

"No servant can serve two masters.
He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one
and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon."

Luke 16:13



Parable of the Unjust Steward by Andrei Mironov

St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church • 285 Church Street • Hartford, Connecticut
September 21, 2025 • 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church and
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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

Daily Mass Readings



Monday, Sept 22 Ezr 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18
 Tuesday, Sept 23 Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21
 Wednesday, Sept 24 Ezr 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
 Thursday, Sept 25 Hg 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9
 Friday, Sept 26 Hg 2:1-9; Lk 9:18-22
 Sunday, Sept 28 Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 1;
 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

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

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Open Hearts Ministry

Friends and Family Ministry: Our next meeting will take place on Sunday, September 21, 2025 at 3:30 PM in the Franciscan Center.



The Pastor's Corner

September 21, 2025

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Much has been said and written in the aftermath of the shooting death of Charlie Kirk on September 10th. As a right-wing political activist, author, and media personality, he was a controversial figure in the American political scene, even though he wasn't an elected official. His murder, in full view of a crowd of spectators, set off a firestorm of vitriol from all corners of the political spectrum.

What I have read and heard about Mr. Kirk tells me that he was someone who possessed a magnetic personality but whose values and beliefs were often at odds with my own. Nevertheless, we must condemn his murder and refuse to condone all forms of violence such as this. As Christians, we believe in the dignity of every human being, and we must respect that dignity even if we don't agree with a person's opinions or beliefs.

What troubles me more, however, is the reaction from politicians who refuse to acknowledge the divisiveness and hatred which are running rampant in our country today, and who wantonly place blame on everyone else but themselves.

Parishioners have expressed deep concern for the state of our national politics and are feeling helpless in the face of so much negative and harsh rhetoric. A frontpage article in the *Hartford Courant*



on Tuesday, September 16th, spoke in depth about the level of anger in today's political environment. A Quinnipiac University professor, Scott McLean, said that "the Kirk assassination has generated far more media attention than various shootings across the country in which the victims are not known to the general public." He concluded by saying: "I hope it turns into a longer, more national discussion about the condition of our political discourse today. It has become degraded in the last 10 years, and it's having an effect on public opinion and people's behavior."

I find myself in complete agreement with Mr. McLean, and I pray that this battering of our national psyche will not continue unchecked. I only hope that we will have the fortitude to come to our senses before long. If you need to talk, get in touch with us. As I've said before, let us take care of each other and build up hope and goodness wherever it is needed. May the Holy Spirit grant us wisdom!

Blessings on your week ahead!

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

THE DIGNITY INDEX 101

Thursdays, October 23, 30 & November 6, attend either 12:45 - 2:15 PM OR 6:30 - 8:00 PM.

Dignity Index 101 is a 3-session program which will provide a forum where participants take an in-depth look at how to be part of building a culture of dignity in our lives, our community, and the political arena.

Over the summer, we offered an introductory program on the Dignity Index. Parishioners who attended were very enthusiastic not only to put the concept into practice but also to learn even more ways to move from contempt to dignity in all of our communications. Have YOU experienced first-hand or witnessed within our culture, the use of language which divides us one from another? Perhaps within your school, workplace, community, or even our own country, you've seen up close the divisions created when people are treated harshly, sometimes with contempt.

One attempt to reverse this negative impact upon our lives involves adopting "The Dignity Index." Placing DIGNITY at the heart of our conversations, in-person or on social media, can be a choice to build back our humanity. Together let's make this CHOICE away from judgment and dehumanizing language. Let us respond to the CALL to a different way... one which affirms the humanity of all.

Register at <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Dignity-Fall-2025> to let us know you plan to attend.

Facilitator: Elaine Wiatr

Offering for this series is \$30.00 which includes three in-person sessions as well as a professionally produced hard copy booklet of course materials.

THE DIGNITY INDEX

You are invited to an evening with
CARL SICILIANO
author of
“MAKING ROOM”

Thursday, Sept. 25
from 6:30-8 pm
at the Franciscan Center
for Urban Ministry

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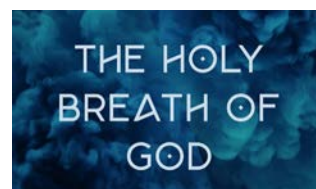
Making Room

Carl Siciliano
 Founder of the M.R. Center

Three Decades of
 Fighting for Beds,
 Belonging,
 and a Safe Place for
 LGBTQ Youth

Development of the Holy Spirit in the Bible

Tuesdays, September 30 and October 7; 6:30-7:45 pm.



The Holy Spirit – the third person of the Trinity – is vital to Christian faith, but did you know that our understanding of the Holy Spirit is heavily rooted in the Hebrew

Scriptures? In this two-part Bible Study, we will read and discuss passages of the Old Testament that provide the foundation for our idea of the Holy Spirit. We will then turn our attention to key passages in the New Testament, to see how its authors fleshed out the portrait of the Holy Spirit and the ways in which it has acted, and continues to act, in our world.

Active participation by attendees is encouraged; no question is off-limits, and lively discussion is welcome. Go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-DHSB-2025> to let us know you are attending.

Free Will Offering

Facilitator: Dan Kueper

Tuesday Pasta Dinners: Helping to Feed Those in Need!

We serve warm meals on Tuesdays, and lately we have been serving about 100 to 125 meals. Consider signing up to cook a baked ziti at home or to supply salad makings. Ziti trays and salad makings can be delivered prior to Tuesday but **MUST** be dropped off by 2pm each Tuesday. Trays can be dropped off frozen, freshly made, partially or fully baked just add a note with your reheating instructions. Thank you so much for partnering with us to feed the hungry! Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-t-th-mealsto> sign up.



September, 2025

Did You Know, that you can follow an eco-friendly diet and still eat meat? Just eat less of it!

We can consider “eating lower on the food chain” as part of answering Pope Francis’ call to care for creation. Are meatless Fridays a possibility in your home year round, instead of just during Lent? Go to <https://catholicclimatecovenant.org/blogs/going-meatless-for-lent-is-good-for-the-body-soul-and-our-common-home/> for more info on Meatless Friday.

Join Us This Week

Group Spiritual Reflection:

Zoom Meetings: Every Tuesday. Next meeting: September 23, 2025 from 12:30 to 1:30 PM. All are welcome! Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-GSP-2025> to register and receive the Zoom Link.

In-person: Every Wednesday. Next meeting: September 24, 2025 from 12:30 to 1:30 PM in the Franciscan Center. All are welcome!

In Quiet Prayer: Wednesday, September 24, 2025, from 7:30 to 8:00 AM. Join us on Zoom. Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-IQP-2025>

People of Hope: Next Meeting, Wednesday, September 24 from 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM on Zoom. We will use author Amy Ekeh’s latest book *Stretch Out Your Hand: Reflections on the Healing Ministry of Jesus*. To register go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-PPL-HP-2025>.

Divine Reading: Wednesday, October 1, 2025, from 7:00 to 8:00 PM in-person, in the Franciscan Center. 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 welcomed, but optional. Join us when you can!

Co-facilitators: Sheila Denion and John Lemega

Day of Reflection for Women

St. Edmund's Retreat, Saturday
October 11, 2025, 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

"Bothered by God?"

During this day of retreat, we will consider the invitation to deeper listening to the quiet voice of God in our hearts. How were the women of the Bible "bothered by God" and how did they respond?

Can we hear God's voice in our lives? How are we listening? The day will provide time for input, quiet listening, sharing, and of course, lunch.

Enjoy a day of reflection on beautiful Enders Island, a 12-acre island in Fisher's Island Sound, Mystic, CT.

St. Edmund's is a place for restoration, renewal and reflection.

Download the flyer at <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-WRetOct25>

OR to register, go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-DOR-W2025>.

The Emmaus Grieving Parent Ministry



We meet at the Franciscan Center at 3:30 on the third Sunday of the month. Next meeting is September 21, 2025. Please call the church office for more information at 860-756-4034.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

It's called a prayer shawl because it came from the prayers of the shawl maker holding the person receiving the shawl in her or his prayers.



Upcoming Prayer Shawl Meetings:

September 25, 2025 at 10:30 AM in-person.

October 13, 2025 at 7:00 PM on Zoom.

Come join our group. No experience necessary. For more information, contact Janet Bristow at janetbristow@sbcglobal.net



Bereavement Support Program



When you have experienced a loss and are dealing with your grief, you find yourself in a very personal and individual journey that has many challenges. A Bereavement Support Program can provide you with compassion, support,

and courage as you navigate your way through your journey with others. We would encourage you to be thoughtful and prayerful as you consider this possibility of participating in this Bereavement Support Program.

We will follow the New Day Program which is 10 consecutive weeks in length, beginning on Sunday October 12 and our final meeting will be on Sunday December 14. We plan to meet on Sundays from 1-2:30pm in the Franciscan Center, and there is no cost to participants. We would appreciate it if you would call the Parish Office (860 756-4034) to preregister since we do need to know the number of participants. We will need to have a minimum of 5 participants in order to hold this Bereavement Support Program. You will be asked to provide us with your phone number or email address should we need to reach out to you.

We look forward to walking with you on this journey.

Nancy Hoey, facilitator

SEEKING MAGICIANS OR BALLOON ARTISTS

Would you be willing to share your gifts with our parish community on Sunday, October 5th?

Please contact Mary-Ann at birdmal@att.net to join our team of Parish Picnic volunteers.

Wisdom in the Psalms

Thursdays, October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 and November 6;
10:30-11:30 AM.

A subcategory in the Book of Psalms is often referred to as "wisdom psalms." These psalms represent influences of a certain way of conceptualizing life and faith. This way of theologizing is best represented in the biblical books of Job, Proverbs, and Ecclesiastes. This program will concentrate on some of these "wisdom psalms" and discuss what does "wisdom" mean as it appears in these psalms.

Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-PSW-2025> to receive the Zoom link.

Free Will Offering

Facilitator: Fr. A. Francis Soucy, OFM



The Clare Gallery's hours are from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays, and Sundays from 9 – 11:30 a.m. The Gallery is open to the public. Free parking is available directly across from the church, and the facility is accessible to all. More information may be found at spsact.org/clare2.

New Exhibit: Inner Visions, September 4 – November 9, 2025

The Clare Gallery's 2025 season continues with exhibitions based on themes of Mystery, Mysticism, and Meaning. Inner Visions highlights the work of



Connecticut artist, Shannon McCarthy.

The exhibition includes paintings, drawings, and a large-scale visual timeline that includes notations, collage and sketches to explore the mystery of meaning in "seeing and knowing" by Leonardo da Vinci, Joan of Arc and the Christian Saints.

A free artist's talk and reception is on Saturday, September 20, 5–7:30 PM. Additionally, the Gallery hosts a virtual panel discussion on Monday, September 29, 7–8:30 PM. Panelists include the artist; a New Zealand poet and editor of *Kokako*, Graham Bates; and moderator, Nancy Wynn. The virtual panel discussion is free, but registration is required. Visit <https://spsact.org/clare2/> for registration.

Volunteer Today:

Feeling the need to give back? Consider volunteering!

Our Care Ministry Team helps to guide those families through the planning process of their lovedone's funeral. Our team is looking for a few new members to help round out our team. Please consider joining the vital ministry.



We are also looking for new members to join our **Friday Shoppers Ministry**. Every Friday we place two orders at BJ's Wholesale for the House of Bread Weekend Meal Program and the Franciscan Center. Please consider this vital ministry.

AND, consider becoming a Minister of the Door and help in the office early evenings and on Sundays by answering the door and doing light office work when needed.

Please go to <https://spsact.org/current-volunteer-opportunities/> to view current offerings.

Have questions? Please contact our Director of Community Engagement, Allison Holst-Grubbe at aholstgrubbe@spsact.org for more info!

Interested in the Catholic Faith?

Sunday, September 21, 11:00AM-12:00PM

Interested in the Catholic Faith? Have you been visiting our parish, perhaps asking yourself the following questions?



- How is the Catholic faith different from other Christian religions?
- Would becoming a member of the Catholic Church make a difference in my life?
- Would being a Catholic help me develop and strengthen my relationship with God?
- Will my participation in the Mass and the Sacraments enhance the fullness of my spiritual life?

The OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) process will help you explore these and other questions. Life is a journey on which a person is constantly learning, growing, and changing. This process is a step in that journey and lays the groundwork, through information and experiences, in helping you decide if you want to become a member of the Catholic faith. The OCIA process will provide the opportunity for you to ask questions, pray, and experience what is meant by being a Catholic Christian, and deepening your relationship with God and the Catholic community. We enthusiastically welcome you to join us on the spiritual journey! If you have an interest, or know of someone who may be interested, please give us a call at (860) 756-4034.



Weekly Offering Update

09/7/2025: \$14,846.73

A Message from our Parish Nurses

Your Parish Nurses highly recommend that those who are able, receive Influenza vaccines. Influenza or flu for short, is a contagious respiratory illness caused by the influenza virus.

You can not get the flu from the vaccine. They do not use a live virus to make the vaccine. If you had an exposure to the flu several days before the shot and become sick after the shot, you may equate the shot with "giving you" the flu, which is not possible.

The flu is mainly spread via tiny droplets through coughing, sneezing, or talking. These droplets can travel approximately 6 feet, infecting others.

Everyone is at risk of catching the flu, but those with a higher risk of developing severe flu-related complications are infants, young children, people 65 years of age and older, pregnant women, and people with certain health conditions or a weakened immune system.

Flu can cause mild to severe illness, sometimes leading to pneumonia, bronchitis, ear infections, and even death. It takes approximately two weeks for the vaccine to give you the best protection and wanes over 3 months. November begins the highest transmission with travel far & wide for the Thanksgiving & Christmas holidays and continues through February at its highest levels. Please be your self advocate in remaining healthy. We are here for you, The Parish Nurses

Baptisms This Weekend

Maisie Faith

child of

Ricardo & Fabiana Perente

Celebrated by Fr. Cidouan Joseph, O.F.M.

and

Crew Hayes

child of

Elizabeth & Tinaja Del Carmen

Celebrated by Fr. Timothy Shreenan, O.F.M.

2025 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Parish Goal: \$115,000.00

Total Donations: \$95,277.97

The 2025 Archbishop's Annual Appeal, Trust in the Lord presents each of us with the opportunity to give back to the Lord by helping those in need. Thank you for your support of this year's Appeal and please pray for its success – so many are counting on us! If you have not yet made your 2025 Appeal pledge please join your fellow parishioners and make a gift today by returning the pledge card mailed to you. *Please respond as generously as your means allow.* To donate please go to <https://appeal.archdioceseofhartford.org/donations/> or scan the QR Code.

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



Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 20, 2025

4:00 PM Melissa Corning

Sunday, September 21, 2025

8:00 AM Daniel Laffin, Sr.

10:00 AM Mary K. Lemega, 21st Anniversary

11:45 AM Deceased members of the Jordan family

5:00 PM Dan Moynihan

Monday, September 22, 2025

7:30 AM Margaret Stephen

12:05 Robert McHenry Fields

Tuesday, September 23, 2025

7:30 AM Prayer Intentions for the people of St. Genevieve

12:05 PM Madeline Capodanno

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

7:30 AM Deceased members of the Tarala and Caruso Families

12:05 PM Doris Curtis

Thursday, September 25, 2025

7:30 AM Don Maxa

12:05 PM Michal Fusco Jr.

Friday, September 26, 2025

7:30 AM Adolfo

12:05 PM Donato Monaco

Saturday, September 27, 2025

4:00 PM Steve Rzewnicki

Sunday, September 28, 2025

8:00 AM Fred D'Amico

10:00 AM John N. Ramos, 19th Anniversary

11:45 AM In Thanksgiving to our Lady of Fatima

5:00 PM Don Marzano

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

Watch 10:00 AM Mass Online:



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



<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8Vhk8-hhlyAJenBxueHySQ>



<https://venue.streamspot.com/cdc76f52>



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Branches on the Vine

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Father Joseph Benicewicz, a member of the Order of Friars Minor Conventual, poses in St. Paul Church in Kensington, where he was the pastor until his death on Sept. 6, 2024.

PHOTO COURTESY OF ST. PAUL SCHOOL



"Father Joe" was a leap year baby, whose Feb. 29 birthday arrived only once every four years. In February 2024, the last leap year, St. Paul School students surprised him with handmade posters, cards and a birthday sash.

PHOTO COURTESY OF ST. PAUL SCHOOL

Father Joseph Benicewicz will never be forgotten by all those who knew him, especially by the parishioners, faculty, staff and students at St. Paul Parish and St. Paul School in Kensington.

As the former pastor of the parish and school, the Franciscan priest, who died unexpectedly on Sept. 6, 2024, is being remembered fondly this fall through a memorial scholarship, Masses, a run and a walk.

Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, four students are benefiting from the "Father Joseph Benicewicz Memorial Scholarship." According to Principal Jill Conaway, four student families received \$250 each for a total of \$1,000 in scholarships. "It's to keep his memory alive going forward," Conaway says.

The scholarships were distributed to students who are practicing Catholics with a financial need, in keeping with Father Benicewicz's values.

"It was important to Father Joe to never turn away families in need, who were committed to having a Catholic education for their children," says Kelly Esposito, director of admissions and marketing, who noted the school also offers other forms of financial assistance.

The priest – who served as a teacher, principal and school president in previous

FATHER JOSEPH BENICEWICZ REMEMBERED WITH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP, RUN AND WALK

assignments – loved to spend time with students. Before his passing, he led the St. Paul School children weekly in Mass and prayer, visited them in their classrooms, and even attended their basketball games.

As soon as teachers heard the news of his death last year, they suggested the scholarship in his name and began raising funds for the endeavor. The principal and advancement director got the ball rolling by setting aside a small portion of funds from the "Lion's Pride Fun Run," an already existing annual school fundraiser, to establish the Father Benicewicz Memorial Scholarship Fund. The school's next Lion's Pride Fun Run is slated for Oct. 9.

The admissions director and athletic director also partnered to start the "Father Joe Memorial Basketball Game" in which the basketball coaches challenged the boys and girls varsity team players, all while wearing "Father Joe" T-shirts. Proceeds from ticket sales and concessions went to the scholarship fund. Next year's game is already set for Feb. 7 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Additional scholarship donations are accepted throughout the year and

processed through the Advancement Office, where each contribution is recorded and acknowledged, Esposito says.

Over at St. Paul Church on the weekend of Sept. 6, 7 and 8, near the anniversary of his death, the entire parish just celebrated three memorial Masses, offering special prayer intentions for Father Benicewicz.

Additionally, this coming October, St. Paul Parish will host the "Father Joe Memorial Walk and Gathering on the Parish Green" on Oct. 5, following the 12 p.m. Mass. The 3.1-mile walk will begin at 1:30 p.m.

Polish food will be available for purchase from Belvedere in New Britain – one of Father Joe's favorites. The event will also include games and music.

For more about the scholarship and St. Paul School events, visit ourschool.stpaulkensington.org. For more about the memorial walk with St. Paul Parish, visit stpaulkensington.org.

- Story by Shelley Wolf



Upcoming Events



09/26 FRIDAY 6:30PM
YOUNG ADULT CANDLELIGHT SERVICE & COOKOUT AND CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT
 Our Lady of Knock Parish - St. Patrick Church, 110 Main St, Farmington

Welcoming All Young Adults to socialize with other young adults (age 21+) from surrounding parishes for a fun evening! Enjoy a Candlelight service at St. Patrick's Church in Farmington followed by a Cookout & Cornhole Tournament!

There is no fee, any monetary donation is welcomed. No registration is required - All are Welcome!! These events take place on the fourth Friday of every month with the exception of November and December - so mark your calendar and enjoy the fun! If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office, 860-673-2422.



09/28 SUNDAY 9:30AM
FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL ITALIAN MASS AND BLESSING FOR FIRST RESPONDERS
 St. Michael Church, 29 Wooster Pl, New Haven

Join us in celebration of the Feast of St. Michael with an Italian Mass at St. Michael Church in historic Wooster Square in New Haven on Sunday, September 28 at 9:30AM, celebrated by Fr. Joe MacNeill. All active and retired Police Officers and Firefighters are invited to attend for a special blessing, as St. Michael is the patron saint of first responders. The homily and blessing will be in English. The Southern Italian Religious Societies at St. Michael will host a breakfast in the church hall after Mass. All are welcome!

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