

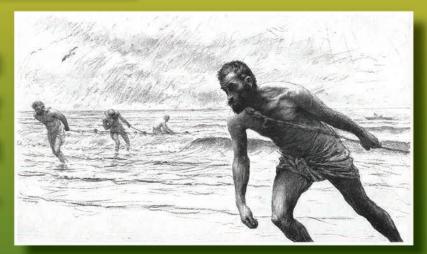
The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field...





The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls...

The kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea, which collects fish of every kind...



St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church • 285 Church Street • Hartford, Connecticut July 30, 2023 • Seventeenth 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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Monday, July 31:	Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Mt 13:31-35		
Tuesday, Aug 1 :	Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43		
Wednesday, Aug 2:	Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46		
Thursday, Aug 3:	Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53		
Friday, Aug 4:	Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37;		
	Mt 13:54-58		
Sunday, Aug 6:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2		
	Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9		
Go to <u>http://www.usccb.org/</u> for readings online.			

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. <u>Please email cabramo@spsact.org and schristopher@spsact.org</u>

Upcoming Bulletin Deadlines

August 13 Bulletin, August 4 August 20 Bulletin, August 11 August 27 Bulletin, August 18

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The Pastor's Corner

July 30, 2023

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

This weekend we will conclude our Christmas in July Giving Tree for our Sister Parish of Saint Geneviève in Haiti. There is

still time to make a donation, but I would like to offer my thanks on behalf of the Sister Parish Committee to everyone who has already contributed. I understand that things have gotten a little bit better in Zorange, and the parish school has been able to conduct classes and the children are able to have a hot meal. However, the gangs continue to threaten the peace and stability of Haiti, so we must continue to pray and work for a solution to the civil unrest. Once again, thank you for your concern and generosity towards our Haitian brothers and sisters!

Closer to home, the re-introduction of the Cup of the Blood of Christ at weekend Masses has been going as smoothly as possible, but there have been some hiccups along the way. I am aware of the concerns you have, and we continue to work on ironing out the problems. Everything would go much easier if we had more Eucharistic Ministers to assist us. If you would like to volunteer, please get in touch with Allison Holst-Grubbe, our Volunteer Coordinator, or Stacie Mawson, our Eucharistic Minister Coordinator. Just call the parish office, and we will put you in contact with them.

Thank you to everyone who expressed condolences on the recent death of our Director of Maintenance, Orville Russell. I'm sure his family has been greatly consoled by your support. We are now in the process of finding a new person to head up our maintenance department, and I hope we can find someone with the necessary experience. It's a big job, and I am grateful to those who have filled in with some of the day-to-day needs.

I will be taking some vacation starting Friday, August 4th. I will be spending a week at the Jersey shore and return on Saturday, August 12th. In the meantime, I hope you have been able to get some down time as well. With all the rain and heat we've had, we deserve it!

Blessings on your week ahead!

Fr. Tim Sheenan, ofm

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

An Invitation to SUPPORT our Sister Parish in Haiti!

Did You Know?

Your generous and ongoing support:

- Enables students, teachers and staff to have a hot meal every school day. About 450 meals are served.



- Provides the 20 teachers and staff with professions and reliable incomes for 9 months.
- Permits Pastor Gaby to provide "Emergency Aid" to the most desperate parishioners during this violent time.
- Allows the Sister Parish to maintain "Reserve Funds" in case of sudden changes in our Covenant status or other emergency situations.

As a responsible partner in this covenant, the SPSA Sister Parish group strives to ...

- Dialogue with the pastor and parishioners of



St. Genevieve, meeting their needs in real time.

- Communicate regularly with the SPSA parishioners on the status and needs of the school, and conditions in Zorange and Haiti.
- Ensure the long-term continuity of support that St. Genevieve relies on.

Thank you - Mesi!

Donations can be made ...

- By check, at Mass or through mail at 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103; please NOTE: Sister Parish
- On-line; please go to <u>https://spsact.org/our-parish/</u> sister-parish-st-genevieve/
- Scan the QR code



You are Invited...

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.

Prayer for Women Deacons

Loving God of all creation, we thank you for the countless blessings you bestow on us:

the gifts given to *all* for service in the Church.

We pray in hopeful waiting that our Church will welcome the gifts of *all* who long to serve the People of God as deacons, in the diaconate's ministries of Word, Liturgy and Service.

Word ~ to preach and teach

May we hear our Scriptures interpreted in a fuller context



that incorporates the lived experiences of women:

so that we may see the Word of God through a wider, more inclusive lens

and thus see the world, one another, and life itself with a richer, deeper religious imagination.

We pray that the Diaconate be open again to women to affirm by sacramental ordination the ministries already realized in what women are doing among the People of God today. We pray through Christ, who is our Redeemer and who made himself the servant -- the 'deacon' -- of us all.

Amen.

Rel Ed Registration 2023-2024 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.

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

Ongoing Adult Faith Formation Programs



Several of our programs will not meet during the month of August. They will reconvene in September. We list them here for your consideration. *"Come and See"* what these enriching groups have to offer this Fall. *All are Welcome!* (You can find the Zoom links in par-

ish-wide emails sent on Mondays.)

Group Spiritual Reflection: Every Tuesday from 12:30 - 1:30 PM on Zoom

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.

Quiet Prayer: Every Wednesday from 7:30 - 8:00 AM **on Zoom.** A group gathers virtually to start their day sharing quiet 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.

Taproot: Every Wednesday from 11:00 AM - **12:00** PM **on Zoom** Gather with others for weekly inspiration using experiences from your daily life. *Return to the Root: Reflections on the Inner Life*, "aims to strengthen your inner rootedness, to draw forth that loving nourishment contained in...your deepest self", states the author Joyce Rupp. Full of thoughtful insights, poetry, and prayer, weekly reflections are grouped by month. Tap into this "Taproot" gathering available to you every Wednesday morning ~ attend when your schedule allows to receive the gifts of spiritual nourishment and growth.

Praying With Sacred Scripture: Each month on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 7:00 - 8:00 PM in-person

Please consider joining us for "lectio divina" (divine reading.) It is a prayerful reading of a bible passage in order to discern its message for each of us today. We have found that meeting in person gives the experience greater intimacy and impact. 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.

Psalms: A Dialogue with God

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

In 1994, Dorothy Jones wrote of Dag Hammarskjold, 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"

St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church & The Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry

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 go to 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

7/17/2023 thru 7/23/2023

Weekly Offering:	\$6,183.00
Online:	\$8,655.23
Total for Operating Budget:	\$14,848.23

Thank you for your continued generosity

TEXT-TO-**GIVE** A new, easy way to support our parish!



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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: \$82,457.50

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 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

Monday, July 31, 2023

- 7:30 AM For our parishioners
- 12:05 PM Roseanne Massaro Lombardo

Tuesday, August 1, 2023

7:30 AM For the peple of St. Genevieve Parish 12:05 PM Michael Miscio

Wednesday, August 2, 2023

7:30 AM Kathleen M. Gorman 12:05 PM Anne Johnson Alexander

Thursday, August 3, 2023

7:30 AM Martha LaPerle 12:05 PM Concetta Gianni, 11th Anniversary

Friday, August 4, 2023

7:30 AM Joseph Perkoski, Sr. 12:05 PM James & Sadie Baio

Saturday, August 5, 2023

4:00 PM John C. Brennan, 15th Anniversary

Sunday, August 6, 2023

8:00 AM Valentino & Philomena Raimondi10:00 AM Carol Curtis11:45 AM Richard Crockett5:00 PM

Sanctuary Lamps

Week of July 25, 2023 In Loving Memory of Philomena Sivo

Week of July 30, 2023 In loving Memory of Larry Tracy, Jr.



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, Mary Alice Cronin and Deborah Godin.



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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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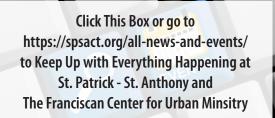
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