

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



Organ removal at St. Andrew's Church

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 12, 2023



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St. Joseph Church**

195 South Main St.
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**Holy Apostles Parish at
St. John the Evangelist Church**

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

Prayer Line

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

February 5, 2023: \$13,858.64
This amount includes the basket,
mail in and online donations.

Mass Attendance for the weekend
of February 5, 2023: 654
Thank you to all who support our parish.

Ash Wednesday is February 22, 2023

Ash Wednesday Schedule

- 6:30 am Prayer service with ashes @ St. Francis
- 8:00 am Mass with ashes @ St. Francis
- 12:00 Mass with ashes @ St. Jerome
- 12:00 Prayer service with ashes @ St. Peter
- 2:00 pm ashes on Campus @ CCSU
- 6:00 pm Mass with ashes @ St. Francis

QA

Will We Eat Food in Heaven?

In heaven, we will not, strictly speaking, have need of food for our sustenance as we do on Earth, because there will be no death in heaven nor any suffering (see CCC 1044), both of which occur on Earth when adequate food is not consumed. However, we will have glorified bodies (see CCC 1038ff.), and Jesus consumed food in his glorified, post-Resurrection bodily state (Luke 24:36-42). Scripture also speaks of “the marriage supper of the Lamb” in heaven (Rev. 19:9), although what that supper entails is not clear. In summary, it’s possible we could eat food as part of our heavenly joy, even though it won’t be required. In addition, given our glorified bodies, we will have no worry about issues of digestion or discharge.

Credits to: <https://www.catholic.com/qa/will-we-eat-food-in-heaven-0>



Saturday, February 11
8am: St. Francis: Special Intention
4pm Vigil: St. Jerome: +Teresa Glownia

Sunday, February 12
8:00 am: St. Francis: +Carmella and Joseph Lauria
9:00 am: St. Joseph: +Rosa Anna Airo
10:00 am: St. Francis: +Norman and Mary Roy
11:30 am: St. Jerome: +Paul, Lucy and Robert Esbaner

All weekday Masses are at St. Francis:

Monday, February 13
8:00 am: Pro Populo
6:00 pm: Intention of the Celebrant

Tuesday, February 14
8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant
6:00 pm: Intention of the Celebrant

Wednesday, February 15
8:00 am: +Emil Olis, Sr.
6:00 pm: Intention of the Celebrant

Thursday, February 16
8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant
6:00 pm: Intention of the Celebrant

Friday, February 17
8:00 am: +Lynn Frances Dexter
6:00 pm: +Emilia Francalanga

Saturday, February 18
8am: St. Francis: Intention of the Celebrant
4pm Vigil: St. Jerome: +Sr. Angela Ricciardi

Sunday, February 19
8:00 am: St. Francis: Intention of the Celebrant
9:00 am: St. Joseph: +Albina Leiberis
10:00 am: St. Francis: +Stanley Cap
11:30 am: St. Jerome: +Laurette LaChance

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

Organ Announcement

As Father Casey announced recently, the historic Aeolian-Skinner pipe organ from St. Andrew Church is moving to St. Jerome Church! The organ has been disassembled and moved, and now the process of reassembling the instrument begins.

During the disassembly process, completed by the organ builders of Alex Pipe Organ Service, each of the 1100+ pipes were individually removed, the console (the part the organist plays) was taken apart into smaller pieces, the heavy chests (which are the heart of the instrument in which the pipes sit) were rigged down from the loft and carried by machinery to their new home, and the wooden frame and structure of the pipe chamber was broken down into wooden panels. The disassembly process was completed by the end of January, and the components have made their way across town to St. Jerome.

Now when you enter St. Jerome Church you will notice a bit of a construction zone! Please excuse our appearance while we work on this exciting project. Please do not touch any organ components, and please respect all signage, roping, and barriers placed to separate the organ pieces from the congregation.

The reassembly will be completed sometime between Easter and Pentecost, again by the organ builders of Alex Pipe Organ Service. The pipes will return to their spots in the chests, the wooden framework will be rebuilt to house them, a new blower will be installed, the console will be reconstructed, and St. Jerome Church will be filled with the glorious sound of a magnificent pipe organ! Also, during the pipe organ reassembly process, St. Jerome's current Allen Renaissance electric organ will make its way across town to St. Francis Church. It will replace St. Francis' ailing Rodgers electric organ from the mid-80's, which has been malfunctioning for some time now and is at the end of its lifespan.

This is such an exciting endeavor for our community and has so many wonderful benefits for so many of our churches. The Aeolian-Skinner pipe organ will be a beautiful reminder to the St. Andrew community that they are always home in New Britain. Having a true pipe organ as its primary instrument will do justice to the acoustical resonance of the St. Jerome Church building, and the historically significant instrument from a well-respected builder will be a perfect compliment to St. Jerome's antique Steinway grand piano. And St. Francis will finally have a reliable instrument that can fill the building with a majestic sound for years to come. Our organ project ties together our community in so many beautiful ways!



Photo of the Week



Organ transfer from St. Andrew's Church to St. Jerome

ABC Women's Center Annual Baby Bottle Drive

The ABC Women's Center has extended their sincere appreciation to our four Parishes for the generous outpouring of support. With cash and checks, your filled baby bottles raised \$4,296.30.

All the funds donated to the ABC Women's Center go directly to support the services provided to clients at no charge. These life-affirming services include pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, parenting programs, baby and toddler supplies, and post-abortive support. ABC Women's Center is located at 8 Concord Street in New Britain.

Hospitality Ministers needed

If you are interested in helping with one or more of the following needs of the parish by:

- Welcoming people to Mass
- Assisting with needs during Mass
- Greeting people as they leave
- Getting the church ready for the next Mass
- Helping with social events after Mass

Please contact the parish office. Thank you!



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.

In this revolutionary approach to Bible study, The Bible Timeline divides the Bible into time periods that make it easier to follow its narrative thread. 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, The Bible Timeline will teach you how to read and understand the Bible and introduce you to the wonderful narrative of the Bible in a way that will transform your life. Sessions are offered on Monday at 6:30PM at St. Francis School Cafeteria.

The Martha and Kenneth Revoir Scholarship Application

The Martha and Kenneth Revoir Scholarship was established in 2016 by Kenneth Revoir in memory and in honor of his mother, Martha Revoir, a parishioner of St. Maurice Church, now known as Saint Katharine Drexel Parish. In creating the scholarship trust, it was Mr. Revoir's intention that students be able to pursue the education for which they are qualified and which they wish to pursue in order to become successful, productive citizens. The scholarship is primarily to provide financial assistance to eligible students who have been members of Saint Katharine Drexel Parish for at least the year prior to the student's application. If there are no qualified applicants, the Trustees have the authority to award scholarships to students who are members of other Roman Catholic parishes in New Britain for at least one year prior to application.

Scholarships with a minimum of \$2,500 may be awarded to full time students who are enrolled at accredited colleges, universities, or community colleges or are pursuing a course of study which will prepare them for a trade or profession at an accredited educational facility which awards degrees or certificates and has a full time faculty. Scholarships may include assistance with tuition, fees, books, and living expenses. High school seniors who will be enrolled at an accredited educational facility by June for the fall semester are also eligible to apply. To ensure that the information pertaining to the Trust gets sufficient distribution, the Trustees have decided to place this announcement regarding the Trust in each church bulletin throughout New Britain's Catholic Churches.

After reviewing all the applications provided to the Scholarship Committee by students who are members of that parish the scholarship committee will examine the other applications from other New Britain Parishes and shall forward their recommendations to the trustees. To keep the process as streamlined as possible, all applications will be sent to the Scholarship Committee at St. Katharine Drexel Parish. Scholarship application that contain all of the requirement needed to apply may be obtained at the Saint Katharine Drexel Parish Office (860) 224-2411 or contact Lisa at lisa@stfranciscatholic.org.

It is extremely important that all requirements and deadlines contained in the application process be met in a timely manor. Failure to enclose the required materials and to meet the deadlines will cause the application to be deemed incomplete and it will not be forwarded to the Trustees for consideration.

Sacred Heart on The Lake Retreat Center UPCOMING RETREATS

RETREAT DAY:

The Challenges of Change and Healing
Tuesday, February 28 from 10am-3pm @ Higganum

LENTEN RETREAT DAY A:

The Paschal Mystery-The Real Meaning
of Sacred Heart Devotion and God's Unconditional Love
-Saturday, February 25 from 10am-3pm @ Higganum
-Saturday, March 18 from 10am-3pm @ Higganum

LENTEN RETREAT THEME B:

LENT- A 40 Day Preparation Retreat For
The Renewal of Our Baptismal Vows
-Saturday, March 4 from 10am-3pm @ Higganum
-Saturday, March 25 from 10am-3pm @ Higganum

All retreats are located at Sacred Heart on the Lake Retreat Center (194 Candlewood Rd Higganum, CT 06441) and will be given by Sr. Lany Jo Smith, ASCJ. A donation of \$35 is asked which includes a continental breakfast and a full lunch. Reservations are necessary. We are limited in the number we can accommodate; and registration is done on a first come first serve basis. Call Sr. Lany Jo at 203-606-9102 or email ljsmith@ascjus.org. For further information and details about the themes of each retreat please check our website at www.sacredheartonthelake.org.

BINGO

Monday Evenings
St Jerome Church Hall
1010 Slater Rd., New Britain
Doors open at 5pm
Games begin at 6:30pm

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

Our Lady of Fatima Holy Hour

St. Francis Church February 12 at 2pm
Join us for Eucharistic Adoration, Holy Rosary,
Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Investiture of
Brown Scapular and a blessing of a 1st class relic
of St. Faustina.



Chester Malinka
Michael DiCesare



Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Invoked to aid in the imitation of the charity
and patience of Our Lady of Sorrows
Thirteenth Century

Bonfilius, Alexis, Manettus, Amideus, Hugh, Sostene, and Buonagiunta were seven successful cloth merchants from Florence, Italy. As members of a lay organization dedicated to the Blessed Mother, they were each devout in their faith. Their comradery, centered around their faith, not only united them more fully to God, but also to each other with a holy bond and a holy mission.

Around the year 1233, it is reported that all seven of these devout men individually experienced an apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary, calling them to withdraw from the world and to devote themselves entirely to the service of God. They obeyed, and on September 8, the Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary, they gave up their careers and property and moved into a dilapidated house outside the city wall. They embraced the mendicant life of begging, poverty, and prayer.

Around the year 1240, at Monte Senario, the seven received a joint vision of the Blessed Virgin Mary who appeared to them surrounded by angels. She instructed them on their mission, clothed them in their habits, presented them with their rule of life, and personally founded their order. Central to their mission was to spread devotion to the Seven Sorrows of Mary and to be her servants.

Credits to: <https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/february-17-seven-holy-founders-of-the-servite-order/>

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



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