

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



*FOCUS Missionaries and CCSU Students on a Mission Trip to Grenada this summer*

Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time  
July 30, 2023



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**Parochial Vicar**  
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### **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](mailto: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 and 4pm 860-225-3890.

### **Divine Providence Parish at 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

## **\*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 23, 2023: \$10,480.42

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

Mass Attendance for the weekend  
of July 23, 2023: 669

Thank you to all who support our parish.

### In Loving Memory we pray for

Evelyn Chudzik  
John Dobrzanski  
Marianna Darienzo

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



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## Weekly Mass Intentions

### Saturday, July 29

**8am: St. Francis:** +Evangeline Mercado

**4pm Vigil: St. Jerome:** +Ty Gagnon

### Sunday, July 30

**8:00 am: St. Francis:** +Andrea Griffin

**9:00 am: St. Joseph:** +Clayton Voisine

**10:00 am: St. Francis:** +Larry Kukuk

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

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

### Monday, July 31

**8:00 am:** Pro Populo

### Tuesday, August 1

**8:00 am:** Special Intention

### Wednesday, August 2

**8:00 am:** Special Intention

### Thursday, August 3

**8:00 am:** +Mario John Caggiano

### Friday, August 4

**8:00 am:** Intention of the Celebrant

### 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 Mackrewicz

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

# Parish Life: Photos of the Week




**THIS SUMMER SOME OF OUR CCSU STUDENTS AND FOCUS MISSIONARIES TRAVELED TO GRENADA TO TEACH STUDENTS AND TO SPAIN TO HIKE THE CAMINO DE SANTIAGO**



**16<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL**  
**CONNECTICUT CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE**

**2023 THEME:**  
**THE PRIESTHOOD: GOD'S GIFT & OUR RESPONSIBILITY**


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FELLOWSHIP ADORATION CONFESSION & MASS NATIONAL SPEAKERS EXHIBITORS

**Kevin Wells**  
**Matthew Leonard**  
**Archbishop Blain & Bishop Betancourt**  
*Principal celebrant and homilist respectively at our closing Mass.*  
**Fr. Glenn Sudano, CFC**  
**Fr. Larry Richards**

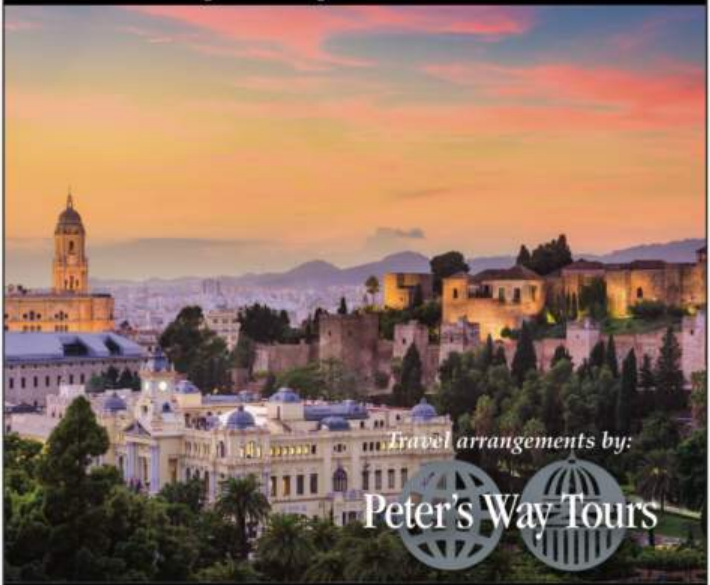
**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**  
**8:30AM - 4PM VIGIL MASS**  
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**LOCATION**  
**NORTHWEST CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN WEST HARTFORD**



**Join St. Francis of Assisi Parish on a 10-Day Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain, and France!**  
*Led by Fr. Eduar Gutierrez, Parochial Vicar*  
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**Registration for Fall Classes is Open**

*Meets Monday evenings at St. Francis School*  
*First Grade through High School*

*Online Registration is Available*  
*Scan the QR Code or find us at*  
*[www.stfranciscatholic.org](http://www.stfranciscatholic.org) and click Faith Formation*

*Contact Karyl Beloin, DRE, at*  
*[Karyl@stfranciscatholic](mailto:Karyl@stfranciscatholic) for more information*




**Question of the Week Series: So, we're getting a new Archbishop?**  
**Part 3: What does a Coadjutor Bishop do?**

A coadjutor Bishop is a helper bishop who functions like a normal auxiliary bishop except with the provision that when the current bishop retires they will automatically take over leadership of the diocese. A Coadjutor can help in many ways in the meantime, and there is no mandated time frame although the transition normally occurs shortly after the current bishop's 75th birthday. Archbishop Coyne will most likely visit parishes, get to know the Archdiocese, parishes, priests, and lay staff. It will be a great time to get to know him and for him to get to know us before he assumes all of the administrative burdens.

## Reason for Hope

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



### 10 Min with Jesus Podcast

Daily sparks to ignite prayer: a passage from the gospel, an idea, an anecdote and a priest who speaks with you and with the Lord inviting you to share your intimacy with God. Find your moment, consider you're in his presence, and click play.

Available on Apple and Spotify or online at  
<https://10minuteswithjesus.org>

## 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.

## 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](mailto: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

## St. Joseph's Food Pantry

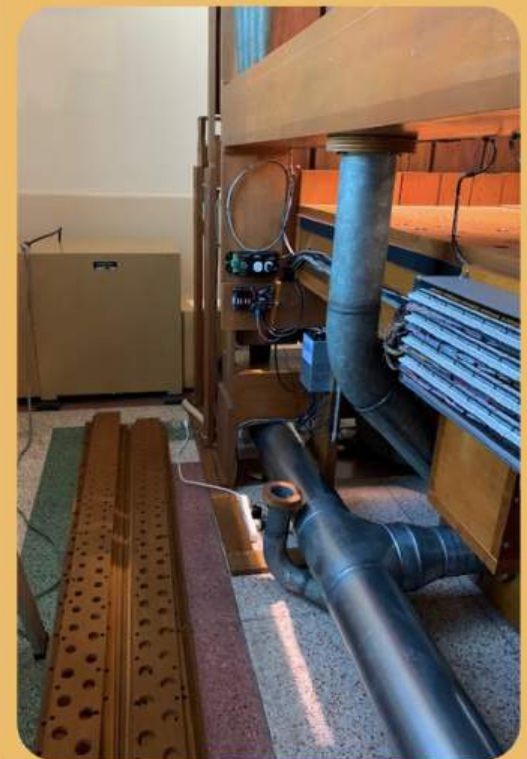
Tuesdays 9:30 am - 10:30 am

- \*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

## Organ Update

This week the wind line was completed and connected to the blower. Electrical work was also started, powering the blower so that the chests are now winded and air can begin flowing through pipes which will continue to be installed.



## BINGO

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

## Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest, 1491–1556

Patron Saint of soldiers, retreats, and the Basque country



Ignatius began his adult life as a knight and soldier. In the service of a local noble, he learned numerous sins that armies and royal courts excel in teaching: gambling, fighting, treachery, and womanizing. When courageously defending a fortress in Pamplona, Spain, Ignatius was hit by a cannonball. One leg was shattered and the other badly damaged. During his long and painful recovery, he consciously decided to exchange his service from an earthly to a divine Lord. As he moved toward the Priesthood, Ignatius engaged in profound reflection on the nature of Christian self-awareness, on prayer, and on what it meant to be radically committed to Christ. To counter the boredom of his recovery, he began to read about Saint Francis of Assisi, Saint Dominic, and other saints. He wondered if he could be like them. And then his mind wandered to thoughts of marrying a beautiful woman or new military expeditions. But then came a spiritual breakthrough. He reflected on reflection and thought about his thoughts, analyzing the quality of his emotions and mental experiences long after they had passed. He observed that reading the lives of the saints and thinking about earthly adventures were both pleasurable. But as time passed, reflection on holy things did not dissipate, while thoughts of earthly pleasures did. Saint Ignatius' astute spiritual self-reflections spurred him to change the entire trajectory of his life. He wanted permanent happiness. He repented of his past sins and walked the way of the saints. Saint Ignatius documented his spiritual progress, later publishing his insights in his classic, the *Spiritual Exercises*. He focused on the subject of prayer—the human person—as well as on the object of prayer—God. The mystery of God was equaled by the mystery of man. Ignatius was an innovator in describing the psychology of praying, in advocating for a systematic examination of conscience, and in encouraging a planned method of introducing into the imagination specific biblical scenes or thoughts of Christian faith for reflection. The *Spiritual Exercises* taught the Christian to profit from himself.

Credits to: <https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/july-31-saint-ignatius-loyola-priest/>

## 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, it 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, 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.

## Final Transition to Parish Giving as our Online Provider

Last spring 2022, we asked all online donors to transition to Parish Giving. The Parish Giving website can be accessed through the DONATE button on the [www.stfranciscatholic.org](http://www.stfranciscatholic.org) home page, through the QR code found in the pews, or directly at [www.parishgiving.org](http://www.parishgiving.org). Parish Giving has proven to be the most accessible, economically attractive online donation provider.


**THIS IS THE FINAL NOTICE:** we will be deactivating our parish accounts with Tithely and the Our Sunday Visitor (OSV) online donor programs. Only a very small number of online donors remain giving through those sites. Please be advised that we cannot cancel your donor account with either Tithely or OSV. You need to log in to your account to do so. We are very grateful for your donations & hope you will continue to give online at Parish Giving.



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