

The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised just as he said..."



St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church • 285 Church Street • Hartford, Connecticut
April 5, 2026 • The Resurrection of the Lord

Three Marys at the Tomb, Duccio di Buoninsegna (c. 1250/1255 - 1318/1319); Museo dell'Opera del Duomo, Siena, Italy

**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

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

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, April 4, 2026, Holy Saturday

8:00 PM Prayer intentions for our parishioners

Sunday, April 5, 2026, The Resurrection of the Lord

(Masses at 8, 10, 11:45 AM, and 5:00 PM)

Intention for ALL MASSES: Prayer intentions for our parishioners

Monday, April 6, 2026

9:00 AM Prayer intentions for our parishioners

Tuesday, April 7, 2026

7:30 AM Dennis Sullivan, 1st Anniversary

12:05 PM Concetta Gianni

Wednesday, April 8, 2026

7:30 AM Robert & Cenya Brito Dawkins

12:05 PM Michael Butkovic

Thursday, April 9, 2026

7:30 AM Clementina & Armando De Almeida

12:05 PM Prayer intentions for Corinne Parazzo

Friday, April 10, 2026

7:30 AM Virgilio Antonio Gutierrez

12:05 PM Jerelyn Fields

Saturday, April 11, 2026

4:00 PM Edward Alexis, 12th Anniversary

Sunday, April 12, 2026

8:00 AM Dimitrio Andrade

10:00 AM Donald Roberts

11:45 AM Carole Brophy

5:00 PM Jerelyn Fields

Daily Mass Readings



Monday, April 6 Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday, April 7 Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday, Apr 8 Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35

Thursday, Apr 9 Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48

Friday, Apr 10 Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14

Sunday, Apr 12 Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15,
22-24; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

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

REMINDER: If you have scheduled a Mass and you would like to bring up the gifts, please make yourself known to one of the sacristans prior to the start of the Mass.



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we celebrate the joy and hope of the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, I want to offer my warmest and most heartfelt Easter blessings to each of you across our beloved Archdiocese of Hartford.



Easter is the great proclamation of our faith: Christ is risen, He is truly risen. From the silence of the tomb bursts forth new life, renewed hope, and unshakable joy. No matter the burdens we carry or the uncertainties we face in daily life, the light of the risen Christ breaks through every darkness, assuring us that death and sin do not have the final word.

The Resurrection of Jesus is the foundation of our Christian hope. Through Christ's victory over death, we are offered new life, a life that is rooted in mercy, strengthened by grace, and sustained by God's unfailing love. In this sacred season, we are reminded that nothing is beyond God's redeeming power and that His mercy knows no limits.

As we gather with family, friends, and parish communities to celebrate this holy feast, I invite you to reflect on how we are called to be witnesses of the Resurrection in the world today. In a society often marked by division, fear, and indifference, we are entrusted with the mission of bringing Christ's peace, compassion, and reconciling love to all; those we know well and those we have yet to encounter.

May this Easter season renew in each of us a deeper commitment to faith, service, and charity. On this holy day, my prayer is that the light of the Risen Christ fills your homes with peace, your hearts with renewed hope, and your families with the deep assurance that death does not have the final word— love does.

Please know that you remain in my prayers, and I ask that you kindly remember me in yours. Happy Easter to you and to all those you cherish.

With Easter joy and blessings,

+ Christopher J. Coyne

Most Reverend Christopher J. Coyne
Archbishop of Hartford

I wish to add my own message of greeting to all our parishioners and guests who are worshipping with us this weekend. In a time of uncertainty in our world and our nation, I pray that our celebration of the Lord's Resurrection will fill you hope and joy! Happy Easter to you and your loved ones.

Fr. Tim Shreenan, OFM
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Pastor

Ongoing Faith Formation Programs:

Group Spiritual Reflection:

Zoom Meetings: Every Tuesday. Next meeting: April 7, 2026 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 Quiet Prayer: Wednesday, April 8, 2026, from 7:30 to 8:00 AM. Zoom link in Monday email. Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-IQP-2025>.

People of Hope: Next Meeting, Wednesday, April 8, 2026 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: Next meeting, April 8, 2026, 7:00 PM, location in the Franciscan Center. We meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday. Join us when you can!

Mandala Making Workshop

Saturday, April 11 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM
at the Clare Gallery

In December 2025, the Clare Gallery hosted the exhibit *Portals and Paintings* by artist Catherine Nogas-Steinberg.



Steinberg is also a shamanic practitioner and an expressive arts workshop facilitator in Connecticut and New Mexico. She regularly runs annual retreats and various expressive arts workshops.

On Saturday, April 11, 2026, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. the Gallery will host Steinberg's Mandala Making Workshop. The workshop fee is \$50 which includes supplies. A minimum of 6 participants is required. Register at: <https://tinyurl.com/SPSACT-Mandala-2026>

Offering: \$50.00 can be made payable to "Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry" and mailed to 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103, Attn. Pat Curtis OR go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-AFF-Pay> to give offering conveniently ONLINE and note the program name in the Memo.

The Drumming Circle

Join us Monday, April 6, 2026 from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. 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

Introduction to the Gospels

Tuesdays, April 7 & 14, 7:00-8:15 PM at the Franciscan Center.

Join us for our last two sessions:

- Luke - April 7
- John - April 14



Alively discussion is always welcome! No questions will be off-limits.

Presenter: Dan Kueper has a Master's degree in Theological Studies from Harvard Divinity School and has led Bible studies at several parishes.

Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSACT-Intro-Gospels> and let us know you are coming.

Baptism Easter Sunday

Sophie Patricia

child of

Sam and Anna Sherer

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

Prayer Shawl Ministry



Calling all who knit or crochet. The Prayer Shawl Ministers gather both virtually and in-person for our bi-monthly meetings, the 2nd Monday and last Thursday of each Month! And, yes, you can * learn * how to knit or crochet through Zoom. Our experienced ministers are skilled teachers as well. Please JOIN US!

April Meetings: April 13 at 7:00pm on Zoom and April 30th at 10:30AM in the Franciscan Center.

For more information and the Zoom meeting link, contact Janet Bristow at janetbristow@sbcglobal.net or you may also call the parish office at 860-756-4034, x.113 and leave your contact information. Pat Curtis will get back to you with information.



Office Hours

Easter Monday, 4/6
Office Closed
Regular Hours Starting
Tuesday, 4/7/2026

Community Day at the Dunkin' Park

June 14- FLAG DAY!!

\$20.00 Tickets go on sale after all Masses on April 11-12 in the



Franciscan Center Lobby.

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 some fussy fisher cats. Come support the Yard Goats as they play the Toronto Blue Jays' AA-Affiliate, the New Hampshire Fisher Cats.

Mark Your Calendar - The Walk is Coming



The Walk Against Hunger 2026 will be on Saturday, April 25th at Dunkin' Park in Hartford. The Walk will start at 10:00 AM, but please arrive at the stadium by 9:15 AM.

To join our team or donation, please scan the QR Code or go to <https://ti-nurl.com/SPSACT-WAH-2026> AND Get those walking shoes ready!!

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Open Hearts:

Please join us for one or both meetings. All are welcome. For more information Please go to <https://spsact.org/contact-form-for-open-hearts-ministry/> and a ministry member will reach out to you.



Open Hearts Monthly Meeting: Next meeting will be April 12, 2026 after the 5pm Mass. We meet the 2nd Sunday of each Month.

Friends and Family Ministry: Monthly Meeting: Sunday, April 19, 2026 at 3:30 PM in the Franciscan Center. We meet the 3rd Sunday of each Month.

My Narrative ~ Artwork by Linda Martin



Clare Gallery's second exhibition this year continues to celebrate "Voices Left Out at the Founding of Our Country."

My Narrative opened March 19. Artist reception on Sunday, April 12, 1:00 to 3:00 PM.

Martin has worked with fabrics much of her life. She appreciates their vast diverse patterns, textures, colors, and designs. Her work is a testament to the history of quilting, as well as the future of collage fiber art, where the only material Martin utilizes is from the world of textiles.

Through her work, she intends to create a conversation with her audiences explaining that it speaks to "who I am, where I come from, what I see, and where I am going." For My Narrative, Martin says, "the pieces that I chose for this exhibit allow me to tell stories of my family, my spiritual belief and my political standing in this country." She believes she is speaking and sharing her truth through her artwork.

Easter Vigil Sacraments

Full Initiation

(Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation)

Hayden Foldhazy

Jorge Garriga

Shawn Molina Flores

Received into the Catholic Church

(Eucharist & Confirmation)

Bryanne Chandler

Paolo Evangelista

Mark Barry

THE DIGNITY INDEX

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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.

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 in a different way... one which affirms the humanity of all. As Pope Leo XIV said at the beginning of Lent, *"Let us begin by disarming our language, avoiding harsh words and rash judgement, refraining from slander and speaking ill of those who are not present and cannot defend themselves. Instead, let us strive to measure our words and cultivate kindness and respect in our families, among our friends, at work, on social media, in political debates, in the media and in Christian communities."*

Facilitators: Elaine Wiatr and Pat Curtis

Dignity Index 101:

In-person: Wednesdays, April 15, 22 & 29, 12:45-2:45 PM; Register Here: <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-DIG-IP-26>

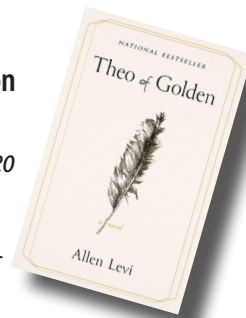
On Zoom: Thursdays, April 16, 23 & 30, 6:30-8:30 PM; Register Here: <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-DIG-Z-26>

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

The offering can be made payable to "St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church" and mailed to 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103, Attn. Pat Curtis OR go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-AFF-Pay> to give offering conveniently ONLINE and note the program name in the Memo.

A Novel Idea Book Club

Our next meeting is **April 16 at 7:00 PM on Zoom and in-person at the Franciscan Center..** The book selection for April is *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi..



According to Heather Caliendo from Bookclubchat.com: *"...Theo of Golden is a lovely book. When you think about it, how often do we talk about a work of fiction like that? I can see why people wish it were a true story, as it truly is inspiring in many ways..."*

For more information and a list of upcoming books, please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-NBC-Books>. Contact the office at 860-756-4034 or email info@spsact.org if you need more information.

The Emmaus Grieving Parent Ministry



The Emmaus Ministry for Grieving Parents, in the Franciscan tradition of "All are Welcome," serves the spiritual needs of grieving parents whose children of any age have died by any cause. We meet at the

Franciscan Center at 3:30 on the third Sunday of the month.
Next meeting, April 19, 2026.

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



Weekly Offering Update

3/15/2026: \$25,957.20

3/22/2026: \$23,515.20

3/29 and Easter Sunday will appear in the April 12th Bulletin due to bulletin deadlines

Looking for a Few Good Nurses!



The Parish Nurse Ministry is inviting nurses to join our team! Our ministry includes both active and retired nurses from a variety of professional backgrounds. Together, we serve our parish community by offering monthly blood pressure screenings and health consultations, as well as sharing information and resources to support wellness throughout the parish.

We're a friendly, supportive group, and we'd love to welcome new members! Our next screening will be held on April 12, 2026 following the 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses in the Conference Room at the Franciscan Center—a great opportunity to stop by, meet the team, and see what we do.

If you have questions or ideas, feel free to reach out to co-coordinators, Maureen at Maureen.pepin@gmail.com or Donna, at dmd27@sbcglobal.net

Healthfully yours,
The Parish Nurse Ministry Team



"All Are Welcome" Day of Reflection at Mercy by the Sea

****FIVE Registrations STILL OPEN****

Madison, CT, Saturday, May 16, 2026
Retreat Leader: Fr. Bill Beaudin, OFM

Here's a chance to step away from the ordinary schedule of life and devote this time to your spiritual growth. *And, if you have never experienced Mercy by the Sea before, please join us!*

Come away with us on a retreat day in May 2026! Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-AAWR-SP26> for more information and to register be for the last two spots are gone.

Suggested Offering: \$60.00. Checks payable to St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church and mailed to 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT 06103, Attn. Pat Curtis Or ONLINE at <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-AFF-Pay> and note the program name in the Memo.

Easter Season Twilight Retreat

Register now to join us at the Franciscan Center.

We are delighted to invite Fr. Ken Paulli, OFM back for an evening of presentation, inspiration, and reflection in this Easter season in preparation of the Feast of Pentecost.



Tuesday, May 19, 2026

5:30-8:00 PM – includes Dinner – Register at <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Paulli-Din>; Registration deadline for dinner is May 15
Suggested Offering: \$20.00

6:45-8:00 PM – Presentation Only – Register at <https://tinyurl.com/SPSA-Paulli-Pres>
Suggested Offering: \$15.00

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Feeling the need to give back? Consider volunteering for one of the following ministries:

- Care Ministry Team:** help to guide families through the planning process of their loved one's funeral.
- 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 go to <https://spsact.org/current-volunteer-opportunities/> to view current offerings.

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

Conversations on Work and Spirituality

Have you wondered about...

- How can I balance all areas of my life?
- How does my work connect to my spiritual well-being?
- How can I become more involved and give back to my local community?
- What advice might those at the end of their careers have for those just beginning?

You are not alone with these questions. **Meet and discuss** with those asking the same questions.

TAKING THE BIG RISKS

SPIRITUAL INSIGHTS FOR PEOPLE IN BUSINESS

WILLIAM FARLEY

FOUNDER AND CEO OF THE FARLEY COMPANY



Click [Here](#) or Scan to RSVP



An Evening with Bill Farley

Author of *Taking the Big Risks*



Bill Farley is the founder and former CEO of The Farley Company, once CT's largest commercial real estate firm, and a lifelong leader in the Hartford community. He has served on over 20 nonprofit boards and helped lead initiatives such as Journey Home and

House of Bread. Bill earned his MA in Religious Studies from Hartford International University and recently authored *Taking the Big Risks*, a book about how spiritual values guide decisions in work, leadership, and everyday life. He is a model for living a life balanced between family, friends, faith, work, and community. **Join us as we talk with Bill on his spiritual insights for people in business!**

Who

Working individuals interested in engaging in conversations around work and spirituality. **Bring a friend!**

What

An event to **learn from and connect with other working individuals** centered around work, spirituality, and community
◆ **Dinner Provided! RSVP by 4/13!**

Where

Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry
285 Church St, Hartford, CT 06103

When

Tuesday, April 21st

4:30 PM — Catch-Up with Bill
5:00 PM — **Evening Begins – Fr. Mike**
5:10 PM — Bill Speaks
5:45 PM — Dinner & Table Discussion
6:45 PM — Come Back to Large Group
7:00 PM — Closing Reflections & Prayer
7:15 PM — Dessert, Coffee & Networking
7:30 PM — **Evening Concludes**

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- ❖ In memory of Tam Pham, by Oanh & Bob Bamford
- ❖ Ronald Biederman, Thomas Sataro, Anna Pavlick, Joseph Pavlick, Mary Sataro, by Pat Biederman
- ❖ Alfio Bonanno and Janice Valade, by Sal & Lisa Bonanno
- ❖ Charlotte & Fran Bowen and Ed, Eugenia and Irene Guzek, by Tricia Bowen & Stan Guzek
- ❖ William D. Brown, John & Mary Fiorillo, Louis & John Fiorillo, and Bryan & Julia Brown, by Amy Brown
- ❖ Daniel Buckanavage, the Buckanavage & Gentkowski Families, Bob & Lucy Bezilla, Fr. Andrew Giardino, O.F.M., Denis Geary, and Pamela Johnson, by Pat Buckanavage
- ❖ Rosemary MacKay & Anne Callaghan, by Veronica & Daniel Callaghan
- ❖ In memory of Judy Ryiz and Jerelyn Fields, by Natalie Campbell and Maria Elena Garcia
- ❖ Deceased members of the Cardoni, DeMarchi, Baker, & Cutra families, by Alex & Jeanette Cardoni
- ❖ Josephine Witkowsky, William Witkowsky, Sr., David B. Cavanaugh, and Sophie Pernal, by Catherine and David Cavanaugh
- ❖ In memory of Richard Crockett, Josephine & Salvatore Tanasi, Marjorie & Samuel Crockett, by Connie Crockett
- ❖ Antonia & Stella Pizzoferrato, Anthony Pizzoferrato, Jr, Agatha Weilock and Daniel, Gaynell, Robert and Barbara Cronin, by Anne Cronin
- ❖ Paul & Kathryn Rizza, Mary G. Falvey, & Maureen Rizza Brown, by Teresa Curry
- ❖ In memory of the deceased members of the Catalano and Curtiss Family, by Paula & Stephen Curtiss
- ❖ In memory of Paul Czellecz, by Margaret Czellecz
- ❖ Michael J. DiLullo and Zita C. Ziemba, by Jamie DiLullo
- ❖ In memory of our beautiful and kind Granddaughter Regan, by Regina Domingo
- ❖ In memory of Michael, Francis and Eleanor Doody, by Melissa Doody
- ❖ Monica & Michael Grigaitis and Marc Horan, by Pat Dressler
- ❖ Dave & Lynn Drummey, by Paul & Michele Drummey
- ❖ In memory of Laurence Maher & Timothy Maher, by the Dworkin Family
- ❖ Eileen & Daniel Ragnoni, John Sheehy, Victoria Ragnoni, James Mullin, and Lillian & Ed Hussey, by Victor and Mary Eanniello
- ❖ Members of the East Family, by Lin & Jean East
- ❖ In memory of Michael & Celeste Eccellente, by Norma Eccellente
- ❖ George & Caroline Zachmann, Fred & Kath Elmy, by Eliza and Brian Elmy
- ❖ In Memory of the Fitol & Fedoruk Families, by Richard Fitol
- ❖ John B. Fitzpatrick, Jr. & Gerard and Yolanda Petrosino, by Paul Fitzpatrick
- ❖ In honor of The People of Ukraine, The People of Gaza, The People of Minnesota, The People of Iran, & All Immigrants, by Marie Mullaney & Anthony Foran
- ❖ Richard Formica, & Gaetano and Concetta Romano, by Jo-Ann Formica
- ❖ Kathleen Martin & John Murphy, by Dottie & Robert Fox
- ❖ Mr & Mrs. Thomas A. Fox, Mary Ellen, James Fox, Dr. & Mrs. Michael D. Fox, and Mr. & Mrs. Bernard J. Fagan, by Geri Fox
- ❖ Querino Genca, by Felicia Genca
- ❖ In memory of Concetta, Salvatore, & Carmen Gianni and Rose Zoppoli, by Mary Gianni
- ❖ Lottie Gober, by Claudia Gober
- ❖ In memory of Charles Golec, by M. Kathleen Golec
- ❖ In memory of Marie & Edward Mulcahy, Anthony & Helen Golec, and Genevieve Zak, by M. Kathleen Golec
- ❖ Carroll & Jean Tierney, Debbie Chase, & Cathy Rebai, by Norman & Lois Gottlieb
- ❖ Donald Roberts, by Mary & Stephen Gray



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- ❖ Rosa Rodriguez, Sr. Rita Johnson, & Bea Brown, by James and Allison Healy
- ❖ Joseph Kelliher, Barbara Hebert, and the Tremko family, by Dolores & Paul Hebert
- ❖ Stella & Stanley Brzozowy, Johanna Reeves, & Ann Follacchio, by Stella Heyl
- ❖ Thomas & Marion Hoey, Dorothy Ryan, & Sr. Susan Carlin, RSM, by Nancy Hoey
- ❖ Karl Hoisl, Andrew & Dottie Devito, Dom Ciotto, & Guy Carducci, by Andrea Hoisl
- ❖ Anna & Edward Alexis & Larry Tracey, Jr., by Connie and Bob Houde
- ❖ Joe & Teresa Melzen, the Melzen, Lukach & Humphrey families, and Ginny Reynolds, by Jim Melzen & Mark Humphrey
- ❖ In memory of Robert & Ann Janulevicz, by Alan Janulevicz
- ❖ Makardy & Elizabeth Kania, by Brian Kania
- ❖ Carmella, John, Jack & Pam Karwan, Fran, Ed, & Jerry Marin, by Pat & Mike Karwan
- ❖ Mary O'Connell Cacchillo, by Timothy & Jean Kehoe
- ❖ Anna Maria Costanzo, by Christa Krajewsk
- ❖ William & Margaret Kramer, Alice Hill, Marjorie Dunn, and Rosalie Latorra, by Irene Kramer
- ❖ Sal & Frances Coco & Dan & Eleanor Laffin, Sr., by Dan & Maryann Laffin, Jr.
- ❖ In memory of Daniel Laffin, III, by Daniel & Maryann Laffin, Jr.
- ❖ Victor & Ivy John, by Cato & Cynthia Laurencin
- ❖ Mary & John Lemega, Mary & John Ramos, Michael J. Digby, John V. Ramos, Barbara A. Dubovik, August W. Linder, Inez Williams, Carole A. Spector, John C. Brennan, Fr. Jim Hynes, OFM, Laura S. Diunizio, Hilda T. Perry, Bob Lemega, and Sylvia Digby, by Joyce & John Lemega
- ❖ Ann & Anthony Leone, Ralph & Peggy Chandler, Jack & Mary Roberts, and Donna Mason, by Robert Leone
- ❖ In memory of William Leone, by Beverly Leone
- ❖ These flowers are in memory of our beloved son, Benjamin Linn, by Joanne Linn
- ❖ Salvatore Lombardo, Sebastiana Lombardo, & Ann Hamm, by Mary Lombardo
- ❖ Anthony Lombardi & Theresa DiPersio, by Anna Lombardi
- ❖ Daniel Rodriguez, Magdalena Galvin, & Vicente Luna, by Irma Rodriguez & Vicente Luna
- ❖ In memory of Rosemary "Rory" Marquis and her great-grandparents, Pietro & Angela Maria Fazio and Francis Marquis, by Rosina & Steven Marquis
- ❖ Lawrence Shiembob & Nancy Shiembob, by West and Laura Martin
- ❖ Lois Martineau, by Arthur Martineau
- ❖ Deceased members of the Martins, Lucente, Francomano, Sullivan, Cinotti, and Willmote families, by Helen and Jack Martins
- ❖ Happy Easter in Heaven to our beautiful and kind Regan. Love you and miss you every day, your family.
- ❖ Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Mazzarella, Joanne Huxley, Carmellina Munzner, Marion & Franklin Hall, & Fr. Andrew Giardino, O.F.M., by Sally Mazzarella
- ❖ Timothy McCabe, by Diane McCabe
- ❖ Rosemary & Dennis McCarthy, by Stephen & Renee McCarthy
- ❖ In memory of Francis & Katherine McGrath, by Katherine McCormack
- ❖ Mary McDermott, Isabel Fairweather, Helen & Henry McDermott, Efigenia Palomino, and Felipe & Maria Obregon, by Joann McDermott
- ❖ In loving memory of Guy W. Wolf, III, by Pamela Morrison-Wolf
- ❖ Ed & Marie Mulcahy and Richard & Rosemarie Olson, by Patricia Olson
- ❖ In memory of Mr. & Mrs. John Torza and Nichola Pavia, by Philomena Pappa



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- ❖ James W. Penders, Lillian Penders, Sylvester Cholko, Loretta Cholko, and Katherine vonder Lieth, by Jim & Joan Penders
- ❖ Arthur & Jean Field and Francis & Barbara Pierz, by Joseph & Beverly Pierz
- ❖ In memory of Delphinie & Leo Bricuglio, Sr., Larry Adoian, and deceased members of the parish family, by Marie Poland
- ❖ In honor of SPSA Staff, Franciscan Friars, Healthcare Providers and Staff, and the people of Haiti, by Marie Poland
- ❖ In Memory of the Prisloe & Olie Families, by Mark Prisloe
- ❖ Dominick and Mary Roto, by Joanne Ramey
- ❖ In memory of Raymond Ramsey, by Peggy Ramsey
- ❖ Deceased members of the Ashe & Remillard Families, by Tara & Norman Remillard
- ❖ Mary R. Infante, by Maryrose & Sam Ricciardi
- ❖ Louis Riscassi, by Andrew Riscassi
- ❖ Orazio Romano, Linda Romano, and William Romano, by Paula Romano
- ❖ In memory of my dear sister, Marysue Drew, Love Kathy Scott
- ❖ In loving memory of my son, Christopher Shea, by Tom Shea
- ❖ Silvio Celadon, Ryan Ross, & Jamie Whittaker, by Marc & Sheila Sherer
- ❖ In memory of Kathleen Murray, Joseph & Mary Connell, Joseph and Valeria Shertick, Cynthia Stanco, by Joe and Mary Jo Shertick
- ❖ Stanley Sidur, Lydia Sidur, Marian & Genowefa Bartkowicz, and Jason Connolly, by Andrea Sidur
- ❖ Mr. & Mrs. Robert E. Sliney, Sr., by Thomas Sliney
- ❖ Margaret Stephen, by Siobhan Stephen
- ❖ Richard & RoseMarie Barone, by Ann-Marie & Craig Stevenson
- ❖ Joseph Sullivan, the Sheehan Family & the Sullivan Family, by Susan Sullivan
- ❖ In memory of the Tarala-Carusio family, by Lisa Tarala
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FAITH FORMATION AT ST. PATRICK - ST. ANTHONY

Registration for age 3 through High School (including Sacraments) begins soon!



The faith formation programs at St. Patrick – St. Anthony Church are designed to allow parents to choose the best schedule and learning format for their 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.**

We offer faith formation for children through sixth grade in a traditional format, a hands-on (Montessori) format (Catechesis of the Good Shepherd) or a family format (Whole Community Catechesis).

Our middle and high schoolers are very involved in social justice and community service.

- They host parish wide service projects (i.e. Advent Wreath Workshop and Easter Cookie Delivery)
- Build connections with the homebound of our parish
- Volunteer regularly:
 - In the hydroponic gardens with LEVO International
 - House of Bread kitchen
 - No-Freeze Shelter meals
 - Franciscan Center Sandwich Ministry
 - and other opportunities with our community partners
 - and an open invitation to participate in the life of our parish by joining any of our ministries such as the singing in the choir, lecturing, Altar Serving, etc.



2026-27 Registration will open soon!

Learn more about Youth Faith Formation at spsact.org/faith-formation/youth-faith-formation

All programs take place within the traditional school year (September through May). Check out the website www.spsact.org/faith-formation/youth-faith-formation for more information or contact Deborah Pelletier at dpelletier@spsact.org.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Adult Formation Course: Level 1

We are excited to announce the beginning of an Adult Formation Course for Level 1 of CGS May 18-22, 2026. Register at spsact.org/cgs-level-1-formation-2026.

We welcome adults from our parish and those from around the region interested in pursuing formation training in this method of nurturing the faith of children.



Learn more at bit.ly/spsa-cgs-formation



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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 seasons of Advent and 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.*

Watch 10:00 AM Mass Online:



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



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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, Susan Degennaro, Albert Tornatore, and Deborah Godin.

St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church and the Franciscan Center Regularly Minister to Our Immigrant Neighbors,

particularly through our partnerships with area organizations.

With those community partners, our parishioners volunteer as ESOL tutors and assist with legal emergency planning. As a member



of the Greater Hartford Interfaith Action Alliance (GHIAA), St. Patrick-St. Anthony and the Franciscan Center have advocated for GHIAA's immigrant rights agenda (<https://cljct.org/campaign/immigration/>). Most currently, a statewide coalition including GHIAA is lobbying Governor Lamont to sign an executive order protecting CT's National Guard from federal deployment for immigration enforcement. You can add your voice to those calling for this protection (<https://www.acluct.org/lamont-national-guard-eo/>).

If you'd like to become involved with these initiatives, please contact Allison at aholstgrubbe@spsact.org.

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Upcoming Events



APRIL 9 @ 7PM
A FRANCISCAN APPROACH TO ECOLOGY
 Franciscan Life Center, Meriden

Sister Damien Marie Savino, FSE reflects on how inner human healing and outer ecological healing mutually impact each other in the human vocation to care for creation. Reception to follow. Call **203-237-8084** to RSVP.



APRIL 11 @ 8:30AM **\$75**
CONTEMPLATIVE ENRICHMENT DAY
 Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, West Hartford

Inspired by Rilke's "Sonnets to Orpheus," this retreat explores themes of transformation and the courage to "live the questions." Join us to practice "heart-work" and discover how to belong to "the Whole." In-person and online via Zoom. Two Centering Prayer sessions and lunch. Visit www.holyfamilyretreat.org/calendar.



APRIL 11 @ 10AM - 4PM **\$75**
SPRING WREATH MAKING
 Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, West Hartford

Make yourself a decorative wreath for Springtime. Using colorful paper, you will create a beautiful wreath to take home and use on front door or inside the house. You will need no experience in wreath making to complete this special wreath and you can hang it year after year! Supplies and Lunch provided. Visit www.holyfamilyretreat.org/calendar.



APRIL 12 @ 3PM
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY SERVICE
 Christ the King Parish, Corpus Christi Church, Wethersfield

We invite you to join us for a special service of Divine Mercy. The afternoon will include the chanting of the Chaplet, the veneration of St. Faustina's relic, and will conclude with Benediction. Join us as we seek the graces of the Merciful Heart of Jesus.



APRIL 14 - 15 @ 11AM - 7PM
PEOPLE OF HOPE MUSEUM
 Cathedral of Saint Joseph rear lot, off Asylum Ave, Hartford

Step inside for an inspiring look at how Catholic Charities agencies bring compassion to help people in need nationwide. Visit www.ccaoh.org/poh to learn more.



APRIL 17 @ 6:30PM
YOUNG ADULT 21+ GROUP
 Our Lady of Knock Parish, St. Patrick Church, Farmington

Candlelight Mass will be held at 6:30 PM with Trivia, Tacos, Drinks, and Social following the Candlelight Mass.



APRIL 17 - 19
INTERNATIONAL EXHIBIT OF EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES
 St. George Church, Guilford

Fri, 17 April, 4:30 - 9 pm | Sat, 18 April, 10 am - 8:30 pm | Sun, 19 April, 9:30 am - 3 pm
 Talks on St. Carlo Acutis & St. Manuel Gonzalez Garcia. 1st class relics of both St. Carlo and St. Manuel will be available for veneration. For more information, contact Donna Yatcko at **203-453-2788**.



APRIL 24 @ 7PM
SEEN: A NIGHT OF HOPE & HEALING
 St. Paul VI Parish, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Hamden

Join us for a Holy Hour and Reception including Adoration, prayer teams, guided prayer, support and resources for those struggling with pregnancy loss or infertility. Registration required. Please reach out to m.ricci@hamdenecatholic.org to RSVP.



MAY 2 @ 4PM
LATINO VOCATION DISCERNMENT NIGHT
 St. Augustine Parish, Hartford

Join us for 4PM Vigil Mass, followed by free dinner and a Q&A panel of speakers from all different vocations. Registration required. Email kathleen.pencz@aohct.org to RSVP.



APRIL 27 @ 7PM
SPEED NETWORKING AND MENTORING
 Holy Angels Center, Meriden

Join Young Catholic Professionals Central Connecticut and meet inspiring professionals, connect with other young adults, and walk away with practical insight for your career and faith. Food and drink will be provided. We will be having Stations of the Cross and prayer at 7pm, and the speed networking and mentoring will start at 7:45.



MAY 8 @ 6PM
SEEN: A NIGHT OF HOPE & HEALING
 The Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, Waterbury

All are welcome for a night of prayer and support for those experiencing infertility or pregnancy/child loss, whether you are personally carrying this cross or desire to intercede and accompany others. We will have welcoming remarks, Mass, a reflection, Adoration with Praise and Worship, and a reception to follow with light refreshments, veneration of relics, resources, community, and opportunities to meet with Religious Sisters and Prayer Teams. Registration required. Please reach out to hello@waterburybasilica.org to RSVP.



MAY 8 @ 6PM
WOMEN'S HOLY HOUR & DINNER
 St. Bridget of Sweden Parish,

Are you seeking peace and direction? Join us for an evening dedicated to women's vocational discernment. We'll begin with a Holy Hour featuring beautiful music, prayerful silence, and an inspiring reflection. Please stay for a free dinner and community fellowship. Registration required. Email cdemiany@ascjus.org to RSVP.



MAY 10 @ 10AM **Adults \$50**
MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH
 Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center, West Hartford

Children 4-12, \$15 | Children under 4, Free
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