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# *St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church*

HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 23, 2023



# 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

Masks are optional at all Masses

### Saturday Evening Mass of Anticipation

4:00 PM Public & Livestream

### Sunday Masses

8:00 AM Public

10:00 AM Public & Livestream

(Special "Mask Only" section available)

11:45 AM Public

5:00 PM Public

### 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



**Monday, April 24:** Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

**Tuesday, April 25:** 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20

**Wednesday, April 26:** Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

**Thursday, April 27:** Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

**Friday, April 28:** Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

**Sunday, April 30:** Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23: 1-3a, 3b4, 5, 6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

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

**On the cover:** "Supper at Emmaus" by Sieger Koder in the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows in Rosenberg, Germany.

## Community Sunday

Evening Edition

Sunday, April 23rd

After the 5:00 pm Mass

Join us for wine, cheese, and conversation in the Franciscan Center following 5:00 pm Mass

Hosted by the members of the Committee for Social Justice



## Parish and Center Office Hours

### Monday - Saturday

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

### Sunday

9:00 - 11:00 AM

# The Pastor's Corner

April 23, 2023

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

In a case of "better late than never," I was pleased to finally be able to present the St. Joseph Medal to Dan and Peggy Lareau last Monday, April 17.



The medals were to have been presented to Dan and Peg on Sunday, March 19, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph by Archbishop Blair, but illness prevented them from attending. The Archdiocese graciously allowed me to present the medals at a later time.

Dan and Peg are long-time parishioners of St. Patrick-St. Anthony and have served in over 15 ministries, including liturgical ministry, parish life, spiritual care, and service to our neighbors in need. Additionally, Dan and Peg are among the first to volunteer for one-time events or other parish needs. They happened to be in the office counting the weekend collection when I suggested that we wait no longer and presented the medals right on the spot!

Dan and Peg are dedicated Christian disciples who live their faith quietly and without fanfare. They reflect the qualities of St. Joseph who took care of Mary and Jesus with patience and openness of heart. On behalf of all our parishioners, I want to congratulate and thank Dan and Peg for their dedication and generosity to our parish community.

Blessings on your week ahead!

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

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Pastor



## 2023 Easter Flowers

Thank you for remembering and honoring your loved ones as we enter into this Joyous Easter Season.

- ❖ Rosal Galinibas family faithfully departed; Conrado, Florencia & Eulogio Rosal; Dionisio, Josepha, Carmelita & Maria Monserrate; Martin Nieves; Antonia Nieves; Encarnacion Nieves, Manuel Perez Jimenez; Perez Jimenen Family, Nieves Aubelo Family faithfully departed; Rivere Fernavelez faithfully departed; Norberto and father; Perez Reillo faithfully departed; Amelia, Juan Jose, Reinalda, Francesca, Mareno, Damaris and Tatita by Maria Rosal



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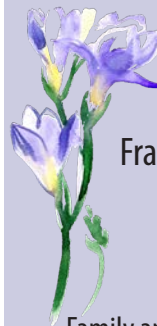
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## 85th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, May 7, 2023 at 12:00 pm

The Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry

305 Church Street • Hartford, CT



*Guest Speaker*

Sr. Alicia Torres

Franciscans of the Eucharist Chicago, IL



*Ticket Cost*

\$35 per person

Family and friends are all invited to join our Celebration!

\*\*\*\*Reservations Required\*\*\*\* Payment in Advance, Please

Drop off reservations and payments, payable to SPSA - Ladies Guild, to the Church Office, mail to Marianne Midura, 20 Torwood Street, Hartford, CT 06114 or go to <https://bit.ly/3A9Zg2N> to pay online, please not number attending in the notes and consider adding the online processing fee to your total.

For more information please call Marianne at Call: 860-956-9780 or Email: [midura20@comcast.net](mailto:midura20@comcast.net)

## Clare Gallery's Exhibit: *Old Growth*



Clare Gallery's second 20th anniversary exhibition, *Old Growth* includes works by Connecticut artist Roberta Shea.

Please go to <https://spsact.org/clare2/> for additional information on this exhibition.

**An in-person artist talk is on Sunday, April 23, at 1:00 PM.**

**A virtual artist talk is Thursday, April 27, at 7:00 PM.** To register for the virtual Artist Talk and receive the Zoom Link please go to <https://tinyurl.com/yamupeur>.

## The Secular Franciscan Order Meeting

Is God calling you to live a life of love, peace, and holiness in the model of St. Francis of Assisi? Join us for our gathering in the lower level of the Urban Ministry Center at St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church on April 23rd at 2:00 to learn more about the Secular Franciscan Order. Our topic of discussion and reflection will be the Fruits of the Holy Spirit.

**Celebrate Earth Day!**

**Sunday April 23rd after the 10:00 am Mass**

In celebration of Earth Day, the Secular Franciscans will be distributing Rudbeckia plants (Black-Eyed Susan) to express Care for God's creation. Black-Eyed Susan's are a native plant and a good pollen source for bees and other pollinators. In the summer months the leaves of the plant are a source of nourishment for 15 species of butterflies and caterpillars. In the fall and winter, the cones of the flower continue to provide food for migrating and wintering songbirds. You can help to Care for God's Creation by planting Black-Eyed Susan's and other native plant species in your yard. For additional information about the importance of pollinators, please visit: [www.pollinator-pathway.org](http://www.pollinator-pathway.org).

## Prayer Shawl Ministry

**Upcoming Meeting Dates:**

**In-person: Thursday, April 27, 2023, 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM.**

**Virtual: Monday, May 8, 2023, 7:00 to 8:00 PM.**

We are in need of new people to join us in this prayerful and rewarding ministry. If you are new to this art, our experienced ministers are skilled teachers as well. Please JOIN US!

Please Call Pat Curtis at 860-756-4034, ext 113 to register.

## Ongoing Adult Faith Formation Programs

**Group Spiritual Reflection:** Our gathering will reflect upon the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday to guide us on our path of discipleship. As companions on the journey, we listen, reflect and share how the Word speaks to our hearts through the Spirit. There is no need to do any advance preparation for the session. Come as you are with an open heart. All are welcome!

**Two options to participate:**

**Every Tuesday from 12:30-1:30 p.m. via Zoom**

Please go to <https://bit.ly/3KHquCO> to receive the Zoom meeting link.

**In-person meeting at the Franciscan Center** following the 12:05 Mass on Thursdays, May 4, 11, 18 and 25 from 12:40-1:40 p.m. Go to <https://bit.ly/3UNT1LE> to register for the in-person gathering.

**Praying with Sacred Scripture: Wednesday, April 26, 2023 from 7:00 to 8:00 PM.** Please consider joining us in-person for "lectio divina" (divine reading.) If you haven't tried it yet, please do! The process is simple and will be explained each time, and sharing is welcome, but optional.

*Co-facilitators: Sheila Denion and John Lemega*

**Quiet Prayer: Every Wednesday from 7:30 - 8:00 AM .** You can find the Zoom link in Monday's email. **Next Meeting: April 26, 2023.**

**Taproot: Every Wednesday during the day, from 11:00**

**AM - 12:00 PM.** *Facilitator Pat Curtis.* [CLICK Here](#) to register and receive the Zoom link. **Next Meeting: April 26, 2023.**

## SPSA Annual Community Day at the Dunkin' Park! 24 Tickets Still Available!!

There is still an opportunity to join in the fun at the Annual SPSA Community Day.

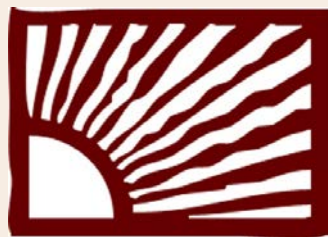
The game is at 1:10 pm on June 11th. Come join your fellow parishioners and friends for a funfilled afternoon watching the Yard Goats in action.

Contact Pat Curtis today at [pcurtis@spsact.org](mailto:pcurtis@spsact.org). You don't want to miss out on this annual tradition.





## Women in the Church: our History, our Present, and our Future



The Women of Hope at SPSA are encouraged by our parish's response to Pope Francis' invitation to a Church-wide "Synod on synodality." The listening sessions held here

during the Synod's initial consultation period produced a report for the Synod; we now have the Vatican's synthesis: *"Enlarge the Space of Your Tent"* (October 2022). In this global report, we see both laments and dreams for the Church -- and for women in the Church -- shared by women, men and youth worldwide.

As Women of Hope we continue to walk this "synodal path," and invite you to join us for further listening, prayer, and reflection about these matters close to our hearts. We trust all the while that God's own Spirit will be our guide on this journey together. Watch for updates from us here in the bulletin over the coming months.

This week we share excerpts from two key paragraphs from *"Enlarge the Space of Your Tent"* regarding women's participation in and contribution to the Church.

¶ 60. *The call for a conversion of the Church's culture ... A critical and urgent area in this regard concerns the role of women and their vocation, rooted in our common baptismal dignity, to participate fully in the life of the Church. A growing awareness and sensitivity towards this issue is registered all over the world.*

¶ 61. *From all continents comes an appeal for Catholic women to be valued first and foremost as baptised and equal members of the People of God... The Holy Land report notes:... "In a Church where almost all decision-makers are men, there are few spaces where women can make their voices heard. Yet they are the backbone of Church communities, both because they represent the majority of the practising members and because they are among the most active members of the Church."*

*The Korean report confirms: "Despite the great participation of women in various Church activities, they are often excluded from key decision-making processes. Therefore, the Church needs to improve its awareness and institutional aspects of their activities" (EC Korea).*

In our next update, we will share more insights identified on a global level.

## Religious Education Registration 2023-2024 will open May 1st!

The religious education programs at St. Patrick – St. Anthony Church are designed to allow parents to choose not only the best schedule for their young children but also the best learning format for those children. We firmly believe that the parents (and families) are the original and primary educators of their children, and we are honored to support you in nurturing your child's faith. Our classes begin at age three.

For this reason, religious education for children through sixth grade can occur at St. Patrick – St. Anthony Church within a traditional format, a hands-on (Montessori) format (Catechesis of the Good Shepherd) or a family format (Whole Community Catechesis).

All students come together in one seventh and eighth grade program so that they can begin to form a cohesive group for our ninth and tenth grade Confirmation class. Our 7,8 and high schoolers are very involved in social justice and community service.

All programs take place within the traditional school year (September through May). Check out the website, [www.spsact.org/faitH-formation/youth-faitH-formation](http://www.spsact.org/faitH-formation/youth-faitH-formation) for more information or contact Deborah Pelletier at [dpelletier@spsact.org](mailto:dpelletier@spsact.org).



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Click or goto  
<https://tinyurl.com/yc5595x9>

### Walk Against Hunger May 20, 2023

*Join our team to support the House of Bread*

Why is the WALK AGAINST HUNGER so important? Monies raised from the walk will allow The House of Bread to keep feeding nearly 2,000 homeless people daily. In addition to The House of Bread feeding people who are homeless, they offer three types of housing options, in order, to assist men and women become productive citizens. Click the link above to support our efforts. A huge thank you to those who have already donated and/or planned to participate the day of the Walk.

## Please Pray for the Sick

Paula Molitar, Joseph Shertick, Mary Kay Hannon, Greg Reed, Kathryn Eagers, Tommie Henry, Cecy Mickey, Syl Ciraulo, Mary Ertel, Mary Joyce Castafero, Tim Hindman, Judy Smith, Susan Degennaro, Ruben Espinosa and Anna Ramirez.

### Gifts & Offerings

4/3/2023 to 4/9/2023

Weekly Offering:	\$9,845.00
Online:	\$11,201.23
Easter Second Collection:	\$9,408.00
<b>Total Offering:</b>	<b>\$30,454.23</b>
Other Donations:	\$7,350.00
<b>Total for Operation Budget:</b>	<b>\$37,804.23</b>

4/10/2023 to 4/16/2023

Weekly Offering:	\$9,682.00
Online:	\$10,798.23
Additional Easter Donations:	\$985.00
<b>Total for Operating Budget:</b>	<b>\$21,465.23</b>

*Thank you for your continued generosity*

## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Saturday, April 22, 2023

4:00 PM Jose Batista & Clotilde Fermina

### Easter Sunday, April 23, 2023

8:00 AM Felipe Obregon

10:00 AM Bob Lemega, 3rd Anniversary

11:45 AM Madeline Capodanno

5:00 PM Eulogio Rosal

### Monday, April 24, 2023

7:30 PM For our parishioners

12:05 PM Maria Consuegra

### Tuesday, April 25, 2023

7:30 AM Melissa Corning

12:05 PM Antonio Cunha Rodrigues & Maria Amelia

### Wednesday, April 26, 2023

7:30 AM Jose Ribeiro da Costa

12:05 PM Don Fenton

### Thursday, April 27, 2023

7:30 AM Parishioners of St. Genevieve

12:05 PM Inez Hales

### Friday, April 28, 2023

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Patrick J. Leyden

### Saturday, April 29, 2023

4:00 PM Gaetano Romano, 50th Anniversary

### Easter Sunday, April 30, 2023

8:00 AM Elaine & Frank D'Amico

10:00 AM Gus & Johanna Pace

11:45 AM Edward J. Ward

5:00 PM Manuel Almagro

## 2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal



The Archbishop's Annual Appeal changes lives through service. In addition to assisting the underserved of our communities, your gift helps those discerning a vocation to the priesthood. Your gift

to the Appeal is an investment in the future of our Church and our faith.

**Parish Goal: \$115,000 Current Donations: \$48,185.00**

Thank you to the parish families who have made a gift or pledge to the 2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not yet participated, please prayerfully consider a gift today. Please know that every dollar of your gift will have a positive impact in someone's life. 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.

## Sanctuary Lamps

Week of April 16, 2023

In loving memory of Joanne Meyer  
by Roger & Anna Eddy

**Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Lamps:** Masses and 7-day Sanctuary Lamps may be scheduled for loved ones, living or deceased. Contact the parish office to schedule a Mass. Suggested donation: \$10.

## *We are here to serve you...*

We are here to serve you. The programs and ministries listed below are just a sampling of our many offerings. Please go to [www.spsact.org](http://www.spsact.org) or call the Parish Office at 860-756-4034 for more information.

**Baptism:** Baptism of infants and young children may be celebrated during Sunday Mass and Group Baptisms on the 1st Saturday of each month outside of the seasons of Advent and Lent.

*Patricia Curtis, Pastoral Associate; 860-756-4034, EXT. 113.*

**Matrimony:** Weddings are conducted on Friday evenings, Saturday mornings, and Saturday afternoons. Couples should contact the church office at least 1 year prior to their desired wedding date.

*Carolyn Abramo, Wedding Manager; 860-756-4034, EXT. 111 or <https://spsact.org/wedding-request-form/>*

**Emmaus Grieving Parents Ministry:** The Emmaus Grieving Parents Ministry 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.

*<https://spsact.org/contact-form-for-emmaus-ministry/>*

**Pastoral Care Outreach Ministry:** We offer holistic care in collaboration with the parish staff (friars, ministry coordinators, and parish nurses). Members of this team are responsible for visiting parishioners at home or in long term and short term care facilities. *Fr. John Leonard, O.F.M.; 860-756-4034, EXT. 129.*

**Prayer Network:** The St. Patrick–St. Anthony Prayer Network consists of approximately fifty parishioners who commit themselves to praying daily for those in need. *<https://spsact.org/prayer-network-prayer-request/> or Parish Office; 860-756-4034.*

**Open Hearts LGBTQ+ Ministry:** This ministry consists of two Groups: **Open Hearts** holds monthly fellowship meetings, and **Friends and Family (LGBTQ+) Support Ministry**, which supports members and allies of the LGBTQ+ community.

*For information on Open Hearts:*

*<https://spsact.org/contact-form-for-open-hearts-ministry/>*

*For information on Friends and Family contact:*

*<https://spsact.org/contact-form-for-friends-family-ministry/>*

### **Volunteering and Outreach Ministry Information:**

St. Patrick-St. Anthony invites individuals to give freely of their time and expertise in order to make a difference. Our volunteers participate in liturgical ministries as well as other forms of service to the church, the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry and the community at large. *Allison Holst-Grubbe, Director of Volunteer and Outreach Ministry; [aholstgrubbe@spsact.org](mailto:aholstgrubbe@spsact.org); 860-756-4034, EXT. 110.*

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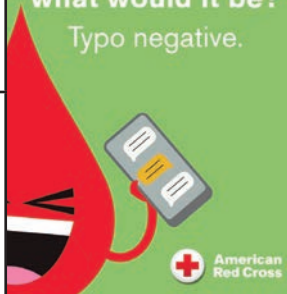
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