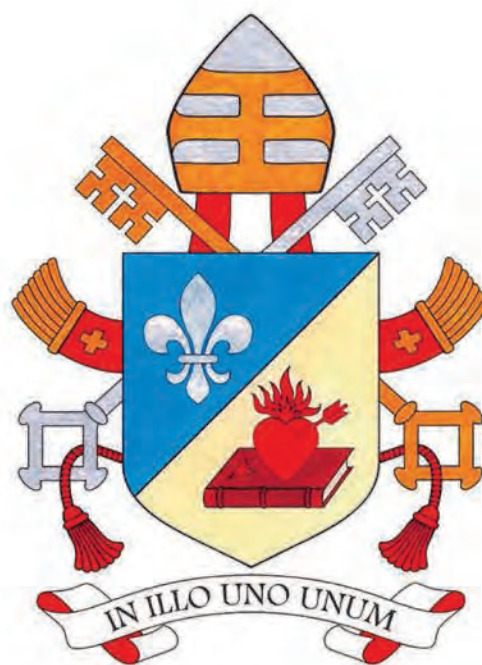


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we are one.*



Pope Leo XIV



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Celebration of the Eucharist

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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

Our Own Nazareth Time

Monday, May 19, June 2 from 12:45-1:45 PM.



The City is My Monastery, A Contemporary Rule of Life, by Richard Carter is an unusual book; more like a guide to life that might become your life-time companion for prayer,

peace and well-being. It gives us a practical "rule of life". Please purchase a book if needed.

Please attend as your schedule allows! Follow along and then join us for an in-person experience of spiritual practices which will inspire far beyond the end of the Easter Season.

Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Naz-Time> to register.

The Emmaus Grieving Parent Ministry



We meet at the Franciscan Center at 3:30 on the third Sunday of the month. Next meeting is May 18, 2025.

Please call the church office for more information at 860-756-4034.

Daily Mass Readings

Monday, May 19 Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26
Tuesday, May 20 Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a
Wednesday, May 21 Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8
Thursday, May 22 Acts 15:7-21; Jn 15:9-11
Friday, May 23 Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17
Sunday, May 25 Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8;
Rv 21:10-14, 22-23 Jn 14:23-29

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

Yard Goats Tickets for June 15 are still AVAILABLE by emailing Pat Curtis, pcurtis@spsact.org, to reserve your tickets for you and a friend! Join us to hold the flag for the opening ceremony!



The Pastor's Corner

May 18, 2025

Dear Parishioners and Friends,



I had just finished my homily at the 12:05 PM Mass on Thursday, May 8th when my watch buzzed. I took a quick glance at it and I saw a message from one of our staff members which read: "White smoke!!!" Before starting the preparation of the gifts, I mentioned it to the congregation who burst into spontaneous applause.

After Mass ended I went back to the friary where I made a quick sandwich and then settled in front of the TV in our living room along with Fr. Bill. Finally, the curtains parted and the central door onto the papal balcony of St. Peter's Basilica opened.

The age-old announcement began. "Habemus Papam!" As the Cardinal continued, it was tricky to hear him clearly. I could only make out the first two names, Robert Francis. It wasn't until the full name was flashed across the bottom of the screen that the shock registered. We had an American pope! Robert Francis Prevost who had taken the name Leo XIV.

In the days that followed we learned more about the man who had been a missionary and bishop in Peru, the prior general of the Augustinians, and Cardinal Prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops. He is a graduate of Villanova University, the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, and the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas (Angelicum) in Rome. He is a smart, experienced, multi-lingual person who checked all the boxes to be a successful candidate for the papacy. In a mere 24-hour span, the overwhelming majority of Cardinals came to that same conclusion, and by the time the white smoke cleared, Pope Leo XIV stood in front of a vast cheering crowd.

Pope Leo is just a year younger than me, and he comes from a different generation than his predecessors. I believe he will bring to the papacy a more youthful outlook and perspective (I hear he plays a mean game of tennis). He also faces a mountain of challenges as the world grapples with a host of conflicts and threats to human dignity and safety, as well as threats to the natural environment.

The internet has exploded over the past few weeks with information about our new Holy Father. I came across a prayer that beautifully summarizes our hopes for his ministry as pope:

A Prayer for His Holiness, Pope Leo XIV
Robert Francis Prevost

Born: September 14, 1955
Ordained Priest: June 19, 1982
Ordained Bishop: December 12, 2014
Created Cardinal: September 30, 2023
Elected Pope: May 8, 2025



**"You are Peter, and upon this rock
I will build my Church."**

Matthew 16:18

Dear God, our heavenly Father,
Shepherd and Ruler of all the faithful,
look favorably upon your servant, Leo XIV,
whom you have set as the shepherd of your Church.

Pour out your abundant blessings upon him, and through him,
please guide your pilgrim Church along the path to heaven.

Grant him wisdom to discern your will, courage to fulfill it,
and love to shepherd your people with the Heart of Christ.

Through his ministry, bring peace to troubled hearts,
joy and courage to those who suffer,
and hope to the despairing.

May our dear Pope Leo be a faithful successor to Peter,
a humble servant of your Word,
and a fearless herald of your divine mercy and truth.

Please help him, through his word and example
to serve your flock, so that, together with him,
we may all come to eternal life with you.

We entrust him to the maternal care of our Mother Mary,
and to the prayers of all the saints,
through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
who lives and reigns with You
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. Amen.
Alleluia!

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

Adult Faith Formation

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

Group Spiritual Reflection:

Zoom Meetings: Every Tuesdays. Next meeting: May 20, 2025 from 12:30 to 1:30 PM. All are welcome! Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Tues-Spirit-Grp> to register and receive the Zoom Link.

In-person Meetings at the Franciscan Center: Every Wednesday. Next meeting: May 21, 2025, at 12:40 PM.

In Quiet Prayer:

Every Wednesday. Next meeting: May 21, 2025, from 7:30 to 8:00 AM. Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-In-Quiet-Prayer> to register.

People of Hope: "The Flowing Grace of Now"

Every Wednesday from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM on Zoom. Next meeting: May 21, 2025.

Attend when your schedule allows to receive the gifts of spiritual nourishment and growth. Join us: <https://tinyurl.com/SPS-ACT-POH-Fall24> to receive Zoom link. Free Will Offering

Divine Reading: Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the Franciscan Center. Join us!



Mother's Day Flowers have been given in memory and in honor of ...

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- In memory of Marion Hoey, by Nancy Hoey
- All forgotten Moms & Dotty DeVito, by Thomas & Andrea Hoisl
- In memory of Elizabeth Kania, by Brian Kania
- In memory of my mother, Mary O'Connell Cacchillo, by Timothy & Jean Kehoe
- Eleanor Laffin & Frances Coco, by Dan & Maryann Laffin
- In memory of Philomene LeBlanc, from the LeBlanc Family
- In memory of Virginia Robotti from the LeBlanc Family
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- Christine Panell & Aleksandra Smolinski, by Margo Smolinski
- Margaret Stephen, by Siobhan Stephen
- Mary Sowerbutts & Rose Wawzyniecki, by Patti & Stefan Wawzyniecki & Family
- Angela Sullivan, by Maxine Woolford
- Lena K. Yedziniak, by Lorraine Yedziniak



Rainbows of Hope: LGBTQ+ Families Share Their Stories

Featuring Parents and their LGBTQ+ children

Sunday, June 8th, 2025, 2-4 pm

Location: Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry at

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285 Church Street in downtown Hartford.

Free parking is available across from the church in The Saints Lot

All Are Welcome!

Registration Required: Scan QR Code
or go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-OH-June-8>
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Go to www.SPFACT.org for more info on Open Hearts and Family and
Friends Ministry's or Contact the Office at 860-756-4034 or email info@spsact.org



Congratulations to our 2025 Confirmation Class!

Listed alphabetically: Gianna Marie Alderucci, Mia Antonia Alderucci, Benjamin Michael Alger, Kevin John Brown, Matthew Ralph Brown, Elija James Bucko, Julia Vincenza Cartiera, Anderson Zazzaro Claffey, Audrey Lynn Clark, Katelyn Cykley, Rose Daly, Eva Gabriela Fisher, Austin James Freund, Julian Crezenzo Stephen House, Brayden Karanian, Chase Lacasse, Kate Elizabeth Landry (not pictured), Ava Jarosz Leahy, Violet Grace Lonksi, Juliana Kathryn Luzi, Matteo Mario Luzi (not pictured), Nathaniel Chad Maysonet, Anna Higgins Sigrist, Renee Marie Williams, Aislinn Grace, Mary Ziemba.

Also pictured, Archbishop Christopher Coyne and Fr. Timothy Shreenan, O.F.M.

NEWS FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD

Branches on the Vine



VOCATIONS OFFICE LAUNCHES 'ROSARY 100K' DURING THE MONTH OF MARY

— Story by Shelley Wolf

PHOTO BY FATHER ANTHONY FEDERICO
Zach Wehner, video production specialist for the Archdiocese of Hartford, directs a group of seminarians who have pledged to pray 100 rosaries each for the "Rosary 100K" challenge being sponsored by the Office of Vocations.

If you've been telling yourself you really should pray the rosary more often, now is the perfect time to start building the habit. be Archdiocese of Hartford's Office of Vocations is asking Catholics of all ages to commit to praying the rosary for an increase in vocations. Father Anthony Federico, director of Vocations and director of Seminarians, is asking Catholics to pray 100,000 rosaries as part of a "Rosary 100K" challenge that is kicking off this May, during the Month of Mary.

"I read a quote from Our Lady to St. Dominic. She said something to

the effect that if you promote the rosary, 'I will unleash a torrent of vocations.' And so, we are taking her at her word," Father Federico says.

"Together, the archdiocese is going to pray 100,000 rosaries for new vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, religious and consecrated life, holy Catholic marriage and family, and the generous single life — for all the vocations of the Church," he explains.

And everyone is invited. "We are sending the invitation to join the campaign to every parish, every school, every high school, every college, and every apostolate and institution in the archdiocese," he reports.

To read the rest of this week's Branches on the Vine, please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SP-SA-BV-518> or scan the QR code.





Congratulations to our 2025 First Communion Class

Remy Finn Brand, Joseph Isaac Foran, Ryan James Gentile, Malcolm Zachary Goodwin, Nathan Charles Goodwin, Saoirse Rose Guarnieri, Mary Elizabeth Kennedy, Anthony James Langschultz, Tyler Edward Malloy, Brooklyn Danielle Martins, Samantha James O'Coin, Dominic Salvatore Prizio, John Carlson Rubin, Clara Denise Sokolski, Charlotte Marie Sullivan, Rory Haslun Sweeney, John Michael Tyskiewicz, Jacob Fitzgerald VanDeHoef, Margaret William Webb, Weylin Woulfe, Alexander Chad Tierney, Lila Sophie Tierney, Connor Zacherl

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd



is a faith formation program where children experience God in a tangible way - through working with their hands using materials made just for them, they are able to nurture their relationship with God from the youngest age of 3. They are given freedom of movement throughout the "atrium" (our prepared environment created just for children), and they are invited to choose to work with materials they have been presented.

Children receive presentations from adults who have been prepared through a Formation Course, which teaches theology, child development, and the pedagogical knowledge to work with children effectively.

CGS Formation Training is known to be a transformational experience on many levels for those who have participated in a course. The setting is retreat-like, and participants have remarked that the course nourished their faith, improved their parenting, and changed their lives in countless ways. Working in the atrium is NOT required!

We are offering a CGS Level 1 Formation Course June 2-5, and one Saturday, November 15 with the second half of the course one Saturday in the winter and one week (TBD) in the summer of 2026. We invite you to consider giving yourself this week to nurture your faith.

Please contact Sarah Christopher (schristopher@spsact.org) or Deb Pelletier (dpelletier@spsact.org) to hear about parishioner pricing. Please go to <https://spsact.org/catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd-formation/> to learn more about CGS Formation Courses.

To register for the Level 1 CGS Formation Course 2025, please go to <https://spsact.org/cgs-level-1-formation-2025/>

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, May 17, 2025

4:00 PM Maria Assuncao & Jose DaCosta Roxo

Sunday, May 18, 2025

8:00 AM The Mastronardi Family

10:00 AM Analia & Antonio Alves

11:45 AM In Thanksgiving to St. Boniface

5:00 PM Sabina Teresa Bartosiak

Monday, May 19, 2025

7:30 AM James Sperry

12:05 PM Jack Gannon

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

7:30 AM James Sperry

12:05 PM Manuel Perez Jimenez

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

7:30 AM Jose Eduardo Ribeiro

12:05 PM Dennis Burnell

Thursday, May 22, 2025

7:30 AM Prayer intentions for our Parishioners

12:05 PM Madeline Capodanno

Friday, May 23, 2025

7:30 AM For the people of St. Genevieve Parish

12:05 PM Elvia Lesomes

Saturday, May 24, 2025

4:00 PM Judith-Ann Giansanti

Sunday, May 25, 2025

8:00 AM Ned Schofield

10:00 AM Donald Roberts

11:45 AM Maria Monaco

5:00 PM Lynn Blessing

Please Pray for the Sick

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

Exciting News from the Parish Nurse Ministry!



St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church now has two Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) installed on-site! These life-saving devices were generously provided through a grant from the Michael Vincent Sage Dragonheart Foundation. AEDs are located inside the Church and in the Franciscan Center.

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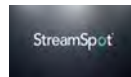
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<https://www.facebook.com/St-Patrick-St-Anthony-Church-109359789104825/>



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