

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



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October is the month of the Holy Rosary

Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time
October 1, 2023



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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. 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 pm and 4 pm 860-225-3890.

Divine Providence Parish at St. Joseph Church

195 South Main St.
New Britain, CT 06051

Holy Apostles Parish at St. John the Evangelist Church

655 East St.
New Britain, CT 06051

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

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil

4:00 pm at St. Jerome

Sunday

8:00 am at St. Francis

9:00 am at St. Joseph

10:00 am at St. Francis

11:30 am at St. Jerome

Daily Mass

8:00 am Monday – Saturday at St. Francis

Confessions

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

5:15 pm-5:45 pm Monday - Friday at St. Francis

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

Adoration

5:00 pm-6:00 pm Monday - Friday at St. Francis

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

Count & Collection

September 24, 2023: \$10,784.47

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

HOPES Special Collection: \$1696

Mass Attendance for the weekend
of September 24, 2023: 678

Thank you to all who support our parish.

In Loving Memory we pray for

Walter Grajewski

Elenor Zorn

and all the recently deceased

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



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5:00 pm, Friday, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
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Calendar Notes

Please note these important changes:

Monday October 2:

No Evening Confession during Adoration

Tuesday October 3:

No Morning Mass & Confession

No Evening Confession during Adoration

Wednesday October 4:

No Morning Mass & Confession

No Evening Confession during Adoration

****6:00 PM MASS (IN HONOR OF
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI'S FEAST DAY)****

Monday October 9:

No Evening Confession or Adoration

due to Archbishop Coyne's Mass of Welcome

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, September 30

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

4:00 pm Vigil: St. Jerome: Intention of the Celebrant

Sunday, October 1

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

9:00 am: St. Joseph: Intention of the Celebrant

10:00 am: St. Francis: Intention of the Celebrant

11:30 am: St. Jerome: Intention of the Celebrant

All weekday Masses are at St. Francis

Monday, October 2

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant

Tuesday, October 3

No 8:00 am Mass due to the priest convocation

Wednesday, October 4 *Feast of St. Francis of Assisi*

No 8:00 am Mass due to the priest convocation

6:00 pm: Intention of the Celebrant

Thursday, October 5

8:00 am: +Peter Klimanowski

Friday, October 6

8:00 am: Pro Populo

Saturday, October 7

8:00 am: St. Francis: Sanctification of the Bishop & Priests
of the Archdiocese of Hartford

4:00 pm Vigil: St. Jerome: Intention of the Celebrant

Sunday, October 8

8:00 am: St. Francis: Special Intention

9:00 am: St. Joseph: +Tobiasz Cichowlaz

10:00 am: St. Francis: +John Cadder, Sr.

11:30 am: St. Jerome: Deceased Members of the Kozlowski
Family

**To Schedule a Mass Intention, please call the
Parish office at 860-224-2411**

Parish Life: Photos of the Week



Thank you to the 14 volunteers who came out last weekend for our Fall Cleanup at St. Peter and St. John churches!



Our confirmation class had their annual retreat at St. Francis school led by Red Barn Ministries

Fall Cleanup: Caring for our Parish

Help freshen our parish grounds for fall! We need volunteers to join us for raking and pruning (please bring a rake or pruning shears if possible). We are asking volunteers to sign up with the parish office so we can have an accurate headcount. Contact the parish office at 860-224-2411 or parishoffice@stfranciscatholic.org.

****All cleanup sessions are from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm****

Cleanup Schedule:

Friday October 20: Newman House Saturday October 21: St. Francis

The fruit of love is service, which is compassion in action.

ST. MOTHER TERESA

Family Fall Festival

Enjoy the beauty of fall as a parish family

Sunday October 1, 2023 at the St. Jerome Campus

After the 11:30am Mass

Food served 12:30 - 2:00 pm

Hotdogs & Brats

Chips & Soda

Music

Community

Hamburgers

Lawn Games

Fun

And More...

**This is a free event. Any donations received will go 100% to fund our Faith Formation program*

Ladies Guild Meeting

The next meeting of the parish Ladies Guild will be on **Tuesday October 10th**, from 1:00-3:00 pm in St. Jerome's Hall. Carol Nelson from St. Joseph Church will lead everyone in praying the Living Rosary. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

Youth Faith Formation Fall Classes Have Started

****There's still time to register!****

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 and click



Faith Formation

Contact Karyl Beloin, DRE,
at Karyl@stfranciscatholic.org
for more information

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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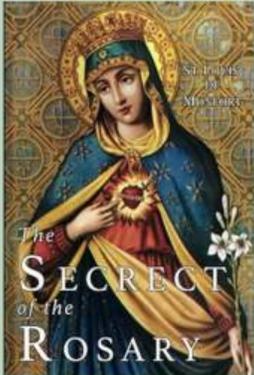
Every other Saturday from 8:45-10:15 am

Email OCIA@stfranciscatholic.org for more information or to sign up

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)

Secret of the Rosary



In this book St. Louis De Monfort explains the rosary and its power in short sections called Roses, each one about 1-2 pages long. Each Rose discusses a separate aspect of the Rosary and is addressed to a different cross section of the audience. Divided into two parts, the first focuses on "What the Rosary is" and the second on "How to Recite it". This book is intended as a compendium of everything necessary to know about the Rosary and to show its significance in Catholic life.

Author: St. Louis de Montfort
Page Count: 150

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Question of the Week Series: The Rosary

Part 1: What is the rosary?

The Rosary is a traditional Catholic prayer that seeks to honor Mary, the mother of Jesus. It originally consisted of fifteen "mysteries" that recall the joyful, sorrowful and glorious moments in the life of Jesus and Mary. In 2002, St. John Paul II added another set, the mysteries of light (also called the luminous mysteries), in which we contemplate Jesus' public life. The strand of beads used to recite this prayer is also called a "rosary."

"All generations will call me blessed," our Lady proclaims in the Magnificat. Indeed, from the earliest times, the Blessed Virgin has been venerated under the title of "Mother of God," under whose protection the supplicant faithful take refuge in all their dangers and needs. The Rosary is a prayer that encapsulates the special veneration that the Virgin Mary receives in the Church. (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 971).

Credit: <https://opusdei.org/en-us/article/what-is-the-rosary/>

With Praise to Almighty God,

His Excellency
The Most Reverend

Leonard P. Blair

Archbishop of Hartford

cordially invites you to attend a Mass of Welcome for

His Excellency

The Most Reverend

Christopher J. Coyne

Coadjutor Archbishop of Hartford

in the presence of His Eminence,
Cardinal-Designate Christophe Pierre,
Apostolic Nuncio to the United States of America

Monday, the ninth of October
Two thousand twenty-three
at two o'clock in the afternoon

Cathedral of Saint Joseph
140 Farmington Avenue
Hartford, Connecticut

Reception immediately following Mass

Adult Faith Formation Video Series: The Bible and the Virgin Mary

Exactly who is the Blessed Virgin Mary? Can you explain her role in God's plan for the world? Do you fully understand the vital role she plays in your life? While Catholics know Mary is important, many never fully grasp how essential she really is - but now they can. *The Bible and the Virgin Mary* unveils the mystery of Our Lady that is woven into the fabric of Sacred Scripture. In this video series of twelve visually stunning lessons, join author and speaker Matthew Leonard in this beautiful, awe-inspiring journey in which the Mary of doctrine and devotion comes alive in a powerful, new way. **Sessions ongoing on Mondays, 6:30 pm at St. Francis School Cafeteria.**

Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is hosting a Welcome table at the 9 am, 10 am, and 11:30 am Masses on October 8th.

Come to Coffee AND - Rosaries and Miraculous Medals are available and a chance to win a free afghan as an appreciation for visiting the Legion of Mary display.

The Mingle

The Mingle is looking for volunteers Tuesdays 4-6:30 pm at St. Peter Church to help with feeding the less fortunate.

Volunteers will help with setup, serving, and cleanup. Please call the parish office at 860-224-2411 or Linda Strajkowski at 860-214-3296 with questions or to sign up.

BINGO

Sunday Afternoons at

St. Joseph School

195 South Main St., New Britain

Doors open at 11:30am,

Games begin at 2pm

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. 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

St. Joseph's Food Pantry

Tuesdays 9:30 am - 10:30

*Cereal, Nut Butter, *Jelly, Pasta/Sauce, Instant Oatmeal, *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

What Scripture Teaches about the Eucharist

This year the Church in the United States is observing a yearlong celebration of the Eucharist that will culminate in a national Eucharistic Congress. To prepare for this "Year of the Eucharist," Monsignor Frank Matera, who helps us on weekends, is offering a four-week series that examines what the Scriptures teaches about the Eucharist.

This series will be held at **St Francis School Hall, 6:30 pm, on the Monday's of Oct 16, 23, 30, Nov 6.**

The Eucharist Foreshadowed in the Old Testament (October 16)

will consider how certain people and events of the Old Testament foreshadow the gift of the Eucharist.

The Feeding of the Five Thousand in the Wilderness (October 23)

shows how the feeding of the 5000 foreshadows the Eucharist and deepens our understanding of this gift.

Jesus the Bread of Life (October 30)

will showcase what Jesus's discourse on the Bread of Life (John 6) teaches about the reality of the Eucharist.

The Eucharist and the Body of Christ, the Church (November 6)

will focus on what St. Paul says about the Eucharist and it's meaning for our life in community as the Body of Christ.

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