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Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024

Welcome to our Parish



Pastor
Rev. Michael Casey

Parochial Vicar
Rev. Eduar Gutierrez

Deacon
Alan Bielawski

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**Office Hours
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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 7, 2024: \$12,207.61

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

Mass Attendance for the weekend of

April 7, 2024: 642

Thank you to all who generously support our parish!

Finance Notes

As we continue our merger into one parish, any donations should be made to:

St. Francis of Assisi Parish.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

In Loving Memory we pray for

Virginia Phillips

Eileen Marzec

Michael J.A. Guida

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

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Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 13

8:00 am: St. Francis: +George Francis Flaherty Jr.

4:00 pm Vigil: St. Jerome: Deceased Members of the Beaupre & Heleniak Families

Sunday, April 14

8:30 am: St. Maurice: +Steve, Mary, Dorothy, Stanley & Eleanor Gadzik

10:30 am: St. Francis: +Fr. Tom Bererich

All weekday Masses are at St. Francis

Monday, April 15

8:00 am: Pro Populo

Tuesday, April 16

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant

Wednesday, April 17

8:00 am: +Alicia Teran De Leon

Thursday, April 18

8:00 am: Special Intention

Friday, April 19

8:00 am: Special Intention

Saturday, April 20

8:00 am: St. Francis: Special Intention

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

Sunday, April 21

8:30 am: St. Maurice: +Carlo & Giuseppina Carlozzi

10:30 am: St. Francis: +Carolina Liscio

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

PARISH LIFE



**TOP: FIRST WEEKEND MASS AT ST. MAURICE
MIDDLE: FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION OF KATE PINNEY
BOTTOM: BAPTISM OF ALEXANDER FELICIANO**



HOLY THURSDAY & GOOD FRIDAY



Weekday Adoration and Confession Schedule Update

As announced at Masses last weekend, the evening Adoration and Confession schedule is changing to **Wednesdays only**, from 5:00-6:00 pm at St. Francis, effective immediately and continuing through the end of summer.

Fatima Holy Hour

The next Fatima Holy Hour will be this **Sunday, April 14, 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.

New Britain Council of Catholic Women

On **Friday April 26**, the Feast Day of Our Lady of Good Counsel, the NBCCW will hold it's April meeting, at 1pm at St. Jerome's Church. Note that this is a Friday, rather than our usual meeting day of Thursday. We will celebrate this special day with a reflection by Deacon Alan and a culmination of the Novena to Our Lady of Good Counsel. A fair-trade pop-up store with proceeds benefiting our Ukraine Charity Fund will follow our meeting.

Spring Cleanup

Save the date! Our annual Spring Cleanup is right around the corner and we need help to brighten and beautify our parish grounds!

Cleanup Schedule:

Friday May 3rd: St. Francis

Friday May 10th: St. Jerome

Saturday May 11th: St. Maurice

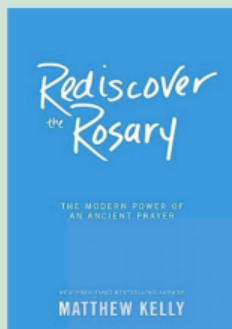
More Information To Come

Reason for Hope

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

Rediscover the Rosary

We live hectic lives in a chaotic world. Amidst such chaos and confusion, we long to hear God's voice with greater clarity. God wants to put things in order. He wants to rearrange our priorities. Our Catholic spirituality is constantly inviting us to establish the deep roots of order in our lives, and one of the best ways to do that is by praying the Rosary. It's a very powerful way to pray. It reaches deep down into our souls and puts us at ease, creating a peace that is rare and beautiful. It teaches us to slow down, calm down, let go, surrender, listen, and how to simply be, and that is not a small or insignificant lesson. It is the perfect prayer for busy people in a busy, noisy, confused world. Develop a habit of praying the Rosary, and discover the treasures of this powerful, ancient prayer.



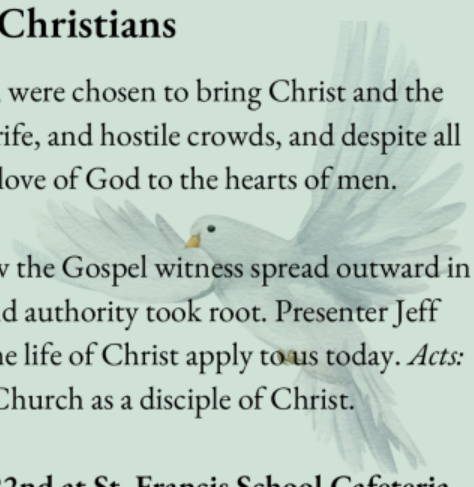
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The Compelling Story of The First Christians

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 despite all of this, 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 beginning on April 22nd at St. Francis School Cafeteria.



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 completed independently.

Food Pantry Shopping List

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

The item needed this week is:

Cereal

- Cereal
- 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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