

HONORING SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH  
ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR  
100TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 3, 2026*

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join the congregation of Saint Joseph Church in Ansonia, Connecticut in honoring the celebration of their 100th Anniversary. Throughout its history, the church and its congregation have demonstrated a unique commitment to serve the community and ensure that the most vulnerable of our citizens can find comfort and resources in their time of need.

Founded in 1925, St. Joseph's has been a spiritual home for Polish immigrants and their families and is one of the Polish American Roman Catholic parishes in New England in the Archdiocese of Hartford. In June 1925, Bishop John J. Nilan appointed Vincentian Fr. Aloysius Zielenznik, C.M., as pastor of the new St. Joseph Parish. With the church itself under construction, the first Mass for the Polish congregation was celebrated on July 12, 1925. at a Central Street Hall rented from an Italian society. Upon its completion the church, which still stands today, was dedicated on September 6, 1926. Ten days later, St. Joseph School opened, staffed by the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth.

As the parish grew in membership, so too did their desire for their church to have a church bell to summon the faithful to church services. In 1950, then church leader Father Casimir Kwiatkowski was passing through Winchester, New Hampshire when he noticed a bell for sale in front of a Protestant church. He immediately made an inquiry and was able to purchase the bell on the spot and for a great price at just under five hundred dollars. The bell was brought back to St. Joseph's and on the occasion of administering the sacrament of Confirmation in the parish on October 14, 1950, Bishop Henry J. O'Brien, D.D., blessed the century old bell and named it Casimir. The bell was rung for the first time on November 1, 1950, the day the dogma of the Assumption was solemnly proclaimed in Rome by Pope Pius XII and it has been fixture at St. Joseph's ever since.

Saint Joseph Church has not only been a center for religious worship, but a vehicle through which their members could give back to the community. Our churches play a vital role in our communities—providing people with a place to turn to for comfort when they are most in need. For the last century, Saint Joseph Church has been a treasured landmark in Ansonia. Through their ministry and outreach efforts, they have left an indelible mark on the community and continue to make a difference in the lives of others.

Saint Joseph Church gives its members a place to find their spiritual center and to solidify and support their values—a beacon of light and hope for their members and the community. I am proud to stand today and extend my very best wishes to them as they mark this milestone in their history. Happy 100th Anniversary and as we say in Italian, to another hundred—C'ent Anni.

CONGRATULATING LILA JUN

**HON. RICK W. ALLEN**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 3, 2026*

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my constituent, Lila Jun, upon her acceptance to the United States Military Academy at West Point.

As a future cadet, she will be joining the ranks of the world's most fearsome fighting force—the United States Army—guided by duty, honor, and country.

The service and sacrifice of America's military personnel have safeguarded our Nation since its inception, defending our way of life from Lexington to Normandy.

And throughout our history, American soldiers have demonstrated tremendous courage and strength, beating back tyranny to the ends of the Earth.

I was glad to sponsor Lila's nomination, and I am confident that her talents will distinguish her among her peers both during her time at West Point and thereafter.

I congratulate Lila and I know that she will make this Nation proud.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, June 4, 2026 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JUNE 8

4:30 p.m.  
Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Strategic Forces  
Closed business meeting to markup the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2027. SR-232A

5:15 p.m.  
Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Seapower  
Closed business meeting to markup the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2027. SR-232A

6 p.m.  
Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support  
Closed business meeting to markup the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2027. SR-232A

JUNE 9

9:15 a.m.  
Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities  
Closed business meeting to markup the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2027. SR-232A

9:30 a.m.  
Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Personnel  
Business meeting to markup the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2027. SD-G50

10 a.m.  
Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Airland  
Closed business meeting to markup the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2027. SR-232A

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation  
Subcommittee on Surface Transportation, Freight, Pipelines, and Safety  
To hold hearings to examine how technological advances are driving transportation innovation. SR-253

10:30 a.m.  
Committee on Appropriations  
Subcommittee on Department of Defense  
To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2027 for the Department of the Air Force. SD-192

11 a.m.  
Committee on Armed Services  
Subcommittee on Cybersecurity  
Closed business meeting to markup the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2027. SR-232A

2:30 p.m.  
Committee on Armed Services  
Closed business meeting to markup the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2027. SR-222

3 p.m.  
Select Committee on Intelligence  
To receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters. SH-219

JUNE 10

9 a.m.  
Committee on Armed Services  
Closed business meeting to markup the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2027. SR-222

10 a.m.  
Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry  
To hold an oversight hearing to examine the U.S. Department of Agriculture. SD-G50

Committee on Environment and Public Works  
To hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2027 for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. SD-406

Committee on Health, Education, Labor,  
and Pensions  
To hold hearings to examine the nomina-  
tions of Brett Matsumoto, of Maryland,  
to be Commissioner of Labor Statis-  
tics, Department of Labor, James  
Macy, of Wisconsin, and David M.  
Prouty, of Maryland, both to be a  
Member of the National Labor Rela-  
tions Board.

SD-430

10:15 a.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine certain  
pending nominations.

SH-216

JUNE 11

9 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

Closed business meeting to markup the  
National Defense Authorization Act for  
fiscal year 2027.

SR-222

JUNE 12

9 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

Closed business meeting to markup the  
National Defense Authorization Act for  
fiscal year 2027.

SR-222