

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



Congratulations to our high school students who made their Confirmation last weekend at the Cathedral of St. Joseph!

Twenty-Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time
October 8, 2023



Pastor
Rev. Michael Casey

Parochial Vicar
Rev. Eduar Gutierrez

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Alan Bielawski

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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. 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 1, 2023: \$10,096.75

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

Mass Attendance for the weekend
of October 1, 2023: 672

Thank you to all who support our parish.

Thank you!

The Family Fall Festival raised \$1500
for our Youth Faith Formation! Thank
you for your generosity and support!

In Loving Memory we pray for

Napoleon Callasky

Constance Francis

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 9:

No Evening Confession or Adoration

No Youth Faith Formation Classes or

Adult Faith Formation Video Series

due to Archbishop Coyne's Mass of Welcome

Weekly Mass Intentions

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

All weekday Masses are at St. Francis

Monday, October 9

8:00 am: Pro Populo

Tuesday, October 10

8:00 am: +Cipriano B.Alvizo Jr.

Wednesday, October 11

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant

Thursday, October 12

8:00 am: +Rosa & Giuseppe Ricciardi

Friday, October 13

8:00 am: Intention of the Celebrant

Saturday, October 14

8:00 am: St. Francis: +Emily & Joseph Rudnansky

4:00 pm Vigil: St. Jerome: +Matthew Petraniuk

Sunday, October 15

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

9:00 am: St. Joseph: +Natalina, Luigi, & Frank Sequenzia

10:00 am: St. Francis: +John & Jane Wilhelmy

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



Parishioners enjoy the afternoon at the first ever Family Fall Festival at St. Jerome!



Happy Birthday to our long time dedicated volunteer, Donna Domizio!



Fall Cleanup continues at St. Joseph and St. Jerome - thank you to the volunteers who came out in spite of the rain!



Father Casey received the Archdiocesan Pro-life Award at the Cathedral last Sunday

A HUGE thank you to our parish council, Knights of Columbus,
and all the volunteers who made our parish fall festival a big success.
We couldn't have done any of it without them. -Fr. Casey

*Thank
you*

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.

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.

****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

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

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

Led by Fr. Eduar Gutierrez, Parochial Vicar

April 8-17, 2024

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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)



Donald H. Calloway, MIC

Champions of the Rosary

In *Champions of the Rosary*, Fr. Calloway has written what is probably the most comprehensive book ever published on the rosary. The author deftly negotiates the complexities of the story of the rosary, weaving the historical, theological, and devotional strands into a veritable masterpiece of scholarship and piety. This book should turn every one of its readers into a champion of the rosary!

Author:

Fr. Donald Calloway

Page Count: 428

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Question of the Week Series: The Rosary

Part 2: How do you pray the Rosary?

The Rosary begins with the Sign of the Cross. At the beginning of each decade, we contemplate one of the five mysteries for that day. On Mondays & Saturdays, the joyful mysteries are contemplated; on Tuesdays & Fridays, the sorrowful mysteries; on Thursdays, the mysteries of light; and on Wednesdays & Sundays, the glorious mysteries. Each mystery is composed of an Our Father, ten Hail Mary's and a Glory Be. When the five mysteries have been prayed, the Litany of the Virgin is recited. According to the traditions of different places, to this basic structure of praying the Rosary are added some invocations and prayers that express the richness of popular piety.

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

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*



Fatima Holy Hour

The next Fatima Holy Hour will be **Sunday, October 8th**, 2:00 pm at St. Francis Church.

Join us for: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the Holy Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and a blessing with a 1st class relic of St. Faustina.

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 16, 23, 30 & November 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.

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

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Monetary donations & gift cards are also accepted. Donations may be brought to any of our open church buildings. In special need of starred(*) items

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.

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.

Please Note: This series will be on pause October 16 - November 6 due to Msgr. Matera's

Classes on the Eucharist and will resume on Monday November 13.

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