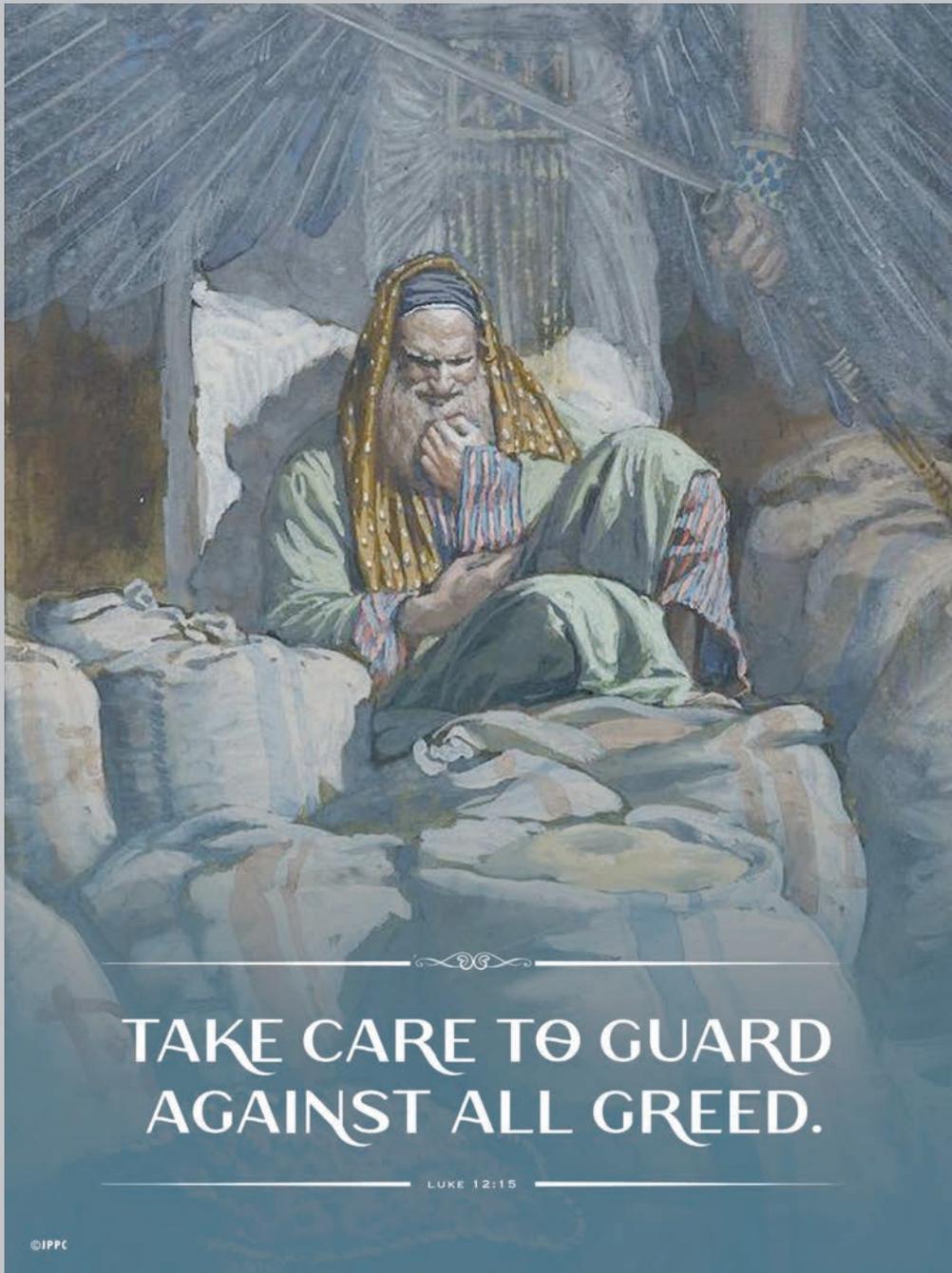


# Divine Providence, St. Francis of Assisi, Holy Apostles, St. Katharine Drexel Parishes



18th Sunday In Ordinary Time  
July 31, 2022



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### **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.  
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### **St. Katharine Drexel Parish at St. Jerome Church**

1010 Slater Rd.  
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### **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**

(May 30-August 12)

8:00 am Monday – Saturday at St. Francis

### **Confessions**

(May 30-August 12)

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

5:00-6:00 pm Wednesday at St. Francis

3:00-3:45 pm Saturday at St. Jerome

### **Adoration**

(May 30-August 12)

5:00-6:00 pm Wednesday 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

# Q&A

## Is It OK to Take Pictures at Mass?

Under normal circumstances, photographers and videographers would be a distraction to the faithful. However, there are some occasions (e.g., weddings, confirmations, First Communions) where their presence actually helps the faithful focus on the Mass. On those special occasions where people would want to take their own photos and videos, the presence of a professional means that everyone can obtain the photos and videos they want later and can focus their attention on the sacred actions taking place.

Credits to: <https://www.catholic.com/qa/is-it-ok-to-take-pictures-at-mass>

## Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers are needed for

Mingle at St. Peter's

Tuesdays || 5pm-6pm for dinner

Fridays || 7am-9am for breakfast

If interested please contact the parish office.

**July 24, 2022: \$8,411.96**

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

**Mass Attendance for the weekend  
of July 24, 2022: 595**

Thank you to all who support our parish.

## BINGO

Monday Evenings

**St. Jerome Church Hall**

1010 Slater Rd., New Britain

Doors open at 5pm || Games begin at 6:30pm

Sunday Afternoons

**St. John the Evangelist**

655 East St., New Britain

Doors open at 12:30pm || Games begin at 2pm

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**Saturday, July 30:**

**8:00 am: St Francis:** +Walter Sealy

**4pm Vigil: St. Jerome:** +Dorothy Dube

**Sunday, July 31:**

**8:00 am: St Francis:** +Barbara Wilcox

**9:00 am: St. Joseph:** +Sandra Lentini-Lockery

**10:00 am: St. Francis:** +Mark Lavoie

**11:30am: St. Jerome:** +Richard Simpson

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

**Monday, August 1:**

**8:00 am:** Special Intention

**Tuesday, August 2:**

**8:00 am:** +Kevin McMahon

**Wednesday, August 3:**

**8:00 am:** Pro Populo

**Thursday, August 4:**

**8:00 am:** Special Intention

**Friday, August 5:**

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

**Saturday, August 6:**

**8:00 am: St Francis:** Special Intention

**4pm Vigil: St. Jerome:** +Dorothy Dube

**Sunday, August 7:**

**8:00 am: St Francis:** +Stanley Budnik

**9:00 am: St. Joseph:** +Marie Parker

**10:00 am: St. Francis:** +Mark Cauffman

**11:30am: St. Jerome:** +Richard Simpson

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

## Health Fair

The Human Resources Agency (HRA) of New Britain presents our first Community Health Fair

**St. Joseph Church Parking Lot  
New Britain, CT  
Tuesday August 16, 2022  
11am-2pm**

Health is a human right! That's why we're bringing together a variety of healthcare resources in your community to share what is available to you.

COVID Vaccine and boosters available FOR FREE. Ages 6 months || Boosters Available for those eligible.

## Pastoral Care Ministry

We are most eager to help anyone who is unable to join us at Mass because of illness, handicap or age. Any parishioner in need of anointing of the sick or sacramental care at, assisted living, hospital or care facility, please call the Parish Office at 860-224-2411 and we will be happy to arrange a visit.

## Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary

Join us on the first Saturday of the month to pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. We begin before the Saturday morning Mass at 7:15am. The Mass intention is for the Priests of the Archdiocese of Hartford. All are welcome.

**There will be NO BINGO  
Monday 8/8 at St. Jerome**

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## Photo of the Week



Congratulations Axel on your Baptism



## ATTENTION PARENTS

This year we have a Fantastic Faith Formation program for our wonderful children, ages 3 - 10th grade, for our multi parish family. We are offering Catechesis of the Good Shepherd for ages 3-kindergarten, Word of Life program for grades 1-6, and a Bible Study designed specifically for Middle Schoolers, and we will have a Confirmation program for grades 9 and 10.

Please see Karyl or James after Mass for registration packets, we will be in the church Lobby waiting to say hello to all of our families!

Please contact me at the  
Parish Office 860 224 2411 with any questions.  
Karyl Beloin || DRE Faith Formation



**Pilgrimage Registration  
opens July 2022!**

A special invitation to  
Divine Providence, Holy  
Apostles, St. Francis of Assisi, &  
St. Katharine Drexel Parishes!

**SAVE  
THE  
DATES**

**May 21 – 27, 2023**

*Join us on a 7-Day Pilgrimage  
to Mexico, in Honor of*  
**Our Lady of  
Guadalupe**

*Highlights include Mexico City,  
Cuernavaca, Taxco, Puebla,  
Tulpetlac, and Teotihuacan.*

**WHO IS LEADING THE PILGRIMAGE?**

Fr. Casey and Fr. Gutierrez will be leading this special parish pilgrimage. The itinerary was designed to give thanks to Our Lord through Our Lady. We hope this pilgrimage will offer parishioners the opportunity to worship and pray in holy places providing graces to return home transformed.

**WHO CAN ATTEND?**

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

**HOW DO I JOIN?**

Tour brochures with enrollment information will be available in July. To request a brochure email: [peter@petersway.com](mailto:peter@petersway.com) (Ask for Tour Code 9902).

## Faith Formation

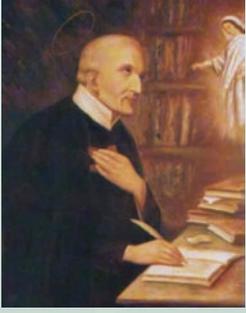
In the coming weeks there will be more announcements regarding the parish Faith Formation Program. Our program includes Pre-K through grade 10. If you have any questions regarding faith formation or enrollment please contact the Parish office.

## Hospitality Ministry

If you are interested in Volunteering for one or more of the following

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

Please contact the parish office. Thank you!



## Saint Alphonsus Maria de Liguori || Bishop and Doctor

Patron Saint of moral theologians and confessors

1696 – 1787

Today's saint was given the gift of a comprehensive education by his parents from a young age. He finished his university studies with degrees in civil and canon law when he was just sixteen years old. After practicing law for eight years, and declining a marriage arranged by his father, the noble, highly educated, and intelligent Alphonsus made a mistake. He overlooked a simple matter of fact in a legal proceeding and lost an important case for his client. Alphonsus decided to abandon the practice of law and his lust for vanity, wealth, and earthly glory. Shortly afterward, he heard an inner voice speak to him, on two separate occasions, while visiting the deathly ill at a hospital: "Leave the world and give yourself to me." This was the turning point. Alphonsus made a dramatic gesture. He went to a church dedicated to the Virgin Mary, placed his sword on the altar, and petitioned acceptance to a local religious Order.

He was ordained a priest in 1726 and travelled throughout the region of Naples as a missionary, becoming well known as a lion in the pulpit and a lamb in the confessional. In 1732, after forming various friendships with local clergy and convents of nuns, he founded the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer. The rest of Alphonsus' long life was spent building up this Order.

Saint Alphonsus took a personal vow to never waste a moment of time. It showed. He did everything, and he did it well. He became particularly well known as a moral theologian. Alphonsus was also a talented musician and composed the music and words for a beloved Italian Christmas carol.

Credits to: <https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/august-1---st-alphonsus-liguori/>



## Creed

In The Creed, Bishop Robert Barron guides viewers into the depths of the Nicene Creed, a fourth-century statement of faith that has profoundly influenced both Eastern and Western spirituality, theology, and liturgy.

Explore the meaning of "belief" and whether it contradicts reason; the creative love of God the Father; the shocking mystery of his Son's Incarnation and the great drama of his Crucifixion and Resurrection; the life-giving power of the Spiritus Sanctus, or "Holy Breath," shared between them; and the mystical reality of the Church, which calls all of humanity out of the world of sin to receive forgiveness and participate in Christ's divinity—not only in the next world but here and now.

The Creed will help you rediscover the great intellectual and spiritual depths of Christian doctrine and reclaim the unity, clarity, and conviction of the Christian faith. Please come and join us for the Next Mondays (August 1st -Sept. 5th ) at 6:15 PM at St. Francis School to explore our faith and traditions.



Has your marriage become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring? Are you thinking of divorce or separation? The Retrouvaille program can help. Retrouvaille provides tools to improve communication, better resolve conflicts fairly, and re-discover why you fell in love. For information: call confidentially 1-800-470-2230, email [cherylandsteve@cox.net](mailto:cherylandsteve@cox.net), or go to our website [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com)

# Membership Meeting

The first meeting of the New Britain Council of Catholic Women will take place on Thursday, August 25 th at 1:00 PM in St. Jerome Church Hall

All members are welcome to attend, as well as women interested in becoming part of this council. Refreshments will be served following the business meeting. For further information you may email the council at [nbcouncilcatholicwomen@gmail.com](mailto:nbcouncilcatholicwomen@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

\*Peanut Butter

\*Pasta

\*Pasta Sauce

\*Instant Oatmeal

Jelly

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Canned Fruit

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Instant Potato and Rice Mixes

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