



OPEN HEARTS ♦ OPEN MINDS ♦ OPEN DOORS

St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church

HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

APRIL 3, 2022



*Open Hearts
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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 Mass of Anticipation

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 to 11:45 AM

Saturday 3:15 to 3:45 PM

Weekly Bulletin Deadline

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

Please Note: Easter Bulletin deadline is Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 12:00 NOON.

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, April 4:** Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62; Jn 8:12-20
- Tuesday, April 5:** Nm 21:4-9; Jn 8:21-30
- Wednesday, April 6:** Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8:31-42
- Thursday, April 7:** Gn 17:3-9; Jn 8:51-59
- Friday, April 8:** Jer 20:10-13; Jn 10:31-42
- Sunday April 10:** Lk 19:28-40; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14-23:56

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

On the cover: *The Adulterous Woman – Christ Writing upon the Ground*, by James Tissot. This small watercolor is part of a series of 350 watercolors of *The Life of Our Lord Jesus Christ*, created between 1886 and 1894. James Tissot (1836-1902), was a French painter and illustrator. The collection is in the Brooklyn Museum.

Watch Online:



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<https://venue.streamspot.com/cdc76f52>

The Pastor's Corner

April 3, 2022

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Although winter made something of a last gasp reappearance earlier this week with temperatures down into the twenties, Spring is very much in the air these days at St. Patrick-St. Anthony. As the trees start budding and the daffodils and forsythia begin to bloom, parish life is budding forth as well. Here are some examples I'd like to share with you.

Our new website designed by our Parish Communications Director, Sarah Christopher, is finally up and running after a few technological hiccups. It looks beautiful and fresh, and I hope you will take the time to explore it. Congratulations and our thanks to Sarah for all her hard work!

A week ago Saturday, March 26th, over forty children who will receive First Eucharist in May celebrated First Penance and Reconciliation in a lovely – and lively – liturgy together with their parents and families. For me, as well as the other Friars, it was a moving and privileged opportunity to celebrate the Lord's love and mercy with them. I want to thank Deb Pelletier and the members of the religious education staff who prepared the children for this important step in their sacramental life. We are very fortunate to have such a dedicated team who help to form the younger generation in the ways of our Catholic faith. How very different the children's experience is today from the time I made my first Confession and Communion some sixty years ago!

Last Sunday, about thirty parishioners gathered after the 10:00 Mass to participate in a Synod Listening Session. These sessions are providing an important forum to share your joys and challenges, hope and dreams for the Church. This is an opportunity to speak from your own experience. The goal is for all of us to listen to where the Holy Spirit is calling for a better Church moving forward. Pope Francis wants to hear from us – from *you!* Please join in one of the upcoming opportunities listed in the bulletin.

This weekend we hosted a Marriage Preparation program for several engaged couples who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Matrimony later this year. Couples from our parish, including Brendan and Liz Brown, Cody and Julianne Guarnieri, Peter and Page Adams, and Matt and Emily Berardino, as well as myself,

guided the participants through a day of presentations on various aspects of marriage, culminating in the celebration of Mass and a special blessing for the engaged couples. Again, I'd like to thank those who gave of their time to share their experience of wedded life to assist those who will be starting their lives together as husbands and wives in a few months. I hope that what they heard and learned during the course of the day will be a source of inspiration, especially during the first years of their marriages.



Finally, as Lent draws us closer to Holy Week, I pray that this will be a time of spiritual renewal for all of us as we celebrate the Paschal Mystery together once again. We have been through a lot over the past few years, and now we are witnessing a great rebirth as more people come to Mass and take part in parish activities.

Blessings on your week ahead!

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



It is important that when you give to any charitable organization, you are confident that the funds received are being used wisely. Be assured that your gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal supports the ministries and programs indicated in the 2022 Appeal literature! Organizations such as the St. Anthony Bread Ministry received funding from the Appeal's Vicariate Outreach Program that makes a difference in the lives of our local neighbors. Please visit the Appeal website at www.archdioceseofhartford.org to learn more and make your gift today.

All funds contributed to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal are used exclusively for the purposes outlined in the Appeal literature, which can be found at <https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/>. **No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.**



St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church

Psalm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Saturday, April 9: Confessions, 3:00-3:45 PM

Saturday Mass of Anticipation at 4:00 PM*

Sunday, April 10: Masses at 8:00, 10:00*, 11:45 AM & 5:00 PM*

Monday & Wednesday of Holy Week, April 11 & 13

Masses at 7:30 AM & 12:05 PM*

Confessions, 11:15-11:45 AM

Tuesday of Holy Week, April 12

Masses at 7:30 AM & 12:05 PM*

Holy Thursday, April 14

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00 PM*

followed by Adoration of the Eucharist and Compline (Night Prayer) at 9:00 PM

Good Friday, April 15

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 PM*

with chanted Passion, Adoration of the Cross and Eucharist

"A Mother's Sorrow" at 7:00 PM*

featuring the *Pergolesi Stabat Mater* by The Treble Clef Choir

Holy Saturday, April 16

The Great Vigil of Easter at 8:00 PM*

with The Gallery Choir, Organ and Brass

Easter Sunday, April 17

Mass at 8:00 AM

with a musical prelude "An Easter Prologue" starting at 7:45 AM

Mass at 10:00 AM*

with The Gallery Choir and Easter Youth Choir, Organ & Brass

Mass at 11:45 AM

with The Bass Clef Choir and Organ

Mass at 5:00 PM*

with Cantor and Organ

* Livestream available



In-person Spiritual Practices During Lent 2022

Praying the Rosary on Wednesday, April 6, 13 at 7:00 PM in the Franciscan Center.

Stations of the Cross on Friday, April 8 following the 12:05 Mass in the church.

People of Hope

On Wednesday, April 6, 2022 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM, please join Gloria Ulterino as we reflect on the power of forgiveness.



On Palm Sunday, when we hear The Passion according to Luke proclaimed, we experience the power of forgiveness. Only Luke emphasizes the forgiveness of Jesus in the Passion. Only Luke's account highlights Jesus' healing of the high priest's slave, Pilate's declaration of Jesus' innocence, Jesus' prayer to his Father for forgiveness of those who crucified him, and Jesus' assurance that "today you will be with me in Paradise." *When have we witnessed, or experienced for ourselves, the great power of forgiveness?*

[CLICK HERE to register](#) and receive the Zoom link.

Ongoing Programs:

Group Spiritual Reflection: Join us either in-person or via Zoom every Tuesday at 12:35 PM. Please [CLICK HERE to register](#). 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: Thursday, April 7, 2022 at 6:45 PM via Zoom. Facilitator: Sheila Denion. Zoom link can be found in Monday's parish-wide email or call the parish office at 860-756-4034 for more information.

Easter Children and Youth Choir

Come sing with us for Easter. Our Easter Children and Youth Choir will provide the musical leadership at the 10:00 AM Mass on Easter Sunday, April 17, 2022. All Choir members will be fully masked during both the rehearsals and the Mass.

Please contact Sarah at schristopher@spsact.org with questions. CLICK or SCAN the QR Code for rehearsal times and information.



Upcoming Synod Input Opportunities



This Synod moment in our Church is *quite significant and extraordinary*. **WE have been invited** by Pope Francis to participate in this global initiative for dialogue and dreaming!

Our faith community will provide opportunities for each of us to give input into the Pope's Synod. We are asked to share about our personal journeys with the Church. **Perhaps this is the first time anyone has ever invited you to do this – please don't miss out on this opportunity!**

Pope Francis wants to hear from YOU! [CLICK HERE to read more](#) about the upcoming Synod events and how you can join in and share your thoughts.

Upcoming Parish Forums:

Wednesday, April 27, 7:00 PM online – [CLICK HERE](#) to receive the Zoom link.

Thursday, April 28, 7:00 PM in-person at the Franciscan Center – [CLICK HERE](#) to register.

The Drumming Circle

Our next meeting is on Monday, April 4, 2022 from 6:30 to 8:00 PM in the church. Please contact Elaine Wiatr at elaine.wiatr@yahoo.com for more information.



Open Hearts Ministry

Open Hearts LGBTQ+ Ministry Meeting: Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, April 10, 2022 following the 5:00 PM Mass.



The Family & Friends LGBTQ+ Support Ministry: The next meeting is Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 6:30 PM. For more information contact Rich Broggini at richardbroggini@gmail.com or Tim Curran at timothy.curran@trincoll.edu.

Snack Pack Drop Off: Sunday, April 3, 2022

Drop off individually wrapped snacks such as granola bars, packs of nuts, chips, cookies, juice boxes or small water bottles after each Mass this Sunday morning.



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

Sister Parish Update: A Renewal

It has been impressive to see the interest generated in our Sister-Parish relationship with St. Genevieve in Haiti. Like you, I have read the moving stories of past trips and heard the poignant reflections of those who have gone to this island in search of nothing more than a hand to lift up. It seems they may have found much more along the way.

And now, after these past few months of gathering information, hearing these stories and prayerful reflection, the community of St Patrick St Anthony has decided to recommit to this covenant, and all that it gives. And all that it offers.

It's easy to see we have given. The generous support of our parish over these past 15 years has supported the parish school through paying teacher salaries and providing a nourishing lunch program. But what we can give may be much more. Maybe we can connect our communities in ways we haven't thought of yet. . . creating a bridge of peoples, countries and cultures? . . . we'll have to see.

And what does the Covenant offer? Christian love, charitable giving and soul-filling kindness offer rewards unthought of. In reaching out, we are sure to receive.

This Sunday, April 3, 2022, Fr. Tim will begin the renewal of the Sister-Parish Covenant with St. Genevieve Church at the 10:00 AM mass. We thus begin a new chapter. . . a new-again relationship filled with unrealized opportunity for good. As the new Chairperson of the Sister-Parish Committee, I invite all our parish, young and old, to consider joining us as we seek to build this new bridge. We are hosting a parish-wide, open meeting of the Sister-Parish Committee on April 5 at 7:00 PM on Zoom. Please come to see what we can do together. . . we need your open minds and open hearts.

[CLICK HERE to register](#) and the Zoom link will be sent to you.

Peace,
Marc Sherer
Sister Parish Committee

Save the Dates:

Sunday, May 1, 2022 - Labyrinth Prayer Experience



9:00 AM to 4:30 PM at the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry. Sponsored by The Women of Hope Ministry.

"It is a path of prayer, a walking meditation that can become a mirror of the soul...A labyrinth is not a maze. A maze is designed for you to lose your way; a labyrinth is designed for you to find your way."

Dr. Lauren Artress

Saturday, May 21, 2022 - Walk Against Hunger

The proceeds raised from our Parish will go toward The House of Bread, and the walk will be a great way for you to re-connect with fellow parishioners.



Join our team or donate to help us reach our goal to support the House of Bread! [CLICK HERE to check out our team website.](#)

Sunday, June 19, 2022 - "Community Day" 2022



Come watch the Yard Goats play the Akron Rubber Ducks, **Sunday, June 19 at 1:05 PM** at Dunkin' Donuts Park. **GAME Tickets will be**

available after all Masses the weekend of April 30 and May 1, 2022. If you still have a ticket from our 2020 Community Day Game postponed due to Covid, please bring it with you for a ticket exchange. And YES, Fr. John did throw a strike.

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

Event Planning - Do you love to plan events? Do you have ideas about our next gathering, and what we might do? Join us April 24, 2022 after the 11:45 Mass to plan future events. Come create reasons to gather after church! [Email Trudi](mailto:twhite@spsact.org) (twhite@spsact.org) to learn more.

SPSA Yard Goats Gardening Team - Volunteer to keep our grounds beautiful. Do you love to work outside? We are looking for a few parishioners to help with spring cleanup, beautification and upkeep on an ongoing basis. [Email Trudi](mailto:twhite@spsact.org) (twhite@spsact.org) for more information.

Donations for Ukraine

The Second Collection This Weekend is for the Franciscan Relief Fund. Please click the Donate Now button or go to <https://osvhub.com/spsact/funds> and select Franciscan Relief Fund to donate. All money raised will be used to help our Friars in Ukraine.



Gifts & Offerings

March 21-27, 2022

Collection: \$8,503.00

Online: \$9,260.23

Total: \$17,763.23

Catholic Relief Services 2nd Collection: \$924.00

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

*Easter Memorial Flowers
Please Remember*

during the Easter Season at St. Patrick - St. Anthony Church

requested by

address

Offering: \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100, \$_____

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.



From the Franciscan Center



CSA at SPSA

Community Supported Agriculture

Pick up fresh veggies when you come to church this summer and support economically disadvantaged families while feeding your own.



The St. Patrick-St. Anthony community has an opportunity to enable Hartford residents to improve their economic opportunities through a unique food ordering program.

A number of you have asked for more information on the Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program after listening to Christian Heiden speak at the Masses this past weekend. You can learn more about the **Levo Community Supported Agriculture (CSA)**, grown by our Hartford neighbors and Levo International at: www.levointernational.org, contacting communications@levointernational.org or by calling 844-947-2336.

Rebuilding Together Hartford

Saturday, April 30, 2022

Are you handy with a hammer?
Talented with tools? Up for general clean up?



The Franciscan Center is sponsoring a home repair in the Clay Arsenal neighborhood and is looking for volunteers to make significant home repairs that help stabilize neighborhoods, stabilize the tax base and help seniors to age in place.

Last year we participated and not only was it rewarding, it was a fun way to give back to the community and a great way to meet other SPSA folks. Last year's event was beautifully captured in a local television spot. Watch it and you will get a sense of what the day 8am-4pm looks like. [Watch video here.](#) If interested contact Fr. Mike at mikeinbolivia@gmail.com.

Snack Pack Drop Off

Sunday, April 3, 2022 after the morning Masses.



Drop off individually wrapped snacks such as granola bars, packs of nuts, chips, cookies, juice boxes or small water bottles.

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

Palm Sunday Food Drive for The House of Bread

Sunday, April 10, 2022



Matthew 4:1-11 tells the story of Jesus going out to the desert and he fasted for forty days and forty nights and afterwards was hungry. We would welcome the chance to feed Jesus and can do so by helping to care for the needs of those who face food insecurity.

Every day many of us pray "Give us this day our daily bread" and perhaps we can echo the words "so that each person in the world may have enough food" from A Lord's Prayer for Justice written by Fr. Rolheiser.

We will be holding a food drive on Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022, to support and help feed the families served by the House of Bread.

Here is a suggested [grocery list](#), all of which can be purchased at Aldi for less than \$25. In addition to the attached groceries, an Easter treat will be especially appreciated by these families!

Donations to the House of Bread will also be gratefully accepted.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 2, 2022

4:00 PM Baio & Spirito Family

Sunday, April 3, 2022

8:00 AM Concetta Gianni

10:00 AM John Meenaghan

11:45 AM

5:00 pm Maria Magdalena Galvan

Monday, April 4, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM For The People

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

7:30 AM Melissa Corning

12:05 PM

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Marilyn McGuire, Month's Mind

Thursday, April 7, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Joseph Kelliher

Friday, April 8, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM

Saturday, April 9, 2022

4:00 PM Colleen Sadak

Sunday, April 10, 2022

8:00 AM William, Angie & JoAnn Speziale

10:00 AM

11:45 AM

5:00 pm

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