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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

Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Saturday: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Sunday from 9:00 to 11:00 AM

Weekly Bulletin Deadline

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

On the cover: A folio from the *Las Huelgas Apocalypse* which depicts the scene described in Revelation 21: 2-22, part of which forms our second reading today. The manuscript is a commentary on the Book of Revelation (or Apocalypse) by Beatus of Liébana in Spain in 1220; it is housed in The Morgan Library in New York City.



Monday, May 16: Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday, May 17: Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday, May 18: Acts 15:1-6, Jn 15:1-8

Thursday, May 19: Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11

Friday, May 20: Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17

Sunday, May 22: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6,
8; Rev 21:10-14, 22-23, Jn 14:23-29

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The Pastor's Corner

May 15, 2022

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Between the time I write this message and the time you read it we will probably have gone through all four seasons of weather! The past few weeks have been rather strange – warm and sunny one day followed by several days of clouds, rain and very brisk, chilly winds. Fortunately, the weather has not dampened any of our recent parish activities!

Back on April 30th our First Communion candidates and their parents gathered for a day-long retreat and Mass in preparation for their big day this past weekend. It was delightful to hear the youngsters laughing and running around the garden areas between the Church and Friary as they enjoyed the warm sunshine. It was also delightful to see them participate in many ways during the 4:00 PM Mass later that day. Following the Mass, everyone enjoyed an indoor picnic in the Franciscan Center with each family spreading out on the floor on what looked like a giant quilt.

On Sunday, May 1st, the floor of the Franciscan Center was changed into a large labyrinth, and parishioners of all ages were invited to come over after the morning Masses to engage in a Labyrinth Prayer Experience. Here is how one participant described it: "As I watched an expectant couple, a religious ed class with their teacher, and a woman who was moved to tears, I was touched to witness their journey, each experiencing the labyrinth in their own way. Later, when I, too, walked the sacred path, I felt the presence of all who had walked it before me."

In addition to the labyrinth walk, May 1st also included the Crowning of the Virgin Mary statue at the end of the 10:00 Mass by members of the St. Patrick-St. Anthony Ladies Guild. Thanks especially to Marianne Midura for making the arrangements for this beautiful annual tribute to Our Lady. The first day of May also saw the visit of "Chew Chew," a mascot of the Hartford Yard Goats baseball team, who greeted parishioners after Mass and reminded them of our Community Day at Dunkin' Donuts Park on June 19th. Lastly, brief presentations were given at the end of each Mass to encourage our participation in the Walk Against Hunger on May 21st. That was certainly a weekend of many moving parts!

The highlight of last weekend, May 8-9, were the liturgies at which 34 children in our religious education program received the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Gathered with their families around them, each child came forward to eat the Bread of Life for the first of countless times as they grow in their relationship with the Lord. As they have been thoroughly taught: to remain part of the Vine which is Christ.



On a side note: our Organ Scholar, Zachary Schurman, played a spectacular Senior Recital at the Chapel of Trinity College on Friday evening, May 7th. I was duly impressed by this young man's talent and musicality, and I am very glad that our parish was able to play a part in his training. I hope that Zac will be able to play a recital here before he leaves the Hartford area for further organ studies at the Juilliard School in New York City.

This weekend is a bit of a lull before more events next weekend. First, our Confirmation candidates will make their way to the Cathedral of St. Joseph on Saturday, May 21st, where they will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with Archbishop Blair. This may well be their first experience of our archdiocese's mother church with its extraordinary windows that depict the life of Christ. I pray that they will experience the power of the Holy Spirit in their lives as they complete their initiation into the Catholic faith. The world needs the witness of our young people who are enthusiastic about their faith and relationship with Jesus Christ who is the way, the truth and the life! I will be there with them as they are sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit. Thanks to Faith Vos Winkel and Michelle White for bringing them to this day.

We will welcome back Deacon Art Miller to preach at all the Masses on May 21-22, and give presentations on Monday through Wednesday, May 23-25 at 7:00 PM. He will talk about building the Beloved Community in 2022. Everyone, including your friends, are invited to take part. We will also celebrate the Vigil of the Ascension of the Lord with a Mass at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, May 25th. Come for Mass and stay for Deacon Art's presentation!

Blessings on your week ahead!

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

The Beloved Community in 2022:

How can we continue to build the Beloved Community in 2022? We welcome back Deacon Art Miller as our Homilist at all Masses on the weekend of May 21-22 and as our guest presenter for three consecutive evenings on May 23, 24 and 25 at 7:00 PM in the church. [CLICK HERE](#) to register for this in-person series. **Please join in and bring a friend** as we gather for inspiration and engage with some challenging questions together. We will explore how to open our hearts a bit wider as we accompany and encourage each other to develop our beloved community along the path to social justice.

Deacon Art Miller serves at St. Mary's Church in Simsbury, CT. Author, radio host, revivalist and retired businessman, Deacon Art is the former director of the Office for Black Catholic Ministries for the Archdiocese of Hartford. In addition to his assigned parishes, he is also the Catholic chaplain at Hartford's Capital Community College. For detailed information about Deacon Art, please go to www.stmarysimsbury.org/people/deacon-art-miller.



"Our goal is to create a beloved community and this will require a qualitative change in our souls as well as a quantitative change in our lives."
~ Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Ongoing Adult Faith 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.

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

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

People of Hope: Every Wednesday; 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM, Presenter: Pat Curtis.

Community Sunday

Join us for food and community after Masses the next two weekends! See below for the schedule:

Sunday, May 15, 2022: We will gather after all morning Masses. Come enjoy coffee, lemonade, pastries and juice.

Sunday, May 22, 2022 evening edition after the 5:00 PM Mass. Wine, cheese, and punch will be served. Come join your hosts, the Open Hearts Ministry, for fellowship and conversation.



Mourning and Mending: Choosing Hope in Uncertain Times

Tuesday, June 7: 6:30-8:00 PM in the Franciscan Center

The past two years or so have been -- and continue to be -- challenging and difficult for all of us: social and political tensions and divisiveness, violence and suffering, and the stress of an ongoing pandemic. All these have brought us anxiety and sorrow, and left us feeling loss and brokenness -- within ourselves, and often in our relationships with others.

How do we heal, and look toward a future of greater wholeness?

Drawing on the wisdom in our scriptures, and reflecting on our own lived experience, we will explore how both "grieving" and "repairing" are essential to that process. Join us for an evening that will begin to transform and restore us, as we move from lament to hope. [CLICK HERE to register](#).

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Our next meeting is Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 3:00 PM in the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry. For more information contact Rich Broggini at richard-broggini@gmail.com or Tim Curran at timothy.curran@trincoll.edu.

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 meetings are in person on Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 3:15 PM and via Zoom on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM.** Please contact Karen directly via [email](#). You are not on this journey alone.



A Novel Idea Book Club

A Novel Idea Book Club's book selection for May is *The Vanishing Half* by Brit Bennett, winner of Best Historical Fiction in the 2020 Goodreads Choice Award.



Consider joining the discussion on May 19, 2022 from 6:00 to 7:30 PM via Zoom. For more information and a list of upcoming books, please [CLICK HERE](#), contact the office at 860-756-4034 or email info@spsact.org.

Clare Gallery Artist Talk and Reception

"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 the humanity in all of us. He offers this reflection on the influence of art, "Paintings are equivalent to a person's signature."

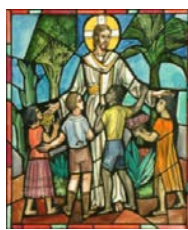


The power of images surpasses the limitations of language. My paintings challenge and inspire; they offer faith and life lessons without saying a word. With art, you can reach out to everyone, no matter their cultural and educational background or what language they speak."

Please JOIN US for the **Artist Talk and Reception on Sunday, May 22 from 1:00-3:00 PM in the Clare Gallery.**

The Exhibit closes this same day so please stop in for one last look at Fr. Michael's beautiful artistic creations!

Register For Religious Education



The Religious Education team at St Patrick-St Anthony Church is excited to think about the possibilities for the 2022/2023 year. We look forward to helping each of you as you choose to have your child participate in religious education. We are a parish that offers lots of options and we want to work with each of you to find what is best for your child and family. Email Deb Pelletier at dpelletier@spsact.org with any questions. Click / Scan the QR Code to Register.



Walk Against Hunger May 21, 2022

The WALK AGAINST HUNGER is right around corner! To register or to donate to the walk, please [CLICK HERE](#) and [check out our team website](#). You can also visit the table across from Church after each Mass and kindly make your donation for the WALK. Thanks to those who have donated.



Tickets Still Available

Tickets for our SPSA Community Day at the Yard Goats Game on June 19th are available by contacting Pat Curtis at pcurtis@spsact.org. The ticket price is \$14.

Submit Your Synod Input:

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! 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 this opportunity!*

Did you miss one of our sessions? Please share your views and experiences via EMAIL or regular mail, through May 22. Please share your answers to the questions,

"What have been the joys and obstacles in your journeying with the Church?"

"How might the Holy Spirit be prompting you, and all of us as Church, to improve the ways we are able to journey together?"

Email Lynn Disenza at lynndisenza@gmail.com or mail input to the Synod Cmtte at 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103.

Volunteer for the Care Ministry



We are looking for new Care Ministry Team Members. Members of the team work with families that have lost a loved one by assisting with the planning of the Funeral Mass and more.

Training is provided, yet the ministry is on an as-needed basis. This opportunity offers support when a family is in great need.

It's SPRING

and our Yard Goats Gardens Team is preparing to work in our gardens. We are looking for a few new people to join our team!! Please contact Trudi Campbell either via [email](#) or phone.

BAPTISM

Saturday, May 14, 2022

Theo Perrault

child of Gabriel & Lauren Peterson

Maeve Elizabeth

child of Rory & Samantha McGarry

Sunday May 15, 2022

Aiden Patrick

child of Christopher & Maureen Van de Hoef

Blessings and Congratulations



Married

May 14, 2022

Tyler Crawl & Monika Arbaciauskaite

Please Pray for the Sick



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

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Archbishop's Annual Appeal Update

Our Goal:	\$115,000.00
Families Participating:	196
Pledge Amount:	\$65,965
Average Pledge:	\$336.55
Percent of Goal:	57.36%

Thank you for your generosity. 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 <http://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/>. No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 14, 2022

4:00 PM Diamantino Marques & Maria Brito

Sunday, May 15, 2022

8:00 AM William, Angie & JoAnn Speziale

10:00 AM Mastronardi Family

11:45 AM In Thanksgiving to St. Boniface

5:00 PM Gregory L. DiCioccio

Monday, May 16, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Betsy Restall

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

7:30 AM Analia & Antonio Alves

12:05 PM Richard Abramson

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Brian Heffernan

Thursday, May 19, 2022

7:30 AM Pro Populo (For the People)

12:05 PM Barbara Carter

Friday, May 20, 2022

7:30 AM Parishioners of St. Genevieve

12:05 PM J. Gregori Montano

Saturday, May 21, 2022

4:00m PM Jose Eduardo Ribeiro

Sunday, May 22, 2022

8:00 AM Felipe Obregon

10:00 AM Maria Monaco

11:45 AM Robert & Anthony Dudchik

5:00 PM Conrad Whitney

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