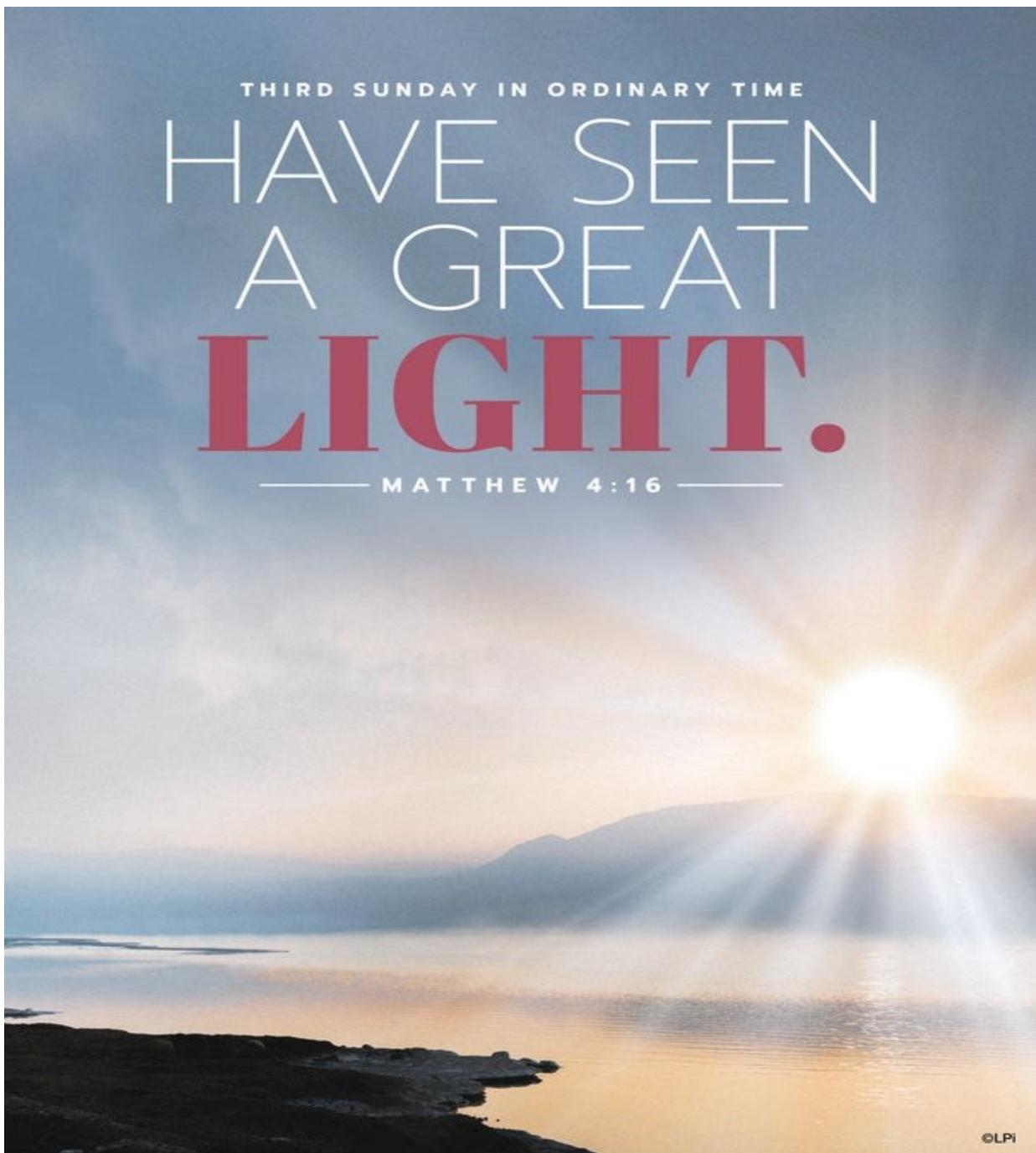


# ST. PIO OF PIETRELCINA

REVEREND THOMAS J. WALSH, PASTOR  
REVEREND MATTHEW CHERIAN, PH.D., PAROCHIAL VICAR  
DEACON GEORGE MCCARROLL  
DEACON WAYNE SANDFORD  
DEACON LARRY TIANI



January 25, 2026

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**SATURDAY, January 24-Vigil, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**4:00pm** **SVDP+** Robert Gargano, Sr.  
by Fay, Donna & Mary Jane

**5:00pm** **OLOP+** Filomena LaVorgna  
by husband Attilo

**SUNDAY, January 25 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30am **OLOP+** Joanne Tomaso Bagnoli  
by Family

9:00am **SB+** Monica O'Neill  
by Family

10:30am **OLOP+** Joanne Colburn (10th Anniversary)  
by Sally Hopkins

11:45am **SVDP+** Tamra Schatz  
by Mother & Brothers

**MONDAY, January 26– Saints Timothy & Titus, Bishops**

8:00am **OLOP +** Dolores Falanga  
by Porto Funeral Home

9:00am **SVDP +** Deceased Members of the Ohidy Family  
by Diane

**TUESDAY, January 27– Weekday, St Angela Merici, Virgin And Religious Founder**

8:00am **OLOP +** Marion Canapino  
By Brother

9:00am **SVDP +** For All Members of St Pio Parish

**WEDNESDAY, January 28-St Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

8:00am **OLOP +** Diane Tousignant  
by Barbara Villecco

9:00am **SVDP +** Mary Colloso  
By Children, Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren

**THURSDAY, January 29– Weekday**

8:00am **OLOP+** Philip Pasquale Calabrese  
By Family

9:00am **SB +** Carol Kelly  
by Louis Nargi

**FRIDAY, January 30– Weekday**

8:00am **SB +** All members of St Pio Parish

**Saturday, January 31– Vigil, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time St John Bosco, Priest**

**4:00pm** **SVDP +** Bridget & Ralph Castellon  
by Children

**5:00pm** **OLOP +** Thomas Hamilton (16 years)  
by Children

**Sunday, February 1– Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30am **OLOP +** Carol Ann LaVorgna McCarthy  
by Son

9:00am **SB +** Katherine & Edmond Desmond  
by Family

10:30am **OLOP +** Roberta Katrone  
by Marilyn & Jim Wilson

11:45am **SVDP +** Helen Singer  
by Lucian Family



**“ Come after Me and I will make you fishers of men”**  
**Matthew 4:19**

## Readings for the week of January 25, 2026

Sunday: Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17 Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146:6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

## STEWARDSHIP

January 18, 2026:

Collection amounts will be in next week's bulletin

Thank you all for your continued generosity and support.

## SILENCE.

Please, be mindful that many parishioners arrive early prior to the start of Mass in order to sit reflectively with the LORD in prayer. Please, be mindful of the level of your voice and that voices carry from the back of the church to the front. Please, maintain a subdued tone when speaking so that other's quiet time is not disturbed.

## St. Pio of Pietrelcina Parish

Address: 355 Foxon Road, East Haven, CT 06513

Phone Number: (203) 469-0764

### Office Hours:

Foxon Road: Mon-Fri 9:00-2:00

Taylor Avenue: Tue. & Thu. 9:00-1:00

E-Mail: stpiofpietrelcina@gmail.com

## 2026 MASS BOOK



**There are a few openings left.  
There are many candles available to book for intentions as well**

Kindly have your Mass requests ready when scheduling. We will continue to have a **limit of 2 weekend Masses** per individual booking.  
**Payment due at time of booking. Cash or check**



**The Candles burn this week for these special intentions:**

**Our Lady of Pompeii Candles**

*Sanctuary Lamp (Right Side)* ~ In Memory of Billy Richmond

& All Souls in Purgatory

*Sanctuary Lamp (Left Side)* ~ In Memory of the Mauro & Elko Families

Chapel ~ All Unborn Babies

*Sacred Heart of Jesus* ~ Special Intentions

*Our Lady of Perpetual Help Icon* ~ In Thanksgiving for Judy  
by Carol

*Pascal Candle* ~ Deceased members of the Calamita Family,  
Hart Family, Surprenant Family & Zito Family

**St. Vincent de Paul Candles**

*Sanctuary Lamp (Right Side)* ~ In Memory of  
the Deceased members of St Pio of Pietrelcina

*Sanctuary Lamp (Left Side)* - In Memory of Ronald Paolillo

*Our Lady's Altar* ~ In Thanksgiving for God's blessings

*St. Joseph's Altar* ~ Special Intention

*Pascal Candle* ~ Barbara & Maurice Connolly

**St. Bernadette Candles**

*Sanctuary Lamp (Left Side)* ~ Fred & Carmel DeMichele

*Sanctuary Lamp (Right Side)* ~ Special Intention

*Pascal Candle* ~ For all unborn babies



**PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**

Nick Vessicchio, Sally Ann Fallon, Lynette Ely, David T. Boyle, Richard Lucibello, Bryan Surprenant, Sharon Spadacenta, Marie Zambrano, Helen Langello, Brian Savo, Gerry Andrea, Alan Poirier, Connie Rasimas, Jane Pyka, Harry Clark, Lou DiNola, Geraldine Licciardi, Joseph Anyzeski, Fran Sofo, Elizabeth Kuen, Deborah Sanning, Paula Ferrara, Tina Marie Fionia, Joseph Parise, Frank DelGrego, Moira Ferguson, Danielle Joubert, Frances Polaski, Pauline Condon, Rose Anna Izzo, Angelo DeMatteo, Patricia Aulenti, Michael Pascale, Mark Schettino, Patty DiMilo, Rose Rogalski, Elaine Smith, Karen Rescigno, Virginia Pisano, DJ DiVincenzo, Philip & Sally DeMilo, Anna Concelmo, Anna Marie Nappi, Brian Higney, Rich Tortora, Denise Bailey, Joseph Peterson, Marion Mahl, Paula Ruddock, Pamela Willis, Laura Luzzi, Brian Wilson, Maureen Redmond, Kristianne Argentino, Shirley Perrelli, Andrew & Catherine Criscuolo, Patricia Miles, Joe Coscia, Deborah Verab, Dona Marie, Christina Meoli, Michelle Smith, Ron Mattei, Charlene Tantalo, Al Forgione, Gabriella Garrity, Beverly Fucci, W.D. Merkle, Phyllis Anastasio, Cheryl Barbara, Laura-Phyllis Esposito, Diana Vitelli O'Brien, Meghan Keeney, Gennaro Milone, Jo Vuolo, Felicia DeRoche, Mike Barnett, Richard Costanzo, Carole & Frank Casapulla, Michael Bowen, Linda Montone, Carol Esposito, Fred & Barbara Brow, Roberta Sanders-Gray, Jeannette Winston, Marilyn Sisson, Ryder Feeley, Theodore Siwinski, Michael Enders, Nicholas Cerillo, Edwina Cinque, Renee Flynn, The Cooper Family, Lynn Ely, Ethan Roche, Frances Graney, Rose Paula Dziedulon, Taras Mychajlowskyj, Denise Steiner, Gloribeth R., Stacie Bouchard, Al Sappinetti, Guy Racino, Michael Polaski, Martha Catel, Eddie Villecco, Isaiah Colville, Jennie Nazario, Joan Proto, Caitlin Rustic, Michael Filion, John Torello, Mauro Antonio Bezanilla, Matteo Criscuolo, Robert Filion, Lucy Carbone, Dorene Izzo, Lucille Palange, Mark Houston, Avery Bye, Alex Bernaitis, Vincent Pisano, Barbara Bellucci, Michael Bulger, Anna Sabatino, Audrey Elder, Theresa Polio, Mike Liso, John Mongillo, Sr., Juan & Family, Vern Kelly, Fr. Lawrence Boch, Antoinette Comiskey, Diane DiLungo, Frances 'Jean' Massimino, Luca Small, Vincent Savo, Alex Dugatto, Kim Vincent-Foschini, Dawn Quartiano Ferraro, Sal DeCola, Pasquale Marino, Bernadette McKiernan, Bill Izzo, Ron Ardito, Fr. Krugle, Arthur Brigante, Angela & Kevin Medley, Joycelyn Bila, Richard Marshall, Sandy Derbacher, John Cavallaro, Mr. Rubenstein, Roberta Perillo, Carly Rose Pietrosimone, Matthew Dunaj, Monica Cantore Maria Zamprano

Please send prayer requests to [stpiofpietrelcina@gmail.com](mailto:stpiofpietrelcina@gmail.com) so that our parishioners and friends can be remembered in our prayers.

**Midnight Run  
Taylor Avenue Campus**

The Midnight Run for February is the **2nd Monday**, which is **February 9**. Donations of brown bag lunches, water, juice boxes and toiletries are appreciated. These donations can be dropped off to Sue Stacey's home, 82 Forbes Place, up until 7pm on **Monday, January 12**. Any questions, please contact Sue at 203-214-1762. Thank you and God bless you for all donations. Stay safe & well.

**Midnight Run  
Foxon Road Campus**

On the last Monday of each month, we bring 75 bagged lunches to the Columbus House Overflow Shelter.

**Donations Needed:**

ShopRite Gift Cards or

Gallon Size Ziploc Bags

Quart Size Ziploc Bags

Peanut Butter & Jelly

Juice Pouches

Raisin Boxes

Fruit Cups & Pudding Cups

Granola Bars

Individual Packaged Cookies, Crackers or Chips

We are also looking for small amounts or full skeins of yarn, it will be used to make hats and scarves for the midnight run. Please leave your donations at any entrance of Our Lady of Pompeii church **ONLY**. Thank you.

Midnight Run is the **LAST** Monday of **EVERY** month from Our Lady of Pompeii Church from 6-7 pm. Thank-you for being so generous!



**St. Bernadette Food Pantry** located at the St. Bernadette School is open every Saturday from 10:00am-11:00am. We are always in need of non-perishable foods. Top choices are, canned: tomatoes, **tomato sauce**, vegetables, tuna fish, **soups** and fruits. Pasta, mac & cheese and **peanut butter**. Consumption guidelines provided to us from the CT Food Bank: Expiration/Code Date Extensions past expiration: high acid foods (i.e. tomatoes) 12-18 months. Low acid foods (canned meat, most vegetables) 2-5 years. Food in jars, 12 months past expiration, dry cereal 6-12 months, rice/pasta (dry) 1 year. Questions, please contact Deb or Rico at 203-468-7489



**Food  
Pantry  
Needs**

THE EAST HAVEN FOOD PANTRY is asking for **tomato sauce** and **pasta** for the months of December and January. Please leave your donations of food at the church entrances. The Food Pantry will be open from 9:00am-11:00am on Saturdays & Tuesdays for East Haven residents.

For more info call Christine Sandford 203-469-7823

## St Pio of Pietrelcina Parish Groups, Studies and Devotions



### Holy Hour

Monday mornings, 8:30 to 9:30 am  
Our Lady of Pompeii Church



### Bible Studies

Tuesday evenings, 7:00 pm  
Zoom meeting  
Contact Christine Sandford 203-469-7823

Wednesday evenings, 6:30 pm  
St Vincent dePaul Parish Building  
Contact Marie Connors 203-468-1184



### Rosary

Every evening 8:00 pm  
Zoom Meetings  
Contact Sally Mucka 203-469-0764 Ext 8

### Rosary

Thursday, 6:00 pm  
Our Lady of Pompeii Chapel  
Contact Sally Mucka 203-469-0764 Ext 8

### Monthly Rosary

Every second Tuesday, 5:30 pm  
February 10, 2026  
St Bernadette Church  
Contact Mike Fimiani 203-627-9216

### Men's Group

Saturday mornings 7:30 am to 9:00 am  
St Vincent DePaul Parish Building  
Contact Deacon Wayne 203-804-8364

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### Sacramental Information

#### **Baptism**

**Parents should contact**

**St Pio of Pietrelcina's main office to schedule a date, a Parent Baptism class and to receive all of the paperwork needed to complete the scheduling process.**



#### **Wedding**

**Couples should contact**

**St Pio of Pietrelcina's main office 12 months in advance to schedule a wedding date. Couples will be asked to meet with a priest prior to confirming a date and time for a wedding**



**Main Office number : 203-469-0764  
Press 1 for Beth Pacelli, Parish Secretary**

Have you recently lost a friend or a family member? Are you having difficulty concentrating and enjoying everyday activities? For information, please contact



Barbara Natarajan at  
Rajnet352@comcast.net or  
Phone: 713-898-2563



I have asked Jennie Llanos to help me start a hospitality ministry for the 11:45a.m. Sunday Mass at St. Vincent de Paul Church. This ministry would consist of greeters to welcome parishioners and newcomers to Mass every week. I am looking for volunteers to help Jennie with this endeavor. A requirement for this ministry, or participation in any ministry, is that one take the virtus course on "Protecting God's Children" run by the Archdiocese. If you are interested, please see me.

### *Blessing of Light*

*Where you have known darkness, may the light stretch and shine.*

*Where you have dwelt in shadows, may the sun reach its gentle rays.*

*Where you have hidden in shame, may you know light-filled redemption, healing, belonging, and rest in Jesus.*

*Amen.*



## **St Pio of Pietrelcina Parish Annual Collection Campaign Statistics as of 1/14/2026**

**Total # of Households: 3699**

**Total # Pledged: 453**

**% of Participation: 12.25%**

**Total Amount Pledged: \$82,169.05**

**Total Amount Paid: \$81,989.05**

**Average Pledge: \$181.39**

**% of Pledges Collected: 99.78%**

### **Payment by Category**

Category	Total Givers
Annually	0
Monthly	3
Other	0
Paid-in-full	449
Quarterly	0
Semi-Annually	0

**Total 452**

### ARE WE LIVING WHAT WE BELIEVE?

CHRISTIANITY IS MOCKED MORE THAN MOST RELIGIONS, YET OUR RELIGION HAS ENDURED FOR OVER 2000 YEARS. COULD IT BE THAT THE ISSUE IS NOT FAITH ITSELF BUT HOW WE LIVE IT? DO WE TRUELY MODEL WHAT IT MEANS TO BE CHRISTIAN? DO WE UPHOLD OUR TRADITIONS AND VALUES AS MEN AND WOMEN OF GOD? OR HAVE WE CONFORMED TO WHAT SOCIETY EXPECTS?

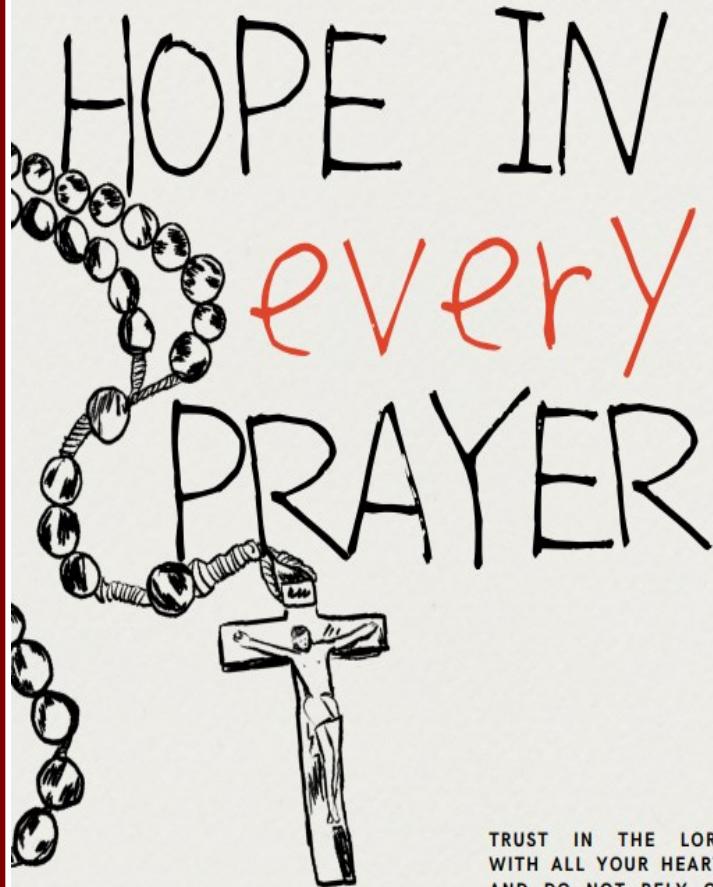
GOD CALLS US TO BE DIFFERENT. THE QUESTION IS ARE WE ACTUALLY DIFFERENT?





## St Pio of Pietrelcina Parish Office of Religious Education

Jennie Llanos, Director of Religious Education



TRUST IN THE LORD  
WITH ALL YOUR HEART,  
AND DO NOT RELY ON  
YOUR OWN INSIGHT. IN  
ALL YOUR WAYS  
ACKNOWLEDGE HIM,  
AND HE WILL MAKE  
STRAIGHT YOUR PATHS.  
PROVERBS 3:5-6

IN A WORLD FILLED WITH UNCERTAINTY, WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE ALL FAMILIES TO RENEW THEIR COMMITMENT TO THEIR CATHOLIC FAITH BY ATTENDING MASS TOGETHER AND PRAYING AS A FAMILY.

THE MOST POWERFUL WAY CHILDREN LEARN FAITH IS BY EXAMPLE. WHEN FAITH IS MEANINGFUL TO PARENTS, IT BECOMES MEANINGFUL TO CHILDREN OVER TIME. IN TODAY'S WORLD, SO MANY VOICES COMPETE FOR A CHILD'S ATTENTION SPORTS, ACTIVITIES, SCREENS AND SOCIAL MEDIA BUT NONE CAN OFFER WHAT A RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS PROVIDES: LOVE, HOPE, PURPOSE AND LASTING PEACE.

AS FAMILIES, WE ARE CALLED TO NURTURE NOT JUST OUR CHILDREN'S SCHEDULES, BUT THEIR HEARTS AND MINDS. FAITH GIVES CHILDREN A FOUNDATION THAT HELPS THEM NAVIGATE LIFE AND TRUST IN GOD.

CHILDREN NEED MORE THAN INFORMATION THEY NEED A LIVING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS. THEY NEED TO KNOW THAT CHURCH IS NOT JUST A PLACE TO ATTEND ONCE A WEEK, BUT A PLACE WHERE THEY ARE KNOWN, WELCOMED AND LOVED. A PLACE OF COMMUNITY. A PLACE OF COMFORT. A PLACE OF REST AND STRENGTH IN DIFFICULT MOMENTS.

THIS YEAR, WE INVITE YOUR FAMILY TO WALK WITH US AS WE HELP CHILDREN GROW IN FAITH, DISCOVER THEIR BELONGING IN THE CHURCH, AND COME TO KNOW AND RELY ON JESUS MORE DEEPLY.

### FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE:

JANUARY 11, 2026 9:00 AM SB  
JANUARY 25, 2026 11:45 AM SVDP  
FEBRUARY 8, 2026 10:30 AM OLOP  
MARCH 8, 2026 11:45 AM SVDP

### Prayer for the Family

Dear Lord,

We lift our families to you in prayer — every generation!

Bind our wounds, forgive our debts, show your mercy!

Lead us to deeper communion with each other and You.

Help us, too, to be a holy family.

Amen.

### Prayer for Children

Dear Jesus,

Wrap the young members of our family in your love.

They know how to love BIG, even though they are still small.

Their trust can inspire, their faith can change hearts.

Help them to know you, now and always.

Amen.



**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Pat Muro  
Valentine's Day Dance  
Sponsored By  
Knights of Columbus #3300  
Saturday  
February 7, 2026  
7:00pm - 11:00pm  
Our Lady of Pompeii  
Church Hall  
\$10.00 per person  
DJ, Set-Up's & Coffee Supplied  
B.Y.O.B & Snacks  
Call Joe Monico for Tickets 203-887-2137  
Bring a dessert to share**



**GOSPEL MEDITATION  
January 25, 2026,**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

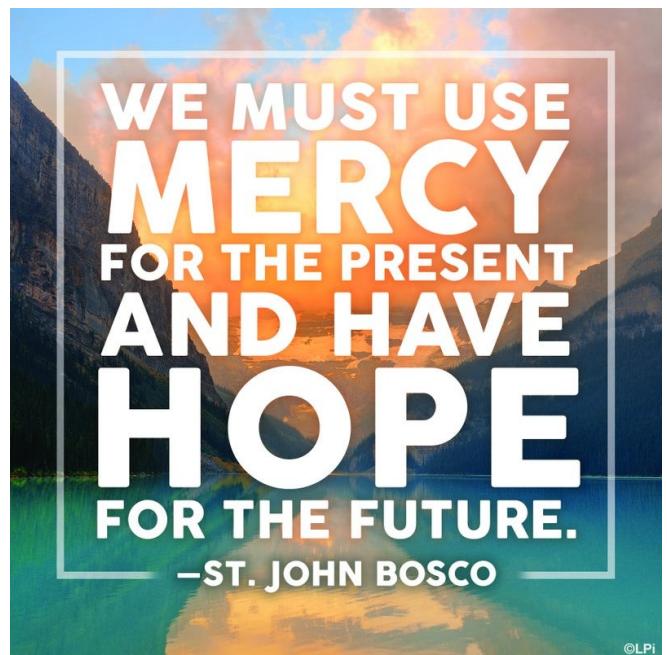
I was 22 years old, lying in bed one night while on a pilgrimage, when I suddenly sensed an idea in my mind: “Go to the seminary.” There was no voice, no vision, but a gentle and unmistakable clarity. I simply prayed, “Lord, if that’s from you, let me find great joy in it.” Three days later, my heart was bursting with joy. I dropped everything and entered the seminary. The older I get, the stranger my rather careless and hasty departure seems to me. I followed not because it made sense, or because I was especially brave. I went because the Lord called me. Something like this happens in today’s Gospel. Jesus walks by Simon, Andrew, James, and John and says, “Come after me” (Matthew 4:19). And immediately they leave their nets and follow. There’s no explanation, no hesitation … just movement. Why? As St. John says, “In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us” (1 John 4:10). They do not leave their nets — because his call made perfect, calculable sense. They left them because they were called. And Jesus’ call is powerful. Take a moment this week to remember when Christ first called you. However small or quiet it was, recall it, and give thanks. The more we marvel that Christ has called us personally, the more passionately and freely we will follow him.

— Father John Muir  
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**90th Birthday Party!  
To honor a lifelong parishioner,  
Battalion Chief Edward F. Flynn, Jr.  
Sunday, January 25, 2026  
9:00am Mass at St Bernadette Church  
Reception immediately following Mass at  
Anthony's Ocean View  
450 Lighthouse Rd, New Haven  
All are invited at no charge  
Reception music provided by  
Jukebox 45 Showband**

**Compliments of Fire Chief John Alston, Jr.  
and New Haven Firefighters**



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# Branches on the Vine

## NEW CHESTERTON ACADEMY OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI TO OPEN THIS FALL

JANUARY 24-30, 2026

**A**s the demand for Catholic education continues to grow, a new Catholic high school is planning to open its doors this fall in New Britain to serve families in central Connecticut.

Chesterton Academy of St. Francis of Assisi, a new high school, will be welcoming students to the existing school building on the St. Francis property at 30 Pendleton Road, New Britain. The school will open with students in grades nine and 10, adding grades 11 and 12 over the next two years.

“It’s very exciting, and it’s exciting to Father Michael Casey,” says Andrew Blaski, the new headmaster, who was hired to start hiring and admissions.

The school will be part of the Chesterton Schools Network, a national organization founded in Minnesota that has developed curriculum for its more than 70 private Catholic liberal arts schools in the country.

The Chesterton Academy of St. Francis of Assisi will also be a parish school, part of St. Francis of Assisi Church, under Father Casey and the Archdiocese of Hartford.

“Most Chesterton Schools are independent Catholic schools, but as conversations progressed Archbishop Christopher J. Coyne decided to make it a parish school, which I think is wonderful,” Blaski says. “There’s a whole host of support from the Superintendent of Schools Valerie Mara, use of the parish school building, the help of parish staff, and the daily Mass will be available to us.”

What sets this Catholic high school apart from others in the archdiocese, he says, is a broad classical liberal arts education that is integrated and historically based. It will transport students back to the ancient world of Greece and Rome, through the Medieval period, through the High Middle Ages and the Renaissance, to the Modern World.

Andrew Blaski, Ph.D., is the headmaster of Chesterton Academy of St. Francis of Assisi, a new regional Catholic high school set to open in New Britain.  
PHOTO COURTESY CHESTERTON ACADEMY



Following the Chesterton Academy model, this classical education will teach grammar, logic and rhetoric, as well as music, arithmetic, geometry and astronomy.

In the humanities, students will be challenged to read primary sources from Western civilization, such as the works of Plato, Aristotle, St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, Shakespeare and Chaucer. “There’s a heavy reliance on the great works of Western civilization. We want our students to have exposure to the great masters,” Blaski says, and “an ability to penetrate dense and difficult ideas.”

They’ll also learn through the Socratic seminar style of teaching, which emphasizes discussion and conversation, preparing students for college-level learning.

Math and science courses will employ modern textbooks but also focus on sparking wonder and an understanding of the created world, Blaski notes. The visual arts, art history, music, drama and choir will complement their education.

The Catholic faith, central to the school’s mission, will be celebrated through the daily Mass and a focus on the sacramental life and the human virtues. Students will read the Catechism, the New Testament, and learn Latin and Spanish.

Tuition will be \$9,000 a year, affordable for a Catholic school, according to Blaski, and financial assistance may be available.

The school is planning to hold a series of public information sessions so interested parents can learn more about its offerings and how to enroll. A virtual information session will be held on Tues., Jan. 27 at 7 p.m., followed by an in-person information session at the school building on Sun., Feb. 1 at 1 p.m.

Chesterton Academy is currently accepting applications. To apply or learn more, interested families should visit [chestertonsfa.org](http://chestertonsfa.org) or call Andrew Blaski at 860.348.3455.

*-Story by Shelley Wolf*



# Upcoming Events

## *The Vocation of Caregiving: The Challenge of Presence*

Day Retreat for Caregivers  
Saturday, January 31, 2026  
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



During this day of retreat, we will explore the Caregiving Journey, the choices we make and the personal costs to us. We will discuss The Good Samaritan, the daughter of Jairus, and Mary and Martha, all as models of caregivers. We will include time for discussion, quiet reflection, the opportunity for conversation with trained counselors, and sharing with one another.

Offering: \$75, includes lunch

Visit [www.holyfamilyretreat.org](http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org) to register or learn more



ENJOY TEA WITH SISTERS FROM AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE AND OTHER WOMEN DISCERNING CONSECRATED LIFE

## SAVE THE DATE

JANUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2026 6:30-8PM

FEBRUARY 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2026 6:30-8PM

MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2026 6:30-8PM

APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2026 6:30-8PM

QUESTIONS? CONTACT SR COLLEEN AT 860-368-0826

ALL MEETINGS HELD AT THE AVILA HOUSE - 183 CHURCH STREET, NEWINGTON, CT

## Word of God Sunday

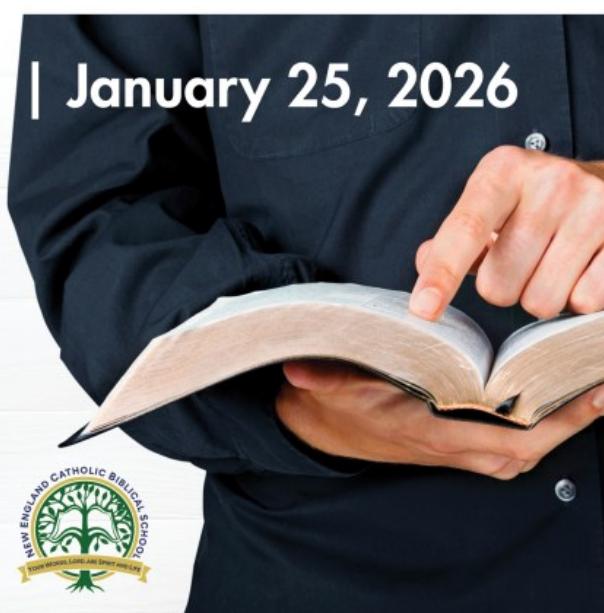
On the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Church celebrates the the Word of God Sunday, established by Pope Francis to deepen our love for Sacred Scripture.

**Grow in understanding of God's Word through the New England Catholic Biblical School.**

**Scan the QR code to explore courses, resources, and opportunities for formation.**



## | January 25, 2026





Dear Parish Family,

Please Pray for our Catechumens, Candidates, Confirmandi and all those seeking to develop a closer relationship with God.

We Pray:

That God our Father may reveal Christ to them every day.

That they may find in our community compelling signs of unity and generous love, seeking to follow Christ more closely. Amen

We are the light of the world, may our light shine on before all.  
That they may see the good that we do, and give glory to God.

We are looking for sponsors to help guide those on this Spiritual Journey, welcoming them into our community so they may become one with us and participate in the life of our Parish.

All that is required aside from the standard sponsor requirements of the church is a sincere desire to Evangelize & bring Young Adult Christians into a deeper understanding of what it means to be a follower of Christ.

Join us after the 10:30 Mass at **OLOP** to share your faith, and learn more about being a disciple of Christ and spread the Good News!

Contact: Sally Mucka 203-415-2710 or email [saintpio.rcia@gmail.com](mailto:saintpio.rcia@gmail.com) for more Info.

## Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrim Image



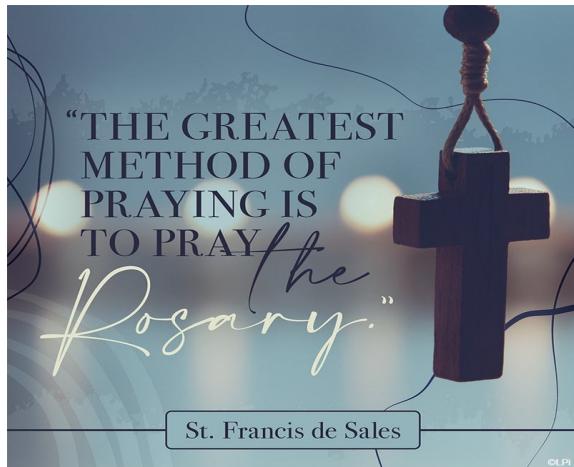
Patroness of the Americas & Protectress of the Unborn

Our parish is blessed to have its own Pilgrim Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

This image was touched to the original in Mexico City, was blessed and has been visiting our parishioners for 32 years. The image is available for a visit to your home.

If you would like to bring this Miraculous image home for Veneration.

Please Contact: Sally Mucka at (203) 415-2710  
Or sign up at the Front Doors of OLOP/SVDP



## Mass Schedule

### **January 24 & 25, 2026**

4:00p.m. Mass SVDP: Fr Matthew

5:00p.m. Mass OLOP: Fr Walsh

7:30a.m. Mass OLOP: Fr Matthew

9:00a.m. Mass SB: Fr Walsh

10:30p.m. Mass OLOP: Fr Murasso

11:45a.m. Mass SVDP: Fr Matthew

### **January 31 & February 1, 2026**

4:00p.m. Mass SVDP: Fr Matthew

5:00p.m. Mass OLOP: Fr Walsh

7:30a.m. Mass OLOP: Fr Murasso

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### **February 7 & 8, 2026**

4:00p.m. Mass SVDP: Fr Matthew

5:00p.m. Mass OLOP: Fr Walsh

7:30a.m. Mass OLOP: Fr Walsh

9:00a.m. Mass SB: Fr Murasso

10:30a.m. Mass OLOP: Fr Walsh

11:45a.m. Mass SVDP: Fr Matthew

### **February 14 & 15, 2026**

4:00p.m. Mass SVDP: Fr Murasso

5:00p.m. Mass OLOP: Fr Walsh

7:30a.m. Mass OLOP: Fr Borino

9:00a.m. Mass SB: Fr Walsh

10:30a.m. Mass OLOP: Fr Murasso

11:45a.m. Mass SVDP: Fr Walsh

## **CONFESSOR SCHEDULE:**



**Our Lady of Pompeii:**

**Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm**

**St. Vincent de Paul:**

**Saturday, 3:00-3:30pm**