

St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church • 285 Church Street • Hartford, Connecticut
June 9, 2024 • Tenth 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!



Celebration of the Eucharist

Masks are optional at all Masses

Saturday Evening Mass of Anticipation

4:00 PM Public

Sunday Masses

8:00 AM Public

10:00 AM Public & Livestream

11:45 AM Public

5:00 PM Public

Weekday Masses

7:30 AM Public

12:05 PM Public & Livestream

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 11:15 to 11:45 AM

Saturday 3:15 to 3:45 PM

Updated Livestreaming Information

If you would like to watch any of the other Masses, you can do so by going to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSACT-Streamspot> or scanning the QR Code.



- June 8 Centering Yoga - 9:00 AM
- June 9 Community Sunday - 9:00 AM
- June 10 CGS Level 2 Formation Class - 8:30 AM
Pastoral Care Outreach Monthly Reflection (Zoom) - 12:45 PM
Sister Parish Committee Meeting (Zoom) - 6:30 PM
Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting (Zoom) - 7:00 PM
- June 11 CGS Level 2 Formation Class - 8:30 AM
Group Spiritual Reflection (Zoom) - 12:30 PM
- June 12 In Quite Prayer - 7:30 AM
CGS Level 2 Formation Class - 8:30 AM
People of Hope (Zoom) - 11:00 AM
Group Spiritual Reflection (in-person) - 12:40 PM
- June 13 CGS Level 2 Formation Class - 8:30 AM
- June 14 CGS Level 2 Formation Class - 8:30 AM
- June 16 Friends & Family Ministry - 3:30 PM

Daily Mass Readings

- Monday, June 10: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Mt 5:1-12
- Tuesday, June 11: ACTS 11:21B-26; 13:1-3; MT 5:13-16
- Wednesday, June 12: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27
- Thursday, June 13: 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Mt 5:17-19
- Friday, June 14: 1 Kgs 18:41-46; Mt 5:20-26
- Sunday June 16: Ez 17:22-24; Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

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

The Pastor's Corner

June 9, 2024

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I continue to revel in the extraordinary events that unfolded over the past week in which our parish community celebrated "Eucharist: Feast of Joy & Remembrance."

Beginning with last Saturday's concert, "O Sacrum Convivium: Choral Mediations on the Eucharist," we were treated to some of the most sublime music from plainchant to Palestrina to composers of the present day. I congratulate Gabriel Löfvall and our choirs, together with almost 20 instrumentalists, who took us to new heights of sonic splendor. If you were not able to be present that evening, here is a link to the video on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TZhFK9dNHBA>.

The Eucharistic theme continued on Sunday afternoon and Monday and Tuesday evenings with presentations by Joseph Nuzzi titled "Source and Summit, Sacrifice and Supper: The Meaning of the Eucharist." With attendance hovering around 100 for each session, the reactions from the participants were very enthusiastic. Many people mentioned to me how much they appreciated Joe's presentations and how much they learned about the Eucharist and the Mass.



The overwhelming response to these events have caused me to start thinking of how we might move forward with further opportunities for faith formation and enrichment on the subject of the Eucharist. In the meantime, I want to thank everyone who took part in the concert and presentations. I cannot think of a more fitting way to celebrate the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ.

One of the questions that Joe posed to the participants was: "What are the four ways in which Christ is made present during the Mass?" While the first three answers came quickly (the Assembly, the Word, and the Eucharistic elements of Bread and Wine), the last was not so obvious: the Priest. Indeed, an ordained priest (or bishop) is necessary for the celebration of Mass, and this leads me to some

remarks about vocations to the priesthood, as well as vocations in general.



A few weeks ago, I mentioned that this weekend of June 8-9 has been designated by the Vocations Ministry of the Archdiocese of Hartford as "Called By Name Sunday."

One of the many ways in which young men respond to the call to the priesthood is by having someone suggest it to them. Perhaps a teacher, another priest, or a relative might recognize their potential to be a holy and generous minister of Christ's presence in the world as a priest. And all it takes is someone to make the offer or suggestion. That is what we wish to do this weekend. We ask you to think of someone who might make a good priest and send us his name. We also want to include those who might make a good religious sister or brother. And, as in the case of the Franciscans – a good religious priest.

We are including a QR in the weekend songsheet (or just point your smartphone camera to the one here) that will take you to a form that you can fill out and submit to the Vocations Ministry of the Archdiocese of Hartford. If you don't have a smartphone, cards are available at the back of the church that you can take home, fill it out, and return it next week to my attention.



In addition to the "Called By Name" project, our Parish Vocations Awareness Committee is exploring ways to highlight and inform parishioners about different forms of vocations in the church, besides the ordained ministry, such as: religious brothers, religious sisters, and members of lay secular institutes like the Secular Franciscans, Mercy Associates and Oblates.

At this time, let us pray for vocations in all walks of life that we may live fully our baptismal commitment: "Heavenly Father, you have created us for a definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path you have planned for each of us in this life, and to respond with a generous 'Yes.' Make our parish, our homes and our hearts fruitful ground for your gift of vocations. May we respond to your call with courage and zeal. Stir among us a desire and the strength to live good and holy lives in service to others. We make our prayer to you, Father, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord. Amen."

Blessings on your week ahead!

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

Centering Yoga

Parishioner Michael Leahy (YT200) is offering a FREE one-hour yoga class in the Franciscan Center at 9:00am on **June 8, 2024**. All ability levels are welcome; please bring your own mat. Email aholstgrubbe@spsact.org to register.

Open Hearts Picnic Sunday June 9

Happy Pride Month...we will celebrate the year end and pride month with a barbecue and picnic in the Franciscan Center basement and courtyard at 6 pm. We will have a short time of announcements, but mainly come to socialize and share fellowship.

The church is supplying the meats and toppings. If you can bring something to share...

If your last name is A-L, you can bring a drink of some sort
If your last name is M-Z, you can bring a dessert or side dish

Please bring yourself even if you cannot bring something. Invite a friend, neighbor or fellow parishioner to come with you.

Allies and Family and Friends are invited as well as those in the LGBTQ+ community.

Friends and Family Ministry: Our next meeting will take place on Sunday, June 16, 2024 at 3:30 PM in the Franciscan Center. Our group provides support and guidance to parents, friends and allies of our LGBTQ+ brothers and sisters. Please contact either Tim Curran (timothy.curran@trincoll.edu) or Rich Broggini (richardbroggini@gmail.com) for more information.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Calling all who knit or crochet and those who would like to learn these art forms. You are invited to contribute your time and talent to the Prayer Shawl Ministry at St. Patrick - St. Anthony Church.

The next meeting is June 10, 2024 7:00 PM via Zoom.



SPSA Community Day at Dunkin' Park June 16

Spend Father's Day with us! Come join us for a fun afternoon with our community. Please call Pat Curtis, 860-756-4034, to reserve your tickets this week. Tickets are \$17.00 each. Get your tickets today!

A Novel Idea Book Club

Our June book selection is *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride.

Join the discussion on **June 20 at 7:00 PM** in-person at the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry and on Zoom.

Upcoming books:

July 18: *Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett

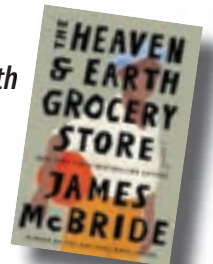
August 15: *The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese

September 19: *The Queen of Dirt Island* by Donal Ryan

October 17: *Recitatif* by Toni Morrison



For more information please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-NBC-Books> or scan the QR code.



Secular Franciscan Order

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 June 23rd at 2:00 to learn more about the Secular Franciscan Order. We will be discussing Social Justice related to "Caring for God's Creation".



Ongoing Adult Faith Formation Programs

For full program descriptions, Zoom links, and more information, please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-AFF>.

Group Spiritual Reflection:

Tuesday: June 11, 2024, on Zoom at 12:30 PM

Wednesday: June 12, 2024, in-person at 12:40 PM

In Quiet Prayer: Wednesday, June 12, 2024, 7:30 to 8:00 AM on Zoom

People of Hope: *The Flowing Grace of Now*: Wednesday, June 12, 2024, on Zoom from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Praying with Sacred Scripture, Wednesday, June 19, 2024, in-person from 7:00 to 8:00 PM

Upcoming Adult Faith Formation Program

Is our Church Still Relevant Today?

Perhaps you have heard the question circulating among Catholics, *"Is our Church still relevant in our society today?"*



We propose this answer: The Church as the People of God, enlivened through our Baptism, is called to vibrant, relevant living based on Gospel values which speak words of hope and comfort to those afflicted, and words of truth and integrity to those who serve and lead.

When we fully comprehend our own inherent dignity and rightful empowerment through the Holy Spirit, stagnation will not be an option. Our ongoing response to the gifts of this first Sacrament refreshes our own lives, our parish, and all of society.

Please join us this summer for three reflection sessions immediately following the 12:05 Mass on Wednesdays in the church:

July 24: "Anointed for Mission"

July 31: "Discipleship": Enriching Relationships and Growing in Holiness

August 7: "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors": Living into our Motto

Together we will explore anew and reclaim this incredible gift and grace given at Baptism.

Presenters: Patricia Curtis and LouAnn Warren

Please Beware!



The Scammers are at it again.

We are hearing people are receiving TEXTS and/or emails that appear to be from friars or parish staff asking for money or gift cards. Please know we will never personally ask you for anything. These emails and text messages are phishing attempts and not a valid request from any of us.

Do not ever click on any link from these emails or texts. Do not respond to the texts. You can report these as SPAM or delete them through your email provider, or block the number that sent it to you.

Weekly Offerings Thank you for your generosity!

May 20 - 26, 2024

Online Giving: \$9,460.23

Weekly Collection: \$12,364.17

Total: \$21,824.40

May 27- June 2, 2024

Online Giving: \$9,969.23

Weekly Collection: \$7,660.00

Total: \$17,629.23

Become a Mercy Associate

The Mercy Associates of Connecticut invite you to learn about us. We are men and women who hear and respond to the Gospel invitation of Jesus and the example of Catherine McAuley, founder of the Sisters of Mercy. We share in the mission and charism of Mercy and partner with the Sisters of Mercy in caring for and walking with the poor, sick, and uneducated. While maintaining our individual lifestyles, we share in prayer, community and ministry.



For more information please reach out to Kathy Swift, Local Area Facilitator, at ctmercyassociates@gmail.com or 860-594-8619, ext 225.



Archbishop's Annual Appeal Donations as of 6/3/2024

Parish Goal: \$115,000.00
Total Donated: \$72,840.60
Percent of Goal: 63.34%

This weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal across the Archdiocese. You will find special Appeal commitment envelopes on the back tables, please take one and respond as generously as your means permit. Thank you in advance for your support.

All funds contributed to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal are used exclusively for the purposes outlined in the Appeal literature. Appeal literature can be found at <https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/>. No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements.

TRAFFIC ALERT: June 9, 2024

There is a planned 5k road race which will impact Ann Uccello Street at the end of the 8:00 AM Mass on June 9, 2024. Please plan accordingly.

Peter's Pence Collection: June 30, 2024

Please consider giving generously to this collection on June 30 as a sign of mercy to those who suffer around the globe and of your support for the ongoing work of the Holy See.



www.usccb.org/peters-pence



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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, June 8, 2024

4:00 PM Frank J. Libro, 4th Anniversary

Sunday, June 9, 2024

8:00 AM Eugene Boneski

10:00 AM Sebastian Kolodziej

11:45 AM In thanksgiving to St. Anthony

5:00 PM Hazel Mawson

Monday, June 10, 2024

7:30 AM Prayer intentions for our parishioners

12:05 PM Leopoldina Vanegas

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

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

12:05 PM Thomas O'Connell

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Molly McConkey

Thursday, June 13, 2024

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Prayer intentions for the Christians of Syria & Lebanon

Friday, June 14, 2024

7:30 AM

12:05 PM Prayer intentions for the people of Palestine

Saturday, June 15, 2024

4:00 PM Deceased members of the Pinnone Family

Sunday, June 16, 2024

8:00 AM

10:00 AM Carol & James Curtis

11:45 AM Luca Celentano, M.D.

5:00 PM

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



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.

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 <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; 860-756-4034, EXT. 110.*

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