

A close-up photograph of several large, vibrant pink hibiscus flowers with dark red centers and yellow stamens. The flowers are set against a background of green leaves and a blurred brick wall. The lighting is bright, highlighting the delicate texture of the petals.

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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

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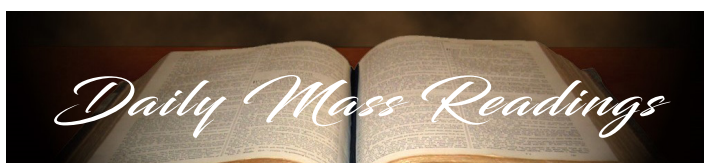
Monday, Wednesday, Friday 11:15 to 11:45 AM

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



Monday, Aug 8: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday, Aug 9: Ez 2:8-3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday, Aug 10: 2 COR 9:6-10; JN 12:24-26

Thursday, Aug 11: Ez 12:1-12; Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday, Aug 12: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or Ez 16:59-63; MT 19:3-12

Sunday, Aug 14: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

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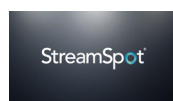
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# The Pastor's Corner

August 7, 2022

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Because of the publishing schedule of our weekly bulletin, I often write this letter a week earlier. So I find myself sitting outside on the patio behind the Friary on the last day of July, enjoying a respite from the torrid temperatures we've experienced this summer. As I gaze around me, I continue to marvel at how beautiful and lush the garden is this year: the thick ivy which covers the garden walls; the enormous blooms of the hydrangea trees alongside the church;



and the dramatic pink hibiscus blooms (which grace the cover of today's bulletin). I can watch – and hear – the running water in the fountain, and the sparrows and other birds which sometimes stop and take a drink or even a bath.

All of these images remind me that summer is a fleeting season, and in a few months the flowers and leaves will be gone; summer will give way to autumn, and, well you know what follows! Having lived in a very urban environment for so many years, I came to really appreciate any bit of green space. So, it came as a delightful surprise to find such a restful open space just outside our back door here at St. Patrick-St. Anthony. And if I'm feeling a bit more ambitious, Bushnell Park, Elizabeth Park, and the Farmington River Bike Trail are



either a short walk – or drive – away. I am grateful, too, for those who help to maintain and tend the gardens on the church and friary grounds. Lots of green thumbs and dirt-soiled hands help make our property so inviting and beautiful.



Earlier this summer I was sitting on the Friary patio in the evening and noticed dozens of fireflies flitting about. Nature certainly has a way of putting on a show! So, between the birds, the bees and the fireflies (not to mention the occasional woodchuck), we have a well-stocked ecosystem at 285 Church Street. Of course, I'm still sad that we had to remove our historic Golden Rain tree, but I hope that another tree (perhaps a Spruce?) will take its place one of these days.

These scenes always remind me of the Canticle of the Creatures by St. Francis of Assisi. Many of you have commented on how much you enjoy the covers of our weekly music leaflets. I thought that, for the summer at least, we could feature images of St. Francis and his Canticle. But I have to admit, I like the real thing even better than just an artist's version!

Enjoy the rest of the summer and take time to enjoy the wonders of our Sister Mother Earth, Brother Sun and Sister Moon, and All Creatures of our God and King!

Blessings on your week ahead!

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

***Most High, all powerful, good Lord,  
Yours are the praises, the glory, the honor, and all blessing.  
To You alone, Most High, do they belong,  
and no man is worthy to mention Your name.***

***Be praised, my Lord, through all your creatures,  
especially through my lord Brother Sun,  
who brings the day; and you give light through him.  
And he is beautiful and radiant in all his splendor!  
Of you, Most High, he bears the likeness...  
Praised be You, my Lord, through Sister Mother Earth,  
who sustains us and governs us and who produces  
varied fruits with colored flowers and herbs.***



## SPSA Jazz Night in Bushnell Park

Monday, August 8, 2022 at 5:30 pm



Join us for Monday night Jazz in Bushnell Park! Meet us in the Saints Parking Lot at 5:30 pm, and we can walk to the park together to relax and enjoy live jazz music on a summer evening. The music starts

at 6:00 pm. Come meet us there! Look for us by the Corning Fountain!

The 55th Paul Brown Monday Night Jazz Series is free and open to the public. Join us!

## 7th Annual

### Emmaus Grieving Parents Retreat



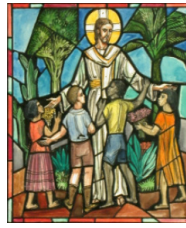
The Emmaus Grieving Parents Ministry at St. Patrick - St. Anthony Church, supports parents whose spiritual journey includes the death of a child. All who have suffered the loss of a child at any time – including prior to birth and many decades ago – are welcome.

Each year a full-day retreat is offered, led by an experienced, parent led retreat team. This year's retreat is September 17, 2022 from 9:30 AM to 5:30 PM at the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry.

Please forward this information to anyone you know who is walking this difficult journey.

Please [email Karen](mailto:kdb518@aol.com) (kdb518@aol.com) directly for more information about the Emmaus Grieving Parents Ministry or the annual retreat day. You are not alone.

## 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 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](mailto:Deb.Pelletier) with any questions. Click / Scan the QR Code to register.



## 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 Löfval at [glofval@spsact.org](mailto:glofval@spsact.org) or 860-756-4034 (extension 164).

## 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.

## Volunteers Needed at Jubilee House



Are you interested in helping immigrants and refugees learn to speak English?

The House of Bread would love for you to join us this fall in our efforts at our Jubilee House location to help adult learners improve their language skills. Our wonderful Jubilee House volunteers are the essential ingredient to creating a friendly and safe learning environment where students can improve communication skills and work towards their goals. Work with an individual or lead a small group for a two-hour class one or more days each week. All that is needed is a desire to help. For more information, call Michele at 860-247-3030 x108 or email at [mprizio@hobread.org](mailto:mprizio@hobread.org). Come join our community and help make a difference in someone's life!

## Ladies Guild News

The Ladies Guild, founded in 1938, takes the Blessed Virgin Mary as their model of Christian discipleship. [CLICK Here](#) for more information and to access forms:

- Ladies Guild Membership Drive
- Annual Rev. Dawson D. Trenchard Scholarship Award



Our Christmas in July fundraiser helps us to prepare for the school year with the goals of feeding ALL of the children and more justly paying the teachers of our Sister Parish in Haiti. Read the reflections shared by the Sister Parish Committee to help us reflect on the need and the impact that our support has on the community of St. Geneviève.

Sister Parish Committee team member Cindy shares a reflection which considers teachers and the impact they have on students. Our Christmas in July fundraiser helps us to support the teachers at St. Geneviève School. We are inviting you this summer to help close the gap

in our funding commitments for all students to receive a meal every school day and for teachers' salaries.

*Cindy: Teachers' Impact on Children*

*Teachers impact the lives of children they teach in so many ways. They deserve to be supported and compensated. In my own life, I can remember one teacher who impacted me in such a positive way.*

*My junior year of high school included the most dreaded course - algebra. I was not a poor student but not outstanding by any means. Algebra totally intimidated me. I was extremely fortunate to have Mr. B as a teacher. I'll never forget this man. My final grade was a "B" because of him. We all strived for success to make Mr. B proud. It didn't matter if you were popular, a star athlete, homecoming queen or the unknown student. Everyone in Mr. B's class was important and valued. I was quiet and very shy. My experience as part of Mr. B's class was unforgettable. God Bless you, Mr. B, and thank you for your enthusiasm and dedication.*

*The teachers at St. Genevieve School in Zoranje, Haiti, need our support with compensation that honors their commitment and dedication to the students and which improves their lives.*



**The teachers at our Sister Parish earn \$94 per month. Their salaries have been too low for too long. Can you help us make a difference? Thank you!!**

Look for the Christmas in July tree at Masses this weekend! Donate online or by mailing a check to St. Patrick – St. Anthony Church with "Sister Parish – Christmas in July" in the memo. Send to 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103.



Keep your tag to decorate your own Christmas tree this December. For more information about our "Christmas in July" event please go to our website, [www.spsact.org](http://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.

## From your Synod Team,

Thank you to all parishioners who participated in Pope Francis' Synod by attending our parish in-person and virtual Listening Sessions or submitting written input by mail or email. We are so grateful for your honest, affirming, and challenging answers to our focus questions:

1. What have been the joys and obstacles in your journeying together with the Church?
2. How might the Holy Spirit be prompting you, and all of us as Church, to improve the ways we are able to journey together?

You entrusted us with your stories... your truths. You shared joys about the Church that are life-giving. You courageously shared obstacles which included a deep personal sense of pain and sadness. And, you were thoughtfully reflective on ways that would improve our journeying together as the People of God. All this was heard and held with care and a sacred trust.

We submitted our parish Synod Summary to the Vatican. [CLICK Here](#) to read a copy of the Summary.

We envision this Summary as a 'living' document and that our synodal journey as a parish will continue. Our Team will be collaborating with parish staff, ministry coordinators, and all of you to begin to embody and bring life to some of the improvements expressed in our Summary. For those of you who were unable to participate in this first phase of our Synod process, we look forward to your future involvement. Please look for opportunities this Fall to engage more fully with our Synod experience. We are prayerful and hopeful about the future and we invite you into this ongoing journey.



## Snack Pack Drop Off This Sunday

Sunday, August 7, 2022 during morning Masses.

Please consider dropping off individually wrapped snacks such as granola bars, packs of nuts, chips, cookies, juice boxes or small water bottles any time during the morning Masses on August 7, 2022.

They will be combined with other snacks into "snack packs" which are handed out daily with sandwiches.

Thank you for your generosity!



### Gifts & Offerings

**July 25 - 31, 2022**

Weekly Collection: \$5,826.00

Online Giving: \$8,076.73

**Total: \$ 13,902.73**

*Thank you for your continued generosity.*

## Blessings and Congratulations



Married

August 6, 2022

Tri Ho and Anna Sobanski

## 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@spsact.org](mailto:info@spsact.org).



## In Loving Memory

Mary-Beth Dobmeier



## 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.



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## *Mass Intentions for the Week*

### **Saturday, Aug 6, 2022**

4:00 PM Maria Brito

### **Sunday, Aug 7, 2022**

8:00 AM Joseph Koterba

10:00 AM Carol Curtis

11:45 AM John C. Brennan, 14th Anniversary

5:00 PM Intentions for The Patrick Polking Family

### **Monday, Aug 8, 2022**

7:30 AM Luigi Gaetani, 90th Birthday

12:05 PM Mary Sawyer

### **Tuesday, Aug 9, 2022**

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Joseph Kelliher

### **Wednesday, Aug 10, 2022**

7:30 AM Parishioners of St. Geneviève

12:05 PM Italo Balbo

### **Thursday, Aug 11, 2022**

7:30 AM Ida Invelito

12:05 PM Olidy S. de Orozco

### **Friday, Aug 12, 2022**

7:30 AM For Our Parishioners

12:05 PM Tom Tresselt

### **Saturday, Aug 13, 2022**

4:00 PM Fr. John Ullrich, O.F.M., 1st Anniversary

### **Sunday, Aug 14, 2022**

8:00 AM Valentino & Philomena Raimondi

10:00 AM Mary V. Ramos, 15th Anniversary

11:45 AM Kathleen Mulcahy Miskell

5:00 PM Fr. John Ullrich, O.F.M., 1st Anniversary

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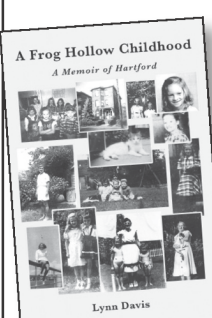


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