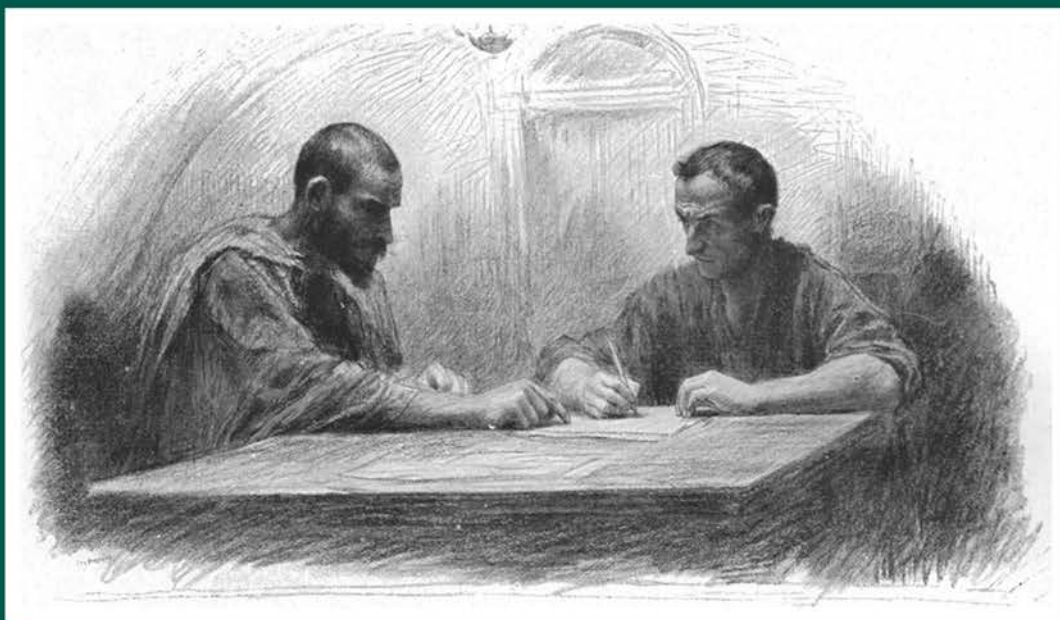


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11:45 AM Public  
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#### Weekday Masses

7:30 AM Public  
12:05 PM Public & Livestream

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Saturday 3:15 to 3:45 PM

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### Parish Office Hours

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

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### *Daily Mass Readings*

**Monday, Sept 19:** Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18  
**Tuesday, Sept 20:** PRV 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21  
**Wednesday, Sept 21:** Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13  
**Thursday, Sept 22:** ECCL 1:2-11; LK 9:7-9  
**Friday, Sept 23:** ECCL 3:1-11; LK 9:18-22  
**Sunday, Sept 25:** Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10;  
1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

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

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# The Pastor's Corner

September 18, 2022

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I must admit that I have been quite caught up in the televised events surrounding the death and funeral rituals of Queen Elizabeth II. Her unexpected death on Thursday, September 8th, seemed to have happened so suddenly, even at 96 years of age. Many people had come to feel that she had been part of their entire lives and would always be there. Her presence on the world stage for so many decades seemed to have provided a thread of continuity that would never be severed.

Much has been made of the many virtues she embodied, not just for the citizens of the United Kingdom, but for people the world over: faithfulness, tradition, perseverance, comfort in difficult times, dignity as well as humor, a unifying force, and so forth. Politicians came and went, but she remained the steady hand guiding the ship of state through many moments of crisis. In her address at the age of 21, the young Princess Elizabeth promised that she would endeavor to serve her nation all the days of her life, and she kept that promise to the very end.

Queen Elizabeth embodied qualities that seem oddly out of place in the 21st Century. Many people are now left wondering if we will



*During a visit to London in 1999 I posed for the requisite photo in front of Buckingham Palace.*

ever see a monarch like her again. There were times, we all know, that she didn't always act with understanding or compassion; when she seemed rather oblivious or unfeeling towards her people. But she also demonstrated an ability to learn, to adjust, and to respond more conscientiously to the needs of the moment. I believe that it was in those moments that she earned greater respect and love.

The Queen's eldest son, now King Charles III, has enormous challenges ahead of him, not to mention some high expectations. St. Paul's words in today's second reading are very appropriate: "First of all, I ask that supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered for everyone, for kings and for all in authority, that we may lead a quiet and tranquil life in all devotion and dignity." May our prayers and all best wishes be with King Charles and the people of the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth of nations for whom he is now their Head of State.



The late Queen set a high bar for faithful service. She was completely dutiful in all her obligations as monarch and took them quite seriously. For seven decades she tended to her red boxes, weekly meetings with her Prime Ministers, travels around the globe to visit the Commonwealth, countless visits to every corner of the U.K., and so much more. And through it all, she carried out her duties with grace and humor. Who can forget the opening of the 2012 London Olympics?

As the global community gathers to witness her funeral on Monday, September 19, let us be mindful that her commitment to her Christian faith was one of the chief driving forces in her life. Her faithfulness in the midst of so much change and conflict for the better part of a century is something to be admired and emulated. As was said so often during her recent Platinum Jubilee just a few months ago, "thank you, Ma'am." The world will miss you.

Blessings on your week ahead!

*Fr. Tim Shreenan, OFM*

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

## Thin Places: The White Stone

"To the one that overcometh Will I give a white stone and in the stone a new name written."

Revelation 2:17

You are invited to "break open the book" *The White Stone; The Art of Letting Go* by Esther de Waal. We will meet on either Wednesday or Thursday from 12:30 to 2:00 PM starting September 28 & 29, 2022 for 6 weeks.

Please indicate which day of the week is better for you. We are trying to provide small groups where participants can feel more comfortable interacting if they wish. Number of Participants will be limited. Please email Sr. Ginny Sheehan, SND at [Virginia.Sheehan@sndden.org](mailto:Virginia.Sheehan@sndden.org) (please note period after Virginia).

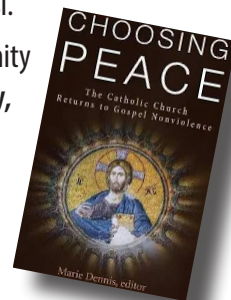


## "How can we be Instruments of Peace?"

During this Fall we want to explore this question as we once again celebrate the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi.

Our first invitation is to join in an opportunity offered by Holy Name Province on **Tuesday, September 27 at 7:30 PM.**

Marie Dennis will lead a discussion about the book, *Choosing Peace: The Catholic Church Returns to Gospel Nonviolence*.



Please [CLICK Here](#) form more information, to purchase the book and/or to register for the Zoom link.

### Peace Vigil

The second invitation comes from our **Women of Hope Ministry** who invites us to stand with them at a Peace Vigil outside our church before and after Mass on the weekends in October. What will we be holding at this vigil? PEACE signs! You are welcome to attend a **Peace Sign Workshop on Saturday, October 1, 2022 from 9:00 to 10:15 AM** to help create our signs under the skillful teaching of parishioner artist Tara Kremidas. [CLICK Here](#) for more information.

Free Will Offering toward materials expense.

We sincerely hope you can join in these efforts to become Instruments of Peace!



## Register For Religious Education



Don't worry, you still have time to register for this fall's Religious Education programs.

Need help or have questions? Come

see us at "Welcome Back Sunday" this Sunday, September 18, 2022 after the 8:00 and 10:00 AM Masses.

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.

Please click or scan the QR Code to register.



## Clare Gallery Exhibit "Saints Alive"



Clare Gallery opens its fall schedule with the exhibition, *Saints Alive*, work by Franciscan Friar, Fr. John Quigley, O.F.M. Fr. John wants the saints to be depicted in contemporary light, hoping his audience makes connections with the saints

and their stories. The exhibition runs from **September 2, 2022 to October 7, 2022**, with a virtual artist talk on **Thursday, October 6, 2022 from 7:00 to 8:00 PM on Zoom**. [CLICK Here](#) to register for the artist talk and to receive the Zoom link.

## Build Community While Building a Home

As part of our efforts to provide affordable housing and Interfaith dialogue in the Greater Hartford area,



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the Franciscan Center is proud to partner with Muslim, Jewish and other Christian communities of faith in the construction of a Habitat Home. On Sunday, October 16, 2022 from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM, we will join one of these communities in working on the home.

Come join Fr Mike if you have wonderful carpentry skills... if you don't, but have enthusiasm and a willingness to learn, there are skilled folks there to guide you. It's a wonderful opportunity to build community, while building a home.

If interested or for more info, contact our Outreach / Volunteer Ministry coordinator, Allison at [aholstgrubbe@spsact.org](mailto:aholstgrubbe@spsact.org) by October 9, 2022 for the sign up link.



## Adult Faith Formation

Please [CLICK here](#) for more information on all of our Adult Faith Programs.

### Quiet Prayer:

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

### People of Hope

Join facilitator, Pat Curtis, each Wednesday from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM via Zoom, for a gathering focused on maintaining our resiliency and hope while tending to our relationship with the Holy One. [CLICK Here](#) to register and receive Zoom link.

### Group Spiritual Reflection

Join co-facilitators Elaine Wiatr and Mary Espinosa via Zoom each Tuesday from 12:30-1:30 PM. We will reflect upon the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday to guide us on our path of discipleship. [CLICK Here](#) to register and receive Zoom link.

### Praying with Sacred Scripture

Join co-facilitators Sheila Denion and John Lemega this fall in-person for "lectio divina" (divine reading). Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 21, 2022 from 7:00 to 8:00 PM.

## Secular Franciscan Order



The St. Joseph Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order holds their meetings on the last Sunday of each month at 1:00 PM in the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry. Our next meeting is on Sunday, September 25, 2022. [CLICK Here](#) for more information. All Are Welcome!

## Welcome Back Sunday SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Join us for cookies and refreshments after the 8 and 10 am Masses

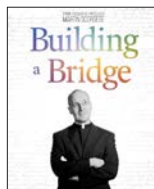
and Religious Education Open House representatives from the Religious Education Team will be available to answer your questions about religious education this year.

## Open Hearts LGBTQ+ Ministry Events

[CLICK Here](#) for information on all of our Open Hearts/Friends and Family LGBTQ+Ministry Events.

### Friends and Family Ministry

**Monthly Meeting:** Sunday, September 18, 2022 at 3:30 PM. Please note correction in start time.



**Screening of Building a Bridge Documenta-**  
**ry:** Friday, September 23, 2022 at the Franciscan Center. Doors open at 6:00 PM. The 90 minute film starts at 6:30 PM. This is a parish-wide event, open to everyone to learn more about the ministry of this wonderful priest! [CLICK Photo](#) for more information.

## Archdiocese of Hartford Special Marriage Anniversary Mass

Cathedral of Saint Joseph, Hartford, CT  
Sunday, October 16, 2022 at 2:00 PM.

All those in the Archdiocese of Hartford who are observing 25th, 50th, 60th and other special wedding anniversaries in 2022 are invited to join Archbishop Blair for this special anniversary Mass.

All couples interested in attending can register to attend online at [archdioceseofhartford.org/marriagemass](http://archdioceseofhartford.org/marriagemass).



## Volunteer Opportunities



Many hands are needed for these upcoming parish events! [CLICK Here](#) for more info.

**Sunday, October 2, 2022 – Celebrate St. Francis** with a parish picnic and social gathering. This event is a favorite for parishioners of all ages, as we have the chance to relax, share a meal, and reconnect.

**Saturday & Sunday, October 15 & 16, 2022 – Ministry Fair** – The pandemic has put this tradition on hold, but it's back! Parishioners will be able to speak with those involved in ministries and learn new ways to get involved. Each Ministry will have a "booth" to share what they do and how to get involved.



**Blessing of the Animals** - Saturday, October 1, at 9:00 AM  
Calling all pet parents, brothers and sisters!! Bring our pets and stuffed animals to Blessing of the Animals on October 1, 2022 at 9:00 am. We will gather in the Metro Center's plaza across from the Franciscan Center to receive a blessing in the tradition of St. Francis of Assisi.

**Parish Potluck Picnic** - Sunday, October 2, from 4:00 to 7:00 PM  
Come before Mass, after Mass or both. Enjoy fellowship, food and fun. Get your face painted or sit and chat with friends. Bring a main dish and/or dessert to share. [CLICK Here](#) for ongoing updates.

**Transitus of our Holy Father Francis**  
Monday, October 3 at 7:00 PM

Each year on the evening of October 3rd the Franciscan family throughout the world pauses to celebrate the solemnity of our Holy Father Francis' Transitus, passing over from this life to the next. In his famous *Canticle of the Creatures*, the saint from Assisi wrote "Praised be You, my Lord, through our Sister Bodily Death, from whom no one living can escape." That line, written near Francis's own embrace of Sister Bodily Death, reflects the natural character and importance of death in the life of all creation. Francis was not afraid of what would come at the end of his earthly life, choosing instead to recognize in that experience, not an end, but a transition from one way of living to another. Even death itself, considered by all to be so terrible and hateful, was exhorted to give praise, while he himself, going joyfully to meet it, invited it to make its abode with him. "Welcome," he said, "my sister death." (Celano, Second Life.)

Our celebration will be followed by a reception next door at the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry. All Are Welcome!!

**Solemnity of St. Francis of Assisi**  
Tuesday, October 4, 7:30 AM and 12:05 PM Masses.



**Sanctuary Lamps**  
Week of September 18, 2022  
In Loving Memory of Roxie Boone  
by Michael & Doris Boone

## *Baptism*

Saturday, September 17, 2022

**Lily-Ann Catherine**  
child of Ferdinand and Clerona Cain

## *Blessings and Congratulations*

Married

September 10, 2022  
Andres Calle and Natalia Gutierrez

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## Second Collection - September 24-25, 2022

The HOPES Collection benefits the Catholic elementary schools of the Archdiocese by providing schools with individual HOPES Grants. Please help us provide a culture of faith and academic excellence to elementary school students by giving to the 2022 Catholic elementary school HOPES Collection next weekend. Thank you for your support. [CLICK Here](#) to donate online.

## *Gifts & Offerings*

8/29/2022 to 9/4/2022

Weekly Offering: \$7,783.00

Online: \$ 10,412.00

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— 2 Corinthians 9:11

## *Mass Intentions for the Week*

### **Saturday, September 17, 2022**

4:00 PM Richard Shea, 10th Anniversary

### **Sunday, September 18, 2022**

8:00 AM William, Angie & Joann Speziale

10:00 AM John N. Ramos, 16th Anniversary

11:45 AM Donna Daignault

5:00 PM Tim McAdam, 1st Anniversary

### **Monday, September 19, 2022**

7:30 AM Faith Garvey

12:05 PM Rita Misasi

### **Tuesday, September 20, 2022**

7:30 AM Melissa Corning

12:05 PM Patti Bussiere

### **Wednesday, September 21, 2022**

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Daniel Laffin, Sr.

### **Thursday, September 22, 2022**

7:30 AM For our Parishioners

12:05 PM Patti Bussiere

### **Friday, September 23, 2022**

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Deceased Members of the Gannon Family

### **Saturday, September 24, 2022**

4:00 PM Joan Navarra, 1st Anniversary

### **Sunday, September 25, 2022**

8:00 AM Donato Monaco

10:00 AM Ted and Camille Tyskiewicz & Theresa Massaro

11:45 AM Mary Lemega, 18th Anniversary

5:00 PM Michael Fusco, Jr.

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