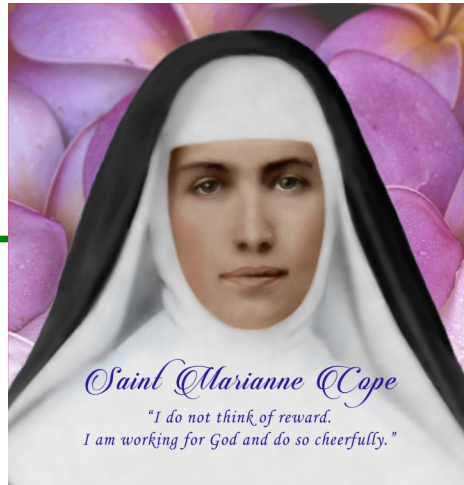




## Saint Marianne Cope Parish

Rev. Ronald P. Zepecki - Pastor  
Alan Germain - Deacon



*Saint Marianne Cope*  
"I do not think of reward.  
I am working for God and do so cheerfully."

July 5, 2026

*"Come to me, all you who labor and are  
burdened, and I will give you rest."*

### St. Catherine of Siena

6 Windsorville Road  
Broad Brook, CT 06016

#### Weekday Masses

Mon., Tues. & Wed at 12:15 p.m.  
Thursday at 9:00 a.m.

#### Weekend Masses

Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

### St. Philip the Apostle

150 South Main Street  
East Windsor, CT 06088

#### Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-3:30 PM

*Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*



**Parish Office**

*Rev. Ronald P. Zepecki, Pastor*  
*Alan Germain, Deacon*

**Parish Office Hours:** *Mon.-Thursday 9am-3pm*  
**St. Catherine Cemetery:** *by appointment*

**Phone:** (860) 623-4636 **Fax:** (860) 292-8550

**Parish Website:** smceastwindsor.org

**Parish Office email:**  
 office@smceastwindsor.org

**Administrative Assistant & Cemetery Family**

**Service Advisor:** *Stefanie Karam*

**Director of Music:** *Wendy Quinn*

**Vocations Committee:**

*Paula McCloskey & Kay Teixeira*

**Pro –Life:** *Marie Pelletier*

**Faith Formation Office:** *Mary Hevner*  
*maryhevner@cox.net*

**St. Philip Rectory: Phone** (860) 370-5116

150 South Main Street  
 East Windsor, CT 06088

**Sacrament of Baptism**

Please call the parish office to make arrangements for the celebration of the sacrament, as well as a pre-baptismal session for parents and Godparents.

**Sacrament of Matrimony**

Please call the parish office at least six months in advance before making any other arrangements.

**New Parishioners**

Please call the parish office or registration forms are available on the church bulletin boards.

**Christian Stewardship**

We are a stewardship community. Parish members are invited to use offertory envelopes or *Online Giving* to support the mission & needs of our parish. Please call the parish office for more details.

**Adoration**

Tuesdays 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. at  
 St. Catherine Church

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

ST. LUKE CHURCH, ELLINGTON, CT

St. Luke in Ellington is having a Vacation Bible School for children age 4 through the 6th grade. This year is called **Rainforest Falls—Exploring the Nature of God** which will be held August 3-7, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon. For registration or information, please contact **Kim Bocchino** at 860-875-4951, *stlukere@gmail.com* or sign up at *https://stlukere.faithenroll.com*. There is a \$25.00 cost per child.

**REMINDER — REMINDER**

*Just a reminder: Sunday is the Lord’s Day. Mass on Sunday reflects the Lord Jesus, the Gospel and His mission. The saints and the Blessed Virgin Mary should not have a Mass on Sunday honoring them; or if someone received a favor through prayer. Those Masses should take place during the week; preferably on a day that is not a particular saints day. For instance; St. Anthony’s Feast Day is June 13th, we do not add a Mass in honor of Saint Therese on the Feast Day of St. Anthony. What do we do? Have a Mass in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary or a saint, for a favor received on a day that does not honor a particular saint. Those days without saints are called; “Ferial Days” (pronounced fair-ee-al).*

*I hope this is helpful for you.*

**Holy Baptism**

On Saturday, June 27, 2026, two boys were Baptised into the Christian Community. We welcome *Thomas McAnulty*, whose parents are John McAnulty & Mandy Garrett. The godparents are Patrick McAnulty & Gabriella McAnulty. And also, *Michael McAnulty*, whose parents are Michael McAnulty & Gabriella Fiaschetti. The god parents are Jack McAnulty & Sarah Fisher.

**Parish Sharing & Support**

(June 28, 2026)

Weekly \$ TBA  
 On-Line Giving \$745.00

TOTAL \$ TBA





## Happy Fourth of July Our 250th Anniversary

*Last week I began a series of articles on our patriotic songs. I will continue these articles through the month of July, honoring our 250th anniversary as a nation and the Declaration of Independence. This week continues and finishes the patriotic song, The Battle Hymn of the Republic.*

Mr. and Mrs. Howe visited Washington, D.C. in 1861 after the beginning of the Civil War. They toured the Union Army Camps of the Potomac River in Virginia. There, she heard the soldiers singing this tune remembering the hanging of John Brown in Charlestown, West Virginia in 1859. Incidentally, *John Brown* was born in Torrington, Ct.

Accompanying them from Boston was the Howe's pastor. The tune was rousing, but the lyrics were not. The pastor suggested that Julia pen somewhat more appropriate lyrics. They returned for the evening to the Willard Hotel in Washington, D.C. The words of Julia's diary explains it all:

*"I went to bed and slept as usual, but awoke the next morning in the gray of the early dawn, and to my astonishment found that the wished-for lines were arranging themselves in my brain. I lay quite still until the last verse had completed itself in my thoughts, then hastily arose, saying to myself, I shall lose this if I don't write it down immediately. I searched for an old sheet of paper and an old stub of a pencil which I had had the night before, and began to scrawl the lines almost without looking, as I learned to do; often scratching down verses in the darkened room when my little children were sleeping. Having completed this, I lay down again and fell asleep, but not before feeling that something of importance had happened to me."*

Julia Ward Howe gave her new lyrics to *The Atlantic Monthly*. They published it in February 1862, sending her a check for \$5.00.

The Battle Hymn of The Republic is known as "**The defiant Anthem**". That, it is! It reflects America's deep belief in the Savior, Jesus Christ and his truthful Word. In praise and defiance it tells us the very principles on which this nation was founded.

In the aftermath of the September 11, 2001 attacks on the World Trade Center, The Pentagon and Shanksville, Pa., the nation and its distinguished leaders gathered at Washington's National Cathedral with none other than the *Rev. Billy Graham*. The congregation sang that defiant hymn: **The Battle Hymn of The Republic**, signifying this nation's intentions of battling the forces of terror in the world.

*What about Julia Ward Howe?* She was born May 27, 1819 in New York City. She died on October 17, 1910 in Portsmouth, Rhode Island at the age of 91. She was a poet, a writer and a playwright. She was the organizer of many Women's Rights Organizations, establishing the *New England Women Suffrage Association* in 1868.

***To the women who are reading this; you should be justly very proud to know that an American woman penned these stirring lyrics. When I delved into American history as a young boy, I quickly realized the tremendous contribution of women to the building of this great country. I was impressed by the many First Ladies who guided their husbands as president of the United States: Martha Washington, Abigail Adams, Dolly Madison, Sarah Polk, Lucy Hayes, Helen Taft, Edith Wilson, Grace Coolidge, Eleanor Roosevelt, Jackie Kennedy and Nancy Reagan, to name several. I also quickly realized that their contributions were rarely discussed. They are our unsung heroines. Thank you ladies for being the backbone of our country!!***



## Mass Intentions

### How to request your Intentions:

To request Mass Intentions, please call the office at (860) 623-4636. WE WILL NO LONGER BE ACCEPTING EMAILS FOR MASS REQUESTS. You are also welcome to stop by the Parish Office during regular office hours to request Masses.

**NOTE:** Kindly submit your suggested offering shortly after making your reservation. This can be done via cash or check. You can place your donation in the basket near the Altar in an envelope addressed to the church office or send via USPS to 6 Windsorville Rd, Broad Brook, CT 06016. Checks are to be made payable to **Saint Marianne Cope Parish** and include the Mass date, and your phone number.



### Candle Offering

*The lamps beside the tabernacles in our churches remind us of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist*

*Sanctuary candle intentions are available for a \$10.00 donation. These candles burn for two weeks.*

*The Sanctuary light at St. Philip Church burns for:*

*Repose of the Soul of Joseph M. Welsh*

*The Sanctuary light at St. Catherine Church burns for:*

*Health & God's Blessings for Maria & Wes*

#### **St. Catherine of Siena Church**

*St. Joseph or the Blessed Virgin Mary candle intentions are available for a \$5.00 donation.*

*These candles burn for one week.*

*St. Joseph Statue candle burns for:*

*My 3 Carpenters*

*Virgin Mary Statue candle burns for:*

*Repose of the Soul of Josie Werden*

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*Please call the office at 860-623-4636 with your requests.*

## Masses For The Week



### Saturday, July 4, 2026

**4:00 PM** (St. Philip Church)

Health & God's Blessings for **Geri Schnobrich**

### Sunday, July 5, 2026

**8:30 AM** (St. Catherine Church)

Healing & God's Blessings for **Valerie & James Manning**

requested by Annie V.

**10:30 AM** (St. Philip Church)

+ Repose of the Soul of **Tom Sweeney** (Birthday Remembrance)

requested by his wife Gail

### Monday July 6, 2026

**12:15 PM** (St. Catherine Church)

+ Pro Pupulo

### Tuesday, July 7, 2026

**12:15 PM** (St. Catherine Church)

+ Repose of the Souls of **Conrad, Doris & Normand**

requested by Joyce & Roger

### Wednesday, July 8, 2026

**12:15 PM** (St. Catherine Church)

+ Repose of the Soul of **Ralph Brennan** (4th Anniversary)

requested by The Family

### Thursday, July 9, 2026

**9:00 AM** (St. Catherine Church)

God's Blessings for **Our Family**

requested by Terry Richard & Bill Man

### Saturday, July 11, 2026

**4:00 PM** (St. Philip Church)

+ Repose of the Soul of **Josie Werden**

(eighth anniversary)

### Sunday, July 12, 2026

**8:30 AM** (St. Catherine Church)

+ Repose of the Soul of **Margaret Teske**

requested by the Stoecker Family

**10:30 AM** (St. Philip Church)

+ Repose of the Soul of **Karen St. Georges**

requested by Maureen & Larry Lyman