

# Welcome to Holy Name of Jesus Parish

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 11-12 2025



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Rev. James DiVasto, Pastor Rev. Msgr. J. James Cuneo, J.C.D., **Pastoral Associate Emeritus** Rev. Churchill Penn, In Residence Deacon Joseph Huong Parish Trustees: Carol Bogue and Paul Kravitz

#### **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)

Faith Formation Facilitator and Parish Secretary: Maryjean daSilva Finance Board Chair: Chris Silhavey **Music Director and Organist: Bob Cloutier** Director of Discipleship, Catholic Community of Stratford: Colin Petramale

#### **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 10/13	Tues 10/14	Wed 10/15	Thurs 10/16	Fri 10/17	Saturday 10/18	Sunday 10/19
Parish Office closed	There will not be a morning Mass. The Chapel is open for private prayer 9:00am to 2:00pm	There will not be Wednesday services or evening Mass. The Chapel is open for private prayer 9:00am to 2:00pm	7:30am Mass For the intentions of Colin Petramale	Chapel open for private prayer 9:00am	Reconciliation 2:30—3:30pm 4:00pm Mass +Angelo Aquilino r/b Mary Aquilino And Deceased of the parish	7:30am Mass +Frank and Anna Kanuch r/b Kanuch Family  10:00am Mass +Theodore and Blanche McClean r/b McClean Family
	Please keep the priests of our Diocese in your prayers as they gather this week for the Annual Priest Convocation	Please keep the priests of our Diocese in your prayers as they gather this week for the Annual Priest Convocation	Mass celebrated in Sts. Cyril & Methodius Chapel	to 2:00pm		

## MASS INTENTIONS



4:00pm +Anna Kovac

7:30am +Denise Martin

10:00am +Manya Micalizzi

And Deceased of the Parish

St.

John

Bosco

## 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 Health & Blessings for Ludmilla

**Chapel Tabernacle Candle** Health & Blessings for Ariana

## Sacred Heart Candle

For exiles and refugees seeking a safe home

## **Our Lady of Perpetual Help Candle**

In Loving Memory of Christine Biesadecki

### St Joseph Shrine Candle

In Loving Memory of Deacon Michael Saranich

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

## Parish All Saints Parish Project





We invite All parishioners to participate in creating a Saint Shield which will be displayed during the

month of November. Templates and instructions are available on the back tables in church.

Learn about a new Saint and share with all our families. Return your Saint Shield by the weekend of October 25-26.



"Wherever we are, in every place, at every hour, at every time, every day and continually, let all of us truly and humbly believe, hold in our heart, love, honor, adore, serve, praise, bless, glorify, exalt, magnify and give thanks to the Most High and Supreme Eternal God, Trinity and Unity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit: to Him who is Creator of all, Savior of all, without beginning or and unchangeable without beginning or end, unchangeable, invisible, indescribable, ineffable,

incomprehensible, unfathomable, blessed, praiseworthy, glorious, exalted, sublime, most high, gentle, lovable, delightful and, above all else, desirable,

for ever and ever.

#### 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



## **Sacramental Preparation**

Are your kids above the age of seven and have not yet made their Baptism/Eucharist/Confirmation? We have a place for you! We invite families/children preparing for sacraments to build community and grow together in faith. Our next family gathering is **October 16**<sup>th</sup> **at 6pm** at Holy Name of Jesus Parish Offices. If interested, RSVP to colin.petramale@setoncollaborative.org



## Next Teen Mass: October 26, 5:00pm at St. James Church

After our inaugural teen Mass at Our Lady of Peace, we are inviting teens and parents to join us for Mass on **Sunday, October 26**<sup>th</sup>, **at 5:00pm** at St. James. Mass will be followed by games for the teens and separately, a special conversation for parents with Fr. Jim DiVasto on the wisdom he got from raising his own teenage children. We will then share a meal together as a community. Please RSVP to Colin if you will be joining!

## **Young Adult Ministry**



The Stratford Young Adult Catholics are painting pumpkins on October 19<sup>th,</sup> from 6pm-8pm in the St. Mark Upper Room, which is directly to the left of the altar when facing it. Those between the ages of 18-35 are more than welcome to join, and even invite a friend! This event is free of charge. For more information and to claim your spot, please reach out to Donna Marino at donnammar@aol.com.

## **ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS**

## REMEMBERING OUR BELOVED DEAD

A Memorial Mass remembering all those who have died since November 1, 2024 will be held when we celebrate the Commemoration of All Souls. If you have had a family member or friend pass away IN THE PAST YEAR, NO MATTER WHERE, please fill out the form below and return it in the offertory basket, mail it in or bring it to the parish office by the weekend of October 25-26. These names will be read at the Mass.

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Your Name:Phone:	In Men		
Name of Deceased:			
Date of Death:			
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You are invited to bring in a 3x5 or 7x5 framed picture of a loved one or friend who has died. It doesn't matter when they passed away. These will be displayed in the church during the month of November. Please bring in your picture now—at any weekend Mass. Please be sure your name is written on the back of the photo.



## Legacy Brick Walk and Patio



We will once again take orders for our Brick Walk & Patio. Your brick can be a lasting memorial to a loved one. Are you new to Holy Name Parish? Has your family grown since our original campaign? Your purchase of a brick can also be an expression of thanksgiving for blessings received or can be used to leave your family members' names

as an expression of your support and love for Holy Name of Jesus Parish. We will be accepting orders for additional bricks until Oct. 26. Order forms are available in the Church Vestibule or in the Parish Office. Have questions? Call the Parish Office at 203.375.5815. The time frame for installation of the new bricks will be determined at a later date.

## PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

IN-CHURCH Oct 4-5							
Sunday	\$	2,164.00					
Monthly	\$	985.00					
Other	\$	281.00					
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MAIL IN/DROP OFF—Sept 29-Oct 5							
Sunday	\$	290.00					
Monthly	Ś	60.00					
Other	Ś	85.00					
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ONLINE GIVING - Sept 29-Oct 5							
Sunday	\$	660.00					
Monthly	Ś	45.00					
Other	Ś	60.00					

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



**Total Income** 

## October offertory envelopes include:

Regular Sunday Offertory, Monthly
Outreach, Monthly Repairs &
Improvements, All Souls and Mission Sunday

## Seminarian & Vocations Drive A Blessing and a Challenge



Your prayers for vocations are working! Over the past two years, we have accepted 19 new men to begin seminary, bringing our total to 37 seminarians. This blessing, however, comes with a challenge. Each seminarian education costs more than \$70,000 per year, and we

anticipate total formation costs will rise to \$3 million per year withing five years. Bishop Caggiano has announced a special drive to fund these rising costs. Will you give to support our future priest? www.bridgeportpriest.org/give

## St Mary Recycle Mission Group

St. Mary Mission will be in our area the week of October 27th. Items needed:
Crucifixes, Statues, Rosaries (damaged ok),
Holy Medals, Holy Cards, Framed Religious
Pictures, Used Musical instruments, Prayer books, Breviaries,
Catholic encyclopedias Please no Religious books/Reading
Books/Story Books or wax candles. Items can be brought to
the Parish Office Tues-Fri or at any of the weekend Masses

## Adult Theology Class



#### STS CYRIL & METHODIUS PARISH

79 Church St., Bpt. Talks are given by pastor, Rev. Canon Francis Altiere.

## Tuesdays at 7pm in the church hall. October 28th and Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>

Topics covered: Grace, The Sacraments in General, Baptism, Confirmation, The Holy Eucharist & Mass, Confession, Anointing of the Sick, Indulgences No charge light refreshments served. For more info:

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS...MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

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

Oct 19 Family F.A.I.T.H. Event 11am—12:30pm

Oct 20 Lord's Kitchen

\$ 4,630.00

Oct 25 Bible Study with Fr. Jim

Oct 25 Men's Reflection Group

Oct 25-26 Monthly Food Collection

Oct 26 Town Hall with Fr Jim

Oct 26 Teen Mass St James 5:00pm

Oct 28 Advent & Christmas Planning Meeting



## BIBLE STUDY~THE WORD OF GOD OCT .18

Join Fr. Jim and explore THE WORD OF GOD

Verbum Domini at 10:00am in the Parish

Community Room - Next meeting is Saturday,

Oct 18<sup>th</sup> 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!

## Men's Reflection Group Oct. 25

The Men's Reflection Group will meet next on October 25th 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!

## PARISH TOWN HALL MEETING OCT.26

#### TOWN HALL MEETING



Let's Connect as a Parish!
Fr. Jim invites you to a Parish
Town Hall in the Church after the
10:00am Mass on Sunday,
October 26.

Stay for an opportunity to reconnect, hear important parish updates, and have your

questions answered during a Q&A session.

## HELP US PREPARE FOR ADVENT & CHRISTMAS!



Would you like to lend a hand with:
Decorating the church, Church
Cleaning Day and other seasonal
preparations for Advent and
Christmas? We need many helping
hands to make these seasons special!
Join us for a Planning Meeting on

Tuesday, October 28 at 6:00pm in the Parish Community Room to learn how you can get involved. Everyone is welcome — your time and talents will make a big difference!



SAVE THE DATE!
The Knights of Columbus
Council 2370
CLASSIC CAR SHOW

Sat., Nov. 1st -11:00am-2:00pm



## ROSARY FOR PEACE IN OCTOBER

Pope Leo XIV asks Catholics to pray the rosary each day in October for peace.

#### TIPS TO PRAY THE ROSARY

- Carry a rosary in your pocket
- Say it while you wait (for example in the grocery line or traffic.
- Recite the rosary while doing chores or while you work out.
- Use images and music (the rosary is a contemplative prayer)
- If you are upset, pray for the situation that worries you.
- Pray while you walk and think of the people in your life.
- Use each mystery to ask for a specific intention.
- If you can't pray the whole rosary at once, break it into parts.
- Say it in moments of sadness or spiritual drought.
- Fall asleep praying the rosary.

Among the many daily online Rosary offerings: https://miraculousmedal.org/pray/pray-rosary/https://www.usccb.org/how-to-pray-the-rosary

## Knights of Columbus Council 2370



Our Parish Knights of
Columbus delivers the
Monthly Food Donations
twice a month to Fr. Skip at
Blessed Sacrament. We are
grateful for their good works.
Men of the parish are warmly
invited to learn more about
the Knights of Columbus and
how you can contribute to
their good works.
Contact Steve Mieczkowski
at r73x@hotmail.com
203-218.8526

#### **MALTA HOUSE**

Steve Mieczkowski, presents two checks to Pamela Shilling and Leslie Lopez of Malta House for a total of \$525 from the Knights of Columbus Supreme and State Councils. This gift was in addition to the great collection of baby items from you, our parish family, this past January. The donation supports the ASAP –Aid and s\Support



MALTA HOUSE HOPE FOR LIFE 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY 1998-2023



After Pregnancy program of Malta House. Learn more at: https://www.maltahouse.org/

## The Sacrament of First Eucharist



## Honor Flight September 2025

Sixty-five veterans took part in an honor flight that left from Bradley Airport on Sept. 27th to



Washington DC to visit the memorials that commemorate their service and recognize the brave men and women who served the country. Their visit included Arlington National Cemetery, WWII Memorial, Korean War Veterans Memorial and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. The veterans were from WWII, the Korean War and the Vietnam War and were represented by the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corp and Coast Guard. Our parishioner, Dennis Bogue, was one of the 65 on the flight. On their return flight, they were surprised with "Mail Call" - letters and cards from friends and family. Our Faith Formation Venture children created cards for Dennis' Mail Call and on Sunday at Faith Formation he came to thank them.

Thank you Dennis and all the men and women for your service to our country.

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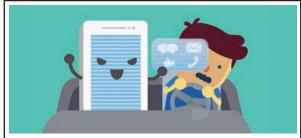


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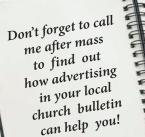
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