Let the weeds grow together with the wheat until harvest time.



St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church 285 Church Street Hartford, Connecticut July 23, 2023 Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 рм	Livestream available	
Sunday Masses		
8:00 AM		
10:00 AM	Livestream available	
	(Special "Mask Only" section available)	
11:45 ам		
5:00 рм		
Weekday Masses		
7:30 ам		
12:05 рм	Livestream available	
Sacrament of Reconciliation		
Masks are required for everyone during Reconciliation		
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Monday, Wednesday, Friday 11:15 to 11:45 AM Saturday

3:15 to 3:45 PM



Monday, July 24: Tuesday, July 25: Wednesday, July 26: Thursday, July 27: Friday, July 28: Sunday, July 30:

Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42 2 Cor 4:7-15: Mt 20:20-28 Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Mt 13:1-9 Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Mt 13:10-17 Ex 20:1-17: Mt 13:18-23 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 or Mt 13:44-4

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

Rel Ed Registration 2023-2024 Open!

All programs take place within the traditional school year (September through May). Go to <u>www.spsact.org/faith-formation/</u> youth-faith-formation for more information and to register. Contact Deborah Pelletier at dpelletier@spsact.org with guestions.

Bulletin/Parish-Wide Email

Do you have an article or information for the Bulletin and/or the Parish-Wide Email? Please access <u>www.spsact.org/communication</u> to view all deadlines and to submit your information via our online form. Please email cabramo@spsact.org and schristopher@spsact.org

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August 6 Bulletin, July 28 August 13 Bulletin, August 4 August 20 Bulletin, August 11

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https://www.youtube.com/channel/

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The Pastor's Corner

July 23, 2023

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

"Rain, rain, go away / Come again some other day / We want to go outside and play / Come again some other day."



This little children's song seems to have become the official anthem of the summer of 2023! It's been difficult to make plans, especially for weekends, that doesn't include some amount of precipitation. Let's hope for clearer skies for the remainder of the summer.

On an even sadder note, we lost one of our staff members to Sister Death recently: Orville Russell, director of maintenance at St. Patrick-St. Anthony for the past 23 years. In addition to his many duties, Orville was particularly helpful to me personally during my move to Hartford in 2020. When Pat Curtis and I visited him in the hospital about a week before he died, Orville mentioned how impressed he had been with my ability to handle tools. I hadn't thought much about that particular talent, since I figured any guy should know how to use a screwdriver! I will miss Orville for his cheerfulness and willingness to go out of his way when asked. Let's all remember him with fondness and gratitude for all he did for us over the past few decades. May he now rest in the peace of God's kingdom.

I want to say how grateful and gratified I have been for the many positive comments I've received about my setting of the Gloria that we've been using for the past several weeks. I certainly don't consider myself a composer, since the melody of the Gloria uses just eight notes, but if the tune has become a vehicle by which we have been able to raise our voices in praise of God, then I am happy to take some measure of credit. The basis on which I jot down these little "motifs" (and I've done quite a few) is simple: write an easy-to-learn tune that sits comfortably in most folks' singing range, and has an attractive melody. Several of my psalm tones were used during our recent Provincial Chapter, and I was grateful and gratified to hear from many fellow friars how much they enjoyed singing them. *Soli Deo gloria* – to God alone be the glory!

Blessings on your week ahead!

Fr. Tim Shreenan, ofm

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



The Sister Parish Committee is thankful and energized for everyone's ongoing support of our sister parish, St. Genevieve in Zoranje, Haiti. You share our mission to inspire hope and joy for families struggling with economic recession, political impasse, and



unprecedented levels of gang violence. You are the reason why we are able to sustain funding for student lunches, teacher salaries. Any extra funding this year supports the purchase of

instructional materials and allows Father Gabby to respond to serious humanitarian needs in his parish community during this unprecedented period of lawlessness and fear.

"Christmas in July" 2023 asks you to make a donation because you believe in ensuring the sustainability of our covenant mission. If you would like more information about our Sister Parish Ministry please visit (https://spsact.org/ our-parish/sister-parish-st-genevieve/).



Prayer: Our Lady of Perpetual help is the patroness for Haiti and holds a special place in the prayerful hearts of Haitians. You can make another connection with our sister parish families with the following prayer:

"Mother of Perpetual Help, we know that we cannot heal every ill or solve every problem. But with God's grace, and your motherly help, we are intent to do what we can to help our brothers and sisters in Haiti. As you held the child Jesus in your loving arms, so take your Haitian children in your arms. Be a mother ready at every moment to help them. Let us be a witness to life in Haiti where love for one another really matters."



You are Invited...

Pope Francis' SYNOD has brought our Church to a remarkable moment in history. The Pope's commitment to **synodality -- walking together and listening to**



one another on the journey of faith --- is bearing witness to the critical and urgent call to rethink women's participation in the Church echoed across every continent. This is important and timely: *the global Church is actively discerning about women and the diaconate, alongside expanded roles in preaching and governance.* It's ultimately a decision for our pope — but Pope Francis wants to hear from the People of God.

All faith communities are invited to lift up this intention in prayer through the intercession of Deacon Phoebe, collaborator with Paul in ministry to the people of the early Church.

I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a deacon of the church in Cenchreae. I ask you to receive her in the Lord in a manner worthy of the holy ones... Romans 16:1-2

Our Women of Hope Ministry invites you to join with others in the prayer below throughout this summer and fall. Be on the lookout for two opportunities to gather in September as together we engage with this moment in time as the People of God.

Enlightened by grace and taught the faith by the chosen vessel of Christ, you were found worthy of the diaconate and you carried Paul's words to Rome.

O Deacon Phoebe, pray to Christ God that his Spirit may enlighten



our souls and guide the discernment of the Church that the gifts and voices of women may be received and affirmed in our day for the service of your people!

Prayer texts adapted from hymns of the Orthodox liturgy.

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Update: Refugee Children's Clothing Drive

This statement from one of the refugee coordinators in Massachusetts says it all, "Once again, you've exceeded our expectations! Amazing support from the parishioners at St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church!"



The outpouring of donations to clothe the Haitian refugee children was truly remarkable. More than 220 boxes and bags were dropped off before/after Masses on July 9 and 10 – the collection nearly filled

a 16-foot box truck - very impressive.

One parish staff member shared this story. According to one mom on a tight budget and a growing family, who stated, "I can't donate money but this clothing drive gave me the opportunity to open closets and drawers and donate what my children no longer needed." Another donor stated, "We no longer have small children or

young grandchildren, but we had fun shopping for children's clothes at a consignment store." These stories are just two examples of how



parishioners were moved to give in a way that was best for them.

It may have seemed a small thing to support this clothing drive. But as Mother Teresa so eloquently stated "We cannot all do great things, but we can do small things with great love."

On behalf of Pastor Vasily Tokarev and the staff at the Valley Opportunity Council in Chicopee MA, thank you for sharing your love and generosity.

Ongoing Adult Faith Formation Programs

Group Spiritual Reflection: Tuesday, July 18 on Zoom at 12:30 PM. Please go to <u>https://bit.ly/3KHquCO</u> to receive the Zoom meeting link. 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!

Psalms: A Dialogue with God

Thursdays on Zoom, July 27 & August 3, 10; 10:30-11:30 AM

In 1994, Dorothy Jones wrote of Dag Hammarskiold, Secretary-General of the United Nations, that he viewed his work not simply as a political role, but as a religious calling. When his briefcase was recovered after the fatal plane crash in September 1961.



it contained a copy of the New Testament, a copy of the United Nations Charter, and a copy of the Book of Psalms.

In this course, we shall prayerfully review some of these psalms that reveal God's word to us and that express our thanks, praise, pleas, and frustrations to the God who cares. We will also break open the Psalm for the upcoming weekend liturgies.

Presenter: Fr. Francis Soucy, OFM

Please go to https://tinyurl.com/2edcrb4a to register and receive the Zoom link.

Suggested Offering: \$50.00 can be made payable to "St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church" and mailed to 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103, Attn. Pat Curtis OR https://osvhub.com/spsact/giving/ funds/adult-faith-formation and note the program name in the Memo.

Church Street Art & Music Camp for 3rd - 8th Graders August 21, 22 & 23, 2023

Art from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM "Painting the Garden"

Music from 12:30 to 3:00 PM

"Exploration of Global Music"

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We are excited to announce a summer camp opportunity for 3rd – 8th graders this August! Choose from art in the morning, music in the afternoon, or stay with us all day to experience both art and music! Check out the details and sign up by scanning the QR Code or going to https:// spsact.org/art-and-music-camp-2023/.



Clare Gallery 20th Anniversary Celebration Saturday, September 30, 2023



The Clare Gallery has been promoting the arts and hosting exhibits that educate and inform all who enter our facility for twenty years!

To celebrate this momentous milestone, we will curate the 20th Anniversary Exhibition celebrating twenty of our past artists. We have chosen them from our three themes emphasizing world religions, interfaith themes and social justice themes, either on a global or local level.

Along with our exhibition, to mark this special occasion, we are planning a 20th Year Anniversary Evening of Celebration on Saturday, September 30, from 4–7:30 PM. The celebration includes Mass at 4:00 pm. At 5:00 pm, Steve Balkun, master woodcarver, will discuss the statues of Saints Clare and Francis he created for the St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church sanctuary-Please goto https://youtu.be/8vLmirHpQ14 to watch the video Prayerful Creativity to understand his process for this project.

At 6:00 PM, you can enjoy an appetizer, a glass of wine, and a musical concert by members of our parish music ministry led by Director of Music Ministries, Dr. Gabriel Löfvall. There will also be a raffle of small works curated from the many artists that have graced our walls.

Please go to <u>https://tinyurl.com/ClareGallery20</u> to register for this wonderful celebration on Saturday, September 30, from 4–7:30 PM. Tickets are \$20, as a suggested donation, per person. This celebration event is a major fundraiser for the Clare Gallery. All funds raised will support this ministry for many years. We appreciate your participation and generosity.

If you cannot attend the evening celebration, but would like to support the Clare Gallery we are grateful for a donation in any amount. Checks can be made payable to "Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry" and note "Clare Gallery" in the Memo. Please mail to 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103, Attn. Pat Curtis. To make a donation conveniently online, please go to https:// tinyurl.com/OnlineClareGalleryDonation or scan the QR code.



Weekly Offering

7/10/2023 thru 7/16/2023

Weekly Offering:	\$10,777.23
Online:	\$3,896.00
Total for Operating Budget:	\$14,673.23

Thank you for your continued generosity



FRANCISCAN MISSIONARY UNION HOLY NAME PROVINCE

Franciscan Missionary Union 2nd Collection This Weekend, July 22/23

This weekend's 2nd Collection is for the Franciscan Missionary Union.

For almost 90 years the Franciscan Missionary Union has provided support to Franciscan Missionaries of Holy Name Province in far away places such as China, Bolivia, Peru, Jamaica and Kenya, as well as places closer to home like our parishes in rural Georgia. Today, the Franciscan Missionary Union has embarked on some new and exciting endeavors in our ongoing effort to provide people of faith with opportunities to live out their call to mission in the 21st century. Please consider supporting the Union's work and efforts to "go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation" (Mark 16:15). Go to https://fmunion.org/ for more information. To donate online please go to https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-FrMissionUnion.

2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal



Thank you to all those who have donated to the 2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal this year. If you still have yet to donate, please

consider a gift today by returning the pledge card mailed to you.

Parish Goal: \$115,000

Total Pledged: \$80,122.55

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 <u>https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/</u>. No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 22, 2023 4:00 PM Pascual Gutierrez & Argentina Collado

Sunday, July 23, 2023

8:00 AM	Christopher Shea
10:00 AM	Fr. Jim Hynes, O.F.M.
11:45 AM	In Thanksgiving to St. Christina
5:00 PM	Madeline Capodanno

Monday, July 24, 2023

7:30 AM Prayer intentions for unborn children 12:05 PM Christopher Shea, 1st Anniversary

Tuesday, July 25, 2023

7:30 AM Catherine Parah 12:05 PM James Curtis

Wednesday, July 26, 2023

7:30 AM For our parishioners 12:05 PM Mark White

Thursday, July 27, 2023

7:30 AM For the people of St. Genevieve 12:05 PM Ruben Espinosa

Friday, July 28, 2023

7:30 AM 12:05 PM Alice Rhode

Saturday, July 29, 2023 4:00 PM Wilson & Arlene da Silva

Sunday, July 30, 2023

- 8:00 AM Jose da Costa, Assuncao da Costa Roxo & Fr. Andrew Giardino, O.F.M.
- 10:00 AM John Lemega, 54th Anniversary
- 11:45 AM Sebastian Kolodziej
- 5:00 PM Jean Klaczak

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, Gerry Keohane, and Deborah Godin.



We are here to serve you...

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

Matrimony: The Sacrament of Marriage at St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church are celebrated Friday and Saturdays. The Bride or Groom should contact *Carolyn Abramo, Wedding Manager; 860-756-4034, EXT. 111 or <u>https://spsact.org/wedding-request-form/</u> to begin preparation for Marriage, normally one year in advance and before any other arrangements are made for a reception.*

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

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. <u>https://spsact.org/prayer-network-prayer-request/</u> 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:

<u>https://spsact.org/contact-open-hearts-ministry/</u> For information on Friends and Family contact: <u>https://spsact.org/contact-form-for-friends-family-ministry/</u>

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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