

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



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Twenty-Ninth Sunday of Ordinary Time
October 22, 2023



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Rev. Michael Casey

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9:00 am - 4:30 pm**

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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

October 15, 2023: \$12,028.38

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

Mass Attendance for the weekend
of October 15, 2023: 644

Thank you to all who support our parish.

In Loving Memory we pray for

John Masserio

Margaret P. White

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
www.abcwomanscenter.org

Second Collection: World Mission Sunday

This weekend there will be a second
collection as we unite with the global Church
in celebrating World Mission Sunday. This
year, Pope Francis gives us the theme:
"Hearts on fire, feet on the move". This
important collection will bolster the
missionaries working in Africa, Asia,
the Pacific Islands, and part of Latin
America and Europe.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 21

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

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

Sunday, October 22

8:00 am: St. Francis: Holy Souls in Purgatory

9:00 am: St. Joseph: +Thomas James Luddy

10:00 am: St. Francis: +Paul Albert

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

All weekday Masses are at St. Francis

Monday, October 23

8:00 am: Pro Populo

Tuesday, October 24

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant

Wednesday, October 25

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant

Thursday, October 26

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant

Friday, October 27

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant

Saturday, October 28

8:00 am: St. Francis: +Wilfredo Cotto & Justo Rodriguez

4:00 pm Vigil: St. Jerome: +Kathleen Conlin

Sunday, October 29

8:00 am: St. Francis: +Stephanie Brackett

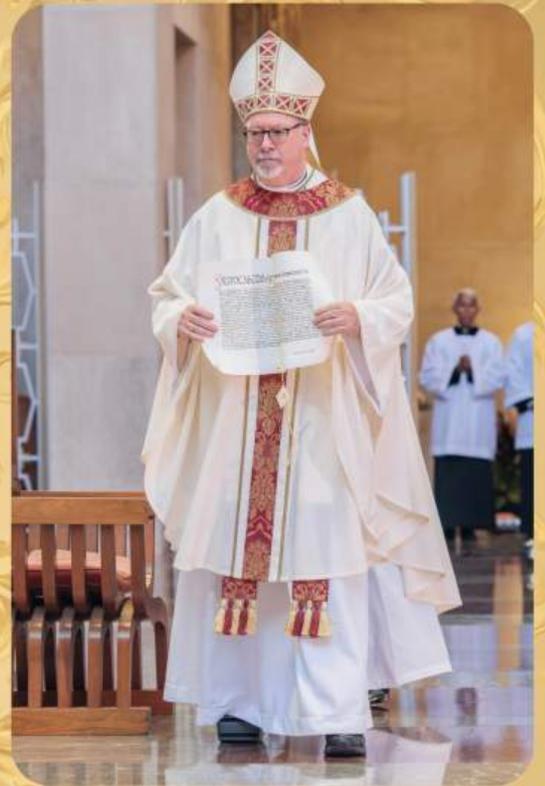
9:00 am: St. Joseph: +Michael Cistulli

10:00 am: St. Francis: +Diane Carson

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

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

Parish Life: Photos of the Week



Continued: Parishioners attend the Welcome Mass for Archbishop Coyne on October 9th at St. Joseph's Cathedral!



Congratulations to Rosalie Famularo who was baptized last weekend at St. Jerome!



College students pray, hear testimonies and celebrate with confetti cannons as they register for SEEK24!



The Ladies Guild October Meeting prays "The Living Rosary" presented by Carol Nelson from Divine Providence Parish.



Thank you to those who stopped by the Legion of Mary display tables after mass on October 8. For further information or to join the Legion of Mary, please contact one of the following members:

Anne Gurr, President

(860) 832-8657

Kathy Day, Secretary

(860) 348-1651

Mary Marrocco, Treasurer

(860) 224-7817



Congratulations to Luke Spinella who was baptized last weekend at St. Francis!

All Saints Day

**WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 1
A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

Mass Times:

**Tuesday October 31:
6:00 pm Vigil - St. Francis**

**Wednesday November 1:
8:00 am - St. Francis
12:00 pm - St. Jerome
6:00 pm - St. Francis**

Mass of Remembrance

**THURSDAY NOVEMBER 2
6:00 PM AT ST. FRANCIS**

In remembrance of all parishioners who have passed away in the last year



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS EVE
SUNDAY DECEMBER 24
4:00 PM ST. JEROME
10:00 PM ST. JEROME

CHRISTMAS DAY
MONDAY DECEMBER 25
9:00 AM ST. FRANCIS
11:00 AM ST. JOSEPH

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Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

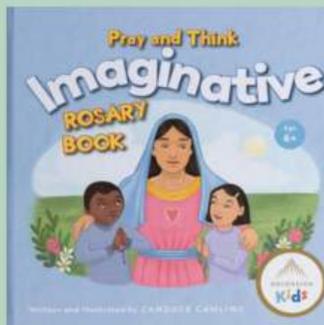
An introduction to the Catholic Faith and Sacrament preparation for adults

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." (1Peter 3:15)



Author:
Candace Camling

Pray and Think Imaginative Rosary

Colorful, reverent pictures and child-friendly explanations for each mystery offer parents and children a chance to grow together in the Faith. Meditation on the mysteries using pictures helps young Catholics think about each mystery with their imagination, gently introducing meditative prayer. Written by a Catholic mother for Catholic mothers, this book will teach children how to pray the Rosary and experience its beauty.

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PLEASE NOTE: VENMO SHOULD BE USED FOR DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH. MASS INTENTIONS MUST BE PAID CASH OR CHECK TO ST. FRANCIS CHURCH

Question of the Week Series: The Rosary

Part 4: Why do we use beads?

“The traditional aid used for reciting the Rosary is the set of beads. At its most basic level, the beads are a simple way to count Hail Marys. Yet they also take on a symbolism which brings deeper contemplation. The beads evoke the unending path of contemplation and of Christian perfection. Saints have likened them to a “chain” which links us to God, a “filial” chain which puts us in tune with Mary, and most of all, with Christ, who, though he is God, made himself a “servant” out of love for us (Phil 2:7). A fine way to expand the symbolism of the beads is to let them remind us of our many relationships, of the bond of communion and fraternity which unites us all in Christ.” - Pope Saint John Paul II

Source: http://www.vatican.va/content/john-paul-ii/en/apost_letters/2002/documents/hf_jp-ii_apl_20021016_rosarium-virginis-mariae.html

Join St. Francis of Assisi Parish on a 10-Day Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain, and France!

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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

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.

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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.

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 October 23, 30 & November 6.**

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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