, the Catholic Community Stratford is offering a special formation process for your child(ren). Our next meal and formation session will be on Thursday, November 13th, 2025, at 6:00pm at Holy Name of Jesus Parish Offices (2 Mary Avenue, Stratford CT). If you are interested, please reach out to Colin Petramale at colin.petramale@setoncollaborative.org.

Our October Family FAITH Event explored Respect & Reverence as we learned about the Sacred Vessels we use at Mass and What does Fr. Jim wear when he celebrates Mass? And what are these Vestments called? Our bendable paper people helped us practice what we do at Mass to fully participate in the celebration. Thank you to Joanne and Brendan Gallagher, our K and 1st grade catechists and all



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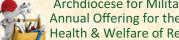
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	Other	\$	275.00		
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	Other	\$	62.00		
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	Total Income		\$ 2.603.00		

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



November offertory envelopes

include: Regular Sunday Offertory, Monthly Outreach, Monthly Repairs & Improvements, Thanksgiving, Archdiocese for Military Service,



Annual Offering for the Church Boiler replacement, Health & Welfare of Retired Priests

Parish Annual Collection Envelope

Work to replace the church boiler is scheduled to begin on Monday. As a result, there will be no heat in the building next weekend, November 8-9. But it's just for one weekend! So button up! This month you will find in your Parish

Collection Offertory Envelopes an envelope for the Annual Collection.

This year our goal is \$45,000.

The Annual Collection helps the Parish to meet extraordinary expenses that



arise each year. This year our major building upgrade is to replace the Church boiler. With four buildings to maintain there is always another maintenance issue that arises. This Annual Collection will help our parish to meet these unbudgeted expenses. To date \$3,047 has been received towards our goal.

Please prayerfully consider your

support towards our Parish Annual Appeal.

Calling All Parishioners with Sewing Skills

We are in need of volunteers to assist with alterations of church linens and to help prepare the Lenten coverings. If you have sewing experience and would like to lend a hand, please speak with Fr. Jim. Your help would be greatly appreciated!



UPCOMING EVENTS...MARK YOUR CALENDARI

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

Nov 8 Men's Reflection Group

Nov 9, 23 Faith Formation 11am-12:15pm Nov 11, 25 Faith Sharing and Bible Study OLOP

Nov 13 Sacramental Preparation for all seeking the sacraments of the church—parish community room

Nov 14 FAMILY BINGO

Nov 15-16 Coffee And...

Nov 16 Family FAITH Event- All parishioners are invited to join us for our All Saints presentation



Nov 22 MEN'S NIGHT OUT

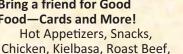
Nov 23 Monthly Teen Mass 4pm at HNoJ Church Nov 26 Vigil Mass for Thanksgiving 5:30pm

Nov 29-30 Monthly Food Collection

Nov 30 Ladies Guild Advent Reflection & Luncheon

MEN'S NIGHT OUT! NOV. 22

The Holy Name of Jesus Men's Society is hosting the Annual Men's Night Out on Saturday, November 22, 6:30-10:30pm Bring a friend for Good Food—Cards and More!





Roasted Potatoes, Coffee, Tea, Soda, Beer \$20.00 per person. For more information contact Larry Wells 203.395.7073 or lawman1156@gmail.com

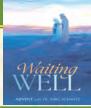
Parish Advent Reflection Book

There's one more week to contribute to our parish Advent Reflection Book! We invite parishioners of all ages to share their favorite Christmas memories and reflect

on the question: What makes waiting so hard? The completed book will be available before Advent and will include weekly reflections, scripture, and artwork to guide us as we prepare for the coming of our Savior—past, present, and future. Advent guestion sheets can be found on the back tables in the church.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study with Fr. Jim will resume in January 2026 with the Waiting Well Advent series - it's for Everyone!



Men's Reflection Group November Dates



The Men's Reflection Group will meet on November 8, December 6 and December 20 in the Parish Community Room. Guys are invited to gather at 7:45am to start our reflections on the Readings at 8:00, and we'll finish at

9:00. Father Jim guides us. We also raise up the names of those who may need prayers. Join us!

National Vocation Awareness Week

God Has a Plan for Our Lives!

As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the



priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God's call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one.

Today begins National Vocation Awareness Week, which was instituted by the U.S. Bishops in 1976, and is now celebrated the first week of November. This year,



the beginning of the week falls on All Saints Day—a happy coincidence, because a vocation, in its fullest sense, is our path to heaven and sainthood. During this week, please pray about how God is calling you to live your vocation more deeply. Encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life.

Adult Theology Class



STS CYRIL & METHODIUS PARISH Tuesdays at 7pm November 11 & 25

Talks are given by pastor, Rev. Canon Francis Altiere. Topics covered: Grace, The Sacraments in General, Baptism, Confirmation, The Holy Eucharist & Mass, Confession, Anointing of the Sick, Indulgences No charge - light refreshments served. Talks are held in the Church Hall 79 Church St., Bpt. For more information:

www.institute-christ-king.org/bridgeport-home

Monthly Teen Mass

Catholic Community of Stratford hosts the Monthly Teen Mass on Sunday, November 23 at 4:00pm. This month's Teen Mass will be celebrated at Holy Name of Jesus Church.

All teens in Stratford are invited to join us for Mass, food, games and more! There will also be parent discussions on a theme and a family meal.

Let us know you will be coming—email Colin at colin.petramale@setoncollaborative.org



Family BINGO!

Friday, November 14th Heritage Hall

- Doors open at 5:15pm
- Games begin at 6:00pm
- Kids Play Free!!
- Adult admission \$10 includes
 Bingo Cards for each game
- Additional cards available for purchase
- BYOB Bring your own food and drinks



Call or email the office to let us know how many in your party

Please bring an item for Sterling House and help provide Thanksgiving meals for our neighbors.

Items requested: Boxed mashed potatoes, boxed stuffing, Canned cranberry sauce, Canned beets, Gravy, Can fruit, Canned vegetables (green beans, corn, peas, carrots) Canned beans

Ladies Guild Advent Reflection & Dinner

The Guild of the Mother of Jesus warmly welcomes all Guild members and all women of the parish to an ADVENT REFLECTION © DINNER, Friday,



December 19 at 5:00pm in the Parish Community Room.
Join us for a time of reflection and fellowship, a Candle
Ceremony and delicious hot meal. Reservations required.
Please place the reservation form and payment of \$15 in the
Offertory Basket at Mass or call or email the parish office
parishoffice@hnojchurch.org 203.375.5815
RSVP by December 14th.

Advent Reflection & Dinner 2025

Name	
Phone	
Email	
Number of people attending	

TURKEY SHOOT!

All parishioners are invited to take a chance to win a \$25 gift card on the November Turkey Shoot. Chances can be purchased for \$5 beginning this weekend before and after Mass. Choose your favorite named Turkey and numbered circle. Our Faith Formation students will "Pin the Feather" on the Turkeys to determine the winners following the 10am Mass on Sunday November 23.







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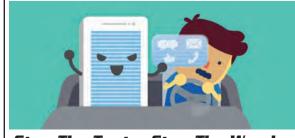
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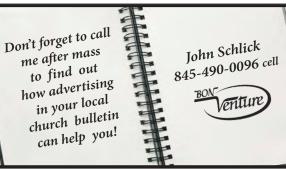




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