



ST. FRANCIS
CATHOLIC

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024

St. Francis Staff attend the Light of Faith banquet for the Apostles of the Sacred Heart



Welcome to our Parish



Pastor
Rev. Michael Casey

Parochial Vicar
Rev. Eduar Gutierrez

Deacon
Alan Bielawski

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Online Giving

Visit www.stfranciscatholic.org, click Donate to launch the Parish Giving website where you can Give Now or create an account to set up recurring contributions. Thank you for your generosity!



Email Notification System

In the event of inclement weather, schedule changes or cancellations, this will be the primary way to notify our parishioners. To opt in, email your request with your full name and email address to: notification@stfranciscatholic.org. Please note: We do not send texts and cannot make phone calls.

Prayer Line

In need of Prayers? Please Call Mary M. at our Prayer Line between 2 pm and 4 pm 860-225-3890.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil
4:00 pm at St. Jerome

Sunday
8:30 am at St. Maurice
10:30 am at St. Francis

Daily Mass
8:00 am Monday – Saturday at St. Francis

Confessions
7:30-7:50 am Monday – Saturday at St. Francis
5:15 pm-5:45 pm Wednesday at St. Francis
3:30-3:50 pm Saturday at St. Jerome

Adoration
5:00 pm-6:00 pm Wednesday at St. Francis

St. John, St. Peter and St. Joseph Churches are no longer used for regular Masses.

Our Parish Churches

St. Francis of Assisi Church
1755 Stanley St. New Britain, CT 06053

St. Jerome Church
1010 Slater Rd. New Britain, CT 06053

St. Joseph Church
195 South Main St. New Britain, CT 06051

St. Peter Church
98 Franklin Sq. New Britain, CT 06051

St. Maurice Church
100 Wightman Rd. New Britain, CT 06052

St. John the Evangelist Church
655 East St. New Britain, CT 06051

Count & Collection

April 28, 2024: \$9,739.35

This amount includes the basket, mail in and online donations.

Mass Attendance for the weekend of

April 28, 2024: 614

Thank you to all who generously support our parish!

Finance Notes

Now that we are all one St. Francis of Assisi Parish, all donations by check should be made out to:

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

Thank you for your cooperation!

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Anyone interested in using their knitting skills to make prayer shawls please contact Lisa at the parish office at (860) 224-2411. The shawls can be knitted as a group or independently.

In Loving Memory we pray for

Kathleen Kryszak

Matthew Osika

Dorothy Zientarski

Dona Blazuk

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.

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Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 4

8:00 am: St. Francis: Sanctification of the Bishop & priests of the Archdiocese of Hartford

4:00 pm Vigil: St. Jerome: Deceased Members of the Szczesniak Family

Sunday, May 5

8:30 am: St. Maurice: +John J. Dougherty

10:30 am: St. Francis: +Xavier & Saul Berrios

All weekday Masses are at St. Francis*

***Please note the additional Mass times and locations due to the Holy Day of Obligation**

Monday, May 6

8:00 am: Pro Populo

Tuesday, May 7

8:00 am: +Conny Dzwonkowski

Wednesday, May 8 Feast of the Ascension Vigil

8:00 am: St. Francis: Holy Souls in Purgatory

6:00 pm: St. Francis: Deceased Members of the Boleslaw Kragiel Family

Thursday, May 9 Feast of the Ascension

8:00 am: St. Francis: +Carolina Liscio

12:00 pm: St. Jerome: Special Intention

6:00 pm: St. Francis: +Carl Schwartz

Friday, May 10

8:00 am: +Giuseppe & Rosa Ricciardi

Saturday, May 11

8:00 am: St. Francis: Intention of the Celebrant

4:00 pm Vigil: St. Jerome: +Giesela Czyrko

Sunday, May 12

8:30 am: St. Maurice: +Steve Ludwikow

10:30 am: St. Francis: +Ruth & Talib El Eris

To book an intention please contact the Parish Office at 860-224-2411



BAPTISM OF LYNN O'HARA AT ST FRANCIS.

Around the Parish & Diocese

LIGHT OF FAITH BANQUET FOR THE APOSTLES
OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS



CAMPUS MINISTRY



TOP: STUDENT E-BOARD ELECTION
MIDDLE: FOCUS OPEN MIC NIGHT AT UCONN
BOTTOM: GOODBYE PARTY FOR FOCUS MISSIONARIES
KAROLINA & JOE

Feast of the Ascension

THURSDAY MAY 9
A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Mass Times:

Wednesday May 8:
6:00 pm Vigil - St. Francis

Thursday May 9:
8:00 am - St. Francis
12:00 pm - St. Jerome
6:00 pm - St. Francis

Goodbye to Karolina & Joe

Our parish extends a heartfelt thank you to two of our FOCUS Missionaries who have served our parish and will serve different universities this fall:

Karolina Minkiewicz, who has been with us for 2 years, will this fall be a FOCUS Missionary at MIT, and **Joe Allen** who will continue as a FOCUS Missionary in South Dakota. Thank you for your service!



Fatima Holy Hour

The next Fatima Holy Hour will be **Sunday, May 12**, at 2:00 pm at St. Francis Church. Join us for: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the Holy Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and a blessing with a 1st class relic of St. Faustina.

Second Collection: Catholic Communication Campaign

Next weekend, **May 11-12**, we will take up a second collection in support of the Catholic Communication Campaign. This campaign connects Catholics with Christ in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Archdiocese of Hartford to fund local communication efforts.

Spring Cleanup

Calling all parishioners willing to share their time and talent to help brighten and beautify our parish grounds in our annual Spring Cleanup! This is an excellent opportunity for students who need to complete volunteer hours. Please bring rakes, pliers and hand shovels and RSVP to the Parish Office at 860-224-2411.

Cleaning Schedule:

Friday May 10th: St. Jerome

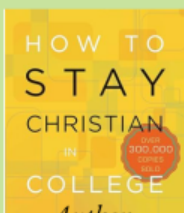
Saturday May 11th: St. Maurice
9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Reason for Hope

"Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope." (1Peter 3:15)

How to Stay Christian in College

A must-read for every college student, *How to Stay Christian in College* will guide readers through the maze of campus realities. J. Budziszewski discusses the foundations of the Christian faith and directly addresses different worldviews and myths that students may encounter at college. Filled with quotes, statistics, resources, stories, and encouragement, this book will equip students to conquer the dangers that lie ahead.



Author:
J. Budziszewski

Ladies Guild

The Ladies Guild will be hosting an Afternoon Retreat on Jesus, **Tuesday May 14th** at the Domestic Monastery (200 Waterville Rd, Avon). Please arrive at the St. Francis Church parking lot by 12:30 pm to arrange car pooling. To reserve a spot please contact Dottie (860-225-7533) or Mary (860-225-4571).

Reservations Required

The Compelling Story of The First Christians

Acts is the story of how a few Christians, empowered by the Holy Spirit, were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News to the ends of the earth. They faced secular forces, internal strife, and hostile crowds, and yet they brought the kingdom of God to a broken world and the love of God to the hearts of men.

Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom is a compelling video series that traces how the Gospel witness spread outward in waves from Jerusalem, and reveals how the seeds of Church structure and authority took root. Presenter Jeff Cavins shows how the joys and struggles of the early Christians in living the life of Christ apply to us today. *Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom* will help you to see your place in the Church as a disciple of Christ.

Sessions offered on Monday evenings at 6:30 pm at St. Francis School Cafeteria.

Food Pantry Shopping List

Tuesdays at St. Joseph 9:30 am - 10:30

The item needed this week is:

- Cereal
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- Pasta/Pasta Sauce
- Canned Soup
- Instant Oatmeal
- Canned Fruit & Vegetables
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Canned Meat/Tuna
- Instant Potato and Rice Mixes
- Ramen Noodles
- Mac and Cheese
- Snack Items:
- Cookies, Crackers, etc.

*Monetary donations & gift cards are also appreciated.
Donations may be brought to any of our open churches.
Thank you for your support!*

St. Francis Young Mothers Group

Join other faithful Catholic women in their 20's through early 40's, with children from newborn through age 6 for a decade of the rosary, good fellowship (and sometimes food)! Meetings are Wednesday mornings from 9:30am - 11:30am in the St. Francis School Cafeteria. For more information contact Rebecca Noon at becca.dworak@gmail.com

BINGO

Sunday Afternoons at **St. Joseph School**
195 South Main St. New Britain
Doors open at 11:30am, Games begin at 2:00pm

AA Meetings

Wednesdays at 7pm: St. Francis Church basement
Fridays at 7pm : St. Joseph School (Spanish speaking)
Saturdays at 7pm: St. Jerome Church Hall

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