

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



Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 19, 2023



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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

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.

Prayer Line



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

March 12, 2023: \$ 12,621.85
This amount includes the basket,
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Mass Attendance for the weekend
of March 12, 2023: 667
Thank you to all who support our parish.



Stations of the Cross
Every Friday of Lent
6:30 pm at St. Francis Church



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The New Britain Council of Catholic Women is please to offer two \$1,000 scholarships to either 8th graders planning to attend a Catholic High School or high school seniors planning to attend college. The Council is only accepting digital applications by emailing: nbcouncilcatholicwomen@gmail.com. The deadline for submission is May 5th.

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Saturday, March 18

8am: St. Francis: +Joseph Rudnansky
4pm Vigil: St. Jerome: +Arthur Steinbruck

Sunday, March 19

8:00 am: St. Francis: Intention of the Celebrant
9:00 am: St. Joseph: +Patrick Hamel
10:00 am: St. Francis:+Barbara Bacon &
+Kenneth Lewis
11:30 am: St. Jerome: +Stephen Gurr

All weekday Masses are at St. Francis:

Monday, March 20 : Solemnity of St. Joseph

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant
6:00 pm: Intention of the Celebrant

Tuesday, March 21

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant
6:00 pm: Intention of the Celebrant

Wednesday, March 22

8:00 am: +Joseph Dubois
6:00 pm: +Dinh Ho

Thursday, March 23

8:00 am: +Cecylia & Kazimierz Klekawka
6:00 pm: Intention of the Celebrant

Friday, March 24

8:00 am: +Leonard Haze
6:00 pm: Pro Populo

Saturday, March 25 : Solemnity of the Annunciation

8am: St. Francis: Intention of the Celebrant
4pm Vigil: St. Jerome: Intention of the Celebrant

Sunday, March 26

8:00 am: St. Francis: Intention of the Celebrant
9:00 am: St. Joseph: +Chrissy DeBlasio
10:00 am: St. Francis: +William & Dolores Woodward
11:30 am: St. Jerome: +Marcel & Frank Roberge

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



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HOW TO REPORT AN INCIDENT OF SEXUAL ABUSE TO THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HARTFORD

If you have knowledge or suspect that a minor or vulnerable adult (an adult with an intellectual disability) has been sexually abused, in any manner, by personnel of the Archdiocese of Hartford, you are urged to report this information to:

Faith Vos Winkel, MSW

Victim Assistance Coordinator 860-541-6475 faith.voswinkel@aohct.org

In addition, you will be asked to follow up in writing with a detailed description of the facts involved in the incident. Specifics of this written report can be found in the *Policies and Procedures of the Archdiocese of Hartford Relating to Allegations of Sexual Misconduct Involving Minors and Vulnerable Adults*. This document is also available online at www.archdioceseofhartford.org. The Archdiocese of Hartford will report any and all incidents to the proper civil authorities.

Mandated reporters in the State of Connecticut are required by law to report any incident of sexual abuse involving a minor or vulnerable adult. We encourage any Non-Mandated persons to report such incidents to the proper authorities as well. We support your right to do so.

Incidents involving sexual abuse of minors (persons under the age of 18) should be reported to:

State Department of Children and Families Care-line **1-800-842-2288**

Incidents involving sexual abuse of vulnerable adults aged 18 – 59 should be reported to the:

CT Department of Developmental Services – AID Division for Persons with Intellectual Disabilities **1-844-878-8923**

Incidents involving sexual abuse of vulnerable adults aged 60 and over should be reported to:

Department of Social Services for the Elderly **1-888-385-4225**

Once a written report of an incident of sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult has been received, an investigation will be undertaken by, or on behalf of, the Archdiocese of Hartford.

Photos of the Week




Stations of the Cross



From the Catholic Biblical School






Unlocking the Power of Praying the Psalms

Lenten Scripture Retreat:
Saturday, March 25th 8:45-2:15pm

For More Information and to Register:






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— Pope Benedict XVI



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The Passion and Death of Jesus According to Matthew and John

During Holy Week, we will hear the Passion Narrative twice. On Palm Sunday, we will hear the Passion Narrative according to St. Matthew. Then, on Good Friday, we shall hear the Passion Narrative according to St. John. In this four-part series, Monsignor Frank Matera (who assists us on weekends) will highlight the distinctive way in which each Evangelist presents the story of Jesus' passion and death.

March 20

The Crucifixion and Death
of Jesus according to the Gospel of John
Each session will be held at St. Francis School on
Monday evenings, beginning at 6:30 PM

Sacred Heart on The Lake Retreat Center 194 Candlewood Rd. Higganum, CT 06441 UPCOMING RETREAT

LENTEN RETREAT THEME B:

LENT- A 40 Day Preparation Retreat For
The Renewal of Our Baptismal Vows

-Saturday, March 25 from 10am-3pm @ Higganum

Presented by Sr. Lany Jo Smith, ASCJ. A donation of \$35 includes a continental breakfast and full lunch. Reservations are required. Please contact 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

Q&A If Adam and Eve didn't eat the fruit, would Jesus still die on the cross?

No. Jesus' death was because of our sin. Had sin never entered the world, Jesus would not have had to die. This question, however, can only be answered in a theoretical way since Adam and Eve did sin, as have we all.

Credits to: <https://mycatholic.life/catholic-question-and-answer/q-if-adam-and-eve-didnt-sin-would-jesus-still-die/>

Fr. Casey's Notes

Connecticut March For Life

This upcoming Wednesday, March 22nd, will be the Connecticut March for Life. After the overturning of Roe v. Wade last year, the Pro-Life Movement has moved very much back to the state level. I know many of us may have traveled at one time or another down to Washington DC for the National March for Life. This annual event was always marked by huge crowds gathered to defend the Gospel of Life and bear witness to the sanctity of every human life from conception until natural death. So often, particularly in the northeast, those who are involved in pro-life activities feel like a small minority opinion. The March for Life was an annual reminder that the number of those who will actively stand up for the defense of human life is not small. This Wednesday gives us the opportunity to express that same united solidarity on the state level.

The event will begin with a 12:00 noon rally at the State Capitol and proceed with a 1:00 o'clock march around Bushnell Park. On the local level, I am very happy to say that our own Marcelina Halas, who is the vice president of the CCSU Newman Club, will be among those speaking at the rally. Marcelina is an active part of the Catholic community at CCSU and St. Francis, and she organized the student peaceful protest when Vice President Harris visited CCSU last year to speak about abortion. I look forward to her words on Wednesday.

One of the most moving features of the March for Life is its tone. We are bearing witness to a culture of life, and so the very tone with which we do it needs to be one of faith, love, and peace. The core of our message is that each person is created in the image of God and that they deserve the protection of law and the love and support of the community. Therefore, the very way we defend this belief should be, and often is, in that same tone. The March for Life is often an experience of a community which is a witness to love. If you are able to join us this Wednesday, please do. If you are not able, please pray for those in attendance, pray for the legal protection of human life in our state, and try to live out a little bit more the love of the culture of life.



MARCH 22ND, 2023

RALLY: 12:00 PM
MARCH: 1:00 PM
Hartford, CT



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www.abcwomanscenter.org

St. Francis Young Mothers Group

We are a group of faithful Catholic women in our 20s through early 40s, each with children from the age of newborn through 6. Meetings are Wednesdays from 9:30AM-11:30AM in the St. Francis School Cafeteria. We pray a decade of the rosary and moms and kids enjoy good fellowship (and sometimes food!). 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

St. Joseph's Food Pantry

Tuesdays 9:30 am - 10:30 am

- *Cereal
 - Peanut 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

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

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 and activities. Looking forward to another successful parish activity!

NBCCW

The March meeting of the New Britain Council of Catholic Women will take place on March 30th at 1:00 pm at St. Jerome Church (1010 Slater Road). We will have our business meeting and a speaker. Please bring a friend. Refreshments will follow.



Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop 1538–1606

Patron Saint of Peru, Latin American bishops, native people's rights

Canonized in by Pope Benedict XIII on December 10, 1726

Toribio Alfonso de Mogrovejo (Turibius) was born of noble parents in the town of Mayorga. Turibius was a devout child. He had a strong devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, prayed to her daily, and fasted every Saturday in her honor. He had a heart for the poor and was generous in caring for them. When Turibius was twelve, he was sent to study humanities in Valladolid and was later sent to the University of Salamanca to study law.

Turibius' brilliance quickly became known and caught the attention of King Phillip II, who appointed him as the Grand Inquisitor in Granada in 1571. He was only thirty-three and held that post for five years. During these first thirty-eight years of Turibius' life, the Spanish conquerors of the newly colonized lands of Peru were in dire need of moral reformation. After the death of the first archbishop of Lima in 1575, King Phillip chose Turibius for the task. There was only one problem: Turibius was not even a priest; he was a layman. Turibius objected to the idea but the king insisted, and the pope approved.

Turibius pleaded with the king, pointing out that only a priest could be made a bishop, and arguing that the task was beyond his ability. But his humility was only a clearer sign that he was the man for the job. Turibius finally agreed. Over the next two years, Turibius prepared for the priesthood, was ordained, served as a priest, and then was ordained a bishop. In September of 1580, at the age of forty-three, Archbishop Turibius set sail for Peru with his sister and brother-in-law, arriving several months later. He was installed in

Lima on May 24, 1581, and served as the third archbishop of Lima for twenty-five years. In addition to his administrative efforts,

Turibius spent seventeen of his twenty-five years as archbishop traveling on foot to every parish and community on three separate occasions. He traveled through difficult terrain, snow-covered mountains, rain, heat, and cold. He went to confession and offered Mass every day, learned the native languages, got to know his people, and made sure that every parish was in order and adhered to Church discipline. He built many churches, baptized and confirmed half a million people, had a passionate zeal for every individual soul, and made sure that both Spaniard and indigenous were equally cared for. From his flock would emerge three saints whom he confirmed:

Saint Rose of Lima, Saint Martin de Porres, and Saint Juan Masías.

Credits to: <https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/march-23-saint-turibius-of-mogrovejo-bishop/>

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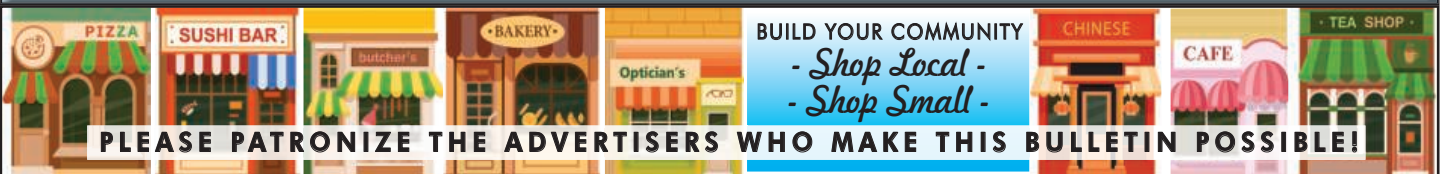
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