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Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday Evening Mass of Anticipation

4:00 PM Public & Livestream

Sunday Masses

8:00 AM Public

9:00 AM Outdoor Masses: August 7 &
September 4

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 - Saturday: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 to 11:00 AM

Weekly Bulletin Deadline

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

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, July 25: 2 COR 4:7-15; MT 20:20-28
Tuesday, July 26: JER 14:17-22; MT 13:36-43
Wednesday, July 27: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Mt 13:44-46
Thursday, July 28: JER 18:1-6; MT 13:47-53
Friday, July 29: Jer 26:1-9; Jn 11:19-27
Sunday, July 31: Ecc 1:2; 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13,
14 and 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21

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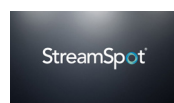
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The Pastor's Corner

July 24, 2022

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I remember giving a homily on today's Gospel some 20 or 30 years ago in another church in Connecticut where I used to celebrate Mass during the summer. I spoke about how, as I was growing up, I kept pestering my parents to buy me an organ. The first one was a small tabletop "organ" with three octaves of keys and a bunch of buttons on the left side that played chords. The next one was a Hammond spinet organ that they surprised me with for Christmas when I was a freshman in high school. A few years later, I was back in pestering mode for a larger Hammond. So in my homily, I said that if I had kept on going, perhaps I would have ended up with one like they had in their church, at which point the organist blasted out a huge C-Major chord on full organ!

I was tempted to use the same story in my homily this week, but I don't want to risk giving anyone a heart attack. Instead, I'd like to reflect a little bit on how we are to pray, and what we are to pray for.

In the Gospel, Jesus is asked by his disciples how to pray. This wasn't an unusual request, because many rabbis in the time of Jesus taught various methods of prayer. So, just as John the Baptist had taught his particular style, Jesus had his own. If we pull together snippets from the Gospels we find that Jesus liked to keep it simple, honest, and trusting. In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells us to go to our room and pray in secret, and not to babble on like others who think that the sheer multiplication of words will convince God to do our bidding.

But in Luke's Gospel, Jesus shows us that we should be persistent and keep praying for what we need. He also seems to make a rather iron-clad promise that whatever we pray for we will be given, just like I hounded my parents for larger (and louder) organs when I was growing up! Jesus even gives an example of a father who is badgered by his neighbor to get up in the middle of the night and help feed his guests.

But the little parable ends with a somewhat surprising twist: "If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?" Jesus doesn't say that his Father will give you anything you ask for; rather, he promises to give the Holy Spirit. Why? Because the Holy Spirit will help us to discern what it is that we really need, not just what we want. This is a significant teaching because

it reminds that the Father knows best what we truly need in our life, and sometimes the answer is not what we expect. It's also interesting to note that, in Luke's version of the Lord's Prayer, one petition is missing: "Your will be done." But by opening ourselves to the Holy Spirit, we have the opportunity to come to know the Father's will for each of us, and that is one powerful answer to any prayer!



A few weeks ago we received word that Fr. Dominique Regis, the Pastor of our Sister Parish of Ste. Geneviève in Haiti, received a new assignment as Principal in a diocesan school. Fr. Dominique sent me a message that I would like to share with you:

Dear friends of Saint Patrick and Saint Anthony Parish,

June 24, 2018 - July 10, 2022, it has been exactly 4 years since I have been on a mission at the Parish of Sainte Geneviève at Zoranjé. During these 4 years I really liked the way you collaborated with me for the well-being of the parishioners at Zoranjé. Congratulations and thank you for this testimony of friendship and solidarity that you have helped us to live. Thank you especially for the sacrifices you have made for the students of the community. I encourage you to continue to support the parish, especially the students, through your works of solidarity.

Finally, I thank God for having given me to have you as collaborators. I ask him to shower you with his blessings. May he watch over each of you always and everywhere!

Fr Dominique Regis

As part of our ongoing commitment to the people of Ste. Geneviève, especially the students and their families, we are beginning our "Christmas in July" effort this weekend to increase our financial support, particularly for the students' hot lunch program and to increase the salaries of the dedicated teachers. A Giving Tree has been set up in the church near the Chapel entrance for you to take a card and decide how you wish to show your support. *Jwaye Nwel an Jiyè – Merry Christmas in July!*

Blessings on your week ahead!

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

Secular Franciscan Order



Is God calling you to live a life of love, peace and holiness in the model of St. Francis of Assisi? The next meeting of the St. Joseph Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order is on Sunday, July 24, 2022 at 1:00 PM in the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry. Please join us and learn more.

Please Note: There is not meeting in August.

Quiet Prayer:

Join us every Wednesday morning from 7:30 - 8:00 AM to start your day with Quiet Prayer. You can find the Zoom link in Monday's email.

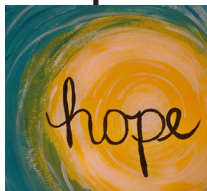
Summer Gathering for People of Hope

While our ongoing series is taking a summer break, consider this "special offering" July 27, 2022!

Wednesday, July 27, from 11:00 AM-12:00 PM, join us on Zoom for a special summertime reflection.

Please [Click Here](#) to register and receive the Zoom link to participate virtually.

Please plan to join in to uplift and rejuvenate your journey of faith! [CLICK Here to make a Free Will Offering.](#)



Planting Party for All Ages

Wednesdays, July 27 and August 3, 2022 from 2:00 to 6:00 PM at Burgdorf Community Garden, 131 Coventry Street in Hartford.

Are you looking for something to do with the family? Join Father Mike and others from the SPSA community on Wednesday, July 27, 2022 and Wednesday, Aug 3, 2022 from 2:00 to 6:00 PM at 131 Coventry Street



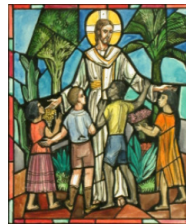
in Hartford. You can learn more on how to volunteer [HERE](#) or just stop by. Come for as little or as much time as you have between 2:00 PM and 6:00 PM (wear work clothes). There are jobs for all ages and skill levels. This is a great way to meet fellow parishioners and make a difference in the community.

The "All Are Welcome Choir" is Back!!!



The Music Ministry at St. Patrick-St. Anthony extends an invitation to all who love to sing - youth, women and men - to join our "ALL ARE WELCOME" Choir. Attend the one-and-only rehearsal which will take place at 9:00 AM just before the 10:00 AM Mass on August 21, 2022. There is no need to sign up in advance, but if you would like further information, or have questions, please contact our Director of Music Ministry Gabriel Löfvall at glofvall@spsact.org or 860-756-4034 (extension 164).

Register For Religious Education

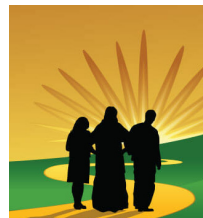


The Religious Education team at St Patrick-St Anthony Church is excited to think about the possibilities for the 2022/2023 year. We look forward to helping each of you as you choose to have your child participate in religious education. We are a parish that

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](#) with any questions. Click / Scan the QR Code to Register.



Emmaus Grieving Parents Ministry



The Emmaus All Day Retreat will be held on September 17, 2022 in the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry. Please [email Karen](#) directly for more information.

Ladies Guild News

Greetings. Check out these upcoming events. More information will be available in future bulletins and parish-wide emails. If you need information sooner, please email info@spsact.org.

- Ladies Guild Membership Drive
- Annual Rev. Dawson D. Trenchard Scholarship Awards
- The "Un-Bake" Bake Sale



The “Christmas in July” Tree!

Look for our “Christmas in July” Tree during All Masses this weekend! Take a tag and please consider donating online or by mailing a check to St. Patrick – St. Anthony Church with “**Christmas in July**” in the memo. Send to 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103.

Please keep your tag to decorate your own tree at Christmas.

Students and Teachers

During my visit to St. Genevieve Parish in the fall of 2014, I made it a point to observe every classroom of their school during a typical school day. I was impressed with the dedication of all the teachers, and with the enthusiasm and seriousness of purpose in the students.

During recess, I watched the children gleefully running around the school yard, and remember thinking that they are like children everywhere. At lunchtime, I watched with admiration as two young women thoroughly soaped up and rinsed the hands of the three-year-olds in preparation for their lunch. Finally, with the other members of our group, I met with the faculty when the school day ended, and listened to the translator convey their appreciation of our help.

I was truly charmed by the children – especially those in the lower grades. Their energy, their bright, inquisitive eyes, and their beautiful smiles filled me with joy. At the same time, I felt regret that they had to be schooled in such primitive conditions. I felt that these children deserved better. So, I will continue to support our sister parish’s school, and encourage other parishioners to do the same.

– Francis, Sister Parish Committee Member



Read more about our “Christmas in July” event to help get ready to feed all the students at St. Genevieve’s School on our website, www.spsact.org. Open the photo app on your smartphone, point it at the QR code, and click to open the page on our website to learn more and to donate. If you are viewing the bulletin online, click the QR code with your mouse and you will be taken to the “Christmas in July” page on our website.

Celebrate the Life of Fr. John Ullrich, O.F.M.

Fr. John Ullrich, O.F.M. will be remembered at the 5:00 PM Mass on Sunday, August 14, 2022. A gathering following the Mass will be held in the Friary Meeting Room on the lower level of the Franciscan Center. August 13 marks the first anniversary of Fr. John’s death in 2021.



Fr. John, or J.U. as he was affectionately known, was a parochial vicar, and director of Faith and Work Ministries here at St. Patrick – St. Anthony from 1991 to 1997, and shared his many gifts with all of us while ministering here! This is an opportunity to remember him well. If you plan to attend, RSVP by August 7, 2022 to necce627@gmail.com. Please come and join us. *All are welcome.*

Job Opportunity:

The Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur are seeking an Office-Assistant/Property Manager for their Windsor Province Office. This person will perform, under the guidance of the Executive Assistant, administrative office duties for the Province Office and Director of Human Resources. The position also manages property needs, and regular tasks that occur on a daily, weekly, monthly, or annual basis, and assists with special projects as needed.

The individual must have: Working knowledge of basic computer hardware and software; proficiency in MS Office Suite and willingness to learn other software programs; Strong problem-solving skills; management experience a plus: Strong interpersonal, organizational, written, and communication skills.

If you are interested, please send your resume and cover letter to Julie.shea@sndden.org.

Coming This Fall:

The return of Adult Faith Programs, including Group Spiritual Reflection, People of Hope and Lectio Divina.

Open Hearts Ministry 2022-2023

Friends and Family Support Ministry 2022-2023

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Emmaus Ministry

Clare Gallery will hold two exhibits:

- "Saints Alive" works by Fr. John Quigley, OFM
September 2 through October 7, 2022. Virtual Artist Talk: Thursday, October 6, 2022, 7:00 to 8:00 PM.
- "Angels in the Dark" works by George Herrick.
October 20, 2022 through December 7, 2022.
In-person Artist Talk: Thursday, October 27, 2022, 7:00 to 8:00 PM.

Look for more information in upcoming bulletins and parish-wide emails.

Gifts & Offerings

July 11 - 17, 2022

Weekly Collection: \$6,997.00

Online Giving: \$9,813.73

Total: \$16,810.73

Franciscan Missionary Union: \$2,142.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

To sign up for Online Giving go to www.spsact.org and click on **GIVE TODAY** located in the upper righthand corner of the home page.



To download the **Online Giving App** on your Apple or Android device go to OLGApp.com. Our parish id is 1617.

Text-to-Give: you can text an amount to (860) 615-7717 and your transaction will be processed through the Online Giving account associated with the phone number. If you do not have an online giving account you will have the option to set one up or you can give a one-time gift without creating an account.

Thank you for your continued generous support to St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church.



First Communion
July 24, 2022

Morgan Ann Kelly

Offering Envelopes

Did you know... offering envelopes are not required if you have converted to online giving.

If you would like to discontinue them, please contact the parish office at 860-756-4034 or info@spasact.org.



2022 Archbishop's Annual Appeal Update

Our Goal:	\$115,000.00
Families Participating:	237
Pledge Amount:	\$81,125.00
Average Pledge:	\$324.30
Percent of Goal:	70.54%

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.

Please Pray for the Sick

Paula Molitar, 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.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 23, 2022

4:00 PM Wayne Urbanski, 6 Month Anniversary

Sunday, July 24, 2022

8:00 AM Edward O'Reilly

10:00 AM Fr. Jim Hynes, O.F.M., 71st Birthday

11:45 AM Mary McLaughlin

5:00 PM Mary McLaughlin

Monday, July 25, 2022

7:30 AM For Our Parishioner

12:05 PM

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Luke Matthew Roux, Month's Mind

Wednesday, July 27, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Jacqueline Flynn

Thursday, July 28, 2022

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Richard Pires

Friday, July 29, 2022

7:30 AM Wilson and Arlene da Silva

12:05 PM Helen Viscone

Saturday, July 30, 2022

4:00 PM Fr. Andrew Giardino, O.F.M.

Sunday, July 31, 2022

8:00 AM

10:00 AM John Lemega, 53rd Anniversary

11:45 AM Mary Hunt

5:00 PM June Murray

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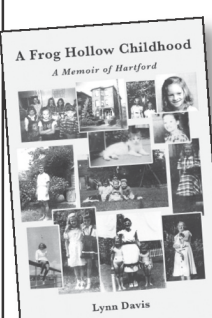
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