

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



*The Transfiguration, Raphael, 1516-1520, Public Domain.*

Feast of the Transfiguration  
August 6, 2023



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### **Prayer Line**

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

**Divine Providence Parish at  
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195 South Main St.  
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**Holy Apostles Parish at  
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655 East St.  
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**St. Francis of Assisi Parish**

1755 Stanley St.  
New Britain, CT 06053

**St. Katharine Drexel Parish at**

**St. Jerome Church**

1010 Slater Rd.  
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## **\*Summer Schedule In Effect\***

### **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

### **Confessions**

7:30-7:50 am Monday – Saturday at St. Francis

5pm-6pm Wednesday at St. Francis

3:30-3:50 pm Saturday at St. Jerome

### **Adoration**

5pm-6pm Wednesday at St. Francis

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

## Count & Collection

July 30, 2023: \$8,454.01

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

Mass Attendance for the weekend  
of July 30, 2023: 664

Thank you to all who support our parish.

## In Loving Memory we pray for

Helene Shirley  
Joseph Delgado

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



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## Holy Day of Obligation

*The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary is Tuesday August 15th*

**Monday August 14**

6:00 pm Vigil St. Francis

**Tuesday August 15**

8:00 am St. Francis

12:00 pm St. Jerome

6:00 pm St. Francis



## Weekly Mass Intentions

**Saturday, August 5**

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

**4pm Vigil: St. Jerome:** +Michael Lomascolo &  
Pat Tucciarone

**Sunday, August 6**

**8:00 am: St. Francis:** Intention of the Celebrant

**9:00 am: St. Joseph:** +James Watson

**10:00 am: St. Francis:** +Connie Famularo

**11:30 am: St. Jerome:** +William Mackiewicz

**All weekday Masses are at St. Francis:**

**Monday, August 7**

**8:00 am:** Pro Populo

**Tuesday, August 8**

**8:00 am:** +Mark Cauffman

**Wednesday, August 9**

**8:00 am:** Special Intention

**Thursday, August 10**

**8:00 am:** +Michael Cistalli

**Friday, August 11**

**8:00 am:** Special Intention

**Saturday, August 12**

**8am: St. Francis:** Intention of the Celebrant

**4pm Vigil: St. Jerome:** +Richard Lesniewski

**Sunday, August 13**

**8:00 am: St. Francis:** +Paul Albert

**9:00 am: St. Joseph:** +Ut Nguyen & Dinh Ho

**10:00 am: St. Francis:** +Marek Roszkowski

**11:30 am: St. Jerome:** +Evelyn Beauchene

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

# Parish Life: Photos of the Week



*The Office Staff spent a day together on retreat at Sacred Heart on the Lake*

**16<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL**  
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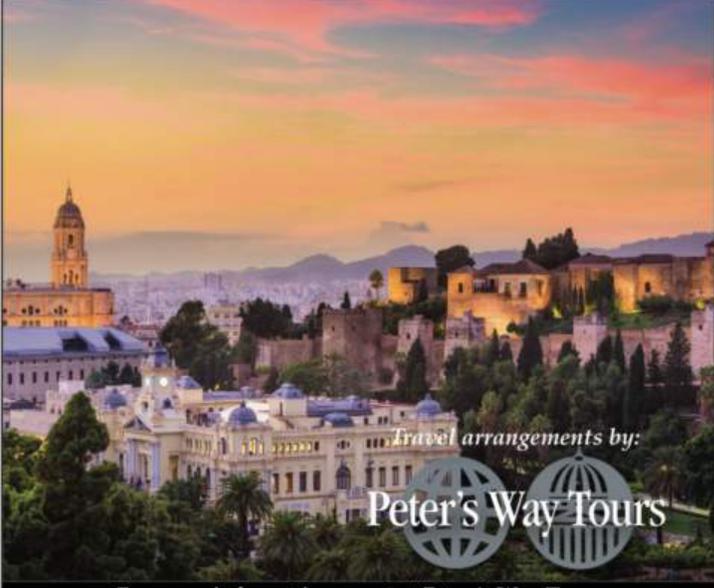
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*Led by Fr. Eduar Gutierrez, Parochial Vicar*  
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**Question of the Week Series: So, we're getting a new Archbishop?**  
**Part 4: When does Archbishop Coyne start?**

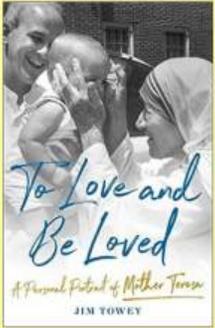
Archbishop Coyne will arrive in Connecticut with a Mass of Welcome on Monday, October 9th. From that time, he will serve here in our Archdiocese, getting to know the people and the area. We will see him around and hope to have him visit when his schedule allows. In the meantime, we should be praying for him very much and beginning to think of ways we can welcome him in October.

## Reason for Hope

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

### To Love and Be Loved

Difficulty: 2/5



Author Jim Towey offers an inspiring and joyful firsthand account of Mother Teresa's last years. We see her gracefully navigate the challenges of leadership and the perils of celebrity, and also indulging in ice cream and making jokes. Above all, we see her extraordinary devotion to God and to the very poorest of His children. Mother Teresa's lessons in prayer, humility and love are here for all to share.

Author: Jim Towey Page Count: 288



*Congratulations to Leo Raymond Aasen who was baptized at St. Francis!*

## New Assistant Musician



Please give a warm welcome to our new Assistant Musician Ed Bolkovac who recently joined our team to provide music at our various worship locations in rotation with our Music Director!

Edward was the Professor of Choral Music at The Hartt School of the University of Hartford from 1999-2020 and was also the Director of Vocal Studies from 2002-2015. Prior appointments include Senior Lecturer in Music at the University of Queensland in Brisbane, Australia; Artistic Director of the Brisbane Early Music Festival; Artistic Director of the California Bach Society, one of the San Francisco area's premiere baroque performance organizations; and Director of the Kodály Music Education Program at Holy Names University in Oakland, CA. Ed enjoys church work and his most recent major appointment was a 5-year stint as the choir director at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford.

## Organ Update

This week the organ became functional! Most of the 1,100 pipes were installed and the instrument made its debut on Saturday July 29th. The choir sang with the instrument at the 4:00 Vigil Mass. The rebuilding process will be complete within the next couple of weeks!



## Special Music Event

Join us **SUNDAY AUGUST 13th** for two special Music Events!

### Last Mass of the Choir's Summer Session

11:30 a.m. Mass at St. Jerome Church

Hear the choir sing one more time before their fall break!

### Introduction to the Aeolian-Skinner Pipe Organ

12:30 p.m. at St. Jerome Church

Special Presentation by Elizabeth Famularo, Director of Music, describing the building process and mechanical operation of the reassembled St. Andrew organ.



### 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/Vegetable

Canned Meat/Tuna

Instant Potato and Rice Mixes

Ramen Noodles

Mac and Cheese

Snack Items:

Cookies, Crackers, etc.

Monetary donations & gift cards are also accepted.

Donations may be brought to any of our open church buildings. In special need of starred(\*) items

### St. Francis Young Mothers Group

Join other faithful Catholic women in their 20's through early 40's, with children from the age of newborn through 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

### 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

### The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation

The Bible Timeline study program takes you on a guided journey through salvation history. Presenter Jeff Cavins will show you how fourteen of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end and give you the keys to understanding the amazing story woven throughout Scripture.

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You will learn the major people, places and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith. Through its 24 sessions, it will teach you how to read and understand the Bible in a way that will transform your life. Sessions are offered on Mondays at 6:30pm at St. Francis School Cafeteria.

## BINGO

Sunday Afternoons at **St. Joseph School** 195 South Main St., New Britain Doors open at 11:30am, Games begin at 2pm

### Saint Dominic, Priest, c. 1170 – 1221

*Patron Saint of the Dominican Republic, astronomers, and the falsely accused*



Dominic, born in Spain, spent many years dedicated to his university studies before accompanying a local bishop across Europe. In the city of Toulouse, France, Dominic encountered the Cathars, a heretical sect of purists on the margins. Dominic spent the next ten years of his short life contemplating and implementing a pastoral plan to bring the Cathars back into the arms of Mother Church. Dominic concluded very early on that the witness of priests had to be more authentic for them to be effective among the Cathars. No more traveling by horse, or nice meals or inns or even beds. They must go barefoot, fast, pray, be humble, wear simple clothes, and live strict chastity and celibacy like the Cathar holy men. Then, and only then, would the Cathars listen to the priests. The Cathars listened to Dominic. He had been practicing these things rigorously and joyfully for many years. He was the very icon of an authentic priest. Dominic, in short, had credibility, and his learning was self-evident in his preaching. His many years of heading a band of educated preachers amidst a difficult pastoral situation equipped Dominic for leadership. The Church gave the faithful concrete means to love God, not just to talk vaguely about loving Him. Dominic knew the truth and how to present it, by word and example, effectively. By 1215 he had received papal permission to lead his own group of preachers,

known as the Dominicans.

Credits to: <https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/8-august-saint-dominic-priest>

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