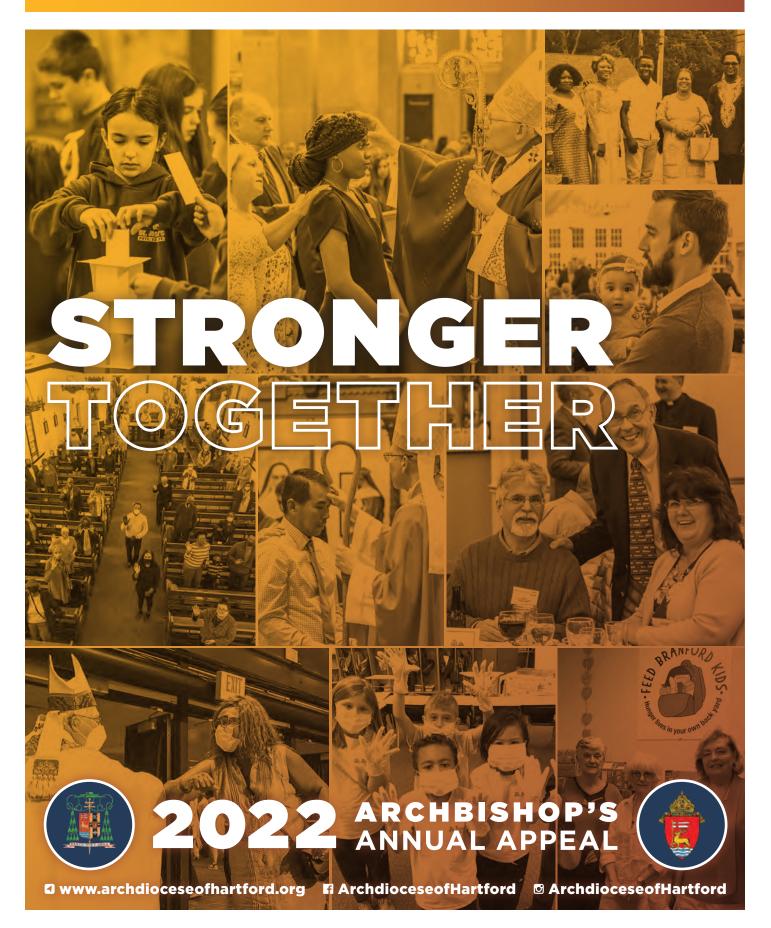
KICKOFF WEEKEND FEB. 26-27, 2022





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 ам	Public & Livestream (Masks required for all)
11:45 ам	Public
5:00 рм	Public & Livestream

Weekday Masses

7:30 ам	Public
12:05 рм	Public & Livestream

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Masks are required for everyone during Reconciliation

Monday, Wednesday, Friday Saturday 11:15 ам - 11:45 noon 3:15 рм - 3:45 рм

Watch Online:

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

2021 Tax Statements

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.

Weekly Bulletin Deadline

Mondays by 12:00 NOON. Please submit all information to <u>cabramo@spsact.org.</u>

Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Saturday: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Sunday from 9:00 to 11:00 AM

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, Feb 28	1 Pt 1:3-9; Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday, March 1:	1 Pt 1:10-16; Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday, March 2:	JI 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday, March 3:	Dt 30:15-20; Lk 9:22-25
Friday, March 4:	ls 58:1-9a; Mt 9:14-15
Sunday March 6:	Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13,
	14-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

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

Mardi Gras Celebration This Sunday

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



can Center after the 10am Mass, this Sunday, 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.

The Pastor's Corner

February 27, 2022

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Our little corner of downtown Hartford will be bustling with activity this weekend! In addition to our cele-

bration of Mardi Gras after the 10 AM Mass, we are pleased to welcome the Little Sisters of the Poor who are with us to receive your offerings to support their ministry to the elderly poor at St. Joseph's Residence in Enfield. The Sisters have been caring for the sick and aged in the Northeast for over 100 years, and you can join their efforts through your financial contribution.

We will celebrate three Masses on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd, at 7:30 AM, 12:05 PM or 6:30 PM. Ashes will be imposed during each Mass. They are a visible sign of our desire to "turn away from sin and believe in the Gospel."

You will probably have received a letter from Archbishop Blair announcing the start of the 2022 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. In last week's bulletin I mentioned that we had reached \$88,777.88 towards our goal of \$115,000 in 2021. However, the correct total was \$91,292.88 from 295 families with an average gift of \$309.47. That's very impressive! As I've said before, it is important for us to be conscious of the role we all play in the wider church community, and our obligations to our brothers and sisters extend beyond our parish boundaries. St. Patrick-St. Anthony has a remarkable history of doing just that through the Sister Parish Covenant, as well as various forms of outreach to the people of Hartford such as our Sandwich Ministry and the House of Bread. Participating in the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is another way to show our solidarity with those in need.

Jesus reminds us in today's Gospel that a good, healthy tree will bear good fruit. We don't have to look far to see evidence of that image here! May the season of Lent be an opportunity for us to deepen our commitment to the Lord through our care for one another. Blessings on your week ahead!

Fr Tim Shreenan, ofn

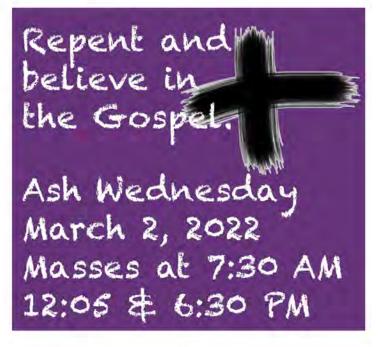
Fr. Tim Shreenan, O.F.M. Pastor





This weekend marks the start of the 2022 Archbishop's Annual Appeal in our parish. If you haven't already, you will soon receive a letter from Archbishop Blair seeking your support. As Catholics in the Archdiocese of Hartford, we have a profound impact on our local communities not only in the spiritual realm, but intimately connected to it, the realm of social services and many charities and outreach services performed by, or with help from, our Church.

To view some of the wonderful things accomplished through your generosity, the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is launching a new web-series called *The Annual Appeal at Work*. The premiere episode will be airing on Thursday, March 3rd, on all Archdiocesan social media sites as well as the Archbishop's Annual Appeal web page. New episodes will air the first week of each month for the rest of 2022. Each episode will highlight some of the wonderful ministries supported by the 2022 Archbishop's Annual Appeal, *Stronger Together*. If you go to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal Website, https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/, you will find a link for each episode. Please tune in Thursday, March 3rd, for the premiere broadcast.



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</u> <u>complete information</u> on our Mask Guidelines. If you would prefer, you can call the church office at 860-756-4034 for more information.

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.

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

Monday, February 28; 7:00 to 8:15 рм.

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.



Please <u>CLICK HERE to register</u>. It will allow us to plan a virtual/physical seat for everyone! If you plan to

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

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

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.

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.

Moving from Lament to Hope in a Changing World

How can I deal with the world as it is now? How have relationships in my life suffered as a result of the unspoken issues and losses experienced during the pandemic? How can I feel hopeful about the future?



Please join with others in our community on **Thursdays, March 10** on Zoom and in person on March 31 and April 7 from 7:00 to 8:15 PM as we consider broken relationships, and find ways to move forward with hope to heal them through prayer, music and sharing our stories.

<u>CLICK HERE to register</u> and the Zoom link will be sent to you. Sponsored by the Women of Hope Ministry. Free Will Offering

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: <u>www.stfrancisnyc.org/courses/</u>

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.

The Franciscan artist is always trying to find a way to connect with 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 chal-



lenge and inspire; 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</u>. <u>Day</u> on Saturday, April 2 to guide you through a reflective program, while you are in our gallery viewing the work.

Snack Pack Drop off, Sunday March 6, 2022



Drop off individually wrapped snacks such as granola bars, packs of nuts, chips, cookies, juice boxes or small water bottles from 8:30 to 11:15 AM on Sunday, March 6, 2022.

Everything will be combined with other snacks into "snack packs" which are handed out daily with sandwiches. Thank you for your generosity!

Open Hearts Ministry

Open Hearts LGBTQ + Ministry Meeting: Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 13, 2022 following the 5:00 PM Mass.



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

Prayer Shawl Ministry



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MinistryThe next Prayer Shawl Ministry meeting
is on Monday, March 14 at 7:00 PM at the
Franciscan Center and via Zoom. Please call
Pat at 860-756-4034 for the Zoom link.

Lost and Found: Did you or your little one leave a purple dinosaur at Mass last weekend (2/20/2022)? It has enjoyed its week away and is now looking to go home. Please call the office at 860-756-4034 if this belongs to you or your family.



Thank you to all those who have agreed to lend a welcoming smile during the evenings. We are still in need of help on Thursdays. One necessary part of afternoon and evening meetings is a

welcoming "hello" at the end of the phone line or door. Please contact Trudi via <u>email</u> or at 860-756-4034. Responsibilities include answering the phone as well as the door when our in person activities resume!

Reflections on Haiti by Chris Hanlon

"... I had the fortunate experience of traveling to Haiti with others from our Church in October 2014. Since my return, I've been asked three basic questions: would I recommend visiting Haiti, are we making a difference, and what can we do to help the country of Haiti? I'd like to offer a few thoughts on these questions."

"Would I recommend visiting Haiti? YES! In visiting Haiti, I was reminded that we belong to a community of faith that includes all our brothers and sisters in Christ, all trying to live the gospel within the context of our own lives.

"Unemployment throughout the country is about 40% and around 80% of the Haitian people live on less than \$2 a day, the International Poverty Line below which people are not able to meet their daily basic needs. I have often stated that to imagine life in Haiti, you needed to imaging yourself camping



imagine yourself camping... forever!

"Are we making a difference? On a large scale, St. Genevieve School educates and feeds 200 children, which would not be possible without our support."... "This community is so incredibly grateful for its relationship with St. Patrick - St. Anthony Church. They readily pray for us daily, offering all they can in return for what we offer for them. The people of Zorange are spiritually rich. Our prayers for this community and impactful financial support are what we can offer to them. Personally, I think we are getting a pretty good deal in this arrangement and I'm so proud that our Church has this relationship with our sister parish."

"What can we do to help? It is easy to get overwhelmed with all that we would like to do for this community and country. Especially since the earthquake but even before, the world has committed funds to this nation, but progress has been slow by our standards. The danger in this is the urge to fix things the American way, which I suppose led the US to occupy Haiti in 1915. The problems are complex and I believe will require multiple paths including working with, not just for, the people of Haiti. But life is complex in all parts of the world."

The above text contains excerpts from Chris' reflection. We encourage everyone to read it in its entirety. <u>CLICK Here</u> to read this and all other reflections.

Special Collection This Weekend

The Little Sisters of the Poor at St. Joseph's Residence in Enfield, are visiting our Parish this weekend. 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 14 - 20, 2022 Collection: \$7,009.00 Online: \$9,640.23 Total: \$16,649.23

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



Sadie Violet child of Thomas and Megan Fan

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.





Joan McGuigan Gretchen Craffey

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 26, 2022 Nancy G. Krohn 4:00 PM

Sunday, February 27, 2022

8:00 AM Linda Romano 10:00 AM Matthew O'Dowd 11:45 AM Maria Burgos 5:00 pm Iroi "Roy" LeBlanc

Monday, February 28, 2022

7:30 In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Fatima 12:05 PM Theresa Gadegard, Month's Mind Mass

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

7:30 AM 12:05 PM Beatrice Dowling

Wednesday, March 2, 2022

Anthony Labriola, 21st Anniversary 7:30 AM 12:05 PM Rita Carnelli

Thursday, March 3, 2022 7:30 AM Concetta Gianni

Friday, March 4, 2022 7:30 AM

12:05 PM Florencia Rosal

Saturday, March 5, 2022 4:00 PM Wayne Urbanski

Sunday, March 6, 2022

8:00 AM 10:00 AM Rose & Angelo Perrone Nicola Panaro 11:45 AM Matthew O'Dowd 5:00 pm

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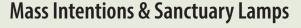
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