



St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church and The Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry

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We are a welcoming and dynamic community of Christian disciples. Rooted in the Franciscan experience of the Roman Catholic tradition, we proactively endeavor to extend hospitality both at the Eucharistic Table and as we minister reciprocally and in solidarity among the alienated and the poor, nurturing the mind, body, and spirit in the Greater Hartford Community. All are welcome!



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.

2021 Tax Statements Available

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.

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, Feb 21 Jas 3:13-18; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday, Feb 22 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:18

Wednesday, Feb 23: Jas 4:13-17; Mk 9:38-40

Thursday, Feb 24: Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:41-50

Friday, Feb 25: Jas 5:9-12; Mk 10:1-12

Sunday Feb 27: Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16;

1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

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

Mask Guideline Update

In response to the City of Hartford's announcement from Monday, January 31, 2022, the mask mandate in Hartford has ended for those who are fully vaccinated. However, we are still strongly encouraged to wear a mask while indoors around others that are not in your household. Please <u>CLICK HERE for complete information</u> on our Mask Guidelines. If you would prefer, you can call the church office at 860-756-4034 for more information.

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

Sunday, February 20 is your last chance to participate in the survey for the renewal of the Covenant.



Open your smartphone camera app and hold it in front of the QR Code to open the Survey or call the office for more information.

The Pastor's Corner

February 20, 2022

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Just one full week of Ordinary Time remains before the start of Lent on March 2nd, and although there is usually a bit of a lull following the end of the Christmas season, a lot has been happening here, and I'd like to bring you up to date.

First, I am happy to announce that Michael Boone will become our Office Assistant starting on Monday, February 21st. He will serve as our receptionist four days a week, and take care of other tasks in the office as well. We will continue to supplement our office staff with volunteers on certain days, and we are grateful to them for giving us their time to make sure we can serve you and everyone who comes to our door. I would like to express my thanks to Barbara Sullivan, Sally Mazzarella, Jim Moriarty, Indiana Williams, Anita Ellis, and Catherine Simpson for their service to us!

Next Sunday, February 27th, the Little Sisters of the Poor will be visiting our parish, and a special second collection will be taken for them which will be used exclusively for the care of the elderly poor who reside with them at St. Joseph's Residence in Enfield. The Little Sisters of the Poor have been serving the needs of the elderly poor in Connecticut and western Massachusetts for over 100 years. They will be most grateful for your generosity in next Sunday's collection.



The community of Little Sisters of the Poor at St. Joseph's Residence in Enfield, CT. They were founded in France in the 1800's by St. Jeanne Jugan to serve the elderly poor in safe and caring home environments.

Also next Sunday we will celebrate Mardi Gras following the 10:00 AM Mass, hosted by our Open Hearts LGBTQ Ministry. We invite you to join us

in the Franciscan Center for goodies and music by the Larry Gareau Quartet. This is an opportunity for us to come together socially



after what has turned into a long, cold winter beset by the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic and its variants. But as they say in New Orleans, "Laissez les bons temps rouler! — Let the good times, roll!"

The Archbishop's Annual Appeal will be starting shortly, and I ask all of you to prayerfully consider taking part in it. For last year's Appeal in 2021, parishioners from St. Patrick-St. Anthony pledged \$88,777.88 with a 20.13% participation rate. Thank you! Let's try to bring that up to at least 25% to help us come closer to our goal of \$115,000. You will be hearing more from me in the near future, but in the meantime, I want to thank all those who took part in last year's Appeal because it demonstrates your commitment to the wider Church. As Archbishop Blair wrote to me recently: "Your support of the Appeal is essential if we are to continue making a difference in addressing the needs of our local communities and in providing pastoral care for those whom the Lord has entrusted to our care."

Finally, with Ash Wednesday approaching, I want you to know that we will have three Masses that day during which ashes will be imposed: 7:30 AM, 12:05 PM and 6:30 PM. We will use the traditional form of tracing a cross on the person's forehead. Please plan to be with us as we enter into the holy season of repentance, renewal and rebirth.

Blessings on your week ahead!

Fr. Tim Shreenan, ofm Fr. Tim Shreenan, O.F.M.

Pastor

The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents



The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents supports parents whose spiritual journey includes the death of a child. We now

have 2 meetings per month: In-person on the 3rd Sunday at 3:15 PM and on the 3rd Wednesday of each month via Zoom starting at 7:00 pm. **Our next meeting is Sunday, February 20 at 3:15** PM. Please contact Karen directly via email at kdb518@aol.com. You are not on this journey alone.

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

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



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 <u>CLICK HERE to register</u>, 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.

First Corinthians: Paul's Impassioned Plea to a Divided Church

Composed nearly two thousand years ago, 1 Corinthians stands as a monument to St. Paul's theological, pastoral and rhetorical gifts,

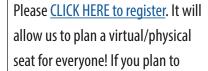


and its message is as relevant today as it was in 55 A.D. Lent, that season of the church year when we strive to become, with the help of God's grace, a Christian community worth joining,

is a perfect time to read and reflect on Paul's exhortation to unity, mutual service, and self-effacing love. Presenter: Fr. William F. Beaudin, O.F.M. **We meet the six Mondays of Lent: March 7, 14, 21, 28 and April 4 & 11, from 7:00 — 8:00 PM.** Please <u>CLICK HERE to register</u> and the Zoom link will be set to you.

Ongoing Programs:

Group Spiritual Reflection: Join us either in-person or via Zoom every Tuesday at 12:35 PM.





attend virtually, the Zoom link will be emailed to you. Co-Facilitators: Trudi Campbell and Pamela Morrison-Wolf.

Quiet Prayer: Every Wednesday morning from 7:30 - 8:00 AM. Zoom link can be found in Monday's parish-wide email or call the parish office at 860-756-4034 for more information.

Lectio Divina: Thursdays, March 3 at 6:45 PM on Zoom and March 17 at 12:30 PM in-person in the Franciscan Center. Facilitator: Sheila Denion.

People of Hope: Wednesdays from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm. Facilitator: Pat Curtis. Please CLICK HERE to register for Zoom link.

Praying the Psalms: Join **Fr. Francis Soucy, O.F.M.** Thursdays, through the end of March from 10:30 - 11:30 AM. Please <u>CLICK</u> <u>HERE to register</u> for the Zoom link.

St. Patrick-St. Anthony Parishioners are most welcome to join in Adult Education programs offered at St. Francis of Assisi Church, New York. Click on the following link to read about the programs and how to register: www.stfrancisnyc.org/courses/



Current Exhibit: Creativity in the Time of Covid



Last Artists' Talk for Creativity in the Time of Covid



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.

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.

CLICK Here for the February 24 Artist's Talk at 7:00 PM and the Zoom link will be sent to you.

Upcoming Exhibit: *Beyond the Subject* Works by Fr. Michael Reyes, O.F.M.

Fr. Michael Reyes O.F.M. is a Franciscan Friar from Holy Name Province.

As a Franciscan artist, he is always trying to find a way to connect with the humanity in all of us.
He offers this reflection on the

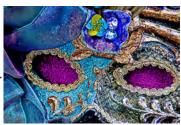


influence of art, "Paintings are equivalent to a person's signature. The power of images surpasses the limitations of language. My paintings challenge and inspires; they offer faith and life lessons without saying a word. With art, you can reach out to everyone, no matter their cultural and educational background or what language they speak."

This exhibition runs from March 1 to May 23, 2022 with Fr. Michael joining us virtually for <u>Slow Art Day</u> on Saturday, April 2 to guide you through a reflective program, while you are in our gallery viewing the work.

Mardi Gras Celebration Sunday, February 27, 2022 at 11:00 AM

Our annual Mardi Gras Celebration is back. The Open Hearts
Ministry will once again sponsor
our annual celebration. Join us



in the Franciscan Center after the 10am Mass on February 27, 2022 for refreshments, conversation and fun. Music will be provided by the Larry Gareau Quartet. Masks will be required for this event. Please come and join us.

Secular Franciscan Order



Is God calling you to live a life of love, peace and holiness in the model of St. Francis of Assisi?

Join us for our gathering in the Franciscan

Center on Sunday, February 27, 2022 to learn more about the Secular Franciscan Order. The rosary will be recited at 1:30 and the meeting starts at 2:00. Masks required.

Volunteers are needed to help approximately 6 Spanish speaking farm workers in South Glaastonbury with their conversational English. One evening per week, 6 - 7PM, for 6 wks. Please contact the office for more information.



Can you lend a welcoming smile? We are looking forward to more meetings at the Franciscan Center soon! One necessary part of afternoon and evening meetings is

a welcoming "hello" at the end of the phone line or door. Why not contact Trudi in the office and give it a try? Responsibilities include answering the phone as well as the door when our in-person activities resume!

Do you have a passion for writing? Does your experience include writing grant requests? We are seeking grant writers.

If you are interested in volunteering or learning more about either opportunity, connect with Trudi at twhite@spsact.org.

Sister Parish: Reflections

Allison Keeton, who travelled numerous times to Zoranje, shares her reflections:

"I had the privilege to travel to Zoranje three times as a representative of St. Patrick-St. Anthony. The first was just prior to the official relationship, signed in 2005, and the last was in 2010. On my first trip, I was taken aback by the orange hair that many children had. I learned it represented a nutrition deficiency.

As a parish we had agreed to partner with St. Genevieve, and



two of the important parts were teachers' salary and school lunch. The lunch allowed two things - a meal during the day and one less mouth to feed for lunch for

the family of the child. Additionally, paying teachers' salaries allowed for quality instructors and gave them proper pay they could spend locally, buying goods from others that would then give those families money too which would allow them to feed their families better. A wonderful cycle.

In my 2nd return to Zoranje three years later, I saw very little orange hair among the children. Our support was working in a very important way. Allowing Haitians to help Haitians. My prayer is this support continues for future Haitian children."

Second Collection Next Weekend

The Little Sisters of the Poor at St. Joseph's Residence in Enfield, will be visiting our Parish next weekend, February 26/27. The collection taken



for them will be exclusively for the care of the elderly poor who reside with them at St. Joseph's Residence. The Little Sisters of the Poor have been serving the needs of the elderly poor in Connecticut and Western Massachusetts for over 100 years. They are most grateful for your generosity.

Gifts & Offerings

February 7 - 13, 2022

Collection: \$7,498.00 Online: \$9,785.23

Total: \$17,283.23

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



United in Holy Matrimony

February 19, 2022

Anthony Spano & Jennifer Manalang



Andrew McDonald

child of

Charles & Michelle Stewart

and

Gillian McKenzie

child of

Justin & Aideen Whittaker

Please Pray for the Sick

Paula Molitor, 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.



Sanctuary Lamps Week of February 20, 2022

In loving memory of Gaetano Romans by Jo-Ann Formica

In loving memory of William F. Sowerbutts by Patti Wawzyniecki

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 19, 2022

4:00 PM Nancy G. Krohn

Sunday, February 20, 2022

8:00 AM William, Angie, & Joanne Speziale

10:00 AM Judith Cardoni 11:45 AM Michael Panaro Nancy G. Krohn 5:00 pm

Monday, February 21, 2022

7:30

12:05 PM Dennis P. Sullivan

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Beatrice Dowling

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

7:30 AM Antonio & Analia Alves

12:05 PM Nancy G. Krohn

Thursday, February 24, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Wayne Urbanski, Month's Mind Mass

Friday, February 25, 2022

7:30 AM Deceased Members of the 100% Voting League

12:05 PM William Leone, 10th Anniversary

Saturday, February 26, 2022

4:00 PM Nancy G. Krohn

Sunday, February 27, 2022

8:00 AM Linda Romano

10:00 AM Matthew O'Dowd

11:45 AM Maria Burgos

Iroi "Roy" LeBlanc, 10th Anniversary 5:00 pm

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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