

Divine Providence, St. Francis of Assisi,
Holy Apostles, St. Katharine Drexel
Parishes



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Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 30, 2023



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Deacon
Alan Bielawski

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

Divine Providence Parish at St. Joseph Church

195 South Main St.
New Britain, CT 06051

Holy Apostles Parish at St. John the Evangelist Church

655 East St.
New Britain, CT 06051

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

1755 Stanley St.
New Britain, CT 06053

St. Katharine Drexel Parish at St. Jerome Church

1010 Slater Rd.
New Britain, CT 06053

Saturday Vigil
4:00p.m. at St. Jerome

Sunday

8:00a.m. at St. Francis
9:00a.m. at St. Joseph
10:00a.m. at St. Francis
11:30a.m. at St. Jerome

Daily Mass

8:00 am Monday – Saturday at St. Francis
6:00 pm Monday-Friday at St. Francis

Confessions

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

Adoration

5pm-5:45pm Monday-Friday at St. Francis

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

April 23, 2023: \$11,249.92

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

**Mass Attendance for the weekend
of April 23, 2023: 615**

Thank you to all who support our parish.

In Loving Memory we pray for:

Gary J. Verrillo
Sandra Stella Fasanella
William J. McNamara
Joan C. Mercier
Edwin B. Mercier
Norman A. Jacques

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord; let your
light shine upon them.*

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A parish finance council is a consultative
body which assists the pastor in
administration of the goods of the parish
and advises him in matters pertaining to the
business. Canon Law stipulates that the
members of a finance council are to be truly
expert in financial affairs and civil law and
outstanding in integrity (Can. 492 §1).

I am grateful to the members of our parish
finance council for 2023. Their advice and
witness allow for the governance of our
parish to be a truly collaborative and
effective operation. –Fr. Casey

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 29

8am: St. Francis: Intention of the Celebrant

4pm Vigil: St. Jerome: +Kempton Morrell

Sunday, April 30

8:00 am: St. Francis: +Catherine Salka

9:00 am: St. Joseph: +Theresa Glowhia

10:00 am: St. Francis: +Antonio Cobuzzi

11:30 am: St. Jerome: +Mildred Poppel

All weekday Masses are at St. Francis:

Monday, May 1

8:00 am: Holy Souls in Purgatory

6:00 pm: Fr. Casey Intention

Tuesday, May 2

8:00 am: Fr. Casey intention

6:00 pm: +Jonathan Ferreira

Wednesday, May 3

8:00 am: +Mario John Caggiano

6:00 pm: +Walter Rozman

Thursday, May 4

8:00 am: +Zofia & Andrezej Matera

6:00 pm: +Rychard Kosakowski

Friday, May 5

8:00 am: +Maritza Josefina & Evcivia Margarita
Valbuena Bozo

6:00 pm: Pro Populo

Saturday, May 6

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

4pm Vigil: St. Jerome: +Steven Buslewicz

Sunday, May 7

8:00 am: St. Francis: +Matthew Carlina

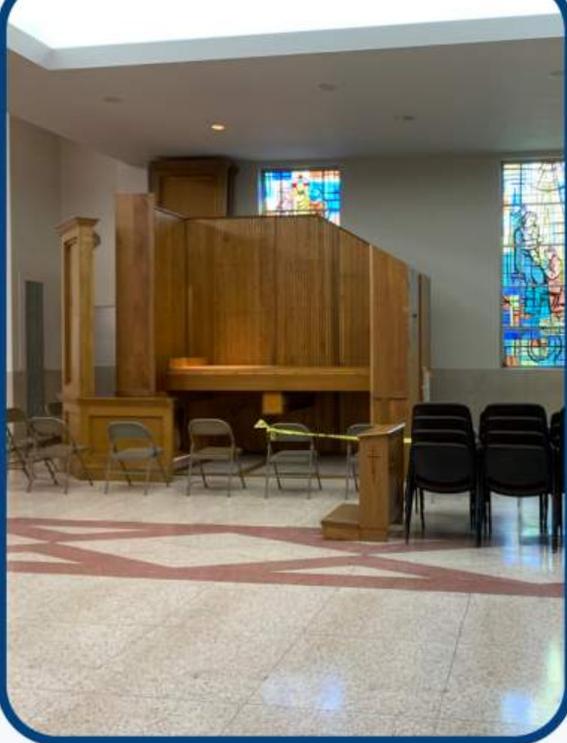
9:00 am: St. Joseph: +John J. Dougherty

10:00 am: St. Francis: +Steve Lucwilcow

11:30 am: St. Jerome: Deceased Members of the Diaz-
Rivera Family

**To Schedule a Mass. please call the Parish office,
located at St. Jerome at 860-224-2411**

Parish Life: Photos of the Week



Organ Rebuilding Project at St. Jerome: the floor frame has been set, the walls of the pipe chambers are starting to go up and the swell chest is in place



Esto Vir Men's group visits St. Francis



Baptism of Connor Chunglo at St. Jerome



Baptism of Daleyza & Henry Parra at St. Francis



Diaconate Ordination

Some of you may remember Colin Lane, a seminarian of the Archdiocese who served at St. Francis during the summer of 2018 and Holy Week of 2019. Colin will be ordained a deacon this May! Colin would like to invite all to attend the Ordination to the Diaconate on Saturday, May 20th at 11am at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, St. Paul VI Parish in Hamden. Also ordained in the same ceremony will be Daniel Hackenjós. Please join us if you can that day, and if you aren't able to, please pray for our soon to be new transitional deacons. –Fr. Casey

Save
The
Date

Parish Picnic!

Saturday June 10, 5:00-9:00pm
St. Jerome front lawn
More information to follow

Corpus Christi Procession

Sunday June 11
11am Mass at St. Joseph

**No 10am Mass at St. Francis or
11:30am at St. Jerome that day*

Volunteers Needed for Spring Cleanup

Help brighten our parish grounds for springtime! We need volunteers to join us for pruning, mulch spreading, and raking (please bring a rake if you have one). Cleanup will begin at St. Joseph and St. Francis on **Friday May 5, 9am-12pm** and at St. Jerome on **Saturday May 6, 9am-12pm**. Contact the parish office at 860-224-2411 with any questions. We hope to see you there!



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St. Francis Young Mothers Group

The St. Francis Young Mothers Group is for faithful Catholic women in their 20's through early 40's, with children from the age of newborn through 6. Meetings are Wednesday mornings from 9:30am - 11:30am in the St. Francis School Cafeteria. After praying a decade of the rosary, moms and kids will enjoy good fellowship (and sometimes food)! 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 2pm

Praying for our Priests

Think about the greatness of the Holy Priesthood in our Church, about their power to consecrate simple bread into the Body, Soul and Divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and the tremendous responsibility of the priests with regard to the eternal destiny of the immortal souls which are entrusted to their care.

Please support our priests in their responsibility through your daily prayers. Please take one of the "Apostolate of Prayer for Priests" calendar located near the bulletins. This calendar designates a specific day to remember particular priests from the Archdioceses of Hartford.

Q&A

Should I Sit or Kneel After Communion?

We take our direction on all liturgical actions from what is called the General Instruction of the Roman Missal. Number 43 of that Instruction states: "... if appropriate, they may sit or kneel during the period of sacred silence after Communion." This, of course, does not answer your question directly. What it means is that it is optional to sit or kneel at that time. It is more up to the established local custom, or the custom of the national bishops' conference, to make the normative determination for each location. Therefore, the best thing for you to do is to follow the custom of the local church under the direction of the priest.

Credits to: <https://mycatholic.life/catholic-question-and-answer/should-i-sit-or-kneel-after-communion/>

Meeting of the Ladies Guild

Combined Parishes of Divine Providence, St. Francis, Holy Apostles & St. Katherine Drexel

The May Ladies Guild meeting will take place **Tuesday May 9**, 1:00pm at St. Francis school cafeteria. Deacon Alan Bielawski will speak on Our Lady of Fatima. Women of all parishes are welcome to join us and bring a friend! Light refreshments will be served.

AA Meetings

Wednesdays at 7pm

St. Francis Church basement

Fridays at 7pm

St. Joseph School
(Spanish speaking group)

Saturdays at 7pm

St. Jerome Church Hall

St. Joseph's Food Pantry

Tuesdays 9:30 am - 10:30 am

*Cereal

Nut Butter

Pasta

Pasta Sauce

Instant Oatmeal

*Jelly

*Canned Soups

*Canned Fruit

Canned Vegetable

Canned Meat/Tuna

Instant Potato and Rice Mixes

Ramen Noodles

Mac and Cheese

Snack Items: Cookies, Crackers,
etc.

Monetary donations and gift cards are also accepted. Donations may be brought to any of our open church buildings. Thank you for your generosity! In special need of starred(*) items

Parish Craft, Tag & Bake Sale

Saturday, May 6 at

St. Joseph School on Edson St.
(behind St. Joseph Church).

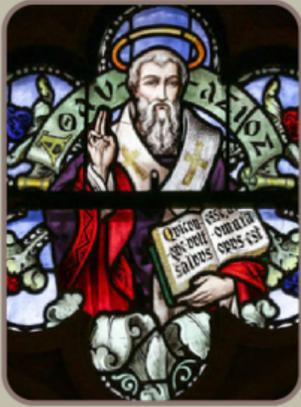
If you have treasures or crafts to sell, why not rent a table? Doors will open from 9:00 am -1:00 pm.

Table rental is \$10 per 6 foot table. Reserve your table by calling Ellen at (860)936-4215.

We cannot accept donations of items at this time.

Please donate your best cookies, brownies, cupcakes, pies and breads to sell at the bake sale. Call Elaine at (860)828-1616 to sign up to bake.

All proceeds from table rentals and bake sale will benefit Council 31 Knights of Columbus' programs. Looking forward to another successful parish activity!



St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor, c. 295–373, Patron Saint of theologians
 Saint Athanasius was the pillar of orthodoxy in the Patristic age. He was born to Christian parents in Egypt, raised in the faith, and mentored by the Bishop of Alexandria, whom he accompanied to the Council of Nicea. He later became the Bishop of Alexandria for forty-five years and was exiled five times. He lived a colorful life at the heart of the theological controversies of the fourth century. Athanasius played an important role at the Council of

Nicea in promoting the non-biblical, Greek word, homoousion, to describe Christ's relationship with God the Father. The Western Church then translated homoousion as consubstantialis for its Latin Creed. Hence the English word "consubstantial." To say that Christ is "consubstantial" with the Father is to say that He is not one in person, one in

mind, or one in will with the Father. He is distinct from the Father in His personhood, His mind, and His will. But Christ is entirely united to the Father in His substance, or nature. Christ is God from God in the same way that light is from light or, to use the probable original analogy, Christ is God from God and flame from flame. A wick carries a new flame away from its source, to burn the same or hotter somewhere else, without diminishing its "parent" fire. One source, two flames, generating heat and light in different places for different people. Christ did not become God sometime after He was born of the Virgin Mary. He did not develop into God as a teenager. Nor was He bestowed with divine powers in some pivotal event. He was a baby God, a teen God, and an adult God because He was always God. Nor was His God nature a mere cloak under which was hidden a human self. Jesus Christ was fully human, of course, but also fully divine, and these two natures were united in one complex person. Most of the Church's finer Christological definitions were destined to be clarified at later Councils. The first two Councils, Nicea (325 A.D) and Constantinople (381 A.D.) were concerned with understanding and defining the Trinity first. Once Trinitarian definitions were worked out, later fifth-century Councils would address more fully the nature of Christ Himself.

Credits to: <https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/may-2-st-athanasius-bishop/>



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