

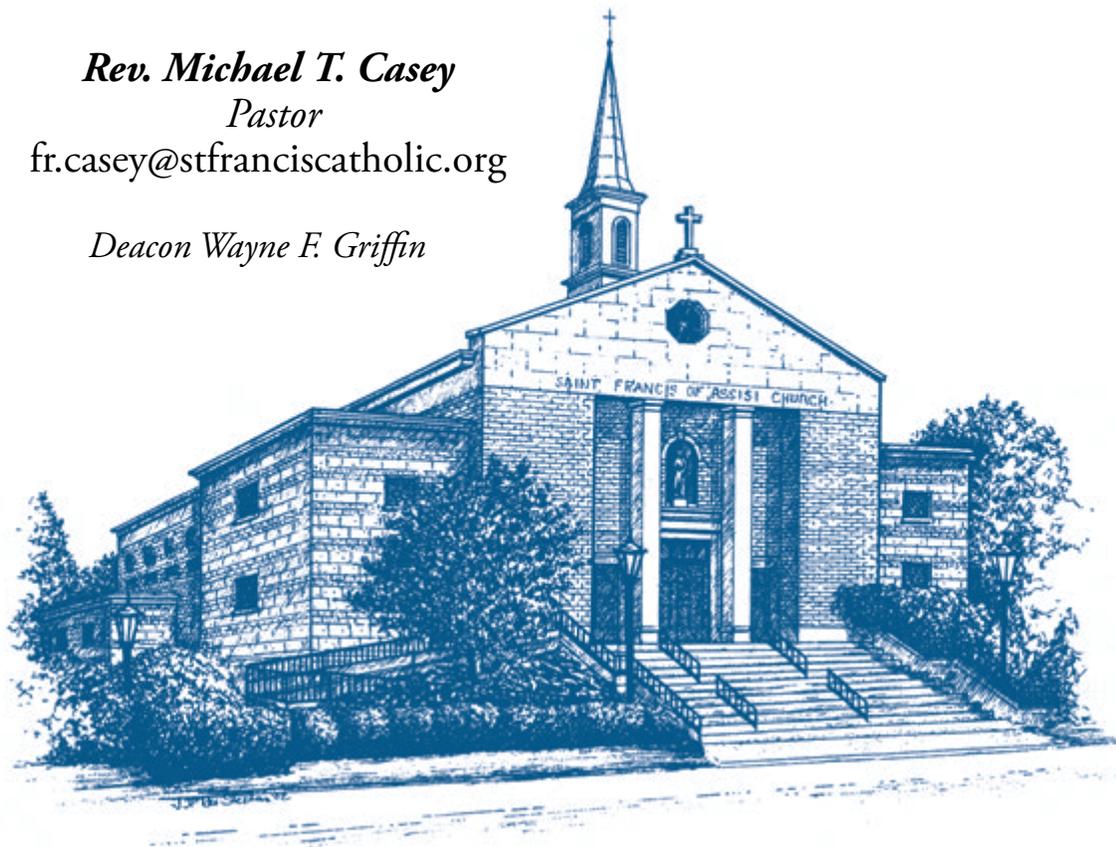
# Saint Francis of Assisi Church

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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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**SACRAMENT OF  
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  
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**Sunday, Nov. 11: 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00AM For Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

10:00AM †David Wentworth 25<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

by Dan Cassolino

5:00PM †Armand Vereneau 9<sup>th</sup> Anniv. by Family

**Monday, Nov. 12: Saint Josaphat**

12:15PM For an Increase in Vocations to Priesthood

**Tuesday, Nov. 13: Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini**

12:15PM †Angela Salza by Mario & Family

**Wednesday, Nov. 14**

12:15PM Intentions of the Celebrant

**Thursday, Nov. 15**

12:15PM †Joseph Dubois by Rita Dubois

**Sunday, Nov. 18: 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00AM †John H. Fox 6<sup>th</sup> Anniv. by Family

10:00AM †Jożefa Plona 7<sup>th</sup> Anniv. by Family

11:00AM Baptism: Liliana Emilia Mangiafico

5:00PM For Living & Deceased of Our Parish Family

**Please Pray for...**

**Our Sick, Homebound and those in Nursing Homes:**

Phyllis Hary, Kathleen Kryszak, Lee Labianca, Joseph Malena, Richard Picerno, Cecelia & Theodore Pisarz, Mary Roy, Stephen Sen, Helen Tomassetti, and Frank Windish.

**Our Deceased:** Rev. Robert T. Russo, Joseph Nkole Mukuka and Rosemary Y. Walton.



**Church Support**

November 4, 2018

<b>Weekly Collection .....</b>	<b>\$1,937.76</b>
<b>Annual Collection.....</b>	<b>\$960.00</b>
Children’s Envelopes.....	\$4.00
<b>All Saints Collection .....</b>	<b>\$579.76</b>
<b>All Souls Collection.....</b>	<b>\$639.00</b>
<b>Online Donations.....</b>	<b>\$152.00</b>

Thank you for your support.

**Second Collection next weekend for CCHD.**

**Protect Yourself from Fraud & Scams**

**Ladies’ Guild Meeting**

**Tuesday, November 13 at 6:30 PM**

Today, people, both young and old are being victimized by scammers. On Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> the Ladies’ Guild will host Bob Rodman, a speaker from AARP who will speak about fraud scams and the ways to protect yourself and those you love from becoming a victim. This meeting is open to everyone and will begin at 6:30PM in the Church Hall. We hope that you will plan to attend this very informational meeting and invite your friends and relatives to attend as well.

**Monday & Thursday Adoration**

Our parish is interested in holding Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Monday and Thursday from 1:00 to 9:00 PM. We are looking for individuals or families who would be willing to make the commitment to take hour long slots so that the Blessed Sacrament is never left alone. If you are willing to fill a slot please send an email to [parishoffice@stfranciscatholic.org](mailto:parishoffice@stfranciscatholic.org) or call the parish office at 860-225-6449 with your name, telephone number and the hour you would be able to cover.

**This week the Blessed Sacrament lamp will burn...**

*In Memory of*

**Jożefa Plona**

*Requested by Pete Plona*



To book the Blessed Sacrament candle please call the Parish Office at 860-225-6449 for details.

### Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Second collection on Sunday, November 18, 2018

Next week, our second collection will be for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). Over 43 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs to empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at [www.usccb.org/ccdh/collection](http://www.usccb.org/ccdh/collection).

### Thanksgiving Day Mass

Thursday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00AM

Our parish family will gather together to give thanks at this Mass of Thanksgiving. We hope you and your family will join us. We continue our custom of **Bread Sharing**. Please bring a loaf of bread to Mass, either homemade or from a Bakery. Before Mass begins, please place your loaf of bread on the table in the sanctuary. Fr. Casey will bless the loaves during the Mass. After Mass, please take a different loaf of bread home to share at your holiday meal.

### For CCSU Community Members

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.

### Campus Rosary Walk

Every Wednesday, now thru 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.

### 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.

### Faith Formation

**First Reconciliation/First Communion Preparation:** Saturday mornings, Nov. 17, 8:45 to 9:45 AM in the Church Hall.

**Confirmation Preparation:** Sunday afternoons, Nov. 18, 4:00 – 4:50 PM in the Church Hall; Sunday Mass follows at 5:00 PM.

**Family Faith Nights:** Wednesday, Nov. 14, 21 & 28, 7:00 – 7:45PM, 7:00 to 7:45 PM in the Church. **Topic on Nov. 14: Jesus Christ, God Incarnate, and Redeemer of the World.** These sessions are open to anyone interested in attending, both children and adults.

### Our Vocation Corner

The widow in today's Gospel experienced a miracle of trust. Trust the Lord; then watch for the miracle of plenty in our life. If the miracle is leading you to discern a vocation to priesthood or religious life, call Fr. Michael Casey as Director of Vocations at 860-225-6449. You can also email [vocations@aohct.org](mailto:vocations@aohct.org) or visit the web at [www.hartfordpriest.com](http://www.hartfordpriest.com).

## **Food Pantry**

Thank you to the parishioners who continue to contribute food supplies to our parish food pantry on a monthly basis. It is rewarding to see their generosity and the thoughtfulness that goes into making their donations.

We invite all parishioners to join in this important ministry that benefits not only our parishioners but also our neighbors in the City of New Britain.

## **1968 NBCJHS Championship Reunion**

**Paradise Pizza**

**Saturday, November 17**

**At 1:00 PM**

The 1968 St. Francis New Britain Catholic Junior High School championship team is having a 50<sup>th</sup> reunion. It will be on Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM at Paradise Pizza, 10 East Street, New Britain. There will be a slight charge for pizza and you will be responsible for your own beverages. All former classmates and fans are invited. Please contact Bruce Dinnie 860-539-9648 or [brucedinnie@yahoo.com](mailto:brucedinnie@yahoo.com) if you're interested in attending.

## **How Do Catholics Read the Bible?**

A "One Shot," "User Friendly," "Judgment-Free" Introduction to Basics of Bible Studies presented by BJ Daly Horell, Hartford Catholic Biblical School Director. Bring your Bible!

**Where? Our Lady, Queen of the Angels Parish/Holy Angels Church, 585 Main Street, Meriden.**

**When? Thursday, November 15, 6:30 – 9:00 PM.**

**How do I register? Contact Deacon Don Smith at 203-235-6381.**

## **New Day Program for Bereaved**

St. Thomas Parish of Southington will offer a bereavement seminar beginning November 28, 2018. Anyone grieving the death of a loved one is encouraged to enroll and participate at no cost.

The New Day process, developed by Sr. Mauryeen O'Brien, OP, will be used. Participants will meet 9 times from 6 – 8 PM. The winter dates will be November 28, December 12 & 19, January 2, 10, 16, 23 & 30, and February 6. During each meeting, participants work through one element of the grieving process using prayer, reflection, sharing and journaling. Everything that is shared during the meetings is held confidential. For more information or to enroll please call Deacon Vinny Raby 860-628-9425 or the Parish Office 860-628-4713.

## **Franciscan Christmas Fair**

*To benefit the Franciscan Life Center and Franciscan Home Care and Hospice Care*

**Saturday, November 17, 2018**

**9:30 AM to 2:30 PM**

**271 Finch Avenue, Meriden, CT 06451**

**Join us for a joy-filled day of Christmas spirit! Open to the Public -- No Entrance Fee.**

The Christmas Fair will include: A Living Crèche, Santa Claus, Franciscan Pottery, Homemade Jams, Jellies, Pickles, Breads, Rolls, Cookies, Crafts, "Almost New" Items, Children's Activities, Fresh Cut Christmas Trees, Wreaths, Raffles and Refreshments.

## **2019 Women's Retreats at Our Lady of Calvary**

*The World Will Be Saved by Beauty*

### **Retreat Dates**

January 11-13, 2019 ▪ January 18-19, 2019  
February 15-17, 2019 ▪ February 22-24, 2019 (Wives of Deacons)  
March 1-3, 2019 ▪ March 8-10, 2019 ▪ March 29-31, 2019  
April 5-7, 2019

Our spiritual path to God may begin with our attraction to beauty. The more we are aware of the beauty around and inside of us, the more beauty we project toward others. Beauty that flows from our hearts, reminds us of the source from which it comes: God.

Beauty has been described as the intersection where our physical bodies can hold both the desolation and despair and the joy of happiness of our lives – the place that gives our lives its deepest meaning.

Come spend time looking for what is beautiful. Intentionally take time to focus on those things that lift you up and help you feel closer to your God, the One who sends beauty to refresh, nurture, and sustain you, the One who invites you into beauty's Immortal Heart. You may rediscover beautiful things that perhaps you've taken for granted. To register go to [www.ourladyofcalvary.net](http://www.ourladyofcalvary.net) or contact our office at 860-677-8519.

### ***Advent Retreat Day – Wednesday, December 5, 9:00 AM to 2:00PM***

Join us for an Advent Retreat Day at OLC. Our day will begin with Morning Prayer followed by a multimedia presentation by Sr. Mary Ann Strain, CP on the world of Mary and Joseph based on the Infancy Narratives and archaeological discoveries. Visit Ain Karim, where it is believed Zechariah and Elizabeth owned two homes. See how close King Herod lived to Bethlehem and what a menacing presence he was. Go inside the newly discovered House of Nutrition in Bethlehem where Mary and Joseph may have raised Jesus. These ancient ruins will bring the scriptures concerning the birth of Jesus to life for you. You will come away with a deeper sense of the realities of Mary and Joseph's lives and the challenges they faced.

There will be an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This Advent Retreat Day will conclude with Mass in OLC's chapel at 1:00 PM. Offering: \$35 includes Mass and lunch. Register by calling Our Lady of Calvary Office 860-677-8519.

## **Holy Land Discovery**

Take your FAITH ON A JOURNEY, to the HOLY LAND on this 8 day 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 info, Contact Eileen at 860-399-1785 or [Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com](mailto:Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com).

## **Catholic Cruises and Tours, LLC and AOS--USA**

The Apostleship of the Sea of the United States of America (AOS-USA) is pleased to confirm that our two organizations have formed an alliance wherein Catholic Cruises and Tours (CC&T) will source all of their priests for cruises and tours through AOS-USA.

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