

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!

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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

On the cover: A large illumination by Jean Colombe from the Très Riches Heures of Jean, Duke of Berry, painted in the late 15th Century; it depicts the disciples of Jesus, together Mary and other women, after the Ascension as they awaited the coming of the Holy Spirit.



Monday, May 22:Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33aTuesday, May 23:Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11aWednesday, May 24:Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday, May 25: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26 **Friday, May 26:** Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19

Sunday, May 28: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31,

34; 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13;

Jn 20:19-23

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

Parish and Center Office Hours

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

Sunday

9:00 - 11:00 AM

Bulletin/Parish-Wide Email

We are implementing new Parish Communication Procedures.
Going forward, we have new deadlines for both the bulletin and the emails. Please access www.spsact.org/communication to view all deadlines and to submit your information via our handy-dandy online form. Please email

cabramo@spsact.org and schristopher@spsact.org

Deadline for the June 4th Bulletin is May 26 at noon.

The Paston's Corner

May 21, 2023

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

On Friday, May 5th, the Director-General of the World Health Organization, Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, declared that Covid is no longer a global health emergency. The announcement came as welcome news to all of us, whose lives took a sharp turn back in March 2020, more than three years ago. Virtually empty streets, office buildings, schools and churches quickly became the new normal. As Catholics, we had to adjust to an alternative way of worshiping and being a community. Although many things have returned to the way they once were, we continue to be cautious nonetheless.

A few months ago, we took a simple survey of parishioners to find out if you were ready to return to the practice of receiving the Precious Blood at Mass. Out of 148 responses, 37 said they would receive from the cup if it were offered; 111 said they would not. However, since then we have been asked by a number of parishioners about when the cup would return.

After discussion among the staff, we are looking to begin offering the cup on a limited basis starting on June 11th, the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). We will begin at the 10:00 AM Mass on Sundays and see how things go. That is the Mass for which we received the most votes in favor of returning the cup. Since we cannot reserve the consecrated wine the way the consecrated hosts are reserved in the tabernacle, we will consecrate a limited amount of wine at first, and adjust the amount accordingly. Just as we opened more Masses to the public during the pandemic, we will extend the availability of the cup at other Masses in due course. I should note, however, that much will depend on having enough Ministers of the Eucharist to administer the cup. If you are interested in serving as a Minister of the Eucharist, please contact Stacie Mawson (cadetfan35@hotmail.com).

On a related matter regarding the Eucharist, some parishioners have asked why we don't use the tabernacle in the main church on weekends. As you might remember, we had some technical issues with the lock mechanism a while ago which have not been fully resolved. Therefore, we have continued to use the tabernacle in the chapel which is easier to open and close. There is a ciborium with a small number of consecrated hosts in the main tabernacle in order for us to maintain a Eucharistic presence in the church at all times.

Now on to some financial matters. Several months ago, upon the recommendation of our parish Finance Council, we started to hold monthly special collections for

what I like to think of as "high-ticket" items in our operating budget, such as heating and air conditioning, liturgical music, and other miscellaneous items that can crop up without warning, like steam leaks, electrical repairs, etc.

So far, we have realized \$19,293.60 from the first four collections for heating, music and "nuts and volts." This is a wonderful response, which has helped us tremendously — thank you! In fact, our expenses this year are down by almost \$26,000 from last year, and income is up by more that \$41,000. We have been able to trim costs wherever possible, but some budget items (e.g., salaries and utilities) are fixed expenses that cannot be lowered easily. I have asked the staff to be conscious of where and how we can lower our costs. In addition, I am hoping to rely less on our investment account to cover our budget gaps. This has been the practice for a number of years, even prior to the pandemic, and it is not a healthy long-term solution.

The overall result has been good news so far. As we continue our monthly special collections, and everyone does their share, we will end up in a much healthier financial state. If you haven't had the opportunity to participate in our May "Nuts & Volts" appeal, here is what it covers: replacement of emergency lights (\$2,170); repair of two steam leaks in the church (\$2,997); no heat in Friary & Center (\$3,692); routine maintenance on A/C equipment (\$5,016), for a grand total of \$13,875. None of these items was foreseen, but the repair bills are high as need to pay them. If you can help, please go to https://osvhub.com/spsact/giving/funds. We are so grateful to all of you for your support!

We have had some wonderful events take place over the past few weeks: Confirmation at St. Joseph Cathedral, May Crowning and the Ladies Guild 85th Anniversary Celebration; First Eucharist, Walk Against Hunger, and so much more. Our parish is alive and well, serving God and one another with joy and hope in our future. We have weathered the storm of the pandemic, and now we move ahead.

Blessings on your week ahead!

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

Pastor



Confirmation

The Year 2 Confirmation Class journeyed to the Cathedral of St. Joseph the afternoon of May 6, 2023 for their Confirmation. Archbishop Leonard

P. Blair, S.T.D. sealed our young adults with the Holy Spirit. Congratulations to all.

Maria Jose Aedo-Marcucio

Abigail Baker

Tamaya Barnes

Michael Burns

Sam Charbonneau

Madelyn Cunha

Gavin Cykley

Lexi Dominguez

Alexandra Edgington

Sara Feged

Heather Rivera-Fredericks

Tristan Gorman

Shannah Gray

Norah Haswell

Elizabeth Heiden

Helena House

Luke Jones

Joseph Landino

James Landry

Owen Lonski

Juliana Luzi

Madeline Mancini

Samantha Martindale

Ava McCann

Liam McCusker

Katie Moran

Isabel O'Toole

Isaiah Ridgeway

Celina Rodrigues

Rose Szeghy

Alexa Wolf



Baptism

Contratulations to the following children baptized on May 13 and May 14, 2023.

Harper Joshua Giansanti Stokes and Hollis Destiny Giansanti Stokes

children of Bryan Giansanti and Donald Stokes

Maeve Ailis Fiala

child of Nathan Fiala and Erin Kelley



First Communion

Congratulations to our First Communicants on receiving their First Communion on May 13 and May 14, 2023.

William Henry Atwood, III

Jackson David Brower

Ellory Demaris Maynard-Byron

Remy Joseph Emhoff

Francesca Remember Fiala

Maeve Ailis Fiala

Roman John Garcia

Harrison Ouinn Goodman

Benjamin Oswaldo Healy

Brendan Wade Kelley

Daniel Hurley Kennedy, IV

Rinde Rose Be McCarthy Munn

Autumn Elizabeth Margaret Motola

Bridget Mareena O'Donoghue

Tess Rosaleen O'Donoghue

Sophia Marilyn Perez

Claire Marie Perrault

Johanna Prizio

Dominic Daniel Santos

Carson William Smith

Lilia Marie Sokolski

Harper Joshua Giansanti Stokes

Hollis Destiny Giansanti Stokes

Eric Paul Thibeault

Lucan Steven Basile-Vaughan

Eloise Virginia Webb



The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents

NO MEETING THIS SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023

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. The next in person meeting is Wednesday, June 21 at 10:00

am at Elizabeth Park in West Hartford. Please click https://spsact.org/contact-form-for-emmaus-ministry/

to request more information online or call the church office at 860-756-4034, leave your name and phone number, and a Ministry Member will contact you.

Family and Friends of LGBTQ+ **Ministry Meeting:**

Sunday, May 21 at 3:30 PM. Go to https://spsact.org/ministries/open-hearts-lgbtg-ministry/#family-friends for more information.

All Meetings are in the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry.



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

Walk Against Hunger May 20, 2023

Join our team to support the House of Bread

A huge thank you to everyone who donated and/or participated in this year's Walk Against Hunger. Our team has raised over \$4,200.00 of our \$7,912.00 goal. There is still time to donate. To make a donation, go to https://tinyurl.com/ yc5595x9.

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. Next Meeting: May 23, 2023

In-person meeting at the Franciscan Center following the 12:05 Mass on Thursday May 25 from 12:40-1:40 p.m. Go to https:// bit.ly/3UNT1LE to register for the in-person gathering. Registration is required; five-person minimum needed.

Quiet Prayer: Every Wednesday from 7:30 - 8:00 AM, a group gathers virtually to share prayer together. As one participant writes, "Quiet Prayer has given me an opportunity to pray compassionately for others as well as myself. The quiet time of reflection on readings from spiritual writers or on Sunday's Gospel has been a gift." Our personal intentions remain private but support and encouragement come from the group gathered.

Feel free to "drop in" and allow this half-hour to nurture your own spirit. You can find the Zoom link in Monday's email. Next Meeting: May 24, 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: May 24, 2023.

Praying with Sacred Scripture: May 24 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

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 May 21st at 2:00 to learn more about the Secular Franciscan Order. Our topic of discussion and reflection will be two topics that create a unique approach to life for a Secular Franciscan — Profession and being a fraternity.

Thank you for helping the Secular Franciscans celebrate Earth Day by accepting our gift of Black-Eyed Susans. In the fall and winter, the cones of the flower provide food for migrating and wintering songbirds. You can help to Care for God's Creation by planting the Black-Eyed Susan's and other native plant species in your yard.



Anointed for Mission

Tuesdays, May 30 and June 20, 7:00 to 8:00 PM. on Zoom.



Did you ever wonder what it means to be anointed "priest, prophet, and king" as we hear at every Baptism celebrated?

How would a renewed sense of my own Baptism deepen my faith, bring purpose and meaning, and

possibly change my life?

We were all plunged into the same waters and we are all sharers in the mission of the Church.

Recognizing our identity is rooted in and flows from Baptism, these first two sessions will help us reclaim an understanding of the first sacrament received.

Let's explore together this incredible dignity and task given at Baptism.

Please consider joining in one or both sessions! *Facilitator: Pat Curtis*.

Go to https://bit.ly/42Byuwq to receive the handout and Zoom link.

Transformational Hospitality and Kindness

Thursday, June 15, from 7:00 to 8:15 PM.

As we leaf through the newspaper or watch the news on TV, almost weekly we are confronted with the reality of hate crimes being carried out. These acts may be faith based, ethnic origin based, sexual orientation based, and at times more randomly targeted. Regardless of where and how this hatred is playing out, with each occurrence an overwhelming anguish washes over us, and leaves us with that haunting question of "How did we get here?"

We are deeply troubled by these occurrences, and it is good that we question; but perhaps it is important to also ask "How do we change this?"

A heightened awareness and being open to viewing opportunities through a different lens may help us begin to shape ourselves, our communities, and how we look globally at injustices.



We have an opportunity, as a parish, to participate in viewing a 30-minute Oscar-nominated documentary entitled "Stranger at the Gate" which was produced by Josh Seftel. This documentary won the Grand Jury Prize which is what qualified it for the Oscars. In 2022 it was also nominated for the 2022 Critics

Choice Documentary Awards.

This documentary is highly acclaimed, and is about an ex-Marine who fought in Afghanistan, was injured, was discharged from the military, and ultimately came home to restart his life...a life that was clouded with PTSD. Where he settled to start his life with his new family, there was a very large Muslim population...a population he had grown to hate in his time in Afghanistan. This hatred continued to grow in him as he moved through day-to-day life. And, his hatred for this group began to shape a hate crime he planned to execute. What is striking about this story is how the power of hospitality totally changed the outcome, and how he himself was transformed by this love and kindness.

Please plan to join with others in-person in the Franciscan Center on **Thursday**, **June 15 starting at 7:00** PM for viewing the documentary followed by conversation together. Please go to https://bit.ly/41hVuQ8 to register ahead of time.

Religious Education Registration 2023-2024 is now open!

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.

The 7th and 8th graders host parish wide service projects (i.e. Advent Wreath Workshop and Easter Cookie Delivery), build connections with the homebound of our parish, and volunteer regularly helping set up and working in the hydroponic gardens with LEVO International.

The Confirmation program includes regular service with House of Bread, No-Freeze Shelter, Franciscan Center Sandwich Ministry and other opportunities with our community partners, and an open invitation to participate in the life of our parish by joining any of our ministries such as the singing in the choir, lectoring, Altar Serving, etc.

All programs take place within the traditional school year (September through May). Go to www.spsact.org/faith-formation/youth-faith-formation for more information and to register. If you have questions contact Deborah Pelletier at dpelletier@spsact.org.

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

As we continue our series on the role of women in the Church, we offer this prayer, which arose from the thoughts voiced by participants in our "Women Deacons"



program series earlier this year. We invite you to reflect upon these words and the intentions expressed here. May the Spirit of God inspire and encourage us to remain hopeful as we pray for the change our hearts desire.

Prayer for Women Deacons

Creator God,

We thank you for the gifts given to all for service in the Church:

- -for Deacon Phoebe and all the other women leaders in scripture in the early Church
- -for Anastasia, Radagund and all the ordained women deacons throughout the history of the Church
- -for the countless unnamed women who have taught and spread the faith worldwide for centuries
- for women who minister in the Church today.

We pray in hope that the Church will again ordain women as deacons,

whose ministry is in Word, Liturgy, and Service, so the People of God may experience:

- -a wider understanding of scripture
- the blessing of women in sacramental moments
- the gifts of women in leadership positions.

Spirit of God, help the Church to embrace the equality and diversity of gifts that our faith communities cry out for.

Strengthened by the sacramental graces, women deacons would have a powerful effect in helping to meet the needs of the People of God in today's world.

We pray through Christ our Redeemer and Servant of all. Amen.

From the Franciscan Center

Advocacy Update from Fr. Mike and A Call to Action

Over the past months, many of you have heard me preach on important issues such as educational equity, environmental justice, affordable housing, the health of our youth, and reducing gun violence. You may have also read the testimony I submitted to the legislative hearings on these issues. At that time, I asked you to reach out to your legislators to advocate for these issues.

I am proud to say that many of you shared your voices, as did many others throughout the fifty other faith communities that make up Greater Hartford Interfaith Action Alliance, or GHIAA.

Thanks to your efforts, all but one of those bills made it out of committee. Unfortunately, Rent Caps did not, but it is currently being studied. I cannot stress enough the importance of advocating for these issues that impact our community and beyond.

To read more on GHIAA's efforts, how you can make a difference and to hear why these issues are important for us as Catholics to advocate for, go to https://spsact.org/advocacy-update-from-fr-mike/. There you will find the homilies preached on the issues of Educational Equality, Expansion of Husky Health and testimonies submitted on behalf of Fair Share Housing and Gun Violence.

Together, we can make a difference in our community and beyond. Thank you for your consideration and please take action on the issue that is closest to your heart.

Peace,

Michael Johnson ofm Director

Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry Brothers Walking Together Program



Volunteer with Levo this Spring

Check out the volunteer opportunities and sign up for a time on their website by going to https://levointer-

national.org/volunteer.

Learn more about Levo's CSA!

Pick up your own fresh, local veggies when you come to Mass from late spring through early fall! Go to https://levointernational.org/shop/ for more information or to sign up for your own CSA!

News and Needs from Our Church Gardens

Greetings from the "Yard Goats Gardening Team".

Our church grounds are beginning to







Save the Date!!!

Celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Clare Gallery with us at St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church and the Franciscan Center! Mass • Artist's Talk • Music Program • Art Raffle • Refreshments

Saturday, September 30, 2023

Details about registration forthcoming

Thin Places

Henri Nouwen, a reknowned spiritual Master, in a three pamphlet series, *IDENTITY: Finding myself in God, GOD: Discovering The Divine, and LOVE: Experiencing Deep Connections*, encourages us to embrace some challenging life challenges. He asks that we explore our personal identity in light of the person He created us to be. He invites us to encounter God in our modern world. He maintains that whenever love is shared, God is present because God is the essence of LOVE itself.

During the weeks of June and the first week of July, on Wednesdays and Thursdays, we will gather to pray, reflect, and "listen" to him in contemplative 'silence'. Pamphlets can be ordered on Amazon. Time: 12:45 PM - 2:15 PM. Please reach out directly to Sr. Ginny to register or for more information on this wonderful series. She can be reached at Sheehan932@gmail.com. Please indicate the DAY you are available. *Presenter: Sr. Ginny Sheehan, sndden*

Knights of Columbus Memorial Day Mass

The Bishop McMahon Assembly 4th degree Knights of Columbus will hold their annual Memorial Day Mass on Monday, May 29, 2023 at 10:00 am. Mass will be held rain or shine, at the mausoleum located



in Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery on Blue Hills Avenue in Bloomfield. This Mass is in honor of all the men and women who have given their lives for our country and for our own deceased family members. Rev. Michael Galasso will celebrate this year's Mass.

The public is invited and there will be a distribution of Holy Communion.

Mt. St. Benedict is located at the corner of Cottage Grove Road and Blue Hills Avenue.



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Gifts & Offerings 5/08/2023 thru 5/14/2023

Weekly Offering: \$5,991.00
Online: \$9,461.23

Total for Operating Budget: \$15,452.23
Additional Nuts & Volts: \$505.00

Thank you for your continued generosity

2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal



Thank you to the parish families who have made a gift or pledge commitment to the 2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not yet had the opportunity, please consider prayerfully supporting the many "Good Works" of the Archdiocese. Every gift will be gratefully received and sincerely appreciated.

Parish Goal: \$115,000 Current Donations: \$68,710.00

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.

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, Gerry Keohane, and Anna Ramirez.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 20, 2023

4:00 PM Anna Alexis, 11th Anniversary

Sunday, May 21, 2023

8:00 AM Mastronardi Family 10:00 AM J. Gregori Montano

11:45 AM In thanksgiving to St. Boniface

5:00 PM Maria Monaco Monday, May 22, 2023

7:30 PM Jose Eduardo Ribiero 12:05 PM Gregori Montano

Tuesday, May 23, 2023

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Madeline Capodanno

Wednesday, May 24, 2023

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Kathleen Alicia Lennon

Thursday, May 25, 2023

7:30 AM Ned Schofield

12:05 PM St. Jude

Friday, May 26, 2023

7:30 AM for our parishioners 12:05 PM Ashley Marie Condon

Saturday, May 27, 2023

4:00 PM William Macauley

Sunday, May 28, 2023

8:00 AM Brian Cavanaugh

10:00 AM Salvatore & Rosina Rinaldi 11:45 AM In thanksgiving to St. Lucy

5:00 PM Catherine Rita Hall

Sanctuary Lamps

Week of May 14, 2023

In loving memory of Anthony Pizzoferrato by Anne Cronin

Week of May 21, 2023

In loving memory of Jerimiah Dowd by Madeline Dowd LeBlanc In loving memory of J. Gregori Montano by Ray Woollett

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 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 Minstry: 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; 860-756-4034, EXT. 110.

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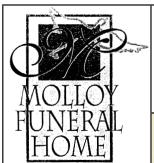
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