

Sunday, Sept. 30: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM †Thomas Campanelli Month's Mind by Elaine Nesta

10:00AM †Angela Salza by Mario & Family 5:00PM For Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

Monday, Oct. 1: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

12:15PM †Emily Rudnansky by Family

Tuesday, Oct. 2: The Holy Guardian Angels

12:15PM Intentions of the Celebrant

Wednesday, Oct. 3:

12:15PM For an Increase in Vocations to Priesthood

Thursday, Oct. 4: Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

6:00PM Feast Day Mass

Saturday, Oct. 6

8:00AM Mass for the Sanctification of our Priests Sunday, Oct. 7: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00AM For Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family 10:00AM †Albert & Julia Carrier

by Laurie & Pat Rudnansky

5:00PM †St Francis of Assisi Memorial Association

Please Pray for...

Our Sick, Homebound and those in Nursing Homes: Rita Dubois, Phyllis Hary, Kathleen Kryszak, Lee Labianca, Joseph Malena, Marita O'Neill, Richard Picerno, Cecelia & Theodore Pisarz, Stephen Sen, Helen Tomassetti, and Frank Windish.

Our Deceased: Julia Carrier.

This week the Blessed Sacrament lamp will

burn for a...

Special Intention

Requested by Nicholas Kupec

Our Memorial candles are changing. Please call Paula at 860-225-6449 for details.





September 23, 2018

Weekly Collection	\$2,048.76
Children's Envelopes	•
HOPES Collection	. \$592.50
Online Donations	. \$494.00
Thank you for your support.	

Ladies' Guild Halloween BINGO

Tuesday, October 9th at 7:00 PM

Please plan to join us for our next meeting on **Tuesday, Oct. 9 at 7 PM.** (Please note the new day of the meeting.) We will celebrate Halloween with games of BINGO. We will charge a nominal fee of \$2 per person for the evening. A teacup raffle will follow BINGO along with refreshments. Please plan to join us for fun and fellowship.

If you haven't already paid your dues for the 2018-2019 season, we will have membership cards available at the meeting. You can also mail your dues to: Ladies' Guild, St. Francis of Assisi Church, 1755 Stanley St., New Britain, CT 06053. Dues remain at \$5.00. Checks should be made payable to St. Francis of Assisi Ladies' Guild.

SACRED MUSIC CATECHESIS
EVERY TUESDAY AT 7 PM IN THE CHURCH!

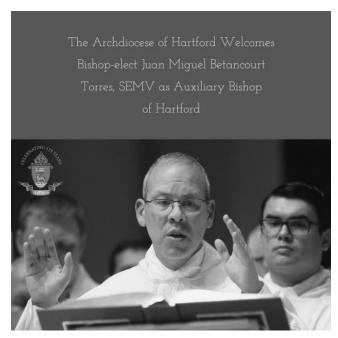








All are welcome! We will practice the music that we are singing the upcoming Sunday and learn a bit about why we are singing it.



All are invited to participate in his Episcopal Ordination on **Thursday, October 18,** at 2:00 pm at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, 140 Farmington Avenue, Hartford, CT.

Please note that due to the installation of Bishop-elect Betancourt there will be no Mass or confessions at St. Francis of Assisi on Thursday, October 18, 2018.

Saturday, October 6th

On the first Saturday of October, St. Francis is having an 8:00 AM Mass for the sanctification of our priests. Spread the word!

Fall Super Tag Sales

The annual Fall Super Tag Sales sponsored by Holy Trinity Byzantine Catholic Church, 121 Beaver St., New Britain, will be held on **Saturday**, **October** 6th, **from 9** am to 2 pm, both indoors in the church hall and outdoors in the garage. Selling anything and everything (including clothing), holiday goods and our homemade Eastern European specialty kolach rolls. For those early Christmas shoppers, check out the Christmas booth.

There will also be a ½ price Clearance Sale the following Saturday, October 13th, 9 am to 1 pm, on additional items. Prices can't be beat. No Admission Charge. For more information call 860-229-2531.

Our Vocation Corner

The Lord calls many to service in the church. How can you, in prayer, love, and action, support those who are called to service and religious life? If you are one of those called, call Fr. Michael Casey as Director of Vocations at 860-225-6449. You can also send an email vocations@aohct.org or visit the web at www.hartfordpriest.com.

Pro-Life Thought of the Week

The grace of Christ gives spouses the real capacity to fulfill the whole "truth" of their conjugal love... to live their conjugal communion in its fullness.

St. John Paul II June 5, 1987 Address

Join us for...

The Annual Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass

Celebrated by Archbishop Leonard P. Blair on Sunday, October 7, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. The Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford

A highlight of the Mass is the presentation by Archbishop Blair of the *St. Gianna Beretta Molla Medal* which is given to persons who have demonstrated commitment to the protection of all human life. This year's awardees are: Roberta Tuttle, Editor of the Catholic Transcript; Father Lawrence Symolon, Pastor at St. John of the Cross, Middlebury, CT; Virginia Baudinet, Co-Founder of Carolyn's Place, Waterbury.

Following the presentation of the medals, Archbishop Blair will lead those present in the Cathedral in a pledge to support all human life. When Mass has ended, anyone representing a parish or regional pro-life committee, may receive a blessed candle from the Pro-Life Ministry.

If you have any questions, please call Pro-Life Ministry of the Archdiocese of Hartford 203-639-0833/203-213-5079. Visit www.prolifeministry.org or email sistersuzanne@prolifeministry.org.

Operation Sweaters for Veterans

On November 11, 2018, Americans throughout the world commemorate Veterans Day, a day set aside to thank the nation's veterans for service given and sacrifices made to protect the freedoms of this great land. Our Funeral Home has teamed up with the Chief of Volunteer Services at the Newington VA Hospital for "Sweaters for Vets."

Running, Monday, October 15th, thru Thursday, November 15th, 2018 our Funeral Home is collecting new or gently used sweaters & gloves to donate to veterans in VA hospitals or veterans who live in veterans homes.

We hope this small gesture of collecting sweaters and gloves for these veterans will help everyone remember the sacrifices they've made in the name of the United States of America.



DROP OFF SWEATERS AT:

Newington Memorial 20 Bonair Avenue Newington, CT 06111 860-666-0600 BURRITT HILL 332 BURRITT STREET NEW BRITAIN, CT 06053 860-229-9021

Sweaters can be dropped off Monday – Friday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Thank you!

On behalf of the students in the Catholic elementary schools of the Archdiocese of Hartford, we send our deepest gratitude to all who contributed to the 2018 HOPES Collection. Your participation supports a culture of faith and educational excellence in Catholic schools, preparing students for leadership and active roles in parish life.

Michael S. Griffin, Ph.D. Superintendent of Catholic Schools

Our Faith, Our Future

2018 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

For the third year in a row – Thanks to the generosity of the donors to this year's Archbishop's Annual Appeal, *Our Faith, Our Future,* the Vicariate Outreach Program has been able to provide over \$1,000,000 in critical funding to over 200 local, community based, organizations. This funding provides support to families and individuals for life's basic necessities: a warm meal, a bag of groceries, a place to sleep, or a place to turn for guidance and support. The Annual Appeal is one way to share our blessings and express thanks for the blessings with which God has graced us with our neighbors.

If you have not yet made a gift, please prayerfully consider, making your pledge or gift today. Every gift makes a profound difference in the lives of countless individuals and families throughout our Archdiocese, in a way that exceeds anything we could hope to achieve on our own. Please visit the Appeal website at www.archdioceseofhartford.org and follow the link **Our Faith, Our Future**, to learn more and make your pledge or gift today. All pledges can be paid through December 31° 2018 towards this year's Appeal.

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 www.archfdioceseofhartford.org/appeal-impact-2/.

Looking for a job? You can look at the latest job openings within the Archdiocese of Hartford by visiting www.archdioceseofhartford.org and typing "Career" in the search box.

St Francis of Assisi Feast Day Festival October 4, 2018

MASS AT 6:00PM CATERED DINNER AT 7:00PM

TICKETS FOR DINNER ARE \$20 A PERSON AND CAN BE PURCHASED AT ALL MASSES, FROM PAULA AT THE PARISH OFFICE, FROM EMILY AT THE NEWMAN HOUSE, OR BY GOING TO OUR WEBSITE: STFRANCISCATHOLIC.ORG/ AND CLICKING "CLICK HERE TO PURCHASE TICKETS"

Attention CCSU Students

The Newman House is offering FREE student dinners every Thursday that school is in session. All are welcome – spread the word and invite your friends!

CCSU students should visit the Newman House to obtain student tickets to our Feast Day Dinner scheduled for this Thursday.

Rosary Rally of Connecticut

The 29th Annual Rosary Rally will be held at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Waterbury on Sunday, October 7th from 2:00 to 3:30 pm. There will be a procession, rosary, talk, and Benediction. Fr. Greg J. Markey, stationed at St. Lawrence Church in Shelton, professor of Latin and Philosophy at St. John Fisher Seminary in Stamford, will be the guest speaker. The topic of his talk is "The Rosary and the Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Parish Fall Clean-up Day

Saturday, October 20, 2018 9:00AM to 12:00 Noon

Come join us as we clean-up for fall both inside and out. Bring your own gloves and rakes, we will supply rags, mops and leaf bags. Refreshments will be available in the church. Please be sure to dress in clothing appropriate for the weather conditions. All are welcome regardless of age. Rain date: Saturday, October 27, 2018. Please call the parish office, 860-225-6449, to confirm your participation.



Come Pray the Rosary

On Sunday, October 14th, the New Britain Council of Catholic Women invites all members and parishioners to pray the rosary with the Council and Msgr. Plocharczyk at Sacred Heart Church in New Britain (158 Broad Street) starting at 1:30 pm. Immediately following the rosary, we will adjourn to the auditorium/gymnasium to listen to Sister Igne Marijosius. Sister's talk will be entitled, "The Power of the Rosary". The gathering will end with an endless supply of refreshments and a multitude of raffle items.

Archdiocese of Hartford Traveling Rosary Congress October 6 – 12, 2018

Go to www.RosaryCongressUSA.org for more details.