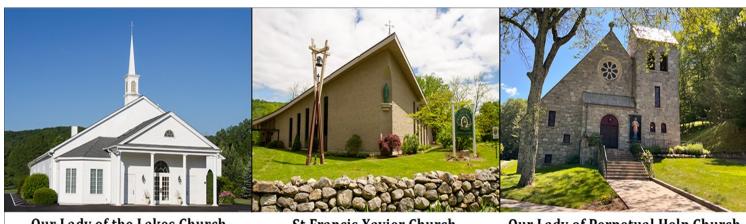
St. Francis Xavier Parish November 23, 2025



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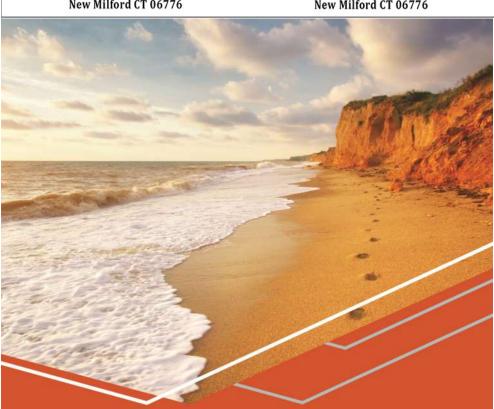
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

He said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

- Lk 23:42-43

NUESTRO SEÑOR JESUCRISTO, REY DEL UNIVERSO

Le decía a Jesús: "Señor, cuando llegues a tu Reino, acuérdate de mí". Jesús le respondió: "Yo te aseguro que hoy estarás conmigo en el paraíso".

- Lc 23, 42-43

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass #2001, 1998, 1970 CCD. | Leccionario II # 1987 Comisión Episcopal de Pastoral Litúrgica de la Conferencia del Episcopado Medicano.

MASS INTENTIONS:

SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 22 SAINT CECILIA VIRGIN & MARTYR

SFX: 8:30 AM + for the deceased members of

our Parish

SFX: 5:00 PM + Frank Russo

VIGIL Requested by Nancy Lynch & family

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 23 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

OLOL: 8:30 AM + George Knippen

Requested by Peter & Kathy Vermilyea

SFX: 10:00 AM + Ann & Anthony DeNoris

Requested by Carol Shubin

OLPH: 10:00 AM + John Taylor

SFX: 11:30 AM + Por los miembros fallecidos de

en Español nuestra parroquia

MONDAY - NOVEMBER 24 SAINT ANDREW DUNG-LAC, PRIEST AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

SFX: 8:30 AM + Miguel Carratto

Requested by his daughter & grandkids

TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 25 SAINT CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGIN AND MARTYR

OLOL: 8:30 AM + Rosemarie Iacovitti (2nd aniv.) Requested by her sister, Margaret

WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 26

SFX: 8:30 AM + Bill Shemeley

Requested by Bob & Yvonne Lynch

THURSDAY - NOVEMER 27 THANKSGIVING DAY

OLOL: 8:30 AM For the special intentions of

Cynthia Uy (95th birthday) Requested by the Garcia family

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 28

SFX: 8:30 AM + Margaret & James Croke

Requested by Kathleen & Nicole

SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 29

SFX: 8:30 AM + for the deceased members of

our Parish

IN MEMORIAM

St. Francis Xavier Parish Churches pray for the repose of the soul and sends a final farewell to our dearly departed:

Lauren Marie (Saplio) Murphy



The Sanctuary Candle at St. Francis Xavier Church for this week burns in memory of:

Karen Andrews, Alexander Sprick, Frances & Eric Koeble, Ingrid (Koeble) Church, Inga (Koeble) Phanco,

Augusta & Christopher Born, Jeannette & Frederick Sprick and Fred (Sprick) Steele

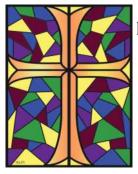
Requested by: Linda & Tomm Sprick & Edward Noonan



The Sanctuary Candle at Our Lady of the Lakes Church for this week burns in memory of:

James Wall, Sr.

Requested by: Chris Grenier & family



The Memorial Window is lit this week in memory of:

Dick Krosky (8th anniversary)

Requested by:

His family and friends



ATTENTION: Please note that the Our Lady of Perpetual Help office in now CLOSED. All calls and business will now take place at the St. Francis Xavier Parish offices 1 Elm St. New Milford, CT 06776. Any problems call Chris at 860-354-2202 for Church related questions. Call Jocelyne at 860-350-6753 for bookkeeping and cemetery related inquiries. Also note the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church doors will continue to close daily at 6:30 pm.



A Rosary for Peace is said every Sunday at 9:30 am at Our Lady of Perpetual Help before Mass begins at 10:00 am.

Now, more than ever, won't you come and pray with us?

SAVE THE DATE

OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT WILL BE PRESENTED ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14TH AT 1:00 PM AT OUR LADY OF THE LAKES CHURCH.



AND IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN MUSIC PLEASE CONTACT MR. FITZGERALD AT 203-788-5268

The St. Francis Xavier Parish webpage is at http://sfxnewmilford.org/ OR download the App so that you can receive all announcements notices, including the *bulletin.

*you can also go to the *website; click on bulletin—link to bulletin page and sign up to receive the bulletin via email. Thank you!

Text App to 88202 to download our parish app:

- 1) Download myParish App
- 2) Select our Parish after opening

The parish also has a:

Facebook page; St. Francis Xavier Parish, New Milford CT

*Website; www.sfxnewmilford.org

AND NOW WE HAVE INSTAGRAM (LOOK FOR US AT) sfxnewmilford

If you would like to have any events/happenings posted on any of our sites, please contact Lorraine, our Communications liaison at: llaranetto@sfxnewmilford.org

La página web de la Parroquia de San Francisco Iavier está en

http://sfxnewmilford.org/ O descargue la aplicación

para que pueda recibir todos los avisos de anuncios, incluido el *boletín.

*También puede ir al *sitio web; Haga clic en Boletín: enlace a la página del boletín y regístrese para recibir el boletín por correo electrónico. ¡Gracias!

Envíe un mensaje de texto con la aplicación al 88202 para descargar nuestra aplicación parroquial:

- 1) Descargue la aplicación myParish
- 2) Seleccione nuestra parroquia después de la apertura

La parroquia también tiene un:

página de Facebook; **Parroquia de San Francisco Xavier, New Milford CT**

*Sitio web; www.sfxnewmilford.org

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Si desea que se publiquen eventos / acontecimientos en cualquiera de nuestros sitios, comuníquese con Lorraine, nuestro enlace de comunicaciones al: llaranetto@sfxnewmilford.org

The St. Francis Xavier Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary will be having their annual Christmas Party in lieu of their regular meeting on Monday, December 1st at 12:00 noon at the Italia Mia Restaurant.

If you have any questions call Maura Pauli at 860-690-1882.



The St. Francis Xavier Women's Guild
December meeting will be dinner at Lucias's
on Bank Street in New Milford, starting at
6:30 pm on Tuesday, December 9th. Please
RSVP to Ellen Cote at
860-354-5883 or ebcote@yahoo.com
or with questions.
All women of the Parish are welcome!



OUR COLLECTION TOTAL FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

11/16/25 \$.00

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Collection: Weekly: \$.00

Vocations Collection: \$.00

CCHD: \$.00

Collection totals will be in next weeks bulletin due to early bulletin deadline.



A "new" second collection for **THIS** weekend of, 11/22 & 11/23 is for the **Vocations Collection** - for the Archdiocese of

Hartford

(we do not have envelopes, but the basket will be passed. Please put your check or cash in any envelope with your ID # on it or name & address for credit)

We thank you in advance for your continued generosity towards our Parish and other endeavors.



Mon.,11/24 Rosary - 8 am - SFX Church
Mass 8:30 am SFX Church
Portuguese Rosary 5 pm—OLOL Church
Choir Practice 7 pm SFX Church
Choir Practice - en Español - 7 pm
SFX Church hall

Tues., 11/25 Mass 8:30 am OLOL Church Rosary - 9 am - OLOL Church Knights of Columbus - 7 pm - SFX C/H

Wed., 11/26 Rosary - 8 am - SFX Church Mass 8:30 am SFX Church Christmas Pageant music rehearsal -6:30—8:30 pm OLOL Church

Thurs., 11/27 Mass 8:30 am OLOL Church
Rosary - 9 am - OLOL Church
Our Lady Queen of Peace Prayer Group
1 pm SFX Church hall
Christmas pageant tryouts—
6:00—7:00 pm OLOL Church
Choir Rehearsal 7 pm OLOL Church
Choir Rehearsal (Sun., 10am) - 7 pm
SFX Church

Fri., 11/28 Rosary - 8 am - SFX Church Mass 8:30 am SFX Church Adoration 9 -10 am SFX Church

Sat., 11/29 Mass - 8:30 am - SFX Church Holiday Fair 10:00 am—6:00 pm -St. Francis Xavier Church hall Baptisms - 1 pm - SFX Church Confirmation 1:30 pm St. Joseph's Cathedral—Hartford Confession - 4 pm - SFX Church Vigil Mass - 5 pm - SFX Church

Sun., 11/30 Mass - 8:30 am - OLOL Church Reconciliation 8:30—9:45 am P/C Rosary - 9:30 am OLPH Church Mass - 10 am - SFX Church Mass - 10 am OLPH Church Mass - 11:30 am SFX Church en Español Holiday Fair following Masses at SFX The "Feed the Hungry" Ministry of St. Francis Xavier Church is continuing the Food Drive. All donations collected at St. Francis Xavier Church will be donated to Loaves & Fishes. Please drop off your donations in the Church hall at SFX (ask Bob Greco if you have any questions). Donation of reusable bags accepted too!



Mother Mary's Cupboard

The next Love In Action Sunday is Sunday,
November 16th. Donations collected at Our Lady of
the Lakes Church will be donated to New Milford
Food Bank. Please drop off your donations in the
Atrium at OLOL.

(if you have any questions ask Sal Guagenti). **P.S.** We are also in need of reusable bags!



KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT 2026-2027

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 6:00 - 6:45 pm

(Open to new and current families)

Please visit www.stmarybethelct.org to register or contact Geraldine Henn, Enrollment Director at admissions@stmarybethelct.org

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At Christmas Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church supports community families through the Town of Washington Social Service and their Senior Center's Seniors Fuel Fund.

Our Giving Tree will be in the church on Sunday, November 29th. Tags on the tree will note specific donations of gift cards and opportunities to donate to the Seniors Fuel Fund. Each gift should be placed in the basket next to the tree by Sunday, December 14th. For more information, please call the parish office at 860-354-2202.

Thank you!

Giving Tree Donations

We at St. Francis Xavier Church are once again asking everyone to make a financial contribution to our Martha and Mary Community Care program, so that we can assist each of the NINE community agencies in giving out gifts and gift cards for Christmas.

If you would like to make a donation to help us offset the cost, we will accept any all amounts offered. Every dollar counts.

Please mail to: St. Francis Xavier 1 Elm St. New Milford, CT 06776 Attn. Chris or put in the collection baskets to my attention or come and see me in the office Monday—Thursday 9am—5 pm. Any questions call me at 860-354-2202.

Thank you in advance for your continued generosity in helping us to help others. God bless!!



We will also be having a giving tree at Our Lady of the Lakes Church that will support the Danbury Youth Services (which serves ALL the surrounding towns).

We will have the ornaments available next Sunday, November 15th. The gifts will need to be wrapped and returned to Our Lady of the Lakes by Sunday, December 14th with the tag attached.

Call Karen at 860-354-5372 with any questions.

Your support touches so many lives. We can all use "A Little Christmas".





OUR 2025-2026 FAITH FORMATION, aka RELIGION CLASSES (CCD) ARE:

*SUNDAY 8:30—9:45 AM AND *SUNDAY 11:15 AM—12:30 PM DECEMBER 7th *MONDAY 6—7:15 PM DECEMBER 8th

IF YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN ARE IN GRADES 1—5 THEY SHOULD BRING THEIR BIBLE, BOOK AND BAG WITH THEM TO ALL THEIR CLASSES.

CHILDREN IN GRADES 6—8 SHOULD ALSO BRING THEIR BOOKS TO ALL CLASSES.

SHOULD YOUR CHILDREN BE ABSENT PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AT 860-354-5372 OR 860-354-2202 AND LET US KNOW. THEY MUST DO THE WORK ON THEIR GRADE LEVEL CALENDAR.

NEXT CLASSES:

*SUNDAY 8:30—9:45 AM AND

*SUNDAY 11:15 AM—12:30 PM

DECEMBER 21st

*MONDAY 6—7:15 PM DECEMBER 22nd

*The Archdiocese of Hartford announced last year about a new program for all the children called:

"EMPOWERING GOD'S CHILDREN". It will be presented to the grade 5 children on Sunday, 12/7 and Monday, 12/8.

Any questions, please contact Karen, the Faith Formation Director.



Karen O'Donnell - Director 860-354-5372 or ololreled@gmail.com

Please make sure to <u>add</u> Karen's email address, so that you receive your emails.

All communications are sent via email and posted in this bulletin and put on the app.

We will also add posts on our Facebook page and

Karen O'Donnell - Directora 860-354-5372 o ololreled@gmail.com

Instagram page too, so join us!

Asegúrese de <u>agregar</u> la dirección de correo electrónico de Karen para recibir sus correos electrónicos.

Todas las comunicaciones se envían por correo electrónico y se publican en este boletín y se publican en la aplicación.

También agregaremos publicaciones en nuestra página de Facebook e Instagram, jasí que únase a nosotros!

RECONCILIATION CATCH UP

A letter and email for those students in grades 3—9 that need to do their First Confession was sent out.

Your last make up class is Sunday, November 23rd from 8:30—9:45 am at the St. Francis Xavier Parish Center 1 Elm St.

Any questions call Karen.

RECONCILIACIÓN PARA PONERSE AL DÍA

Una carta y un correo electrónico para aquellos estudiantes en los grados 3-9 que necesitan hacer su primer Se envió una confesión.

Sus clases de recuperación son el domingo 23 de noviembre de 8:30 a 9:45 am en el St. Francis Centro Parroquial Xavier 1 Elm St.

Debes asistir a todas las clases de preparación en para hacer su sacramento.

Cualquier pregunta llame a Karen.

Celebrando al Salvador en la Esperanza

Retiro de Adviento en Español Miércoles, 3 de Diciembre de 2025 6:00 to 9:00 P.M.

Diácono Ramon Guzmán

Diácono Guzmán explorará las múltiples maneras en que Jesús, nuestro Salvador, inspira esperanza en nuestros corazones, familias y comunidades. También compartirá su sabiduría sobre cómo nosotros, como seguidores de Cristo, podemos llevar esperanza a los demás. La velada incluye cena, una conferencia y la celebración de la Eucaristía.

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This retreat will take place at the Holy Family Retreat Center.

For further information please contact Eduardo Doroz Cabrora at 860-251-2202

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THIS WEEK' READINGS:

Sunday: 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5

(see 1)/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Dn 3:52, 53, 54,

55, 56/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45/Dn 3:57, 58, 59,

60, 61/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Dn 3:62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67/Lk 21:12-

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28/Dn 3:68, 69, 70,

71, 72, 73, 74/Lk 21:20-28

Friday: Dn 7:2-14/Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78,

79, 80, 81/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27/Dn 3:82, 83, 84,

85, 86, 87/Lk 21:34-36

Next Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-

5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44





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