

St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church • 285 Church Street • Hartford, Connecticut  
January 28, 2024 • Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time





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

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*Open Hearts  
Open Minds  
Open Doors*

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

#### Saturday Evening Mass of Anticipation

4:00 PM Livestream available

#### Sunday Masses

8:00 AM

10:00 AM Livestream available

11:45 AM

5:00 PM

#### Weekday Masses

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Livestream available

The Church is open weekdays from 7:00AM until 1:00 PM

### 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

### Daily Mass Readings

Monday, Jan 39: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday, Jan 30: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3;  
MT 8:17

Wednesday, Jan 31: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; MK 6:1-6

Thursday, Feb 1: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Mk 6:7-13

Friday, Feb 2: Mal 3:1-4; PS 24:7, 8, 9, 10;  
Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40

Sunday, Feb 4: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; 1  
Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

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

### News From the Business Office

We are grateful for all the gifts you have shared with us over the last year, and want to make sure you have all the appropriate tax documentation.

As such, you will need to ask for a Year End Giving Statement.

There are 3 ways to get one:

Call the church office at 860-756-4034;  
Print via Online Giving (for those exclusively  
using Online Giving); or Email your request to  
[info@spsact.org](mailto:info@spsact.org).



*Please be sure to indicate if you want it sent via USPS or email.*

We have set up an easy to understand webpage explaining all your options. Just scan/click on the QR Code and it will launch the webpage.

**On The Cover:** *Christ Exorcising a Demon* from a possessed youth: illumination from the 15th century ms. of the Tres Riches Heures of Jean, Duke of Berry.

### News from the Parish Office

Did you know the 2024 Calendar has lots of dates still available for your Mass Intentions? And, the 2025 Calendar is now open for intentions.

**How to request your intentions:** Call the office at 860-756-4034 or email [info@spsact.org](mailto:info@spsact.org) to request your intentions. Please provide a 2nd and 3rd choice when making your request.

Please call the church office, 860-756-4034, if you have questions



# The Pastor's Corner

January 28, 2024

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

During my little jaunt to New York City last weekend, I had the opportunity to catch the penultimate day of an exhibition at The Morgan Library entitled "Morgan's Bibles: Splendor in Scripture." I thought it was an appropriate way to celebrate the Sunday of the Word of God by exploring a small portion of the Library's extraordinary holdings of Bibles dating back to the Middle Ages, including the Bible Moralisée of King Louis IX (1227-34) and the Gutenberg Bible (c.1455), pictured below.



The Morgan Library is the only institution in the world to possess three copies of the Gutenberg Bible, the first substantial book printed from movable type in the West. These and other bibles, psalters, hymnals, prints, leaves of chant books and other sacred objects were on display.

This weekend, we celebrate with our brothers and sisters in Haiti the feast of St. Geneviève, the patron saint of our Sister Parish.



As you are aware, the nation of Haiti has been in the throes of much upheaval due to the lack of a functioning national government and the disruptive forces unleashed by gang activity, principally in the area of the capital, Port au Prince. Our Sister Parish of St. Geneviève has suffered tremendously as a result of these events, and we join our hearts with them in prayer for their safety and security.

Our Sister Parish Committee, chaired by Marc Sherer, has been in constant communication with the pastor, Fr. Gaby Noël. I hope you have been reading some of the news that our Sister Parish Committee has provided in the bulletin and parish emails.

Even in the midst of great anxiety and uncertainty, there is hope for a better future for the Haitian people. For the people at St. Geneviève parish in particular, our committee has focused on the parish school by providing funds for hot meals to feed the students, and appropriate salaries for the dedicated teachers.

Here is a message Marc Sherer received this past week from Fr. Gaby:

*"Good evening dear friend Marc,  
It is with great joy that I receive your message, I thank you and I ask you to thank the committee on my behalf and on behalf of all the teachers, parents and students in general of our school establishment ... May the Lord bless you, protect you and accompany you in all your activities!" Father Gaby Noel.*

As we continue to support our Haitian brothers and sisters, we pray through the intercession of St. Geneviève that they will be protected and delivered from the danger that has befallen them. We are providing prayer cards for you to take as a token of our thanks for your ongoing support, both in prayer and by your financial gifts. Our covenant with St. Geneviève Parish calls us to assist them however we are able, and I know how grateful they are for your loving support.

Blessings on your week ahead!

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

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Pastor

## Centering Yoga: January 27, 2024

Join parishioner Michael Leahy (YT200) for a one hour yoga class at 9:00 AM in the Franciscan Center, the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month through April. All ability levels are welcome; please bring your own mat. Email [aholstgrubbe@spsact.org](mailto:aholstgrubbe@spsact.org) to register.

## The Feast of Saint Genevieve

**This Sunday, January 28, 2024 at the 10:00 AM Mass.**

January marks the annual **Feast of Ste. Geneviève**, the patron saint of our Sister Parish in Haiti. Our Covenant with Ste. Geneviève Parish furthers our Christian mission by reaching out to other places in the world. This relationship deepens our understanding of what it means to live in a global Church and to foster justice, human dignity, and respect for people from different cultures.

This Sunday we will celebrate this almost 20 year mutual relationship with our Haitian sisters and brothers. Please join us as we sing, pray, and celebrate the **Feast of Ste. Geneviève** at the 10:00 AM Mass in communion with our sister parish in Haiti.

## Ste. Geneviève(c. 422-512)

Ste. Geneviève is the patron saint of Paris. She assisted bishops and kings in France by her courage and willingness to help wherever she was needed.

When Attila and his army of Huns came upon Paris, the Parisian Christians were prepared to run, but Geneviève spoke to them and convinced them to stay within their homes, fast and pray to the Lord.

She assured them they would have the protection of God. Her prediction came true as Attila suddenly changed his path and turned away from Paris.

Through the intercession of Ste. Geneviève, we pray for the people of Haiti, and especially for our brothers and sisters in the parish of Ste. Geneviève in Zorange, that they may be protected from the violence that has threatened their safety, and that peace and stability may come to their nation.

*Artwork: Ste. Geneviève - 1821 by Louise Elisabeth Vigée Le Brun(1755-1842)*



## Community Sunday-Evening Edition

Today, January 28, 2024  
after the 5:00 pm Mass

Join us for refreshments and conversation

## Sr. Elaine Bane, O.S.F.+

April 5, 1924 - December 10, 2023

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Sr. Elaine Bane, O.S.F.+

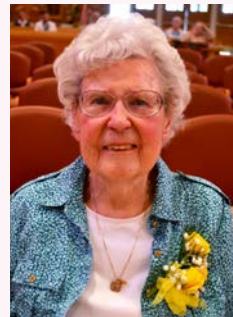
Sr. Elaine was part of the Pastoral Staff here at St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church from 1998 to 2001. Her ministries included pastoral care, spiritual direction and ministry to the bereaved.

She also met monthly with nurses from the parish to explore a "parish nurse concept", which turned into our Parish Nurse Ministry of today.

Sr. Elaine was a peace-filled, dynamic woman with a deep love of St. Francis and a sincere commitment to share that love with others. Her ministries in the St. Patrick-St. Anthony community were a source of compassion and much joy.

We remember Sr. Elaine with every fondness and are grateful for her long lasting contributions to our parish life.

May she rest in peace.



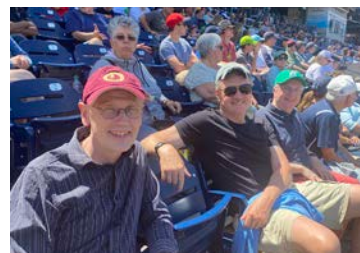
## Save the Date!!!

### SPSA Community Day at the Dunkin' Park!

Sunday, June 16, 1:10 PM.

Let's visualize a warm June afternoon, sitting in the stands, drinking a cold beverage, eating a hot dog and cheering on our beloved Yard Goats against a flock of bobbing rubber duckies. Come support the Yard Goats as they play the Cleveland Guardians' AA-Affiliate, the Akron RubberDucks.

**Tickets go on sale after all Masses on April 6-7 in the Franciscan Center Lobby.**







## Please Pray for the Sick

Paula Molitar, Joseph Shertick, Greg Reed, Kathryn Eagers, Tommie Henry, Syl Ciraulo, Mary Ertel, Mary Joyce Castafero, Bobby Lombardo, John Gannon, Rosemarie Perkoski, Susan Degennaro, and Deborah Godin.

## Sanctuary Lamp

Week of January 28, 2024

In Loving Memory of

Cecy Mickey

requested by Sally Mazzarella



Adult  
Faith  
Formation



Programs for  
Winter  
Lent  
Spring 2024

## Drumming Circle: *try something \*new\**

**Mondays, February 5, March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3, 6:30 to 7:30 PM in the church**

Did you know that drumming is good for the spirit as well as the heart and mind! Please join us for an evening of African drumming rhythms once a month in the church. Anyone can learn to drum - no musical experience is needed. If you have a drum, please bring it with you. Let us know if you need a drum by calling the parish office, 860-756-4034. First-time participants, please arrive by 6:15 PM.

**Facilitator: Elaine Wiatr**

*Sponsored by the Women of Hope Ministry*

## Praying With Sacred Scripture

**Monthly, 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, in-person, 7:00-8:00 PM.**

**February 7 (on Zoom - link in Monday's parish-wide email) & 21 March 6 & 20, April 3 & 17, May 1 & 15, June 5 & 19**

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.

**Co-facilitators: Sheila Denion and John Lemega**

## Group Spiritual Reflection

**Every Monday, in-person, 12:40-1:40 PM.**

**Every Tuesday, on Zoom, 12:30-1:30 PM.**

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.

Monday registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/SPSA-GS-IP>.

Tuesday Zoom registration link: <http://tinyurl.com/SPSA-GS-Zoom>.

**Facilitators: Mary Espinosa, Joan Osella and Elaine Wiatr**

## In Quiet Prayer

**Every Wednesday, on Zoom, 7:30-8:00 AM.**

"For many of us, life seems to be lived at a busy and frenetic pace, with little or perhaps no time to be quiet, to be still, or to be silent in a time and place of peacefulness, prayer, and reflection so that we can connect with our deepest selves and the God who lives there." (Cora Evans).

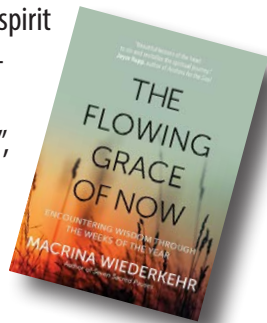
Join us by Zoom Wednesday mornings for a half hour, from 7:30 to 8:00 AM, to sit "in quiet" (Suzanne Nolan), in the presence of silence, to heal and restore in hope and joy, to ground and guide. We begin with a brief ritual of offering compassion for the needs of our world and ourselves. A reflection is shared. Sometimes it's a reading for the upcoming weekend; sometimes it's a contemporary prayer, followed by 20 minutes of silence for personal prayer and meditation.

Please go to <http://tinyurl.com/SPSA-In-Quiet-Prayer> to receive the Zoom link.

**Co-facilitators: Pat Curtis and Susan Lennon**

**People of Hope: "The Flowing Grace of Now"**  
Every Wednesday from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM on Zoom.

"To see requires a deeply contemplative spirit and an open heart. To see requires learning to live awake. When we begin to live awake, we will see teachers everywhere", writes retreat guide and author Sr. Macrina Wiederkehr. Using her book, *The Flowing Grace of Now*, we will ponder one essay per week from this year-long companion text that will usher us into the presence of spiritual teachers at work in our lives—inviting us to listen to these teachers, deepen our faith, and learn from their wisdom. Please join our facilitator, Pat Curtis, each Wednesday 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM, to gather with others for weekly inspiration using experiences from our daily lives. Our goal is to keep hope alive and steadfast even as difficult personal and world events press upon us. This "People of Hope" gathering is available to you every Wednesday morning - attend when your schedule allows to receive the gifts of spiritual nourishment and growth. Join us!



To receive Zoom link go to: <http://tinyurl.com/SPSA-AFF-PPLHope>

**Facilitator: Pat Curtis**

**Free Will Offering**

Open my eyes that I might  
see the wonders from your Torah.  
—Psalm 119:18

**Psalms: A Never-ending Discovery**

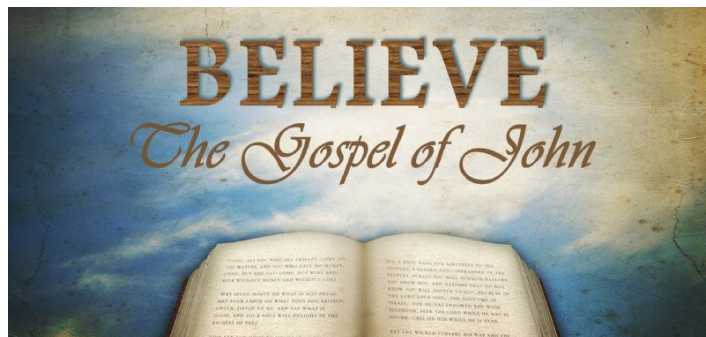
Thursdays, February 15, 22, 29 & March 7, 14, 21,  
10:30 to 11:30 AM.

One finishes the study of the psalms with a sense of inadequacy of not being enough. That is why the psalms continue to enrich and nurture long after a study has run its course. One is aware that the claims of the literature have not been exhausted. Life experiences enhanced by faith mature richly when they are interpreted through Torah obedience which deepens a relationship with God. Through a rich and steady reflection of the psalms, our appreciation and love for God grow blossoms.

Please go to <http://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Psalm-ND> to receive Zoom link.

**Presenter: Fr. Francis Soucy, OFM**

**Free Will Offering**



**"We Have Seen His Glory": An Introduction to John's Gospel**

**Mondays of Lent; February 19, 26 and  
March 4, 11, 18 & 25, 7:00-8:00 PM.**

During Holy Week and throughout the Easter season, the Church for the most part puts aside the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, and focuses our attention on the Gospel according to St. John. He is our primary guide into the mystery of Christ's saving death and resurrection during these most sacred days of the liturgical year. In this six-week course, we will do a close reading of John's gospel, explore its theological perspective, survey its major themes, and study the literary and dramatic techniques that powerfully and effectively serve John's purpose in writing his account: "so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name" [John 20:31].

Please go to <http://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Seen-Glory> to receive the Zoom link.

**Presenter: Fr. Bill Beaudin, O.F.M.**

**Suggested Offering: \$50.00**

**Woman of Sorrow - Woman of Hope**

**Tuesdays, February 20 & 27 and March 4  
In Church following 12:05 Mass**

Our stunning stained-glass windows depict scenes from the life of Christ along with rich images of the saints. Set aside meditation time this Lent to contemplate the particular art and scripture which capture the story of Mary, the Mother of God, in her moments of surprise, invitation, expectation, joy, confusion, sorrow, and hope. Take this time to truly appreciate the glorious glasswork which surrounds our worship space while entering into a time of quiet and prayer.



**Facilitators: Patricia Curtis and LouAnn Warren**

## Ignatian Contemplation: Experiencing God Through Our Imagination in Prayer

Thursday, February 22, 2024, 6:30 - 7:30 PM.

Plan to attend to learn:



- Imaginative Prayer in the Catholic Tradition
- What is the Ignatian practice of Imaginative Prayer (aka Ignatian Contemplation)
- How to enter into Gospel scenes through Imaginative Prayer

(through guided meditation); and

- How to continue the practice of Ignatian Contemplation.

Please go to <http://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Ignatian> to let us know you plan to attend. If there is inclement weather, the gathering will switch over to a Zoom meeting. Be sure to register so that you receive notification and the link.

**Presenter: Brenda McLaughlin**

**Suggested Offering: \$10.00**

## Clare Gallery Exhibit: Leave No Trace

January 11–March 15, 2024

Clare Gallery's first 2024 exhibition is Leave No Trace by Sariah Park. Park is an interdisciplinary artist of European and Indigenous descent, and is an enrolled member of the Chiricahua Apache Nation. Issues of identity, culture, and the act of making in relation to the future of our climate are examined in her work. During her process, she asks important questions, such as:



- How does our identity inform what and how we make?
- How, what, and why do we consume?
- What are the effects of overconsumption on the environment?
- Is there beauty and transformation through pain, decay and loss?

This exhibition features work that repurposes textile stock, up-cycling, and new forms of printing with textile waste. Park states, "This work shows the transformation of material made immaterial, craft as a form of ceremony, and the transfer of energy and spirit into a living process, striving to become in balance with the natural world." The Gallery is hosting a closing reception on Thursday, March 14, from 6:00 to 7:30 PM, during which the public will be invited to view the work and join the artist.

## Lenten Twilight Retreat: "A Heart Renewed: Lent 2024"

Thursday, March 21, 5:30-8:00 PM, includes dinner. **Registration Deadline: March 17**

We are delighted to invite Fr. Ken back for an evening of presentation, inspiration, and reflection in this Lenten season.

**Presenter: Fr. Ken Paulli, OFM**

**Suggested Offering: \$20.00; includes dinner; Please Register at <http://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Paulli-2024>**

**Presentation only at 6:45 p.m.: \$15.00; Please Register at <http://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Ken-2024-Pres>.**



## "All are Welcome" Day of Reflection: Francis and the Language of Praise: Praying with the Saint of Assisi

**Retreat Day Leader: Fr. Bill Beaudin, OFM**

**Saturday, April 13, 2024; 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. at Mercy by the Sea Retreat Center**

All men and women are invited to consider this Day of Reflection in the Easter Season to set aside time for one's relationship with God. We will have the opportunity to learn more about the spirituality of St. Francis and enter into the spirit of his prayer in order to enrich our own life with God.

Here's a chance to step away for one day from the ordinary schedule of life and devote this time to your spiritual growth. And, if you have never experienced Mercy by the Sea in Madison CT before, please join us! Mercy by the Sea offers beautiful, simple, and peaceful spaces that enable reflection, open the heart to prayer, and facilitate opportunities for conversation.

**\*REGISTER EARLY\*** to reserve a spot for you and a friend.

**Suggested Offering: \$60.00**

**Don't miss this opportunity open to all!**

**Registration & payment deadline is April 1, 2024**

Please Register at <http://tinyurl.com/SPSA-AAW-DofR>.



## Clare Gallery - Artist's Earth Day Panel Discussion "Watershed Journeys", Monday, April 22, 7:00 to 8:30 PM.

Panelists: Artist, Diana Rogers; Environmental Photographer and Artist, Jeffrey Feldmann; Environmentalist and Editor and Publisher of Estuary Magazine, Richard H. Shriver. Moderated by Nancy Wynn  
Paintings by Connecticut Plein Air Artist, Diana Rogers.

Diana Rogers is a Connecticut Plein Air artist. She energetically captures the change of Nature by surrounding herself with it year-round. As she creates, she feels its power and presence. She believes Nature's inherent rhythms connect to our own lives if we embrace its gifts. By using the Plein Air process, Rogers' senses are affected and heightened by Nature's influences. Her medium is pastels. Vibrant colors and dynamic mark-making combine to capture Nature's movement and energy. With the subject matter of New England's land, sky, and water ways, Rogers hopes to shed light on the beautiful places that need protection or restoration.

Please Register at <http://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Clare-PleinAir> to receive the Zoom link.



## Insider's Talk with Gabriel Löfvall

Tuesday, May 7, 5:30 to 7:45 PM.

Join us in the Franciscan Center for a convivial dinner gathering, followed by an engaging talk delving into the historical and cultural tapestry that weaves together our parish's seasonal music selections. This event promises a blend of camaraderie, intellectual stimulation, and insights into the wondrous feast of Corpus Christi (Body and Blood of Christ) and its musical interpretations, as our church's choirs prepare to sing a concert on this theme.

Please go to <http://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Gabe-2024> to register.

**Presenter: Dr. Gabriel Löfvall, Director of Music Ministry**

**Suggested Offering: \$15.00; includes a light supper**

**Registration Deadline: May 1**



## Parish Eucharistic Mission "Source and Summit, Sacrifice and Supper: The Meaning of the Eucharist"

We are delighted to welcome Joe Nuzzi as our Mission Leader this first weekend in June and for three consecutive evenings.

Joe is the Director of Evangelization at St. Francis of Assisi Church, our Franciscan parish in New York City.



Please come and join us as we gather for inspiration and engage in dialogue about this centrality of the Eucharist for our living and our discipleship.

Dates and times are currently being confirmed.

**Presenter: Joe Nuzzi, Director of Evangelization,  
St. Francis of Assisi Church, New York City.**



## Laissez Le Bon Temps Rouler...

Join us, Sunday, February 11 after the 8:00 and 10:00 am Masses to celebrate Mardi Gras! Special treats will be available to try in addition to our traditional Donuts and Coffee.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
GENEROSITY!**

## Offering

**January 15 - 21, 2024**

Weekly Collection: \$5,431.50

Online Giving: \$9,167.23

**Total: \$14,598.73**





## Mid-Season Call for Choir Members Help Elevate Our Liturgies with Your Voice Join the St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church Choirs

Are you an experienced choral singer seeking to enrich your spiritual and musical journey? We invite you to join the harmonious heart of our church's liturgical life. Your voice can help deepen the power and resonance of our worship services.

Our Spring Semester has started.

Your Role: As a member of one of our choirs, your voice will not only fill the church with beautiful music but also profoundly enhance the depth and spirit of our liturgies. We are looking for singers who have a background in choral music and a desire to contribute to our community's spiritual life.

Rehearsal Schedule:

Treble Clef Choir: Wednesdays, 5:30–6:45 PM

Gallery Choir: Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

Bass Clef Choir: Mondays at 7:45 PM

Church Street Singers Youth Choir: TBD

Be a Part of Our Choir Family. For more information, please reach out to Gabriel Löfvall at 860-756-4034 x 164 or via email at [glofvall@spsact.org](mailto:glofvall@spsact.org). Join us in enhancing the richness and beauty of our church's liturgies through the power of choral music

## Mass Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, January 27, 2024**

4:00 PM Mary Mittica

**Sunday, January 28, 2024**

8:00 AM Barbara Dotson

10:00 AM Sylvia Digby

11:45 AM Antoinette Smith, 2nd Anniversary

5:00 PM Albert M. Penta, In memory of his 96th Birthday

**Monday, January 29, 2024**

7:30 AM Henry M. McDermott

12:05 PM Denis Geary

**Tuesday, January 30, 2024**

7:30 AM Prayer Intentions for our parishioners

12:05 PM Mr. & Mrs. John Torza

**Wednesday, January 31, 2024**

7:30 AM Prayer intentions for the parishioners of St. Genevieve

12:05 PM Jack Markey

**Thursday, February 1, 2024**

7:30 AM Prayer intentions for Kevin Gilliard

12:05 PM Prayer intentions for Tim Welesky, Jr

**Friday, February 2, 2024**

7:30 AM Concetta Gianni

12:05 PM Ann Hann

**Saturday, February 3, 2024**

4:00 PM Richard Formica, 6th Anniversary

**Sunday, February 4, 2024**

8:00 AM William, Angie & Joanne Speziale

10:00 AM Robert Frost, 4th Anniversary

11:45 AM Judith Lanning

5:00 PM Jeanie Grasso Gagnon

## Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry No Freeze Shelter Meals - Update

As you know, each Sunday, through March 31st, our parishioners come together to prepare a Sunday dinner for the Shelter. We are still looking for donations for our February 4th and February 11th meals.

Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-No-Freeze> for a full list of what is still needed.

The shelter will once again be located on Washington Street in Hartford and serve approximately 60 individuals with warmth, a cot, a warm meal and perhaps moments of peace. The shelter stays open from 7pm to 7am, with the clients leaving each morning.

### Watch Online:



<https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Facebook>



<https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-YouTube>



<https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Streamspot>

## *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 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 <https://spsact.org/wedding-request-form/> to begin preparation for Marriage, normally one year in advance and before any other arrangements are made for a reception.

**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-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 Community Engagement; [aholstgrubbe@spsact.org](mailto:aholstgrubbe@spsact.org); 860-756-4034, EXT. 110.*

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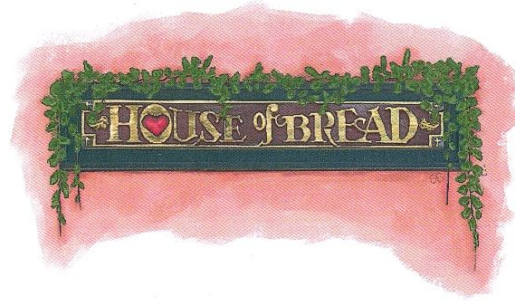
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December 29, 2023

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Dear Friends from the St. Patrick-St. Anthony Parish Family,

We would like to thank you for the countless gifts that you thoughtfully selected, beautifully wrapped, and meticulously organized for our guests at House of Bread. They were an incredible demonstration of the love and care that you share with us, during this Christmas season, but truly, all year long! We are incredibly grateful for each of you! Thank you for always holding the people we serve at the top of your minds and close to your hearts. We will not soon forget the joy that you brought to each recipient as many of our guests might not otherwise have experienced such thoughtful and generous gestures in their honor. We appreciate your efforts to make this Christmas extra special for all the people we serve.

We deeply appreciate our partnership with St. Patrick-St. Anthony and your support and concern for those in need. You make our mission possible! Thank you for always sharing your gifts with us. May the beauty of the Christmas season be present in your lives all year long and may the blessings you have bestowed upon us return to you a hundredfold! Best wishes for a wonderful 2024!

With peace and gratitude,

Beth Boyle, Co-Director

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We are incredibly grateful for all you do! Thank you for your partnerships and friendships. We send every good wish for a blessed and peaceful 2024! God Bless!

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DAVID  
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To the St. Patrick-St. Anthony  
Parish Family,

HECTOR BAEZ

Thank You

Coral Desay  
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Eddie Smith  
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Jim Flitz  
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for bringing light and love this Christmas season.

Your generous gifts are most appreciated and we  
are grateful for the great care you put into making  
us feel special. May you feel the love and support  
this holiday season that we feel from you.

Luisa  
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The guests at the House of Bread

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To the Saint Patrick Saint  
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Alexda  
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Thank You!

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For the beautiful and thoughtful gifts. Along with your  
generosity, you have given much hope and many smiles  
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