

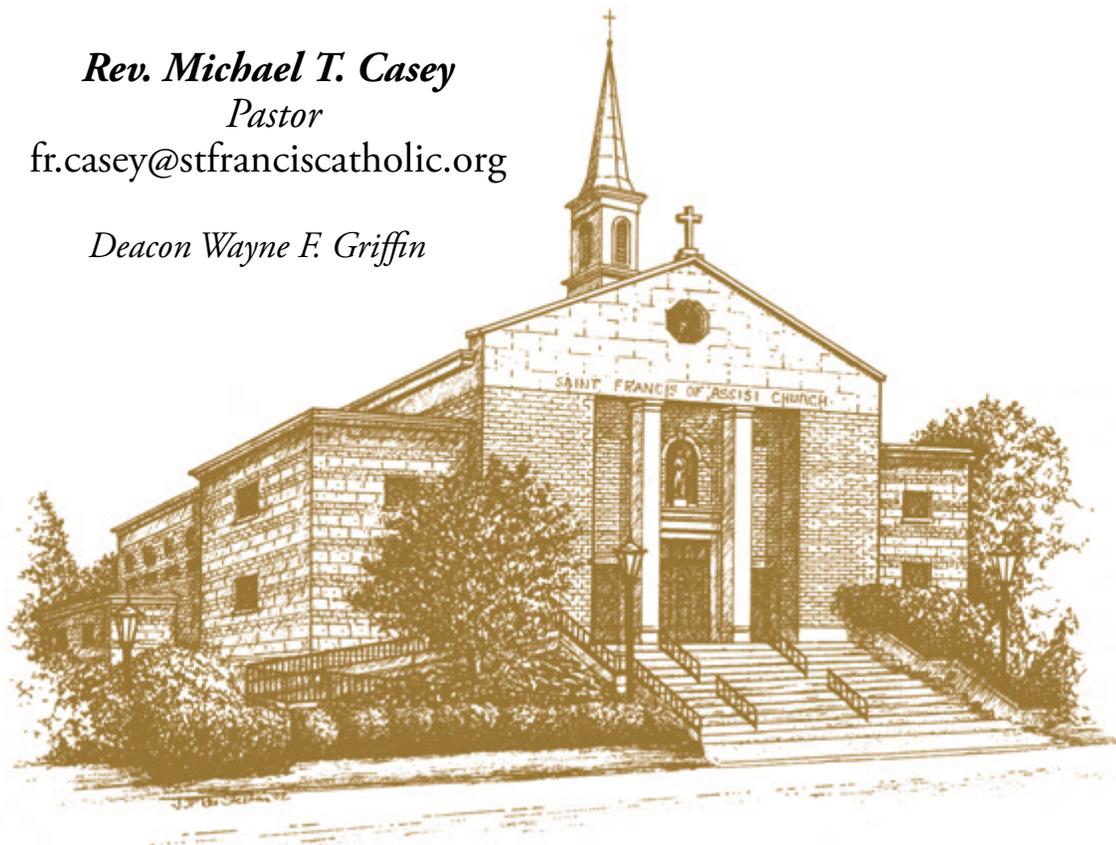
Saint Francis of Assisi Church

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SUNDAY MASS
8:00am, 10:00am
& 5:00pm
DAILY MASSES
Monday-Thursday:
12:15pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Friday
8:30am - 5:00pm

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RECONCILIATION**
Monday-Thursday
11:30am - 12:05pm

MARRIAGE
Please contact the Parish Office.

BAPTISM
Please contact the Parish Office.

REGISTRATION
New parishioners should register as soon as possible. Call the Parish Office. Please notify the Parish office of any change of address or telephone number.

**MINISTRY TO THE SICK
OR HOMEBOUND**
Please call the Parish Office if someone you know is hospitalized or homebound and would like to receive the Sacraments.

PRAYER LINE
We pray for anyone in need of prayer. Names are not necessary; simply tell us your intention. Contact Maureen at 860-224-2397 or Marjorie at 860-357-3853

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Sunday, Nov. 25: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King

8:00 AM For Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family
10:00 AM †Sebastiano & Vincenza Aloschi
by Family
5:00 PM †Nicholas Salza by Mario & Family

Monday, Nov. 26

12:15 PM Intentions of the Celebrant

Tuesday, Nov. 27

12:15 PM For an Increase in Vocations to Priesthood

Thursday, Nov. 29

12:15 PM †Melvin Cloukey by Gladys Cloukey

Sunday, Dec. 2: First Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM †Andres Ortiz 1st Anniv. by Family
10:00 AM †Percy Brighenti by Family
5:00 PM Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

Please note that there will be no daily Mass or Confession on Wednesday, November 28, the 175th Anniversary Mass for the Archdiocese of Hartford will be celebrated at St. Joseph Cathedral at 2:00PM on Wednesday all are welcome to attend.

Please Pray for...

Our Sick, Homebound and those in Nursing Homes:
Phyllis Hary, Kathleen Kryszak, Lee Labianca, Joseph Malena, Richard Picerno, Cecelia & Theodore Pizarz, Mary Roy, Stephen Sen, Helen Tomassetti, and Frank Windish.

Our Deceased: Roberta Tuttle.

This week the Blessed Sacrament lamp will burn...

To Honor Birth of
Abby & Ethan Roy

Requested by Nicholas Kupec

To book the Blessed Sacrament Candle please call the Parish Office at 860-225-6449. The cost is \$20.00.



Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Our Faith, Our Future

Goal = \$10 Million
Amount Pledged = \$9,783,464.21
Gifts = 38,240
% of \$10M Goal = 97.83%
As of November 9, 2018

"Coffee and"

Starting on Sunday, December 9th after the 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM Masses we invite you to come to the Parish Hall in the Lower Church for coffee, food and fellowship! If you would like to offer to host a "Coffee and" please leave a message for Emily at 860-225-6449 or send an email to emily@stfranciscatholic.org.

Parish Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 11, 2018
Dinner to be served at 6:30PM
in the Church Hall



The Ladies' Guild invites all parishioners to join them for their annual Christmas Party. The cost is \$16 per person. The buffet menu includes: Baked Ziti, Baked Cod with Lemon Sauce, Chicken Marsala, Sliced Roast Beef, Roasted Potato, Italian String Beans, Tossed Green Salad, Coffee, Tea and Dessert. Please pick up a Parish Christmas Party flyer at the door for more information and for the reservation form. Our reservation deadline is Monday, December 3, 2018.

We have received a request from the Prudence Crandall Center for help restocking their supplies of toiletries for women; shampoo, soaps, toothbrushes, toothpaste, moisturizers, etc. If you can help with any of these products, please bring them to the Christmas Party and we will get them to Prudence Crandall.

175th Anniversary Mass

Wednesday, November 28th at 2:00 PM
Cathedral of St. Joseph

The Archdiocese of Hartford will celebrate its 175th Anniversary at this special Mass. All faithful are invited to attend.

For those unable to attend; the Mass will be "livestreamed" online on two websites: www.archdioceseofhartford.org or www.ortv.org. The Mass will also be broadcast in place of the regularly scheduled 10:00 AM Mass on Thursday, November 29th.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Saturday, December 8, 2018

Our Mass Schedule:

8:00 AM and 12:15 PM

Or

There is a group going to St. Mary's Catholic Church in Norwalk, CT for a 5:30PM Solemn High Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Tridentine Rite). If you would like to come with us, let Sarah Rodeo, sarah@stfranciscatholic.org, know, or feel free to meet us there.



Please plan ahead for this Holy Day of Obligation.

For the CCSU Community

The **Newman House** located at 145 Paul Manafort Drive has FREE dinners at 7:00PM every Thursday night that school is in session. All students, faculty, staff and parents are welcome – spread the word and invite your friends.

On Tuesday, December 4th at 6:00 PM, we're having a joint Christmas Party with Intervarsity Christian Fellowship at our Newman House located at 145 Paul Manafort Drive. All CCSU students, faculty and staff are welcome.

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EVERY TUESDAY AT 7 PM IN THE CHURCH!

"WHAT EARLIER GENERATIONS HELD AS SACRED..."



"...REMAINS SACRED AND GREAT FOR US TOO"
Pope Benedict XVI

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.

Faith Formation

First Reconciliation/First Communion Preparation: Saturday mornings, Dec. 1, 8, & 15, 8:45 to 9:45 AM in the Church Hall.

Confirmation Preparation: Sunday afternoons, Dec. 2, 9, & 16, 4:00 – 4:50 PM in the Church Hall; Sunday Mass follows at 5:00 PM.

Family Faith Nights: Wednesday, Nov. 28, Dec. 5, 12, & 19, 7:00 to 7:45 PM in the Church. **Topic for Nov. 28:** "The Blessed Virgin Mary and Marian prayers". These sessions are open to anyone interested in attending, both children and adults.

Our Vocation Corner

What is the reason I was born? What is the reason I came into the world? The Lord came into the world to testify to the truth. Am I called to testify to the truth by becoming a priest, brother, or sister? If you believe you are, call Fr. Michael Casey as Director of Vocations at 860-225-6449. You can also email vocations@aohct.org.

Retirement Fund for Religious Archdiocesan Collection: Sunday, December 9, 2018

Across the United States, hundreds of religious communities lack financial resources sufficient to meet the retirement and health-care needs of aging members.

- **Lack of Funds:** Many elder religious worked for years for small stipends, leaving a large gap in retirement savings. At the same time, fewer religious are able to serve in compensated ministry.
- **Rising Costs:** Like many Americans, religious communities face the monumental challenge of funding eldercare.
- **Changing Demographics:** By 2028, retired religious are projected to outnumber wage-earners by more than three to one.

Take Your Faith on a Journey

Take your Faith to Fátima, Lourdes & Shrines of Spain on this 12-night experience. June 11, 2019 – June 22, 2019.

Your included destinations while on this Journey: **LISBON – SANTARÉM – FÁTIMA – BRAGA – SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA, SPAIN, BURGOS – SAN IGNACIO DE LOYOLA – LOURDES, FRANCE, CARCASSONNE – BARCELONA, SPAIN.**

Plus, Mass and Rosary will be offered throughout your journey. Land prices begin at \$1,729 per person, based on double occupancy. Deposits of only \$400 per person will reserve your space. SPACE IS VERY LIMITED.

Take your Faith to the Shrines of Northern Italy & Rome on this 9-night experience. September 19, 2019 – September 27, 2019.

Your included destinations while on this Journey: **PAVIA – SIRMIONE – PADUA – POMPOSA – RAVENNA – ROME, ITALY.**

Plus, Mass and Rosary will be offered throughout your journey. Land prices begin at \$1,589 per person, based on double occupancy. Deposits of only \$400 per person will reserve your space. SPACE IS VERY LIMITED.

Take your Faith to the HOLY LAND on this 8 days experience. October 18, 2019 – October 25, 2019.

Your included destinations while on this Journey: **TEL AVIV, ISRAEL – JAFFA – CAESAREA – MEGIDDO – NAZARETH – BET SHE'AN – MAGDALA – SEA OF GALILEE – CAPERNAUM – MOUNT OF BEATITUDES – CANA – BETHLEHEM – JERUSALEM – MASADA AND THE DEAD SEA.**

Plus, Mass will be offered throughout your journey. Land prices begin at \$1,499 per person, based on double occupancy. Deposits of only \$400 per person will reserve your space. Space is VERY LIMITED.

For further information or to reserve your space for any of the trips listed above, please contact Eileen at 860-399-1785 or send an email to Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com.

Fr. Michael Dolan's Ireland Tour 2019 May 30, 2019 – June 10, 2019

This tour visits the following places of interest: County Clare, Aran Islands, Galway, Connemara, Kylemore Abbey, Knock Shrine, Famine Museum Strokestown, Arigna Mining Experience, River Cruise in Leitrim, Ulster American Folk Park, Derry City, Carrick-a-Rede, Giants Causeway, Bushmills Distillery, Titanic Museum, Monasterboice, and more... For more information visit www.myirish tours.com.



The Giving Tree

Our Advent Giving Tree will be placed in Church on Monday, November 26. We invite everyone to take a tag and purchase the named gift. The gift may be wrapped with the gift tag attached to the top of the package. **All gifts should be returned to the Church no later than Sunday, December 9th** so that we may get the gifts to CCARC (Central Connecticut Association for Retarded Citizens) in time for their Christmas Party.

Follow Us on Instagram and Facebook

You can now “follow” St. Francis on Instagram. Our tag is: **stfranciscatholic**. Don’t forget to like us on Facebook at St. Francis of Assisi Church, New Britain.

Campus Rosary Walk Campus Rosary Walk

Every Wednesday through Dec. 12, 2018 following 12:15 Mass

We are doing a Campus Rosary Walk after every Wednesday 12:15 Mass. We’ll always walk over to the CCSU campus right after Mass. Please join us and spread the word.

Local Holiday Remembrance Services

Saturday, December 1, 2018

1:00 PM

Burritt Hill Funeral Home

332 Burritt Street, New Britain, CT
860-666-0600

4:00 PM

Newington Memorial Funeral Home

20 Bonair Avenue, Newington, CT
860-666-0600

*Please come and share in this meaningful Celebration of the people and the time that are important in our lives.
This program is complimentary and open to all.*

Holiday Craft Fair

St. Bridget School

74 Main Street, Manchester

December 1, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Come do your holiday shopping with us! Featuring over 75 Vendors; Ornaments, Cards & Homemade Treats, Knitted & Baby Items, Wood Crafts, Candles & Soaps, Frames & Pottery, Holiday wreaths & arrangements, Pictures with Santa, Jewelry and so much more.

Christmas Sale

St. Lucian’s Residence

532 Burritt Street, New Britain, CT

Saturday, December 15, 2018

8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Pierogi, Babka, Oplatki, Polish Style Soups, Golabki, Sauerkraut (Kapusta), Polish Pastry, Christmas Crafts & Gift Shop with handmade articles
Santa will be visiting!

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