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Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday Evening Vigil Mass

4:00 PM Public & Livestream

Sunday Masses

8:00 AM Public

10:00 AM Public & Livestream (**Masks required for all**)

11:45 AM Public

5:00 PM Public & Livestream

Weekday Masses

7:30 AM Public

12:05 PM Public & Livestream

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Masks are required for everyone during Reconciliation

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 11:15 AM - 11:45 NOON

Saturday 3:15 PM - 3:45 PM

Watch Online:

Go to <https://www.spsact.org/news-and-events/virtual-mass/> to access our livestream Masses on Facebook, YouTube or StreamSpot.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Time Changes

Beginning February 7, 2022 our times for the Sacrament of Reconciliation will change. The new times are as follows:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday	11:15 AM - 11:45 AM
Saturday	3:15 PM - 3:45 PM

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, Feb 7:	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday, Feb 8:	1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday, Feb 9:	1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday, Feb 10:	1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
Friday, Feb 11:	1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
Sunday Feb 13:	Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

Go to <http://www.usccb.org/> for readings online.

Mask Guideline Update

Masks are now optional for those who are vaccinated, but encouraged in the church and Franciscan Center unless otherwise noted. The Mayor and the City of Hartford have left the decision on masking to each individual business and organization. Please click/scan the QR Code for complete information on our Mask Guidelines. If you would prefer, you can call the church office at 860-756-4034 for more information.



On the cover: "The Calling of the Apostles Peter and Andrew" by Duccio di Buoninsenga (d. 1318-19). This small panel was part of the Maestà, one of the most important masterpieces in the history of Western painting. The monumental Maestà was a two-sided altarpiece that dominated the main altar in Siena's cathedral for nearly two centuries. Today it is part of the Samuel H. Kress Collection of the National Gallery of Art in Washington, DC.

The Pastor's Corner

February 6, 2022

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

It might strike us as rather odd that Jesus would just hop into a fishing boat and ask the owner to row out a bit from the shore so that he could preach to the crowds along the shoreline. But Simon didn't seem to mind, nor did he argue with Jesus when he told Simon and his fishing companions to put their nets out into deep water even when they had failed to catch anything the night before. We also have to remember what occurred earlier in Luke's Gospel and how Jesus had healed Simon's mother-in-law from a severe fever. Maybe Simon was thinking to himself: "I'd better do what this guy says."

Sure enough, the catch of fish is so tremendous that their nets are at the breaking point. Their doubting and questioning come to a miraculous resolution, and after bringing the boats to shore, they leave them there as empty reminders that their fishing days are over – or were they?

At the close of the Great Jubilee Year of 2000, Saint John Paul II issued an Apostolic Letter in which he quoted this section of Luke's Gospel. "Put out into the deep" – "Duc in altum!" the Holy Father exclaimed. By highlighting this short phrase, John Paul issued a challenge to the church at the turn of the millennium to reach



This is the Chapel of the Boat in Magdala on the shore of the Sea of Galilee where Jesus encountered Simon and his fellow fishermen. The chapel is part of an edifice called Duc in Altum ("Put out into the deep") which invites Christians of all denominations to pray and reflect on the Lord's call in their lives.

out farther in order to bring the Good News to the world. We hardly need reminding that the past two decades have brought more heartache, death and destruction, violence and sickness, than most of us could possibly have imagined.



The world needs to hear a word of healing amidst the hatred and bloodshed we encounter daily, both here and abroad. All of us must ask ourselves how we might be instruments of peace, healing and reconciliation in our world today. Perhaps it means that we must go deeper or farther than we think we are capable. Maybe it means stepping out of our comfort zones to do something more radical, more courageous, more, well . . . Christian than we're accustomed to. As St. Francis said on his deathbed: "I have done what was mine to do. May Christ teach you what is yours."

All of today's readings highlight the fact that those who were called by God – Isaiah, Paul, and the fishermen (Simon Peter, James and John) – all thought themselves to be unworthy of the call they received. Yet they were still called to important tasks as a prophet, an apostle, and as fishers of people. Likewise, all of us are called, despite our less-than-perfect records, to be witnesses to the Gospel and to be the Lord's presence in the world around us. Moreover, he may even be calling some to be priests or consecrated religious in service to the Church. So I would ask our young people especially: Might the Lord be calling you to the Priesthood or Religious Life? Give it some thought and pray about it.

Fr. Tim Shreenan, OFM
Fr. Tim Shreenan, O.F.M.
Pastor

praying the psalms

Please join **Fr. Francis Soucy, O.F.M.** Thursdays, through the end of March from 10:30 - 11:30 AM, as he takes a fresh look at a variety of *new* psalms and considers the psalm for the upcoming Sunday liturgy! Please [REGISTER online here](#) for the Zoom link.

Good Stories and Their Significance for Personal and Social Life

We invite you to join with Fr. Ken Himes, O.F.M. from Boston College on **Thursday, February 17, 2022 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM**, for an evening of reflection, presentation, and discussion. One of the neglected aspects of moral reflection, personally and communally, is that we do not reflect enough on the stories we listen to – or tell to ourselves – when trying to make sense of our moral experience. This program will explain why stories are so important to the moral life and how the Christian story offers a different narrative for making sense of our lives. Suggested Offering: \$15

Please [REGISTER online here](#), and the Zoom link will be sent to you.

Uplifting the Human Spirit: Exploring Selected Work by African American Artists

Monday, February 28; 7:00 to 8:15 PM.

Pope Francis has said, *"The purpose of art is nothing less than the upliftment of the human spirit."* In this interactive program, we will view and discuss works by African American artists from the collection at New Britain Museum of American Art. Through reflection and discussion we will explore the beauty of the human spirit and be open to seeing a divine presence in ourselves and others.

Limit = 20 people. Facilitator: Kathy Butler, parishioner, educator, and docent at NBMAA. *Free Will Offering.*

Please [REGISTER online here](#), and the Zoom link will be sent to you.

Artwork: Jacob Lawrence, *The Builders*, 1974 x, Color silkscreen, 30 x 22 1/8 in. Jane and Victor Darnell Fund, 1990.17, New Britain Museum of American Art, New Britain, Connecticut.



Ongoing Programs:

Group Spiritual Reflection:

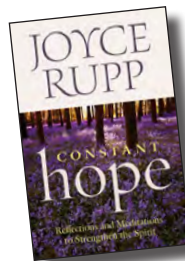
Every Tuesday at 12:35 PM. All are welcome!

Quiet Prayer: Every Wednesday morning from 7:30 - 8:00 AM.

Zoom links can be found in Monday's parish-wide email or call the parish office at 860-756-4034 for more information.

Lectio Divina ("Divine Reading"): An ancient method of contemplative prayer with Scripture. **Next meeting:** Thursday, February 17 12:30 to 1:30 PM, in-person. Facilitator: Sheila Denion.

People of Hope



Using Joyce Rupp's book *Constant Hope: Reflections and Meditations to Strengthen the Spirit*, we will take one essay per week to focus our discussion and prayer. The essay is read as part of the opening talk and then we proceed with quiet reflection, breakout groups, large group discussion, and closing prayer/song. Please join this ongoing group in a simple format, mid-week, to keep us living in hope and helping us to stay connected.

We are not moving through the book sequentially; and there is no required preparation. Please feel free to join in anytime that you are available on **Wednesdays from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM.**

Facilitator: Pat Curtis. Please [CLICK HERE to register](#) for the Zoom link. *Free Will Offering*



Open Hearts Ministry

Open Hearts LGBTQ+ Ministry Meeting: Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 13, 2022. This is a correction from last week's Bulletin. Please join us.

The Family & Friends LGBTQ+ Support Ministry: The next meeting is Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 6:30 PM via Zoom. For more information contact Rich Broggini at richardbroggini@gmail.com or Tim Curran at timothy.curran@trincoll.edu.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Monday, February 14 at 7:00 pm on Zoom.

Consider joining us. [Click here](#) to learn more. The Zoom Link will be included in the Monday parish-wide email.



Clare Gallery News:

ARTISTS' TALK for * New * Exhibit in Clare Gallery

Thursdays, February 17, 6:00-7:00 PM and February 24, 7:00 - 8:00 PM on Zoom.

The Clare Gallery presents a timely new exhibition *Creativity in the Time of Covid*.

This exhibition presents works of art and creativity produced during the past



year or works of reflection created in response. They are personal with a variety of emotions and stories. Along with the work the artists were asked three questions to ponder. They have shared their written responses with answers to the questions or an artist statement or have chosen not to use words at all which is perfectly fine too—some answers have not yet revealed themselves.



Participating artists are: Paul Abramo, Janet Bristow, James Boyle, Kelly Burns, Michael Burns, Kathy Butler, Luba Eusko, John Fisher, Mark Fox, Nora Fox, Daniel Guarnieri, Saoirse Guarnieri, Irene Hilbert, Nancy Olivia Hoffmann, Stan Klaneski, Calla Kremidas, Seema Mavumkal, Stacie Mawson, Lisa Ochoa, Beverly Pierz, John Wentland, and Nancy Wynn.



All are welcome to attend, discuss, share, and listen.

Join us Thursdays, February 17, 6:00-7:00 PM and February 24, 7:00 - 8:00 PM on Zoom.

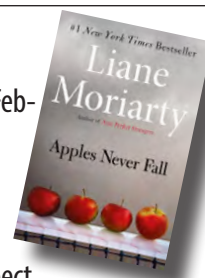
Please register [HERE for the February 17th](#) Artist's Talk at 6:00 PM or [HERE for the February 24](#) Artist's Talk at 7:00 PM and the Zoom link will be sent to you.

A Novel Idea Book Club

A Novel Idea Book Club's book selection for February is *Apples Never Fall* by Liane Moriarty.

Apple Book Review states: "Liane Moriarty's clever mystery is packed full of the brilliant twists and comic touches we've come to expect from the author of *Big Little Lies*. Moriarty made us laugh out loud with her portrayal of the family dysfunction at the heart of the story, from Joy's description of "Stan-splaining" to the couple's arguments about what "streaming" actually means. Part domestic thriller and part witty suburban comedy, *Apples Never Fall* is a blast to read."

Consider joining the discussion on February 17, 2022 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM via Zoom. For more information, please [CLICK HERE](#), contact the office at 860-756-4034 or email info@spsact.org.



Sister Parish: First Time Reflection

Parishioner Francis Rago, visited Haiti for the first time in October of 2014. Having retired from teaching, he was particularly interested in observing the classes as they were being taught. While Fran didn't speak or understand any Haitian Creole, he was an astute observer. This reflection was written following the 2014 visit.



"In the fall of 2014, I found the people of St. Genevieve parish to be, without exception, very warm and welcoming. They also seemed very devout, as their daily mass

was well-attended. But it was the children who really charmed me. I observed every grade, and saw that they were like children everywhere -- bright-eyed and eager learners, full of energy and curiosity. My only sadness was watching the dedicated teachers having to teach in such primitive conditions."



Fran's reflection reveals the overall sense of community and the dedication of the St. Genevieve teachers as they continue to educate the students of our Sister Parish.

St. Patrick - St. Anthony and St. Genevieve Covenant Relationship, EST. 2005

Participate in the survey for the renewal
of our Covenant.



Open your smartphone camera app and hold it in front of the QR
Code to open the Survey.

From the Franciscan Center



When we asked for help last November in keeping our brothers and sisters warm this winter, never did we imagine your generosity. You filled my office and then some. Thank you so much on behalf of our brothers and sisters who visit us daily. Because you were so generous, we will have more than enough to make it through the winter and won't need anymore of the items on our Amazon List. The one exception is we always need gloves, as it is the one thing folks lose during the winter. (I know I do too!).

A number of folks have asked about how the Franciscan Center is doing financially given the pandemic has forced the cancellation of the principal fundraiser, the Fr. Andrew Golf Tournament, these past two years. The answer is because of your incredible kindness, we are fine. Your continued support allowed us to continue with outreach and begin a hot meal program twice a week. It also will allow us to launch a number of new collaborations this spring in the areas of food insecurity and affordable housing here in Hartford as we seek to live out the mission of the Franciscan Center.

Peace,

Michael Johnson O.F.M.

Director, Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry

Please Pray for the Sick



Paula Molitar, Joseph Shertick, Vincent Marella, Greg Reed, Alex Ayers, Kathryn Eagers, Tommie Henry, Cecy Mickey, Lauren Clark Steadwell, Jim Howard, Syl Ciraulo, Mary Ertel, Mary Joyce Castafero and Susan Degennaro.

Are You Looking for Your 2021 Tax Statement?

Let us know if you need a 2021 tax statement and we will happily send it out via email or USPS. Please call the office, 860-756-4034, to let us know. Be sure to leave your email and home address.

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 5, 2022

4:00 PM Richard Formica, Sr., 4th Anniversary

Sunday, February 6, 2022

8:00 AM

10:00 AM Nancy G. Krohn

11:45 AM Robert Frost, 2nd Anniversary

5:00 pm

Monday, February 7, 2022

7:30 Jaoa de Costa

12:05 PM Joseph Kelliher

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Christine Carangelo

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Nancy G. Krohn

Thursday, February 10, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Susanne K. Miller

Friday, February 11, 2022

7:30 AM J. Gregori Montano

12:05 PM Olidy de Orozco, Month's Mind Mass

Saturday, February 12, 2022

4:00 PM Francelina Marques

Sunday, February 13, 2022

8:00 AM Andrew DeVito

10:00 AM Alexander Lomasky & Martha Bain

11:45 AM In Thanksgiving to St. Valentine

5:00 pm Guy Wolf

Mass Intentions & Sanctuary Lamps

Masses and Sanctuary Lamps may be scheduled for loved ones, living or deceased. Contact the parish office to schedule.

Suggested Donation: \$10

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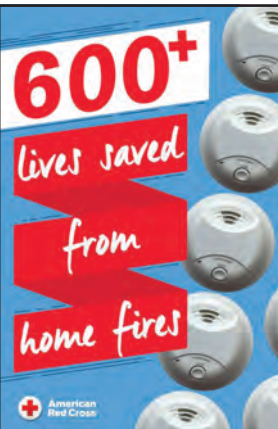
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